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# THE FATAL VISION MURDERS

**D**r. Jeffrey MacDonald's prospects appeared far from grim. At 26, the Princeton graduate had attained the rank of captain in the Army Medical Corps at Fort Bragg, ten miles northwest of Fayetteville, North Carolina. He was a talented physician; his contributions to emergency medicine have been adopted by paramedic and trauma units across the country. Acquaintances maintain that he doted on his family. Colette, his wife, was pregnant with her third child when her life ended, and his was coldly dismantled.

by Alex Constantine

On February 17, 1970 Colette MacDonald, Kimberly, age 5, and Kristen, 2, were bludgeoned and stabbed to death. MacDonald's wife had been stabbed 16 times with a knife, and 21 times with an ice pick, and hit at least six times in the head with a club. Military police responding to MacDonald's call for help found him unconscious with multiple stab wounds, one of which, examining physicians later testified, collapsed a lung. He was hospitalized for ten days. Despite the severity of his injuries, the government concluded they were "superficial" and "self-inflicted."

MacDonald told investigators he had been sleeping on the living room sofa and was awakened by four intruders — a black man in Army clothing, two white men, and a blonde woman wearing "hippie" clothing and carrying a

candle. He recalled that the woman had been chanting "Acid is groovy" and "Kill the pigs." He claimed that he had struggled with the intruders, and then passed out.

MacDonald was charged, tried and acquitted in 1970 at an Army hearing, and was honorably discharged. However, due largely to the efforts of Colette MacDonald's stepfather, he was retried in the summer of 1979 and was found guilty. Acquitted by an appellate court a year later, he was ultimately sentenced yet again in a 1982 Supreme Court decision. He is currently serving three life terms in a medium-security prison in Sheridan, Oregon.

## "Shoddy and Slimy"

Before Joe McGinniss vilified Ed-

ward Kennedy in **The Last Brother** (one **Washington Post** reviewer described the biography as "shoddy, slimy and unrelievedly rotten"), he wrote **Fatal Vision**, widely considered to be the authoritative account of the brutal triple homicide. The official account of the killings was packaged as a mass-market book which popularized the government's case against MacDonald. It was also a critically-acclaimed NBC mini-series. The book, MacDonald insists, was larded with long sections of imaginary dialogue and erroneous conjecture about his involvement in the killings. [Editor's Note: In 1987, MacDonald brought a \$15 million lawsuit against McGinniss for breach of contract and fraud. The case ended in a mistrial in August, 1987. However, in

December 1987, MacDonald received

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\$325,000.00 in an out-of-court settlement.]

Did MacDonald, for example, really suffer "malignant narcissism" and acute "amphetamine psychosis" — two core premises of the book — which rendered him capable of killing his family? The drug theory is ruled out by periodic blood tests administered at the hospital where MacDonald worked. These proved negative, as did the blood test taken after the murders. His medical examination before surgery on the collapsed lung found no drugs or alcohol in his system. MacDonald's defense attorney, Michael Malley, offers that "McGinniss simply made up this theory," as he would later fabricate details about the life of Edward Kennedy. In **Fatal Vision**, McGinniss promotes the government's unlikely theory that MacDonald's knife wounds were self-inflicted. Of course his 17 stab wounds (one life-threatening) might be viewed as confirmation that the family was, as MacDonald claimed, attacked by knife-wielding intruders.

Who is Joe McGinniss? It has not occurred to the press gang (which has done much to burnish his reputation) to ask. In the Kennedy book, the mass-market journalist admits without explanation or detail, that his source was "FBI wire-taps" for the allegation that Ted's brother John defeated Hubert Humphrey for the Democratic nomination in West Virginia by promising to "bribe local sheriffs and other election officials" with funds from Chicago mobsters. Melinda Stephens, a friend of Jeffrey MacDonald and editor of a newsletter about the case, contends McGinniss collaborated with the government's prosecutors "to present false statements about the evidence" in an attempt to mold public opinion. In both books, McGinniss gleans incriminating information from federal sources. **Fatal Vision** is, like the Kennedy biography,

a political hit piece

The small but vocal ranks of MacDonald supporters believe he was imprisoned not for killing his family, but in order to obscure the crimes of certain shadowy figures in the intelligence community with connections to public office and the Pentagon. Unfortunately, the paperback indictment of MacDonald has only reinforced the public perception of MacDonald's guilt, and kept dormant one of the most unconscionable scandals in American military history.

### Fatal Justice

So, why do his supporters think MacDonald is innocent? Perhaps because three other suspects in the murders have confessed. In addition, MacDonald's ver-

ily, and their motive.

"Malignant narcissism," drugs and "rage at the female sex" aside, another perspective of the case begins with a young criminology student and police informant from Nashville, Tennessee, Helena Stoeckley. In 1968, Stoeckley, whose information on the narcotics underground resulted in over 200 arrests in the Fort Bragg area (though she was ruled not credible by Judge DuPree, who presided over the MacDonald case), was transferred by her police contact, Lieutenant Rudy Studer, to the office of Detective Everett Beasley, a new cop on the narcotics squad. Beasley didn't know it, but Stoeckley had fallen in with a circle of Vietnam vets running heroin into the Fort Bragg area.

On one occasion, Stoeckley told Beasley that "drugs, primarily heroin, were being smuggled into this country in the body cavities of casualties returned by air from Vietnam. She named Ike Atkinson as the ring leader." Atkinson was assigned to Seymour-Johnson Air Force Base in Goldboro, North Carolina. He was "in the service," Stoeckley said, "but

subsequently got out and continued his business in drugs with the same contacts."

In a 1985 deposition, Beasley stated that a shaken Helena Stoeckley contacted him after the murder of Jeffrey MacDonald's family. She told him that she had been in the MacDonald house in the early morning hours of February 17th. She also provided him with details about the drug operation. The drug runners, she said, had contacts in Vietnam who put drugs in the bodies of war casualties. The bodies were restitched and shipped to Johnson Air Base and other installations around the country. When the bodies arrived in the U.S., they were met by a military contact and the drugs were removed. The bodies were then sent on to their final destinations. "The person who met the



sion of events has been confirmed by some 40 witnesses. A 1200-page report compiled by former FBI investigator Ted Gunderson, taken together with the sworn depositions of witnesses, press accounts, and interviews with investigators, combine in a case sharply at odds with the government's.

Jerry Potter, co-author of a recent reinvestigation of the MacDonald case (**Fatal Justice**, Norton, 1995), contends "Every piece of evidence that the government brought against Jeffrey MacDonald at trial can be destroyed by their own hidden documents. And every piece of evidence found at the crime scene that would have helped him was suppressed." Moreover, evidence that MacDonald was framed, as he has maintained consistently since his conviction, manifests the identities of the actual assailants of MacDonald's fam-



bodies at the respective air bases knew which bodies to check, based on a predetermined code," Beasley says. "Helena told me that the people who handled the assignments in Vietnam, and those who met the planes in the United States, were military personnel." She also told him that the couriers made their pick-ups at Fort Bragg. Distribution was handled by enlisted men, civilians, and police officers. "Local attorneys and Army officers as high as generals were part of the operation. She stated that she would name and identify the people if given immunity by the U.S. government."

Beasley believes the workings of the drug operation were part of the "bombshell" Stoeckley promised to drop at the trial of Jeffrey MacDonald. But the government would not offer her immunity. Facing a possible conviction for participation in the killings, she admitted later, Stoeckley overdosed herself with drugs before appearing at MacDonald's trial. She was reeling under the influence when she recanted on the stand, and was dismissed as a witness. If granted immunity, Stoeckley might well have toppled an international drug empire. Had she lived, Stoeckley's testimony would have surely drawn national attention to an obscure chapter of the war in Southeast Asia.

The heroin operation described by Stoeckley is directly related to the attempted murder of Jeffrey MacDonald and the killing of his family.

#### **The Black Masonic Club**

During the war in Vietnam and after, small contingents of American soldiers settled in Thailand to enter the world heroin trade. Among the Yank opium gangs was a syndicate of G.I.s known as the Black Masonic Club, led by Leslie "Ike" Atkinson, nicknamed "Sergeant Smack." Jack's American Style Bar in Bangkok, a favorite watering hole for Black G.I.s on furlough and a notorious drug dispensary, was the Club's home. Atkinson was identified by Helena Stoeckley as the leader of the umbrella group linked to the MacDonald killings. Atkinson had no role in the killings, but a sub-group in Fayetteville reportedly did. One of this group, Cathy Perry, confessed to the FBI in 1984 that she took part in the killings. In December 1970, Perry had confided to a friend that she had "killed several persons." She complained that "the Black Cult" had pressured her to do "things" against her will.

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Military police, looking into the black market in stolen supplies and narcotics, periodically snagged an enlisted man or petty officer. Pressured to plea bargain, they often named senior officials. One team of drug agents filed reports at military bases around the country. Eyewitnesses at Norton Air Force Base in California agreed to roll over under immunity and testify that incoming bodies, stuffed with as much as 50 pounds of heroin each, were surgically relieved of the contraband. *Wall Street Journal* reporter Jonathan Kwitny reports in *The Crimes of Patriots*, published in 1987, that "corrupt U.S. and Vietnamese officials" arrested for complicity in the heroin pipeline

turned evidence on "senior" U.S. officers. "These reports checked out," Kwitny affirmed (leaving the identities of said officials a lingering mystery).

The Army acted quickly – not by rounding up the ring leaders, but by dismantling the investigative team and packing them off to combat duty in Vietnam. Skittish military officials, alleges Ted Gunderson, former agent-in-charge of the FBI's Los Angeles office and a longtime MacDonald supporter, only pursued low-level couriers in the drug transfers. "High-ranking Army officers," he says, "were in charge of this drug ring (and) have never been identified. Informants have advised that the Army investigation of the operation was controlled and manipulated to conceal its magnitude and the extent of (official) participation."

This gruesome successor to Air America began to fall apart in 1972, when federal agents were tipped off that 20 kilos of heroin could be found aboard a KC-135 bound for Delaware's Dover Air Force Base. The plane was ordered to land in Maryland, and the agents searched the transport. The search proved futile until one agent noticed that a body in the cargo-hold had been freshly stitched. The agents arrested Thomas Southerland, an Army veteran from North Carolina. His bail was set at \$50,000. The jury was informed that Southerland was an operative in an international opium ring.

The DEA soon arrested Ike Atkinson, currently serving a forty-year prison sentence. Federal authorities are convinced that he still has \$85 million tucked away in offshore accounts. (Atkinson has since changed his name. He has told fellow prisoners that he was used in CIA mind control experiments. He was, apparently, a pawn, not a true Insider. Federal documents released under FOIA have since established that the Agency used the military as cover for experiments in behavior modification.) The stiff sentence contrasts sharply with the fate of James Smedley, who directed the Thai end of the operation. Smedley spent two years in a Bangkok prison and was released to enter a guilty plea in a Raleigh, North Carolina courthouse. He walked



away with a reprimand and parole. Jasper Myrick, a courier, did not fare so well – he was arrested in Bangkok and sentenced to 33 years in a maximum-security cell. Meanwhile, in Fayetteville, an accused drug dealer, Spider Newman, consented to turn state's evidence on his suppliers. The case was heard in federal court. During a break in the trial, Newman disappeared. His body was found in his car, behind his home. He'd been shot in the head. Police ruled the death a suicide.

But in 1970, the Atkinson syndicate was still operating undetected. Some of the local distributors feared and loathed one Dr. Jeffrey MacDonald. The primary aim of any murder investigation is the establishment of motive. The prosecution, and later McGinniss, smeared MacDonald by falsely attributing the murders to amphetamine abuse. Actually, according to testimony that surfaced in the 1970 military trial, addicts on base considered MacDonald a threat because he actively opposed drug use, and attempted to get to the bottom of the supply ring. As an Army drug counselor, he routinely treated soldiers who were down-and-strung-out at Fort Bragg, among them a boyfriend of Cathy Perry (whose murder confession has long been shunned in the prosecution's office) named Warmbrod. MacDonald couldn't help but notice the rising glut of hard narcotics at Fort Bragg. One study concluded there were 800 to 1,000 heroin addicts at the Fayetteville base alone. MacDonald pressured those in his treatment program to name their sources of supply. Army Major Jim Williams, a drug counselor who worked closely with MacDonald, testified at the Article 32 hearing that his colleague had waded into perilous waters. "I became very concerned not only for my health but for Dr. MacDonald's," he testified. But MacDonald remained disturbed by the prevalence of narcotics on the base. He persisted in his one-man crusade against the warnings of Major Williams. Major Williams' concern gave way to alarm. He felt that MacDonald was way over his head.

Among the details that Helena Stoeckly had given Detective Beasley in 1970 were the names of police officers entangled in the body-bag operation. One of them was Lt. Rudy Studer, the informant's former contact. Shortly after the MacDonald murders, Studer was promoted to Captain, Chief of Detectives. The promotion was short-lived, however, as Studer was soon forced to resign after "misappropriating" pornographic material seized in a police raid. Stoeckley said Studer supplied her with heroin for sale in Fayetteville. His partner in the drug trade was allegedly William Ivory, of the Army's Criminal Investigations Division (CID).

This was a very pertinent bombshell



Helena Stoeckley at the time of the murders (right) and the police sketch based on Jeffrey MacDonald's description of the "chanting hippie" who took part in the murder of his family. Stoeckley would ultimately confess to the crime, but when the government would not grant her immunity, she recanted on the stand.

because Ivory, the agent on duty the night of the murders, directed the search of MacDonald's home, and was placed in charge of the CID investigation despite his age, 26, and the fact that he had absolutely no experience directing a murder probe. His immediate background was a stint as MP, investigating traffic mishaps and interrogating drug suspects. Ivory was clearly not qualified to head an investigation of this magnitude.

MacDonald's defense attorneys have probed Ivory's acquaintance with members of the Atkinson drug syndicate. In

February 1991, MacDonald wrote to his attorney, Harvey Silverglate, that "Ivory perjured himself at the Article 32 trial over when his relationship began with Helena Stoeckley. We now know from recent informants in the CID that Ivory knew her pre-February 17th (prior to the murders), and secretly had her in a safehouse two days later for an 'interview.'" In other words, the same military official who indicted MacDonald had some kind of working relationship to a confessed participant in the murders. Consistently, the same military personnel entangled in the body-bag connection figured prominently in the MacDonald killings, as Ivory did in the subsequent investigation.

### "He'd kill you in a minute"

City officials fingered by Stoeckley in the body-bag drug syndicate also had a direct role in the prosecution of Jeffrey MacDonald. "Helena once mentioned the name Proctor to me," Beasley recalled in a signed statement. James Proctor, a prosecuting attorney in the MacDonald case, was the former son-in-law of Judge DuPree, a certain conflict-of-interest in a case this sensitive. Alan Mazorelle, a drug courier named by Stoeckley, "was in the Army," stationed at Fort Bragg, and took part in the killings. She said Mazorelle was dealing drugs quite heavily by this time. He married and produced a daughter, but spent most of his time away on "military business," shuttling between military bases, mixing with smugglers and avoiding the MPs. Mazorelle once boasted to friends that he was assigned to the CID. Of all the underworld figures with whom she dealt, Stoeckley feared him most. "Mazorelle would kill you in a minute," she said.

Her dread was shared by Mazorelle's daughter, who alleges that he prided himself on homicides made to appear to be accidents. She told investigative reporter Ted Schwartz that her father was fascinated with mind control. He had learned hypnosis, and through it attempted to divide her into two distinct personalities. Schwartz's



investigation of Mazorelle confirmed that he was active in cult activity. Beasley maintains that he compiled extensive intelligence files on all of Stoeckley's associates, "but this information has since disappeared from the Fayetteville police files," he said. Beasley discovered that the files had vanished in 1979. "During the MacDonald trial I was given a subpoena to bring these records to trial. It was then I discovered they were gone," he says. Among them was the file of Greg Mitchell, a G.I. placed by Stoeckley at the crime scene, and one of several "Fatal Vision" casualties. His wife recalls that Mitchell once explained to her how drugs were smuggled into the country in the body cavities of soldiers killed in Vietnam. Mitchell was questioned by the FBI in 1982. Shortly thereafter he told friends he was leaving the country to evade arrest for "serious crimes," notably the murder of MacDonald's wife and children. Two reliable witnesses, Ann Sutton Cannady and Juanita Sisneros, found the words "I KILLED MACDONALD'S WIFE AND CHILDREN" scrawled by Mitchell in red paint on a farmhouse wall. Unfortunately, Mitchell's travel plans were canceled by sclerosis of the liver.

Sclerosis, normally a lingering illness, was also the instantaneous cause of Helena Stoeckley's death seven months later. Before she died, Stoeckley complained to friends that "two men in suits" were tailing her. Neighbors have since confirmed that two well-dressed strangers parked for long periods in front of her apartment, according to

Potter and Bost in **Fatal Justice**. "Shockingly," Ted Gunderson gradually realized, as his own investigation for MacDonald's defense team led him from one witness to the next, "the group MacDonald described existed, was drug and violence-oriented, was seen going to and coming from the house, was seen in bloody clothing, and fits his descriptions."

#### "Lost" Evidence

MacDonald passed a polygraph. He submitted to five independent forensic examinations. The government's own lab specimens link Fort Bragg's body-bag ring to the crime scene, including a long synthetic blonde strand corroborating MacDonald's contention that Stoeckley wore a blonde wig the night of the murders. A bloody syringe found in his home was "lost" by the prosecution. In fact, government files released since the trial verify that William Ivory, the CID investigator and alleged body-bag drug courier, misplaced or destroyed most of the evidence cor-

roborating Dr. MacDonald's version of events. The defense team never knew that Stoeckley's bloody boots and clothing were turned over to the Army CID by a friend of Helena Stoeckley. Or that blood samples conforming to Greg Mitchell's type were taken from the MacDonald house, as were seven fingerprints of persons unknown — discarded because "they kept getting mixed up with the known prints." And federal prosecutors violated federal rules of evidence by bluntly refusing to provide MacDonald's attorneys with the addresses of witnesses required in

preparation for trial. They were only given the list of addresses after the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals ordered the prosecution to relinquish them.

#### LSD and Mind Control

Another possible motive for a MacDonald set-up was sketched in 1987 by Melinda Stephens, in **I Accuse: The Torturing of An America Hero**, a self-published debunking of the government's case. The suspects described by MacDonald "all existed," she observes, "all knew each other and all had a motive to kill ... drugs. The Army had a motive for covering up their crimes, stemming from the fact that they were government informants involved in illegal LSD experiments at Fort Bragg." Her source of information was Major Jim Williams, MacDonald's colleague and the witness at the 1970 hearing who testified that he feared MacDonald had carried his investigation of drugs on the base too far, and had thereby courted disaster. Williams also stated on the record that the confessed "Fatal Vision" killers were government informants. (As noted, Ike Atkinson has alleged that he was used in a CIA mind control operation involving brain telemetry.)

All of this is consistent with CID Investigator William Ivory's recruitment of Dr. James A. Brussel, a mental health commissioner for the state of New York. Brussel has claimed to be an agent of the CIA and an adviser to the CID's counterespionage division. He also, according to Potter and Bost, was "an innovative researcher into novel methods for controlling inmates in psychiatric institutions. Lamenting the frustrations of managing unruly patients and the cost of housing them in the late 1940s, Brussel and an associate instituted electric shock experiments on the brains of female inmates." Dr. Brussel's early ECT treatments were performed on 50 female mental patients, in some cases at the rate of 40-50 sessions per patient. Brussel also experimented with amphetamines and methadrine on depressed patients. Brussel was recruited by Ivory in 1971 as a secret consultant to the government.

Yet another CIA mind control researcher brought into the MacDonald case was the infamous William Kroger,





author of **Hypnosis and Behavior Modification** (1963), with a preface by MKULTRA's Martin Orne and H.J. Eysenck. Kroger's work for the Agency involved hypnosis as an espionage tool. Of particular interest to Kroger was the development of a drug-assisted, hypnotic means of programming intelligence operatives to carry out an assignment and obscure any memory of it. Whether these mind control specialists had a direct role in the killings is not clear, but the confessions of Helena Stoeckley and Cathy Perry both mention

dim recall of events of February 17, 1970, as if they'd "dreamed" the killings.

They have provided MacDonald's defense team with a wealth of details, confirming that the only "Fatal Vision" in the case is the government's own. It's clear that McGinniss's book has served to divert attention away from the body-bag connection and the CIA's attempts, in violation of repeated Congressional injunctions, to commandeer the mind.

**Fatal Vision** is their cover story. •



Above: Dr. Jeffrey MacDonald

# What the Jury Didn't Know

*The presence of intruders at the MacDonald crime scene is suggested by certain physical evidence, some of which is described below. "Unidentified" and "unmatched" mean that the items could not be traced to any source:*

- Unidentified candle wax was found on the living-room coffee table (CID Exhibit G-201). MacDonald reported that he saw flickering candlelight when he woke and struggled with intruders.
- Unidentified wax was found on the west side of the washing machine in the kitchen (CID Exhibit D-27K and lab notes, March 3, 1970), but not disclosed to the defense and jury. Bloodstains were found on both sides of the washing machine (CID Exhibits D-19K and D-27K). Fingerprints on the washing machine were noted but not collected (CID technician Hilyard Medlin's sworn deposition, June 29, 1970).
- Unidentified yellow wax with an unidentified hair embedded in it was found on the hall wall (CID Exhibit F-60; CID technician Craig Chamberlain's lab note 60, February 18, 1970; undated lab note "wax = 60, 131"), but not disclosed to the defense and jury.
- A burned match was found near the radiator in two-year-old Kristen's room (CID Exhibit 39NB, collected February 19, 1970, by CID technician Walter Rowe), but not disclosed to the defense and jury.
- An unidentified red-pink wool fiber was found on MacDonald's reading glasses, along with a speck of Type O blood (CID lab

reports R34 and R35 and lab notes; Janice Glisson's search, August 2, 1973). Human blood

of undetermined type was found on the living-room floor near the reading glasses (CID Exhibit D-161). The fiber on the glasses was not disclosed to the defense and jury.

- A stemmed drinking glass bearing an unidentified adult fingerprint, apparently female, was found on the living-room end table; the glass held dregs of chocolate milk purchased by Colette MacDonald on the night of the murders (CID technician Hilyard Medlin's deposition, June 29, 1970; Medlin internal CID memorandum, April 1, 1971).

- Three bloodstained gloves were found in the kitchen (CID Exhibits D-33K and D-34K).

- A bloody syringe containing an unknown liquid was found in the hall closet (Note made by FBI agent H. Warren Tool, Jr. during CID briefing on February 21, 1970), but not disclosed to the defense and jury.

- Blond wig hairs, up to 22 inches long, were found in a hairbrush on a chair next to the kitchen phone (CID lab notes, April 20 and May 7, 1971), but not disclosed to the defense and jury.

- Two unmatched black wool fibers were found on the murder club (FBI lab notes and post-trial 1992 court arguments), but not disclosed to the defense and jury. The CID recorded three unidentified "human pubic or body hairs," which apparently shook loose from the club in the evidence bag (CID Exhibit E-206 and lab notes of February 28 and March 10, 1970); the hairs were called "animal hairs" in a 1974 FBI reevaluation (FBI Exhibit Q92).

- An unidentified hair was found on a fragment of rubber glove in a crumpled blue sheet in the master bedroom (CID technician Craig Chamberlain's lab note 21 made at the

scene, February 17, 1970), but not disclosed to the defense and jury. A piece of skin tissue was found in the same sheet (CID Exhibit E-211 and lab note of March 4, 1970), but not disclosed to the defense and jury; the skin tissue disappeared after it was catalogued. Near the sheet on the bedroom floor the CID found an unmatched clear nylon fiber adhering to a splinter from the murder club (CID lab note).

- Items on or near the body of Colette MacDonald: An unidentified piece of skin tissue was found on one of her fingernails (Autopsy and CID reports), but was subsequently lost by the government; the loss was not disclosed to the defense and jury. An unmatched blue acrylic fiber was found in her right hand (CID Exhibit E-4; CID lab note, February 28, 1970; internal FBI report, November 5, 1974). An unidentified hair was found clutched in her left hand (CID Exhibit E-5). A black wool fiber, a purple fiber, and a pink fiber, all unidentified as to source, were found around her mouth (CID lab note, March 6, 1970; FBI lab notes and post-trial 1992 court arguments), but not disclosed to the defense and jury. An unmatched black wool fiber was found on her right bicep (FBI lab notes and post-trial 1992 court arguments), but not disclosed to the defense and jury. Two unidentified body hairs were found near her left arm, close to three bloody splinters, and another unidentified hair was found under her body (CID Exhibit E-301, CID lab note of March 20, 1970); the fact that these hairs were unidentified was not disclosed to the defense and jury. Also found under her body was an unmatched greenish brown cotton fiber and an unmatched, "heavily bloodstained" nylon gold fiber (CID lab notes). A clump of fibers was found adhering to a bloodstained hair of Colette's: a blue fiber in the clump was matched to the throw rug in the master bedroom but the others could not be traced to any source (Lab notes of CID technician Dillard Browning and FBI agent James Frier). •

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The Specifics on the General

# Questions the Mass Media Won't Ask Colin Powell

by Mark Robinowitz

**G**eneral Colin Powell is being promoted by the establishment media as a "moderate" who would make a great "centrist" President, especially for those tired of Demican and Republicrat business as usual. But while Powell is not a fundamentalist theocrat like some Republicans, his involvement in mass slaughter of civilians and secret arms shipments to Iran should disqualify him for public office.

"Unhappy is the land that needs a hero."

Bertold Brecht

## The My Lai Cover-Up

Powell's career began as an Army Ranger (special forces) during the Vietnam War. As Deputy Assistant Chief of Staff for Operations at a base in Vietnam, he was ordered to investigate claims of Army massacres at My Lai (where US forces murdered hundreds of Vietnamese civilians on March 16, 1968). While he had no direct involvement in the tragedy, Powell's cosmetic "investigation" of allegations by soldier Tom Glen, who knew about the slaughter, concluded that Glen's charges were false. It wasn't until many months later that another soldier, Ron Ridenhour, complained to his Congressman, and serious inquiries into the My Lai massacre began at the Army's Washington headquarters. (*The New Republic*, 4/17/95).

When My Lai became public knowledge, many officers responded by resigning in protest or even joining peace demonstrations. Powell's response was to burrow further into the military establishment. He went to a higher post in the Pentagon, then to Nixon's Office of Management and Budget, where he met Casper Weinberger and Frank Carlucci, who would each later command the Pentagon during the Reagan Administration.

Powell kept silent during the rest of the war, the Watergate scandal, and Nixon's racist appeals for votes.

## The Iran-Contra Scandal

Just before leaving office, President Bush pardoned Casper Weinberger, preventing any prosecution for his involvement in the illegal arms for hostages deals known as Iran-Contra. This act was one of the best things for Powell's future political career, since he was deeply involved in the scandal. There would never be a trial of his former boss, Defense Secretary Weinberger, where he'd have to testify.

The US aided both Iran and Iraq during their eight-year war, in which one million people died. No one knows how many thousands were killed with the 2,000+ missiles Powell helped send to Iran:

"Weinberger testified before the [Senate Select] Committee [on Intelligence] that later that day he received a call from Poindexter informing him of the President's action [to send weapons to Iran]. Weinberger ... instructed military aide, Major General Colin Powell, to arrange the transfer of the weapons ... to the CIA, and that the matter was to be closely held at the direction of the President.

"General Powell had had previous discussions with [Oliver] North about the program and about Israel's problems in getting replacement TOW's [missiles]. .... According to [Assistant DOD Secretary Richard] Armitage and a CIA



official, Powell worked with Major General Vincent Russo, of the Defense Logistics Agency, to provide the material securely and without any loss of funds for the Army." (The National Security Archive, **The Chronology: The Documented Day-by-Day Account of the Secret Military Assistance to Iran and the Contras**, Warner Books, 1987, p. 262.)

"Weinberger reluctantly ordered his military aide, Major General Colin L. Powell, to arrange the sale of TOW's for North's new deal." (Jane Mayer and Doyle McManus, **Landslide: The Unmaking of the President 1984-1988**, p. 197.)

In addition, after Powell became Ronald Reagan's National Security Advisor—an "insider" position if there ever was one—this "moderate" threatened to cut off US aid to any Central American country that refused to support the US-backed Contra war against Nicaragua.

How does Powell's expertise in covering up weapons shipments to Iran and playing hardball with Central American peasants qualify him to lead a democracy?

#### **Panama: the News Not Fit to Print**

In December 1989, while Powell was Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff—the top military leader for all US forces—George Bush invaded Panama in an attack condemned by almost every other country on Earth. Portrayed as a "surgical strike" on Manuel Noriega, it did virtually nothing to stem the flow of drugs into the US. (Noriega's replacements installed by the US Southern Command were also linked to the profitable drug/banking trade.) An investigation by Codehuca (Central American Human Rights Commission) concluded:

- "The U.S. Army used highly sophisticated weapons, some for the first time, in combat against unarmed civilian populations."
- "The human costs of the invasion are substantially higher than the official figures. Conservative estimates indicate that civilian fatalities were at least 10 times greater than the U.S. figure of 220."
- "The actual death toll has been obscured through U.S. military practices including: 1) Incineration of corpses prior to identification; 2) Burial of remains in common graves prior to identification; and 3) U.S. military control of administrative offices of hospitals and morgues, permitting the removal of all registries to U.S. military bases."
- "A thorough, well-planned propaganda campaign has been implemented by U.S. authorities to ... deny the brutality and extensive human and material costs of the invasion."

Former Attorney General Ramsey Clark reported a "conspiracy of silence" regarding civilian dead, and former U.S. Ambassador to Panama Ambler Moss stated that his "gut instinct is that there [are] an awful lot of parties around there that have an interest in covering up [the true] numbers."

(**New York Times**, 1/10/90). After visiting Panama, Clark estimated that 4,000 died. Catholic priest Diego Caffley, working in Panama, reported that the invasion killed 3,000 people and that the main obstacle to learning how many people were killed was the US Army Southern Command (**La Republica**, Costa Rica, 11/01/90).

Many of the victims lived in the El Chorrillos slum next to Panamanian military headquarters. This neighborhood was leveled by US bombs, and the number of dead remains unknown. Most were of African descent and among the poorest in Panamanian society. The Black, mestizo, and Indian populations suffered most of the destruction and misery wreaked by U.S. forces. Panamanians opposing the invasion, even those also opposed to Noriega, were ignored by most US journalists.

The Panama invasion, which occurred just weeks after the fall of the Berlin Wall, helped prevent efforts to cut the military budget.

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"It's really clear ... that the military action in Panama violates international law, designed to maintain peace, and the laws of the [US] which are designed to keep the [US] out of war and from committing unlawful military aggressions." (Ramsey Clark, 12/27/89).

How does General Powell's involvement in the illegal invasion of Panama and the

massacre of civilians qualify him to work for world peace?

#### **The Gulf War**

"Every Black soldier ought to say, 'I am not going to fight. This is not my war.'" Martin Luther King, III, 1/18/91

Powell, as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, presided over the bloody Persian Gulf war. John Lehman, Reagan's first Navy Secretary, reportedly confided in 1991 at a gathering at the "Bohemian Grove" (an all-male retreat for corporate and political leaders in northern California) that 200,000 people were killed in the Gulf War. US forces bulldozed Iraqi draftees into mass graves, bombed retreating forces on the "Highway of Death," set oil refineries on fire (not all oil spills were caused by Saddam Hussein), dropped uranium tipped shells across the desert (over 40 tons of radioactive uranium was scattered), and threatened to use nuclear weapons before the conflict started. But since strict Pentagon censorship prohibited virtually any photographic documentation of the slaughter, Americans who only watched TV never learned what happened in the desert.

Powell claims that he never received an illegal order during his military career, but orders to bomb civilians in Iraq



and Panama (among many other locations) certainly could be classified as war crimes, which Powell should have refused to carry out under both the Uniform Code of Military Justice (which mandates that soldiers refuse illegal orders) and the Nuremberg Principles. Instead, Powell's only documented opposition to any policy was about Clinton's efforts to end anti-gay witchhunts in the military. Powell urged military men to resign if they also opposed Clinton's policies.

### **Powell for President?**

Why is the mass media virtually unable to look at Powell's inglorious past? Arms to Iran, mass graves in Panama, and the Kuwaiti "highway of death" are more important than his ostensible beliefs, which his handlers have devised for public consumption.

Powell is an opportunist interested in POWER, not reactionary ideology. He partially resembles Chief Buthelezi of South Africa, who worked secretly on behalf of the Apartheid regime. Buthelezi didn't work for apartheid for ideological reasons, but because he wanted to increase his power base, and the oppressors were willing to help him do it. Likewise, Powell has furthered his own career through involvement in bloody wars, not out of reactionary ideology but rather a desire to help perpetuate US military power and dominance over the planet.

Every oppressed group throughout history has had members willing to aid the oppressors to further their own positions, either out of misguided self-interest or by identifying with the oppressors. Even the Nazi ghettos in Poland had Jews willing to help the Germans round up their victims.

Powell claims that he supported (and benefited from) the civil rights movement, but Martin Luther King and other leaders worked from a nonviolent perspective, and strongly condemned the Vietnam War. King, if he had not been killed, would certainly have protested Powell's actions in Central America and the Middle East.

When the Air Force allowed women to become "missileers" (who are ready to launch nuclear Armageddon 24 hours a day), this decision was not an advancement for

feminism and gender equality. Likewise, Powell's involvement in illegal invasions and mass murder, not to mention his control of the nuclear doomsday machine, merely proves that the military is not strictly racist: they're willing to allow a black face to rise, as long as that face conforms to the program and follows orders.

Affirmative action is not about being the first person of non-European descent to plot the murder of thousands of non-whites from within the bowels of the Pentagon. Powell's rise to the top of the Pentagon did not advance the cause of racial equality, just his own personal lust for power.

Opposition to General Powell is not based on the fact of his military service, since there is a big difference between people who join the military due to the "economic draft" and a General who ordered the massacre of defenseless civilians in Panama City's slums and their burial in secret mass graves.

Powell is well qualified to perpetuate obscene levels of military spending, plan invasions of virtually unarmed countries like Panama, and cover-up the resulting civilian carnage, casualties. He's also expert at covering up weapons sales to ultra-dictatorships like Iran. But it's doubtful that he's thought much about environmental sustainability, improving education to teach critical thinking, reducing extreme inequality and reviving a sense of community (i.e. it's different than pure jingoist nationalism) in this country.

While Powell's involvement in Iran-Contra, the illegal Panama massacre and last, but not least, the Gulf War, qualifies him to run the world's largest military industrial complex, it does not qualify him to supervise the transition to a better, more equitable, sustainable society not predicated on mass murder and limitless resource exploitation. Voting for Powell would be no different than voting for Lockheed or General Dynamics for President.

Haven't we had enough presidents who get our country involved in secret, bloody, disgusting wars?•

**Editor's Note:** This article was written before Gen. Powell announced his decision not to run in 1996. His plans for the 2000 elections remain unknown.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

• **MUFON's 27th Annual Symposium**, July 6, 7, 8, 1996, Holiday Inn Four Seasons Convention Center, Greensboro, NC

National conference featuring 13 well-known speakers, including Philip Mantle, Director MUFON-UK on the Ray Santilli film, Carlos Guzman, Mexico City UFO researcher on major current UFO sightings, Chris Styles from Nova Scotia on the Shag Harbour UFO crash, John Carpenter, MUFON Director of Abduction Research will show slides and illustrations of creatures being seen currently. For updated info, call or write: Walter Andrus at 103 Oldtowne Rd, Sequin, TX 78155, (210) 379-9216

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• **American Dream or Apocalyptic Nightmare?** The Proceedings of the first People's Think Tank Conference for the study of new paradigms of human consciousness which took place on November 12, 1995 are now available for those unable to make the conference. Speakers were: R.B.Cutler, Gerald Carroll, Michael Donovan, Eugenia Macer-Story, George C. Andrews, Wendy Wallace and the People's Panel! We are people, we can think, and we think things are getting very weird! Please send \$10.00 to Newspeak, 5 Steeple Street, Providence, RI 02903.



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**Lost amid 1994's media whirl** of Bosnia, Rwanda, and the O.J. Simpson trial was a small item signaling the return of the United States' space program to the Moon—a new age in lunar exploration kicked off by a small disposable satellite dubbed “Clementine,” allegedly a spin-off from the supposedly inactive Space Defense Initiative (SDI).

Controversial UFO researcher George Andrews observed: “It’s curious that the first American mission to the Moon in over 21 years received no more than two inches of space in the country’s major newspapers.” He went on to note that the mission’s steep price tag—\$75 million—should have at least drawn someone’s attention. According to an AP newswire, Clementine’s mission was to photograph our natural satellite along with an unspecified asteroid in order to test new defensive hardware, the exact nature of which remained unspecified.

NASA’s long vacation from lunar exploration has been rationalized as a result of public indifference to space exploration or even outright hostility at the high cost of space probes. It has also been suggested that there was nothing all that exciting about the Moon in the first place, the payoff for manned space exploration lying in the red sands of Mars or in the mineral-rich asteroid belt. Eight hundred pounds of lunar rocks later, it seemed that everything scientists had ever wanted to know about our closest neighbor in space had been discovered.

The fact is that the Moon had never quite been forgotten by NASA: it had been noted during the Viking Mars Program that a lander similar to the one aimed at Chryse Planitia could easily place a thousand pounds of scientific equipment anywhere on the Moon, even on the elusive dark side, while an orbiter provided contact with Earth. In the 1980’s, former Astronaut Sally Ride

**by Scott Corrales**

chaired a committee to establish the best way to return to our satellite as a stepping-stone for the more difficult Mars endeavor.

But there were other schools of thought suggesting more intriguing scenarios, such as that the Apollo program had been elaborate, low-tech window dressing to conceal a more sophisticated military space program doing the actual exploration. Some went so far as suggesting that manned bases had been established below the lunar surface. Still others on the very fringe between reality and

# The Dark Side of the Moon

delusion whispered tales of alien bases, battles between humans and non-humans, and a secret Soviet lunar landing that ended in disaster when a cosmonaut tried to kill an alien on the Moon.

Nevertheless, many still believe the rekindling of interest in the Moon to be highly suspicious. One of their arguments is that there is no reason why both superpowers should have lost interest in lunar exploration at roughly the same time. After the Apollo 17 mission left the Moon on December 7, 1972, the successful Soviet Lunakhod program came to a close less than seven months later, when contact with Lunakhod 2 was mysteriously lost near the crater Le Monnier, just 110 miles away

from Apollo 17’s landing site. Was it true, as some suggested, that humans had been “warned off” the Moon as trespassers, and that intense UFO activity had bedeviled our lunar probes? Author Brad Steiger mentions in his **Mysteries of Time and Space** that on February 14, 1973, Lunakhod had probed an unusually smooth slab of rock, resembling a modern house panel, in the vicinity of the Taurus Mountains. The slab resembled, of all things, the enigmatic monolith described in Arthur C. Clarke’s **2001: A Space Odyssey**.

## Unanswerable Questions

During the 1970’s, a series of worldwide magazine articles suggested the possibility that astronauts had run into extraterrestrial craft and installations on the Sea of Tranquility and other lunar locales. Transcripts of conversations between Mission Control and the exploration parties hinted that our fearless explorers, endowed with “the right stuff,” were in way over their heads. On Christmas Day, 1968, as Apollo 8 circumnavigated the Moon, an extraordinary event took place—communications went silent for six anxiety-ridden minutes while Houston tried in vain to raise the command module on the radio. After the silence, astronaut James Lovell said: “We’ve just been told Santa Claus exists.” Medical monitors at Mission Control showed that the pilot’s pulse rate had suddenly jumped to 120 beats a minute, while it had remained normal prior to the gap of silence. The historic Apollo 11 landing on the Sea of Tranquility was characterized by the odd “serenade” of assorted train whistles and mechanical sounds which interrupted the secure communication channel between the lunar excursion module and CAPCOM in Houston, prompting the latter to ask of the astronauts if “they had any company up there.”

It is a widespread, though baseless, belief that Apollo 13 was nearly destroyed by a UFO beam trained against the service module, although it is a recorded fact that our astronauts have been “fired” upon—a



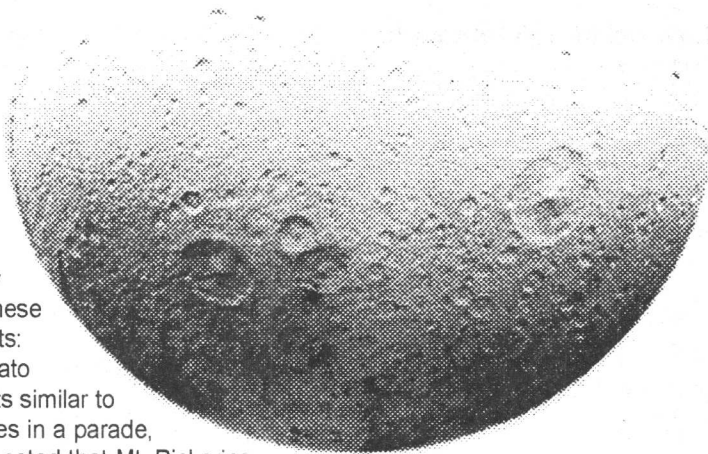
projectile-like object flashed across the sky barely missing astronauts David Scott and James Irwin of the Apollo 15 mission, while the Apollo 16 crew was startled by a ray of light that flashed across the black lunar skies. Astronauts Gene Cernan and Harrison Schmitt had an even more harrowing "close encounter" with the unknown when an unseen force caused the high gain antenna of their lunar rover to explode. The transcript of communication between the moonside crew and the orbiting command module remains a puzzle to this day, with the astronauts in the rover stating: "Yes, it exploded. Something flying over just before...it's still—," and the other replying: "God! I thought we'd been hit by a—by a—look at that stuff!" Their exchange is followed by a laconic reminder from Mission Control that a previous mission had experienced the very same phenomenon. According to NASA geologist Dr. Farouk El-Baz, the perplexing objects had to be considered UFOs, since there were no Soviet or American spacecraft capable of exhibiting such dazzling speeds.

In December 1969, the distinguished nuclear scientist Dr. Glenn Seaborg, then president of the Atomic Energy Commission, revealed during a visit to Moscow that Apollo 11 had discovered "suspicious tracks" on the far side of the Moon, which appeared to have been made by some sort of vehicle. This came as no surprise to a number of people, particularly astronomers who had charted transient lunar phenomena and the appearance and disappearance of odd surface features on the Moon's surface. As far back as the 18th century, astronomers had been intrigued by the lights which could be clearly observed in certain craters and in the lunar "maria." Throughout the 19th century, the crater Aristarchus displayed brilliant white lights which were originally dismissed as optical illusions until a team of observers saw the brilliant lights take off from the surface. This highly visible crater continued to be a source of strange activity well into the 1960's. During the late 1920's, earthbound observers were able to pick up curious "echoes" on their primitive radio equipment. The scientists Sturmer and Van der Pol

detected the source of the radio echoes as being in the vicinity of the Moon. Nor was Aristarchus the only location for these strange events: The crater Plato revealed lights similar to that of vehicles in a parade, and Apollo 8 noted that Mt. Pickering, located between the craters Messier and Pickering, appears to emit beams of light. Either everything that was ever written about this allegedly lifeless celestial body was wrong, or its "tenants" were very busy.

By the mid-70s, with the U.S. manned space program in mothballs awaiting the advent of the space shuttle, and with the moon shots receding from the public's memory, a number of former NASA employees and consultants began to venture their own opinions on what exactly had transpired a quarter million miles away from earth during the Apollo launches. The UFO press engaged in articles which invariably reprinted long transcripts of conversations held between Mission Control and the astronauts, stressing anomalous incidents which pointed at bizarre, unexpected phenomena.

Dr. Maurice Chatelain, a former chief of NASA Communications, expressed the controversial belief that both American and Soviet lunar missions had been "shadowed" by UFOs, even linking the names of certain astronauts to the incidents. Civilian writers entered the fray with bold new suggestions, perhaps none quite as stunning as author George Leonard's **Somebody Else Is On the Moon**, the result of an exhaustive analysis of thousands of NASA photographs taken of the lunar surface. Leonard's theory, simply stated, is that the Moon was indeed inhabited by an extrasolar sentient race whose tell-tale signs are readily visible, and which in fact were the reason for the "race to the Moon" of the Sixties. The photos, according to this author, showed fuzzy depictions of colossal alien excavation devices up to five miles in diameter, and other mechanical devices that were allegedly engaged in altering the lunar surface. When inter-



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viewed by the defunct **SAGA UFO REPORT**, Dr. Farouk El-Baz stated that a number of curious, unexplainable objects had indeed been sighted. Foremost among these were the gigantic "spires" which appeared to cast shadows, often miles in length. These strange structures, which were also identified in George Leonard's photographic analysis, are composed of a material entirely different from the lunar rock surrounding them. Other articles and reports concentrated on less outrageous and more readily

verifiable matters, such as the vast discrepancy in age between the lunar rocks brought back by the various missions.

### Contactees Chime In

In 1975, Spanish journalist Juan Jose Benitez visited Peru in order to interview the members of the IPRI group, who were engaged in "channeled" communication with supposed extraterrestrial intelligences bent on saving humanity from itself and in providing confidential information on our species' first steps in space. The group, composed primarily of young students of the UFO phenomenon, was led by Carlos and Sixto Paz Wells, the latter of whom has gone on to achieve global notoriety in contactee circles.

Communication with the exotic alien presence was conducted via automatic writing, and in a number of sessions, extraterrestrials hailing from the planet Apu added another piece to the lunar conspiracy: the Americans had by no means at all been first on the Moon. Earlier in the 1960's, following the Soviet space program's exhilarating successes at launching two- and three-man crews into space aboard A1 and A2 boosters, they made a bid for the Moon, designed to shame the Americans. The Soviet two-man mission landed on our satellite and was terrified to discover the remains of an inactive alien base in a nearby crater. To worsen matters—according to the channeled information—one of the cosmonauts fired his weapon at a moving mechanism, supposedly part of the installations "caretakers." The unfortunate result was that the shot ricocheted and killed

him, causing his companion to abort the mission and return to Earth alone. This, like other Soviet space failures, was hushed up in the interests of political hegemony.

While these channeled alien messages must be taken with a pinch of salt, if not dismissed out of hand altogether, there remains the uncomfortable reality that the U.S.S.R. did in fact launch in January 1959, what is believed to have been a three-stage vehicle designed to impact the Moon: Luna 1 passed within three thousand miles of our satellite, and successive probes of the Luna series both soft-landed and orbited the Moon while our own efforts were still stranded at the starting line. The possibility of a secret manned mission cannot be ruled out. An incident during the Apollo 17 mission adds disquieting corroboration: while the command module flew over the crater Orientalis, pilot Al Worden reported seeing a manmade object resting at the crater bottom, flashing its lights. Mission Control asked the cryptic question: "You don't suppose it could be Vostok?" Worden was able to notice the vehicle again on his next orbit. The Vostok Program was the earliest series of launches by the Soviet Union, some of its launches enshrouded in the greatest secrecy. One of them could have been an abortive lunar mission...as explained by the "aliens." A final note on the "pre-emptive" Russian lunar landing. By 1969, NASA classification of the presumed Soviet boosters identified six different kinds running from A to G, this last letter being assigned to "Webb's Giant," the titanic launcher identified by NASA Administrator Dr. James Webb as being the vehicle used to deliver manned Russian payloads to the Moon.

### Back to the Moon?

The ennui that gripped the American taxpayer regarding lunar exploration hardly explains the sudden cessation of said program, since there are many other military and civilian endeavors which do not enjoy vast popular support and are still ongoing. It is curious that the unheralded Clementine should have been a spin-off not of NASA's highly successful planetary programs but of the Space Defense Initiative (commonly known as Star Wars). Does this mean that some of the sophisticated weapon systems developed under this Reagan-era program can assure the defense of our own space probes against the "hostiles" occupying our Moon? Science fiction often heralds science fact—Clementine's mission called for a lunar encounter plus a flyby of a certain asteroid to test its equipment. The early draft of Arthur C. Clarke's **2001: A Space Odyssey** had the crew of the spaceship Discovery testing a laser spectrograph as a weapon against a small satellite. Was Clementine designed to test its own beam weapons on a hapless asteroid?

The latest reports indicate that while our return to the Moon by proxy was successful—Clementine 1 broadcast well over a million images of the hitherto unseen lunar poles—contact was lost with the probe before it could complete its mission, falling into a useless solar orbit. Like our space program's other recent losses, most notably among them the Mars Observer, there are those who believe that Clementine's silencing was another act of interdiction by unseen forces opposed to our exploration of space.

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**O**n October 16, 1995, Nation of Islam leader Minister Louis Farrakhan spoke at the Million Man March in Washington, D.C. The March, co-organized by Farrakhan, was widely-covered by the mainstream press and received generally positive press. However, Farrakhan's speech, derided as being "bizarre" and "rambling," received little detailed analysis. In particular, Farrakhan's comments on Masonry were virtually ignored.

After the March, organizers sued the U.S. Park Service for allegedly underestimating the size of the crowd. Interestingly, this was just the latest in a series of battles between the Black community and the Park Service. Previously, many Blacks had protested the Park Service's refusal to remove a statue of Masonic leader and Klu Klux Klan founder Albert Pike from a Washington, D.C. park. The Service has also been involved in a dispute with the family of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., over a planned King visitor's center. [see PARANOIA Issues 7 and 8, "Secret Roots of the Klan."] -Al Hidell

I'm looking at the Washington Monument and beyond it to the Lincoln Memorial. And, beyond that, to the left, to your right, the Jefferson Memorial. Abraham Lincoln was the 16th President of these United States and he was the man who allegedly freed us.

Abraham Lincoln saw in his day, what President Clinton sees in this day. He saw the great divide between black and white. Abraham Lincoln and Bill Clinton see what the Kerner Commission saw 30 years ago when they said that this nation was moving toward two Americas - one Black, one White, separate and unequal. And the Kerner Commission revisited their findings 25 years later and saw that America was worse today than it was in the time of Martin Luther King, Jr. There's still two Americas, one Black, one White, separate and unequal.

Abraham Lincoln, when he saw this great divide, he pondered a solution of separation. Abraham Lincoln said he never was in favor of our being jurors or having equal status with the Whites of this nation. Abraham Lincoln said that if there were to be a superior or inferior, he would rather the superior position be assigned to the White race.

There, in the middle of this mall is the Washington Monu-



# Masons, O.J. and the Numerology of Oppression

Excerpts from a speech by Minister Louis Farrakhan

ment, 555 feet high. But if we put a one in front of that 555 feet, we get 1555, the year that our first fathers landed on the shores of Jamestown, Virginia as slaves. In the background is the Jefferson and Lincoln Memorial, each one of these monuments is 19 feet high.

Abraham Lincoln, the sixteenth president. Thomas Jefferson, the third president, and 16 and three make 19 again. What is so deep about this number 19? Why are we standing on the Capitol steps today? That number 19 - when you have a nine you have a womb that is pregnant. And when you

have a one standing by the nine, it means that there's something secret that has to be unfolded.

Right here on this mall where we are standing, according to books written on Washington, D.C., slaves used to be brought right here on this Mall in chains to be sold up and down the eastern seaboard. Right along this mall, going over to the White House, our fathers were sold into slavery. But, George

Washington, the first president of the United States, said he feared that before too many years passed over his head, this slave would prove to become a most troublesome species of property.

Thomas Jefferson said, he trembled for this country when he reflected that God was just and that his justice could not sleep forever. Well, the day that these presidents feared has now come to pass, for on this mall, here we stand in the capital of America. and the layout of this great city, laid out by a Black man, Benjamin Banneker. This is all placed and based in a secret Masonic ritual. And at the core of the secret of that ritual is the Black man, not far from here is the White House.

And the first president of this land, George Washington, who was a grand master of the Masonic order laid the foundation, the cornerstone of this capitol building where we stand. George was a slave owner. George was a slave owner. Now, the President spoke today and he wanted to heal the great divide. But I respectfully suggest to the President, you did not dig deep enough at the malady that divides Black and White in order affect a solution to the problem. And so, today, we have to deal with the root so that perhaps a healing can take place.

Now, this obelisk at the Washington Monument is Egyptian and this whole layout is reminiscent of our great historic past, Egypt ... For the back of the [Great] Seal the [Conti-

nental Congress] committee suggested a picture of Pharaoh sitting in an open chariot with a crown on his head and a sword in his hand, passing through the divided waters of the Red Sea, in pursuit of the Israelites. And, hovering over the sea was to be shown a pillar of fire in a cloud, expressive of the divine presence and command. And raised from this pillar of fire were to be shown, beaming down on Moses standing on the shore, extending his hand over the sea, causing it to overwhelm Pharaoh.

The motto for the reverse was, "Rebellion To Tyrants Is Obedience To God." Let me say it again. Rebellion is obedience to God. Now, why did they mention Pharaoh? I heard the President say to today E Pluribus Unum — out of many, one.

But in the past, out of many comes one meant out of many Europeans come one people. The question today is, out of the many Asians, the many Arabs, the many Native Americans, the many Blacks, the many people of color who populate this country. Do you mean for them to be made into the one?

Even the country was populated by so-called Indians and Black Slaves were brought to build the country, the official Seal of the country was never designed to reflect our presence, only that of the European immigrants. The Seal and the Constitution reflect the thinking of the founding fathers, that this was to be a nation by White people and for White people. Native Americans, Blacks, and all other non-White people were to be the burden bearers for the real citizens of this nation...

We are a people, who have been fractured, divided and destroyed because of our division now must move toward a perfect union. But let's look at a speech delivered by a White slave holder: "I guarantee everyone of you, if installed correctly, it will control the slaves for at least 300 years. My method is simple. Any member of your family or your overseer can use it. I have outlined a number of differences among the slaves and I take these differences and I make them bigger. I use fear, distrust, and envy for control purposes."

I want you to listen. What are those three things? Fear, envy, distrust. For what purpose? Control. To control who? The slave. Who is the slave? Us...

And so, as a consequence, we as a people now have been fractured, divided and destroyed, filled with fear, distrust and envy. Therefore, because of fear, envy and distrust of one another, many of us as leaders, teachers, educators, pastors and persons are still under the control mechanism of our former slave masters and their children...

The secret of the Masonic Order is a master builder that was hit in the head. The secret of the Masonic Order is a master that ruffians roughed up. I think one of the ruffians was named Jubilo Furhman. And another was named Jubilah Bilbow. And another one was named Jubilum Jesse Helms. These racists hit him in his head and carried him on a westerly course and buried him in the north country, in a shallow grave. Many tried to raise him up but they didn't have the master grip. It would take a master to come after him.

And this is why Matthew said, "as lightening shines from the east, even unto the west, so shall the coming of the son of man be for whatsoever, the eagles are gathered together there shall the carcass be." Here's the carcass, the remains of a once mighty people, dry bones in the valley, a people

slain from the foundation of the world. But God has sent the winds to blow on the bones. One of those winds is named Gingrich. And the companion wind is named Dole.

And the other is called Supreme Court decision. The other is fratricidal conflict, drugs and dope and violence and crime. But we've had enough now. This is why you're in Washington today. We've had enough. We've had enough distress, enough affliction. We're ready to bow down now. If my people, who are called by my name would just humble themselves and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven, forgive their sins, heal their land.

You are ready now to crime out of your furnace of affliction. You are ready now to accept the responsibility, oh, not just of the ghetto. God wants to purify you and lift you up, that you may call America and the world to repentance. Black man, you are a master builder, but you got hit in the head.

Black men, you're the descendants of the builders of the pyramids. But you have amnesia now. You can't remember how you did it. But the Master has come. You know, pastors, I love that scripture where Jesus told his disciples, go there and you'll see an ass and a colt tied with her. Untie them and bring them to me. If anybody ask you what you're doing, because it may look like you're stealing and you know they are going to accuse you of stealing, tell them the Master got need of these. And Jesus rode into Jerusalem on an ass.

The Democratic Party has for its symbol, a donkey. The donkey stands for the unlearned masses of the people. But the Democratic Party can't call them asses no more. You got them all tied up, but you're not using. The donkey is tied up. But can you get off today? No, I can't get off, I'm tied up. Somebody on your donkey? Well, yeah. I got a master. He rides me like the Master rode Balem's ass, you know. But, hail, the ass is now talking with a man's voice. And the ass wants to throw the rider off, because he got a new rider today...

You're dead, Black man. But if you believe in the god who created this sun of truth and of light with 19 rays, meaning he's pregnant with God's spirit, God's life, God's wisdom. Abraham Lincoln's statue, 19 feet high, 19 feet wide. Jefferson, 19 feet high, and the third president, 19. Standing on the steps of the Capitol, in the light of the sun. Offering life to a people who are dead...

Black man, the a-ton represents the one God. In the Koran, Muhammad is called a light giving son. So if you look at the aton, add an "e" to it, and separate the "a" from the next four letters and you get the word a tone.

Atone means sound. And "a", the first letter of the alphabet and the first letter of the numerical system is one. So "a" equals one. So "a" sound means when you hear the "a" tone, you will hear the right sound. And when you hear the right sound from the one God calling you to divine life, you will respond. So what is the "a" tone? In music, a equals 440 vibrations. How long have we been in America? Four hundred and forty years...

I'm not telling you I'm a psychiatrist, but I do want to operate on your head. White supremacy is the enemy of both White people and Black people because the idea of White supremacy means you should rule because you're White, that makes you sick. And you've produced a sick society and a sick world. The founding fathers meant well, but they said, "toward a more perfect union". So, the Bible



says, we know in part, we prophesy in part, but when that which is perfect is come, that which is in part shall be done away with.

So either, Mr. Clinton, we're going to do away with the mind-set of the founding fathers. You don't have to repudiate them like you've asked my brothers to do me. You don't have to say they were malicious, hate filled people. But you must evolve out of their mind-set. You see their minds was limited to those six European nations out of which this country was founded. But you've got Asians here. How are you going to handle that? You've got children of Africa here. How are you going to handle that?

You've got Arabs here. You've got Hispanics here. I know you call them illegal aliens, but hell, you took Texas from them by flooding Texas with people that got your mind. And now they're coming back across the border to what is Northern Mexico, Texas, Arizona, New Mexico, and California. They don't see themselves as illegal aliens. I think they might see you as an illegal alien. You have to be careful how you talk to people. You have to be careful how you deal with people.

The Native American is suffering today. He's suffering almost complete extinction. Now, he learned about bingo. You taught him. He learned about black jack. You taught him. He learned about playing roulette. You taught him. Now, he's making a lot of money. You're upset with him because he's adopted your ways. What makes you like this? See, you're like this because you're not well. You're not well. And in the light of today's global village, you can never harmonize with the Asians. You can't harmonize with the islands of the Pacific.

You can't harmonize with the dark people of the world who outnumber you 11 to one, if you're going to stand in the mind of white supremacy. White supremacy has to die in order for humanity to live.

Now, oh, I know. I know. I know it's painful, but we have to operate now, just, just take a little of this morphine and you won't feel the pain as much. You just need to bite down on something, as I stop this last few minutes, just bite down on your finger. Listen, listen, listen, listen, white supremacy caused you all, not you all, some White folk to try to rewrite history and write us out. White supremacy caused Napoleon to blow the nose off of the Sphinx because it reminded you too much of the Black man's majesty...

So you whitened up religion, Farrakhan didn't do that. You locked the bible from us, Farrakhan didn't do that. Your sick mind wouldn't even let you bury us in the same ground that both of us came out of. We had to be buried somewhere else, that's sick. Some of us died just to drink water out of a fountain marked White. That's sick. Isn't it sick?

You poisoned religion. And in all the churches, until recently, the master was painted white. So, you had us bowing

down to your image. Which ill-effected our minds. You gave us your version of history. And you whitened that up. Yes, you did. Yes, you did.

You are a white Shriner. The black Shriner don't integrate the shrine. Why don't you black Shriners integrate the shrine? Because in the shrine, you are the essence of the secret. They don't want you there. They'll have to tell the world, it's you we been thinking about all along.

Now, white folks see the reason you could look at the O.J. Simpson trial, in horror, and the reason blacks folk rejoiced, had nothing to do with the horror of the tragedy. Black folk would never rejoice over the slaughter of Ron Goldman and Nicole Brown Simpson.

Black folk saw that with compassion. Many black folk grieve over that reality. You say, "O.J. sold out." No, he didn't sell out. He was drawn out. Black folk that got talent,

they all grow up in the "hood." When we first sing, we sing in these old raunchy night clubs in the "hood."

When we play sandlot ball, we play it in the "hood." But when you spot us, you draw us out. You say "that Negro can run. Look at how high he jumps." So you give us a scholarship to your university. But the blacks who are in college, who play

basketball for you, who play football for you, who run track for you, you disallow them to get involved with black students and the suffering of black students on all white campuses. You hide them away. Give them privileges. Then they find themselves with your daughter.

Then you take them into the NBA, the NFL, and they become megastars. Or in the entertainment field and when they become megastars, their association is no longer black. They may not have a black manager, a black agent, a black accountant. They meet in parties, in posh neighborhoods that black folk don't come into. So their association becomes white women, white men, and association breeds assimilation. And if you have a slave mentality, you feel you have arrived now because you can jump over cars, running in airports, playing in films.

I'm not degrading, my brother, I love him. But he was drawn out. He didn't sell out, he was drawn out. Michael Jackson is drawn out. Most of our top stars are drawn out. And then, when you get them, you imprison them with fear and distrust. You don't want them to speak out on the issues that are political, that are social. They must shut their mouths or you threaten to take away their fame, take away their fortune because you're sick. And the president is not gonna point this out. He's trying to get well. But he's a physician that can't heal himself... •

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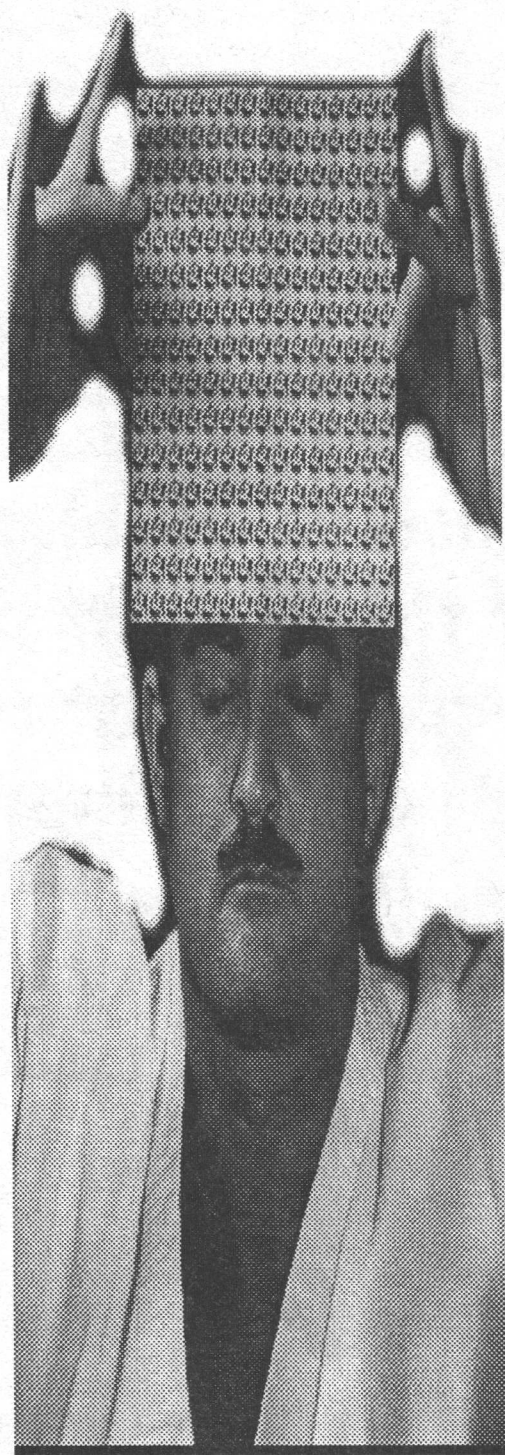
**t**homas Lyttle has published over ninety articles and eight books about psychedelics and related SOCs (states of consciousness) for the academic and popular press. His journal *Psychodelic Monographs and*

*Essays* is sold in 30 countries.

Lyttle's unique work draws from traditional academic scholarship, as well as the hard-to-penetrate realms of the occult and counterculture underground. His recent book *Psychedelics: The Most Exciting New Materials On Psychedelic Drugs* (Lyle Stuart/Barricade, 1994) continues along this path. Along with drug-historian David Goldstein, Lyttle co-curates the PHD (Papers From the History Of Drugs)—a bibliographic database containing over 12,000 articles going back to 1860. In 1995, he founded an unusual art business with bibliophile / antiquarian book dealer Robert Demarest, and art historian/teacher Mark McCloud. Sheets of LSD blotter-acid (with spectacular artwork) were procured, then numbered and autographed by elders of the psychedelic movement. The first series of 250 (signed by Dr. Timothy Leary, Dr. Albert Hofmann and others) sold-out immediately to private collectors, galleries and museums, and caused a media uproar due to the controversial nature of the work. Lyttle lives in South Florida with his wife Linda.

**You've implied that Carlos Castaneda is guilty of scientific fraud, and that he was assisted in this fraud by other anthropologists at UCLA. Would you say this is simply a conspiracy to build scientific reputations, or is it part of larger program to promote a counter-culture mindset?**

First off let me say I love Castaneda's work! What a powerful artist! Second, let's clarify his name. Carlos Castaneda translates into English as: Charley Spider. That said, there is no question that a lot of the early art surrounding Castaneda was faked or patch-worked together — should



**thomas lyttle talks  
with mark weston**

we say Mr. Spider wove or spun it together? — and sold it as authentic anthropology with a University to back it up. This wasn't Madame Blavatsky or Lompsang Rampa, after all. It was OK for those folks to be fakes — ha-ha! How about Crowley? Then Erik von Daniken (*Chariots Of The Gods*) came along. Credentials to back up everything! Castaneda was sort of a natural result, he came from this school of pirate, guerrilla ontology, the trickster archetype. A good academic gone bad! A respected anthropologist using his credentials to pirate **Jumpin' Jack Flash!** It's all spelled out in a rather lurid way in Dr. Jay Fikes book **Carlos Castaneda: Academic Opportunism and the Psychedelic Sixties** (Millenia Press, 1994). By the way, Castaneda developed much of his early fiction (pre-1960) with a co-author named Roberta Greenfield, according to *Time* magazine. The original *Don Juan* manuscript was titled **The Whole World Sounds Strange, Don't You Think**, and it took about 8-10 years to surface into a hit! The claim that Castaneda worked with other ghost-writers has surfaced from time to time, with the latest claim-to-fame going to ex-intelligence analyst, physicist and author Richard Alan Miller (*Magical and Ritual Uses of Herbs*, Destiny, 1990; *The Modern Alchemist*, 1995).

I feel that in the early sixties, a lot of money was about to change hands regarding Castaneda, UCLA and the publishing world. A close-knit group of scholars connected to Castaneda at UCLA were Dr. Furst, Dr. Delgado and Dr. Myerhoff. They all became over-eager to publish, and other scholars were less critical than

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they might have been in looking at the proposed manuscripts. Castaneda based his teacher Don Juan mostly on Huichol artisans, the Mexican nun Maria Sabina, and Ramon Medina, a local folk-healer and not even a real Maraacame (Huichol Shaman). These other scholars deliberately faked field-notes, staged photos and lied outright about events, places, peoples and facts, if you believe Dr. Fikes (and others), which I do. In fact they even tried to sell Medina as a real shaman to UCLA. This does not say too much about UCLA as a bastion of impeccability, let alone the several publishing houses that have afforded Castaneda the lavish lifestyle of a rich and famous artist. Well... that's show-biz, folks! So far as your last question, power has always been a part of Castaneda's game. It's the method both of art and of magic! He approached Tim Leary back in the early days when Tim was in Mexico doing the Castalia Foundation thing, and actually discussed "dividing up all the spoils of the psychedelic movement"! I speak with Timothy Leary on occasion — we've had one or two adventures together. I don't know Carlos Castaneda at all. He really is hard to get near or hold. I do know he travels with female bodyguards — now that's entertainment! His ex-wife Margaret is about to release a diary-book based on her years with Carlos, written with my friend and collaborator David Christie. If both my wives and several ex's wrote books about me, I'd run and hide! Can you spell "impeccable"? I'm not sure I can, but I'll try.

**You've stated that Castaneda was never in contact with true Yaqui sorcerers, but was in reality being entertained by a group of "clown shamen" known as the Trembling Instrument Tribe. What are the differences between authentic shamanic practice and that of the Trembling Instrument? Also, what is the significance of the name Trembling Instrument?**

I don't know all of Castaneda's teachers or influences. He is obviously a very profound and gifted artist. It's

war, after all. Like Carlos Castaneda, things also just fall into my lap. Petal-blossoms from Heaven. According to researcher Ray Clare, "The Trembling Instrument Tribe" are a specific group of Yaqui sorcerers called Pascolas that deal with breeding a rare Honey-Bee. These Bees supposedly create a psychoactive honey, probably from Datura pollen. The Pascola wear hundreds of silver bells in the shape of small human skulls, called cascabels. The shaman Pascola wears a magical

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belt called a koyolim, which shows seven large bells of symbolic significance. We published photos of all this in **Psychedelic Monographs and Essays** (Vol. 4). These cascabels ring, and the shimmering sound is like a humming. The several hundred bells set up a certain resonant tone or vibration that the Honey-Bees are responsive to. The bees swarm. Humans tend to hallucinate. French poet Antonin Artaud described the cascabel sound "as like the swarming of Bees." (The

Illuminati is also called The Beenan Order, by the way). This bee-keeping mysticism can be traced, in part, to Toltec tradition. Take a bow Ray Clare, the author and researcher who pointed out all this to me! The Toltecs are the almost mythical race that preceded the Mayans and Aztecs. This Pascola tribe also specializes in mocking, lampooning or inverting classic religious ritual — especially Yaqui and Huichol. Castaneda's style and approach towards authentic religious rituals follow this flight plan. A plan which I do not agree with, by the way. It is somewhat sacrilegious.

**You've written that Abraham Lincoln's mother died from drinking milk tainted with Datura, or Jimson/loco weed. How did the Datura get into that milk?**

Well, Jimson Weed was commonly found growing wild everywhere in the US, in pioneer days. Jamestown (VA) originally gave Jimson Weed (Jimson is a shortened version of Jamestown) its name, due to the abundance of wild Datura, which was found there and used in therapy and medicine. Obviously cows grazed on it and ate it. "Milk-sickness" resulted. It was common for cows to eat Jimson Weed and this was how it got termed "loco-weed," not from man's use but from watching cows get drunk. Datura has a reputation as a tool of the sorcerers. Charles Manson used it on his followers and called it Toloache. James Shelby Downard claims he was brainwashed with a version of it, also calling it Taloache. It is a common Witchcraft and Brujo staple, and a tool of the Vama Marg Tantrics. Of the Petro Voodoo initiates. The Datura-pollinating hummingbird moths actually show human skulls on the backs of their heads. Sorry, I can't get the skull-bells of the Pascolas out of this, since they bred and used Datura honey. But this is true. It is all very true. Datura also has modern medicinal uses — microorganisms in its root-hairs unbind other poisons, so it can remove or alter other poisons, as well as cause harm. It is a power plant with a major power spirit in it. That spirit is called

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Computer research finds Bible divinely written

Jerusalem— Israeli researchers using a computer have found hidden encoded messages in the Hebrew text of the Bible, giving new support that the Book's every word is inspired! Computer experts were amazed as words and messages leaped out of the text when the computer used only every 50th and 26th letter. (the number of YahWeH is 26). THE TIME HAS COME FOR THE BOOK OF KNOWLEDGE TO BE OPENED AND THE TRUE MESSAGE OF ELOHIM TO BE REVEALED! Some of these hidden codes and Holy Messages (plus much more) are now revealed by a teacher of Holy Secrets on 4 VHS Videos. (\$29. each) The complete 4 Videos recorded on 1 awesome 4 hour VHS Video, only \$59. POST-PAID. Send payment in U.S. funds to: CLAUDE VEKEMAN, 409-1957 JASMINE CR., GLOUCESTER, ONT. CANADA K1J 7Z4 (Phone (613)-741-5195)

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## Big Brother is Listening, Too

- The Clinton Administration has proposed a nationwide wiretapping system that would give law enforcement officials the ability to monitor as many as 1 out of every 100 phone lines. We are assured the system would still require a court order for each wiretap, but with a potential of some 1.5 million simultaneous "intercepts," this safeguard would likely be weakened. The system could potentially track the numbers you call, and who calls you. It could also monitor voice conversations, faxes, and digital communications. The Administration claims the system is authorized by the 1994 Communications Assistance for Law Enforcement Act (CALEA), which includes provisions for U.S. telephone companies to upgrade their equipment to allow for the increased surveillance capacity. (*The Spotlight*)

## Grateful Dead Used by FBI?

- An internal 1968 FBI memorandum expressed concern about radical left-wing links to the hippy culture, and justified the employment of Grateful Dead leader Jerry Garcia "to channel youth dissent and rebellion into more benign and non-threatening directions." The nature of Garcia's relationship to the FBI, if any, is not known. However, it is clear that groups like the Dead and related elements of the 60s "counterculture" helped direct youth dissent and rebellion away from political action and towards the more limited "rebellion" of drug-taking and music-listening. (*Freedom*, 84b Whitechapel High St., London E1 7QX, U.K.)

## Subliminal Sex for the Kids

- The American Life League (ALL), a Stafford, Va.-based Christian group, has asked the Disney company to apologize to its fans for including inappropriate sexual material in several of its' beloved children's films. The most recent example, the group claims, is contained in Disney's *The Lion King*. In that film, a forlorn Simba—depressed over the death of his father—flops onto the ground near the edge of a cliff. He produces a cloud of dust that, according to ALL, briefly forms the word "SEX." The group has also denounced a scene in *Aladdin* in which Aladdin whispers "Good teenagers, take off your clothes." (The official script reads, "Scat! Good Tiger. Take off and go.") In addition, the group cites a scene in *The Little Mermaid*, in which the minister at Ariel's wedding allegedly gets an erection. Disney spokesman Rick Rhoades rejects the group's claims as a "perception thing." (*Washington Post*)

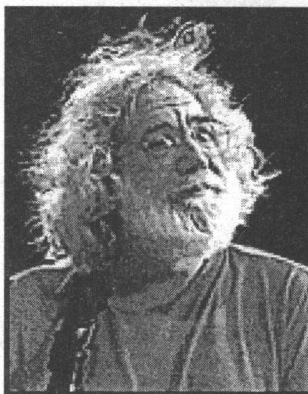
## Jack the Ripper Exposed

- British policemen Stewart Evans and Paul Gainey claim to have solved the mystery of the identity of Jack the Ripper. The notorious 19th century murder of London prostitutes, they claim, was an American surgeon named Francis Tumblety. They base their assertion on an unpublished letter written in 1913 by Chief Inspector John Littlechild, head of Scotland Yard's special branch at the time of the murders. The letter, found in a bookseller's collection, named Tumblety as the prime suspect. He was arrested after the last murder when his landlady found blood on his shirt, but fled when released on bail. There were no more Ripper-style murders in London after Tumblety vanished. Interestingly, several Ripper-

style murders did occur in Nicaragua and Jamaica soon afterward. (*Reuters*)

## Rabin a Mason?

- One aspect of the life of slain Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin has received little attention: like several prominent figures worldwide, Rabin is alleged to have been a Mason. The role of Masonry in Israeli society is a subject the mainstream press, as well as most conspiracy researchers, have not explored. An exception was an October 1993 article in Italy's respected daily *La Repubblica*. The article, entitled "Israel: There is a Pact Between Politicians and Masons," reported on a gala fortieth anniversary celebration in Jerusalem of the founding of the "Great Lodge of the State of Israel of Ancient and Accepted Freemasons." The ceremony was attended by the Mayor of Jerusalem Ted Kollek, as well as the Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi, Israel Meir Lau. Kollek told the gathered Masons that "You do a great honor to Jerusalem. This is natural, considering that King Solomon was the great builder of the Temple, which is at the roots of the Masonic idea, and that his workmen were the first



Jerry Garcia

'masons.' Rabbi Lau stated that "The principles of Freemasonry are all contained in the Book of Books of the Jewish people. There are an estimated 4,000 Israeli freemasons, divided into 76 lodges, and include several judges and religious figures. The article states that Yitzhak Rabin was active in Masonry in the 1960s, and has never denied being a member of the Masonic brotherhood. (*La Repubblica*)

## Mel Gibson on Conspiracies

- In a recent interview with *Playboy*, Mel Gibson revealed himself to be something of a conspiracy theorist. The Australian actor surprised his interviewer with his assertions that Bill Clinton is "low-level...Somebody's telling him what to do...He was a Rhodes scholar, right?...Cecil Rhodes established the Rhodes scholarship for men and women who want to strive for a new world order." He also made a rather cryptic comment on the NWO: "George Bush? CIA? Really, its Marxism, but it just doesn't want to call itself that." Interviewer Lawrence Grobel then chided Gibson, "That sounds like a paranoid sense of world history." (*Playboy*)

## Government Kidnaps Sick Child

- In California, a school nurse needs parental permission to prescribe an aspirin to a child. So Contra Costa County resident Elena Duarte assumed she was within her rights when she rejected a County social worker's order to send her 6-year old son Adrian Chavez for more chemotherapy. The painful treatment, described by *Contra Costa Times* columnist John Marvel as "being slammed with a 2-by-4 for several hours [combined] with the worst flu you ever had" had previously failed to prevent a recurrence of Adrian's leukemia. Instead, Duarte was planning to take her son to an herbalist, to see if the alternative treatment would fare better. On August 31, the social worker showed up with a sheriff's deputy and took Adrian away. Later, in a session closed to the public and the media, Juvenile Referee Stephen Easton approved the kidnapping and treatment. (*Contra Costa Times*)

# Reader mail

## Color Coded Cryptocracy

The editors at **Perceptions** and **PARANOIA** [Issue 8] were extraordinarily perceptive — and gutsy — to publish [my work]. The material on the Horsemen as a color-coded key to the cryptocracy has never, to my knowledge, been published before. There are no churches teaching that we're in the Third Seal, or making the connections between the Black Horse and George Bush, Black Ops, Black Budget, Black choppers, etc. None have ever pointed out that the Fourth Horse is green, much less detailed the ramifications of that fact. The average pastor-type is a pretty dim bulb, and/or utterly co-opted. The few ministers who specialize in the Shadow Government and do know about the Horsemen have unanimously hushed it up, much the way [radio host Bill Cooper] did: simultaneous derision and suppression, i.e. ridicule it, but DON'T QUOTE IT. It's the same technique that was used regarding the Protocols, until [Cooper] had the cajones to blow the lid off by publishing them. In [his] short-wave broadcast, he conveyed the impression that my article was standard Fundamentalist fare. It is not. It's much too hot for the churches or their phony "prophecy teachers" to touch. **Perceptions** and **PARANOIA** do not publish ho-hum stuff, and [Cooper] did them a disservice to suggest they do. Finally, a caveat to those who like to appropriate a little Bible into their pre-existing belief systems: The Bible is self-contained, self-verifying, and self-interpreting. To combine it with other "spiritual" systems is much like trying to combine the directions for Bridge and Crazy Eights to play Monopoly. Not only won't you win, you won't even be in the game.

Wendy Wallace, Solana Beach, CA

## Nice Job

Nice job with Issue 10 (Fall, 1995). "X-Posing Posner" is a good digest of the responses to that travesty — thanks, by the way, for the citations. Seems incredible that such a "book" could get nominated for a Pulitzer Prize! My information is that someone — probably the AARB — got some of those reviews to the Pulitzer Committee, which then decided to

award no history prize that year.

J.R. Folliard, Newport, RI

## The Big Truth

Thank you for sending me a copy of Issue 10 of **PARANOIA**, in which the story about Joe Love's murder in Indianapolis, Indiana appeared. We have had a very difficult time getting this story the coverage it warrants, because of the politicians who have a vested interest in seeing to it that Joe — and his story — be silenced permanently. It takes courage to print the truth — thank you. Joe's story is being played out in a lot of towns, and the lame and despicable whores in the newspapers and television networks who care more for the "security" of their jobs than in the truth are accomplices. Mr. Hidell, you did a great job on Joe Love's story, telling it in a manageable length without losing any of the substance. [However, in two places the article said Joe's murder occurred in Illinois, and this should be corrected to read Indiana. I know, I know, they're both "I" states with corrupt politicians in the nondescript midwest combelt. It's an easy

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mistake to make...] Changing the subject: Joan, your reply to [a critical reader] deserves a Hall of Flame award. It needed saying. Consider yourself decorated. Nice job.

Linda Thompson, Director, American Justice Federation, Indianapolis, IN

## Seeing Green

The articles by William F. Jaspers and Wendy Wallace ["The Newt World Order" and "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse," Issue 8] were fine and interesting. However, they attacked environmentalists and environmentalism unfairly, using demagogic class appeals, with Mr. Jaspers attacking environmental groups as being comprised of upper-middle class urbanites, and Ms. Wallace claiming that the movement is being pushed by the Rockefellers. It is true that many members of the professional upper-middle class are part of the environmental movement, and that large corporate interests co-opt environmental movements. I even agree with some of the complaints against regulatory agencies, since it is the property

owners rather than the big polluters who bare the brunt. But must we be so petty as to let these things stand between us and saving our only home? Yes, I believe as Ms. Wallace does that God has a plan for Earth, but that does not excuse our behavior as a species, or exempt us from facing the destructive "Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse" within our own natures.

Nathan, Lafayette, LA

## The Highest Bidder

I want to compliment you on your interview with Gerry Carroll ["Gem Warfare," Issue 10]. However, I must point out a couple of minor errors. First, my friend Jack Egger was never Chief of Police in Beverly Hills; Jack did become a Captain. Secondly, Frank Egger, Jack's dad, was not under any CIA orders that I am aware of to "keep [Howard] Hughes bottled up in Beverly Hills." Frank was a senior partner in the firm of Bailey, Martin and Faye and did underwrite tanker hulls as his insurance specialty. Jack may or may not have been a CIA asset, but what is fact is that he had some very close friends who were indeed CIA officers. As far as [the Gemstone Thesis] is concerned, I have to agree with most of Gerry's assessment of the File. Much of what I have seen and experienced over the last 35 years or so has proven that the central thesis is probably 95% correct. The U.S. government has been, is now, and may be for a long time to come, for sale to the highest bidder.

Donald F. Neuhaus, Redding, CA

## Likes the vulgarity

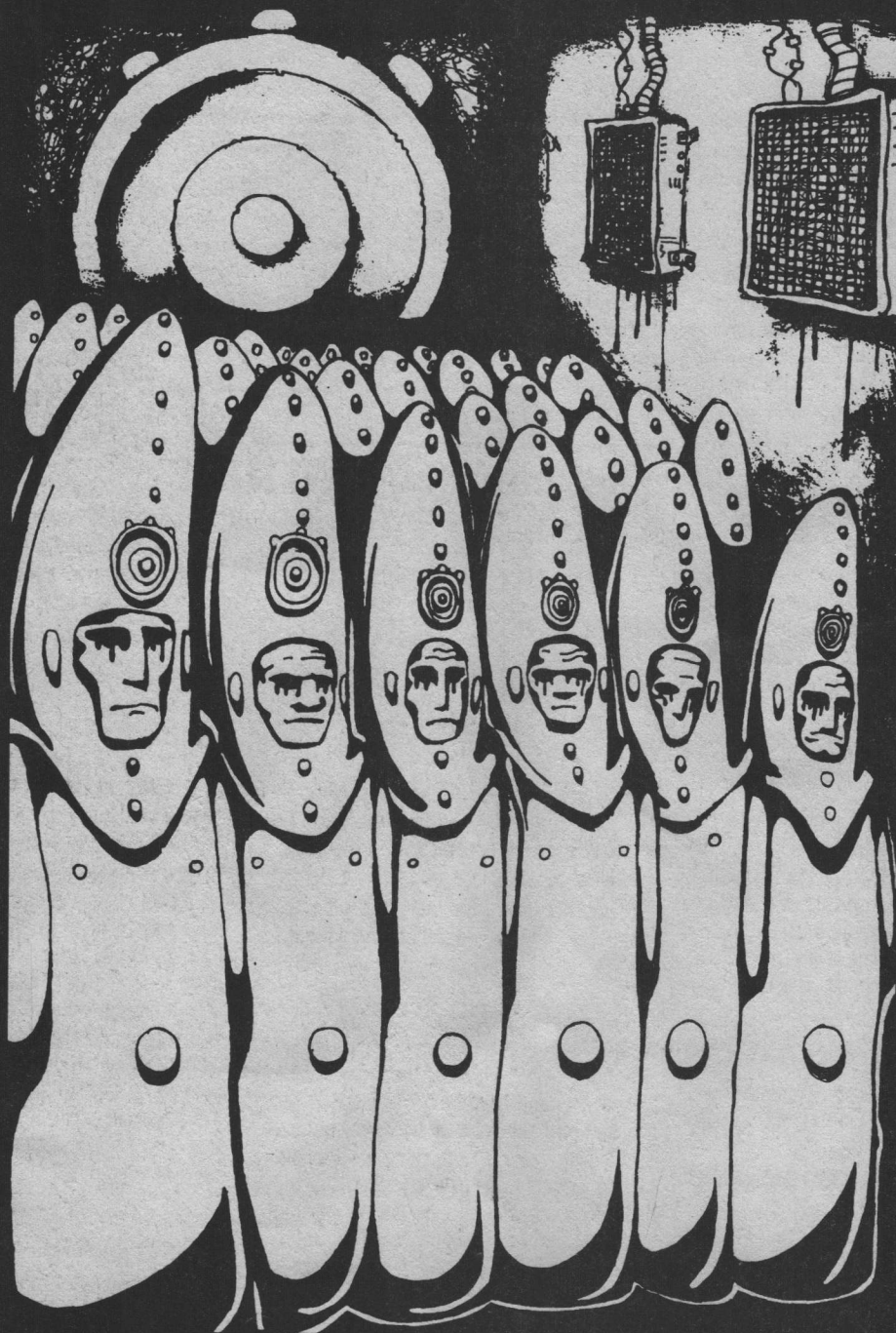
Just a note to say how much I enjoyed your Summer 1995 issue [Issue 9]. Good design, good writing, and a sense of humor, + I like the vulgarity! On page 50, there's a photo of Winston Churchill, cropped so that instead of showing a "V" sign, he's showing a middle finger "fuck you" sign. I don't know if you know that if the photo hadn't been cropped, it would still have a similar ("up yours") meaning to us Brits. The "V for Victory" sign should have correctly been shown palm first — like the hippy "peace" sign. The sign I believe has its origins as a symbol for a pagan horned god. The way Churchill is doing it (palm in) is recognized as an offensive gesture — signifying penetration of both orifices! Also, congrats on the coverage of British upper class/M15 arms and drug dealing interests — I think this small body of people have a lot to answer for!

Nigel A. Cornwall, U.K. •

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# In the Belly of the Beast



The adventures of a "Cultist" at three Cult Awareness Network Conferences  
by Murray L. Steinman

I didn't believe there were any "cults" in America, at least not any of those weird groups of the popular imagination, until I attended my first Cult Awareness Network (CAN) conference three years ago. I listened, observed, took notes, talked to people and slowly began to change my mind. Before the conference ended, I started to suspect that perhaps there was one cult after all—the Cult Awareness Network. That impression grew stronger as I attended two more CAN conferences, including one in November, 1994.

How could that be? CAN positions itself as the self-appointed guardian of society, an organization that consistently fights what it says are the corrosive, often criminal activities of thousands of "destructive cults" that deprive millions of Americans of their civil liberties, creativity, money, dignity, freedom—and sometimes their lives.

That's a pretty big responsibility, but not one that CAN shies away from. In its monthly newsletter, CAN describes itself as "a national, non-profit corporation founded to educate the public about the harmful effects of mind control as used by destructive cults." CAN says that it does not pass judgment on doctrine or beliefs but "confines its concerns to unethical or illegal practices, including coercive persuasion," which is a term CAN sometimes uses interchangeably with "mind control," "brainwashing" or "thought reform."

No group has done more to shape the debate on what scholars call New Religious Movements (NRMs), and what CAN calls cults, over the past two decades than CAN and the Citizens Freedom Foundation (CFF), which was what CAN was called before it changed its name in 1985. Although people affiliated with CAN offer a variety of definitions for a cult—there are religious, economic, political and psychiatric cults—a "cult" according to most people in the anti-cult movement seems to be an illegitimate or fake religion which tricks unsuspecting people into joining by deceptive means and keeps its members by using mind control.

To the anti-cultists, cults are not religions that help their members. They exist solely for the benefit of the cult leader who does nothing more than play an extended con game. Once "the cult" has gotten hold of an adherent, it fleeces him for his money, time and talent. CAN's critics—including academics who study NRMs, members of the "cults" that CAN attacks, and former members of CFF/CAN—see things differently. They say that CAN deprives people of their freedom, dignity and civil liberties by orchestrating deprogrammings in which people are kidnapped and held against their will while deprogrammers work in teams trying to

break their captives' faith—something CAN vehemently denies. Critics also say that CAN sometimes benefits financially by giving referrals to deprogrammers who kick back part of their deprogramming fee to CAN.

CAN's critics have a host of other complaints. They say that CAN is deceptive, that it breaks up families and that it is a hotbed of religious prejudice. Perhaps of greatest importance, they argue that people associated with CAN are anything

but experts on cults. They point out that CAN's theory of mind control, the glue that holds their definition of cults together, has been repudiated by the scholarly community.

Finally, the NRMs deny that they are cults. They insist that they are just as authentic as any other religion, a view supported by scholars who study the subject and that is consistent with traditional American notions of freedom of religion and the marketplace of ideas.

As a long-term member of Church Universal and Triumphant, I knew what CAN said about my church, most of which was inaccurate. I was familiar with what CAN said about "cults" and what the "cults" said about CAN. I had heard stories and read affidavits from people who had been kidnapped for deprogramming. I had even faced off with Cynthia Kissler, CAN's executive director, on a radio talk show. But I didn't really know what CAN was like. I had never had any extended contact or even a good conversation with anyone at CAN. And although I was curious about what made CAN members tick, I had never attended a CAN conference. They would not allow anyone from our church, or from any other group they called a "cult," to attend.

That changed abruptly in 1992. Some Scientologists filed suit arguing that they were barred from CAN conferences solely because of their religious beliefs. A judge agreed and forced CAN to open its doors to eight Scientologists, provided they did not disrupt the meeting. I had heard that as a result of the lawsuit, CAN had changed its policy and might now admit people it believed to be from "cults." I didn't know if they really were going to let "cult members" attend, but figured it was worth a try. I sent in \$30 to join CAN, filled out an application to attend the conference, mailed in a check for \$175 to cover the registration fee and waited. And waited. And made several phone calls to see if they were going to allow me to attend. At the last possible moment, I got a letter from CAN confirming they would let me in.

### **Stranger in a strange land**

There was an aura of excitement and expectation at the Ramada Renaissance Hotel near the Los Angeles International Airport where the conference was being held. There was also a little fear and loathing. CAN members were convinced that Scientologists were up to something, and most seemed to know that some Scientologists would be admitted to the conference. To many of them, that was challenge enough. But not to the Scientologists. About 30 Scientologists were picketing the hotel. And throughout the conference a cadre of Scientologists hung out in the hotel lobby trying to engage conferees and CAN officials in debate. The Scientologists' access to conferees was limited, however. Only people with CAN name tags could enter the wing of the hotel where the conference was being held. Some LA police and CAN's own professional security force kept anyone else out.



I picked up my registration packet and headed off to the ballroom for the first event of the conference. My name tag had my first but not my last name written in big letters. Last names seldom appear on CAN name tags, presumably for security reasons. Below my name the tag had my affiliation (which was CAN rather than FOCUS, CAN's organization for former cult members). To the untutored eye, I looked like just another CAN member.

I arrived and took a seat in the room. A few minutes later a nice looking woman about 35 years old sat next to me. Her name tag identified her as a member of CAN's Los Angeles affiliate, the group that put on the conference.

"You're not a Scientologist, are you?" she asked after a quick hello. "No," I said in jest. "Even worse." "Oh, really?" she asked, taking me seriously. "What's that?" "Church Universal and Triumphant," I said. She shook her head as if she understood, started making small talk and then told me she had recently left Scientology. "When did you get out?" she asked regarding my membership in the church. "I didn't," I replied. "I'm still in." She stiffened as if she had been hit by a chilly wind. "I don't think I can talk to you anymore," she said and turned away.

I was struck by her reply. CAN claims that cults cut off communication with outsiders. My new acquaintance was doing just that. As the room filled up, I wondered whether this was an aberration, or shades of things to come.

I didn't have to wait long to find out. Patricia Ryan, who was then CAN's president, opened the conference. Ryan was going to introduce Dr. Margaret Singer, a clinical psychologist who has god-like status at CAN. Singer sits on CAN's advisory board and probably has done more to develop, articulate and champion CAN's view of "coercive persuasion" than anyone. But first Ryan had some business to take care of. In her welcoming remarks, Ryan said that "people from some of the groups that we talk about" were attending the conference. "Don't talk to them," Ryan told the conferees. "Walk away and go about your business." They only want to upset you, she said.

Ryan then said that the media were in attendance. Conferees could talk to the media if they wanted to. But first they should talk to her or one of her assistants to make sure they said the right thing. Ryan also said that in order to eliminate interaction between the conference speakers and the audience, speakers would not be taking questions from the floor following their presentation. Instead, conferees would write down their questions, which would be

screened by a moderator.

After Ryan established the ground rules, she turned the floor over to Singer, who said that all groups exist somewhere along a continuum between democratic and totalistic (that is, exercising total control like "cults" do). The key to determining where a group was located on the spectrum was the degree of open communication, Singer said. Democratic groups have a free flow of information; totalistic groups control information. I looked around the room to see if anyone caught the irony by Singer's definition, Ryan had just placed CAN fairly far along the totalistic side of the spectrum.

But there was no reaction in the audience. The 300-or-so conferees sat transfixed as Singer laid out some basic points of CAN orthodoxy: cults take advantage of their followers; anyone can be persuaded (and deceived) by a cult if they are in the right state of mind; cult recruiters are as slick as used car salesmen.

Singer said a couple of things that surprised me, however. She said that the great majority of people walk away from cults, an idea that directly contradicts the CAN model of mind control. After all, how do people bound by psychological chains simply walk away? But this inconsistency didn't seem to bother anyone, either.

Singer made another point that should have troubled the conferees. She said that mainstream religions "began as cults centuries ago and then became institutionalized," at which time they were no longer cults. That suggested that either today's "cults" are not so bad (they'll evolve into mainline religions if not hounded to death) or that CAN would have harassed Jesus and Moses as controlling "cult leaders." Again, no reaction. The people in the audience behaved like sponges.

#### **Ideology vs. science**

The most important thing Singer said went right by me. She took a rhetorical jab at "cult apologists." As the conference went on, I heard more derisive comments about these apologists. It didn't take long to figure out that they were academics who didn't think NRMs were "cults" and disagreed with CAN's theory of brainwashing. But as I was listening to Singer I did not understand the real significance of her animosity towards the "cult apologists." Few conferees did either. And neither Singer nor anyone else stopped to explain it, even though the importance of the subject to CAN cannot be overstated. Because of the "cult apologists," Singer's ability to testify in court as an expert witness in the area of her presumed expertise was in jeopardy. As a result, CAN's basic premise—that cults use mind control—was being undermined. In fact, CAN's version of mind control had been officially rejected by the academic community in 1987. But few conferees knew that.

One of CAN's tenets is that "cults" hide damaging information from their members in order to manipulate and control them. Under the circumstances, it seemed like CAN was again doing something distinctly cult-like.

What Singer didn't mention to the conferees was that in August 1992 she and Dr. Richard Ofshe, a sociologist who shares her views on coercive persuasion, had gone after the "cult apologists" with a vengeance. Singer and Ofshe had filed a lawsuit against the American Psychological Association, the American Sociological Association and a dozen or so of its members under RICO, the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act, a law crafted by Congress to help lawmen prosecute organized crime.

In a 70-page complaint, Singer and Ofshe argued that they "derive substantial portions of their income from serving as consultants and expert witnesses in litigation concerned with coercive persuasion," particu-

larly involving cults. They said that the APA and other defendants had entered into a conspiracy to impair their ability to act as expert witnesses. They also claimed that the APA and their co-defendants had committed fraud, obstructed justice, duped federal judges and engaged in racketeering.

Singer has been at odds with most of her colleagues in the behavioral and social sciences communities for some time. In 1987, the APA rejected a report from its own Task Force on Deceptive and Indirect Methods of Persuasion and Control—which Singer chaired and which expressed her views—because: “The report lacks the scientific rigor and evenhanded critical approach necessary for APA imprimatur.” Singer’s conflict with her colleagues eventually spilled over into the courts. In 1990, U.S. District Judge D. Lowell Jensen ruled that Singer and Ofshe could not testify as expert witnesses on thought reform in a California case, **U.S. v. Fishman**.

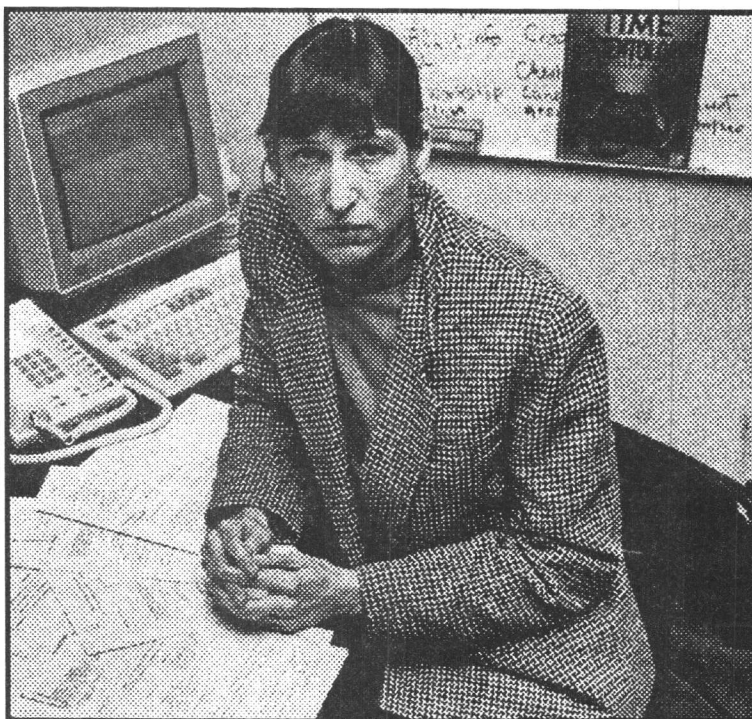
In his opinion, Jensen noted “that neither the APA nor the ASA has endorsed the views of Dr. Singer and Dr. Ofshe on thought reform” and that the APA had considered and rejected Singer’s views “because her coercive persuasion theory did not represent a meaningful scientific concept.” As a result, he concluded that neither Singer nor Ofshe could testify as experts on thought reform because their views “are not generally accepted within the scientific community.” Then Singer and Ofshe sued. “What I think they were trying to do in this suit was to collaterally attack the Fishman decision,” said Dort S. Bigg, APA’s director of legal affairs. “I think this was a way of getting a retrial on the merits of what was already rejected by Judge Jensen.”

None of the CAN speakers explained or discussed the APA controversy at the meeting, not even to rally the troops. Nor did I hear anything that explained it during subsequent CAN conferences, a period of two years when the Singer-Ofshe suit against the APA was dismissed, refiled in California and dismissed a second time. All I heard about “cult apologists” were snide comments and a biting limerick.

It became more and more clear that information that undermined CAN’s credibility, or even conflicting points of view, were non-subjects at CAN conferences. Instead, like good “cult leaders,” CAN officials appeared to choose carefully what was an appropriate subject for discussion and the correct way to think about it.

Deprogramming is another non-subject at CAN conferences, or sort of. Former “cult” members can say publicly that they were “exited” or even involuntarily deprogrammed. Deprogrammers attend and sometimes speak at CAN conferences and reportedly use the conferences to drum up business. But officially, CAN denies any connection to coercive deprogramming. The connection is hard to miss, however. And by November 1992, there was a growing body of documentary evidence—FBI reports, court records, affidavits by a former deprogrammer and a former head of the CFF—that suggested that CAN had more than a casual relationship to coercive deprogramming.

CAN has maintained that this is not so, even after the FBI arrested Galen Kelly in September 1992 for conspiring to kidnap and deprogram Lewis du Pont Smith, a du Pont heir, from his affiliation with the Lyndon LaRouche organization (an alleged “political cult”). Kelly had been the head of CAN’s security force during CAN’s national conferences in 1990 and 1991. Kelly’s financial records, used as evidence during his



**Cynthia Kisser**, Executive Director of the Cult Awareness Network (photo: Steven D. Arazmus)

trial, show that he got six \$1,500 payments and \$2,300 in reimbursements for expenses from CAN between January and September 1992, the month he was arrested. Part of that money was \$690 for airfare to attend a CAN conference, presumably the conference held in November 1992. Nevertheless, Cynthia Kisser, CAN’s executive director, told the **Reader**, a Chicago weekly, that CAN had no part in the “alleged incident” for which Kelly was arrested. “He was never an official or an employee of ours,” Kisser said.

Kelly was narrowly acquitted of conspiring to kidnap Smith. But in 1993 he was arrested, tried and convicted in yet another kidnapping case, and sentenced to seven years and three months in a federal prison. His conviction was then overturned on appeal after he had served 16 months. He then pled guilty to a lesser charge of “misprison of felony,” for concealing a crime (the same kidnapping) from authorities. For that, he was sentenced to the 16 months he had already served and not given any additional jail time.



Kelly testified during his second trial that he had abducted 30 to 40 people for involuntary deprogramming during his career.

I cannot recall that CAN officials or any of the speakers mentioned Kelly's name at the three CAN conferences I attended, even though those conferences spanned his arrest, two trials, one acquittal, one conviction (which was overturned on appeal) and one guilty plea. Had Kelly been a member of a "destructive cult," those shadowy organizations that CAN says engage in illegal and unethical behavior and who believe the ends justify the means, his name and legal odyssey would have been on every lip at CAN conferences. But Kelly was another non-subject. I knew CAN's official position on deprogramming, but at the 1992 conference I thought I'd find out what members had to say about the subject. This took some negotiation because I first had to introduce myself to them and establish a rapport. Since my name tag only had my first name and my CAN affiliation, about half the people I met did not know I was a member of Church Universal and Triumphant.

I told people up front who I was and where I was from. For a lot of people, that was something of a shock. I was different than they had imagined a cult member to be. I was focused, at ease, could finish my sentences and had a sense of humor—all in violation of the cult stereotype.

I talked to one middle-aged man who joined CAN after a family member joined a cult; he wouldn't tell me which one. "What do you think of deprogramming that involves kidnapping?" I asked. He stopped and thought for quite a long time. "Well, you have to understand it from the family's point of view," he said. "They may be desperate for contact and the cult won't let them have it," he continued. His statement was based on a CAN axiom, that cults separate their followers from their families. Then he laid out his justification for kidnapping and deprogramming: "Desperate people do desperate things."

I disagreed with his justification, but I could understand his logic. And I was happy to meet someone at the conference who seemed to think for himself. Most of the people I had met up to that point seemed to spout CAN's party line. I was reflecting on this instance of what I believed to be independent thought as I asked another member about kidnapping and deprogramming. "Well, you know," this one said, "desperate people do desperate things."

So much for critical thinking.

## CAN and the First Amendment

There were other ways that CAN tried to prevent the free flow of information, including giving people the boot. I was hauled unceremoniously out of CAN's business meeting by Priscilla Coates, a heavy-weight in the anti-cult movement, for no apparent reason other than my church affiliation. I must have missed all the good stuff.

Coates—identified in the conference program as "Former National President and Director of CAN (CFF); Chair, CAN Los Angeles affiliate"—has a taste for strong-arm tactics. Besides kicking me out of the session, Coates had hotel security eject Robert Lippmann from a Shabbat (sabbath) service being held in the Ramada for CAN's Jewish members. Lippmann, who is both Jewish and a Scientologist, had reportedly been invited to attend the service by Herbert Rosedale, an attorney and leading figure in the American Family Foundation, CAN's sister organization. Lippmann subsequently sued Coates, Rachel Andres (a CAN board member), CAN, and the two security men who picked him up and removed him from the service, for assault, battery and violation of his civil rights.

This past November (1994) in Cleveland, Coates tried to prevent me from talking informally to a speaker following an event. People

were milling around and I was craning my neck, trying to locate the person. That's when Coates spotted me and demanded to know what I was doing.

"I want to ask someone a question," I said. "I don't think you do," she said. I laughed, both at her arrogance and the absurdity of the situation. "Give me the question and I'll ask for you," she said. "Who is it?" I told Coates that her behavior was inappropriate; I didn't need her as an intermediary.

Coates wasn't the only one who tried to restrict my communication at a CAN conference. Executive Director Cynthia Kissner did, too. I had had several interactions with

Kissner over the years. In 1992, at my first CAN conference, Kissner and I chatted in a lounge off the hotel lobby the evening the conference ended while everyone else watched pro football on TV. The Bears were playing the Bengals. A lot of the CAN members were from Chicago, and they were rooting for the Bears.

While the rest of the CAN folks did a little bit of armchair quarterbacking, Kissner and I talked about CAN, cults, deprogramming and the charge that she had been a topless dancer years ago in Tucson. Since we both did public relations for our respective organizations, this was a topic of mutual interest.

I told her it didn't matter to me whether or not she was a topless dancer. She said that she wasn't a topless dancer, but that I was missing the point. If our circumstances were reversed—if I were a topless dancer—Kissner said she would use that against me.

But Kissner insisted she wasn't a topless dancer and said something about suing the people who were spreading the rumor about her. It was more than just idle chatter. In July 1992, Kissner filed two nearly identical lawsuits for defamation (one in federal court, one in Illinois state court) against the Coalition of Religious Freedom, the Church of Scientology, its president and director of public affairs, the Unification Church, the **New Federalist**, the **Chicago Crusader** (a Chicago newspaper serving the black community) and its owners and editor.

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The suit argues that Kisser was defamed by allegations that she was a topless dancer and associated with criminals. (As we go to press, United States District Judge James B. Zagel and Judge Joseph Casciato of circuit court, Cook County, Ill., have dismissed most of the defamation charges related to topless dancing. We will explore this suit in greater detail in a future segment of this special report.)

The next time I talked to Kisser was in the fall of 1993, about a month before CAN's annual convention. The conference was called "From Jonestown to Waco." During and after the 51-day siege at the Branch Davidian compound, people affiliated with CAN had reportedly told a number of news sources that Church Universal and Triumphant could be the next Waco—or even worse. That wasn't true, of course. But since they had scheduled an event called, "Waco: Can It Happen Again?" I called up Kisser and volunteered to be on the panel. What could be more educational than to hear someone from a group they had proclaimed was a future Waco waiting to happen? I would even take questions from the floor, no holds barred.

Kisser didn't see it that way. She waffled and said something like the other speakers had been booked for some time and there wasn't going to be room on the panel and it was too close to the conference to add another speaker and... The short answer was "No." I couldn't be on the panel.

#### **All the news that's fit**

I didn't talk to Kisser again until the most recent CAN conference, held Nov. 4-6, 1994, at a Holiday Inn just outside of Cleveland. This was my third CAN conference. I was familiar with the routine. I would get a registration form in the mail, fill it out and send it in with a check. And wait. Under a section entitled "Conference Participation Information," the registration form asks the conferee to check the phrase that best fits: clergy, legal, former cult member, media, educator and so on. I checked media. I planned to write a story about my experiences at the CAN conference.

It's no secret who I am—certainly not to CAN's hierarchy. Mark Roggeman, a Denver policeman who has headed up security at CAN's national conferences the last two years, told me that the CAN leadership is well aware when I am planning to go to one of their conferences. "Telephone calls and faxes go back and forth and there's a lot of talk about it," he told me at the 1993 CAN conference.

But just to be sure CAN knew who I was, I wrote "Church Universal and Triumphant" on the registration form. I sent in the form with a letter asking them to let me know as soon as possible if they were going to allow me to attend because it would help me to make my travel arrangements.

No such luck. My assistant called CAN headquarters and asked if they were going to let me in. The woman who answered the telephone didn't recognize my name. She was bright and perky and put my assistant on hold to check. But whoever she checked with did recognize my name. When she came back on the line, her demeanor had changed. She said she didn't have the authority to say one way or the other. When I called a week later and talked to CAN staffer Marty Butz, it was the same story. Only Cynthia Kisser could say for sure, he said. And she wasn't available. I took a

chance and flew to Cleveland anyway.

When I showed up at the Holiday Inn where the conference was being held, my conference packet was waiting for me, except this time my name tag had my first and last names in large printed letters and the word "press" in smaller letters typed neatly below. I figured that they used my last name—a departure from CAN policy—because I was attending the meeting as "press," not just an ordinary CAN member.

The conference began on a promising note. The first speaker, Dr. Michael Yapko, a clinical psychologist, gave an interesting talk about people who "recover" repressed memories of sexual abuse that actually never occurred. (I was waiting for him to talk about people who "recover" memories of abuse that never occurred when they were in a "cult." But he never got around to it.) Yapko talked about memory and suggestibility, the culture of victimhood and the debate in the psychological community over recovered memories. He made a lot of points I agreed with, except he had an annoying habit of departing from his research to fire off non sequiturs like, "I assure you, if you're not pregnant, you don't have an inner child."

Yapko made a number of these interjections. Besides the fact that people can be induced to remember things that never happened, he said that there isn't a lot of critical thinking in the United States. As evidence, he said that 69 percent of the American population believes in angels. He also said that the techniques used by therapists to induce people to "remember" things that didn't happen to them are exactly the same as the techniques allegedly used by cult leaders "to absorb someone into a cult." He didn't make the obvious comparison to techniques used by deprogrammers.

Later, I asked Yapko about his connection to CAN and his research into cults. He said he didn't have any connection to CAN and had not done any research on cults. "Don't draw me into this cult stuff," he said. Despite the asides, Yapko's talk had a lot of useful background on an important issue. And unlike a lot of other CAN speakers, he had a sense of humor.

The rest of the CAN conference was pretty predictable. Lots of presentations on the evils of cults by CAN "experts" and ex-cult members and their families. Several Scientologists registered for the conference and, as far as I could tell, behaved themselves. Other Scientologists, some of them wearing "Stop the Hate" T-shirts with Cynthia Kisser's picture silk-screened on the front, hung around in the hotel lobby looking for animated discussions.

All this is great for my story I thought. Even better, Bill Goldberg, a social worker and regular at CAN conferences, had promised to give me an interview. So did Margaret Singer. And I decided I had a journalistic responsibility to talk to Cynthia Kisser or any other spokesman she might designate. I thought she would be CAN's most effective spokesman, however, and I was contemplating the best way to approach her for an interview.

But despite all this planning, it was getting on toward 6 p.m. the first day of the conference and I still hadn't done any interviews. About 400 people were attending the conference and I wanted to write about the audience's reaction. At the



evening break, most of the conferees gathered in the hotel lobby to talk. I asked a couple of elderly gentlemen if I could interview them. I told them that I was going to write a story for the **Royal Teton Ranch News**, a monthly paper of Church Universal and Triumphant. I asked them a few questions and engaged in a little small talk. Both thought my church was a cult. In the midst of the conversation, Roggeman, CAN's security man, came up and told me that Cynthia Kisser said I had to cross the word "press" off my name tag. (Was Big Sister watching me?)

I told him that I didn't put the word "press" on my tag, CAN did. He said I'd have to cross it off anyway. I asked if they could run me a new tag, which takes just a couple of seconds. I didn't want a messy looking tag. He said he'd check. It was almost time for the evening session when Roggeman returned. "Cynthia says you have to cross the word 'press' off your name tag right now or you can't come in the evening session," he said. "Do you want me to do it for you?"

I told him I would do it myself. After I altered my name tag, I walked into the ballroom and saw Kisser across the room sitting at the head table. She saw me so I gave her a smile and a thumbs up. The word "press" didn't mean that much to me and, hey, if this makes her happy.... On that point I was a little naive. I sat down and started talking to an older woman. I had forgotten about the name tag incident when who but Cynthia Kisser should suddenly be sitting on my other side. "I want your word you won't use either of those two interviews you did tonight," she said. It was not a request.

Huh? Those interviews were not exactly consequential, and the old guys had said things that were very supportive of CAN, I thought. I asked for an explanation. Kisser said I didn't have proper press credentials and that I had deceived CAN. "Well," I said, and started to tell her that they were the ones who wrote "press" on my tag and...

"Yes or no," she said. "I want your word you won't use those interviews." She was in no mood to listen. I was certain that if I didn't agree I would be tossed out of the conference. I was tempted to say, "Cynthia, does this mean you are not going to give me an interview?" but I decided she wouldn't see the humor in it. Although I didn't like being falsely accused of deception, I didn't think those interviews were worth getting kicked out for.

"You have my word," I said. "Thank you very much," she said and shook my hand. I noticed her hand was shaking, almost uncontrollably. "Cynthia, are you all right?" I said. She didn't answer. "What do you think of that?" I asked the woman next to me. She was a CAN stalwart, but

clearly embarrassed. "Cynthia probably just doesn't want all her good work undone by the media," the woman offered.

#### **Stick to dogma**

I wasn't the only one censored at a CAN conference. Stephen Dunning had an even worse experience—and he was a speaker at a CAN conference. But he said the wrong thing. Dunning, associate professor of religious studies at the University of Pennsylvania, teaches a course called "Understanding the Cult Controversy." He makes it clear that he is no cult apologist. "I consider myself more of an interpreter of the controversy than an apologist for one side against the other."

In 1991, he was invited to speak at a conference sponsored jointly by the American Family Foundation (AFF) and CAN at the suggestion of Arthur Dole, a fellow scholar and a prominent figure in the AFF. Dunning said he made several points during his talk. "One was that I really do have a genuine concern for the issues raised by the anti-cultists," Dunning said. "I think families frequently experience bereavement when their child joins a group. They have the sense that the group has stolen their child."

So far so good. That's a message CAN can live with. But after establishing

that he identified with their concerns, Dunning went on to say that the cult issue is complicated. "We can't make a lot of generalizations, we can't assume that all the groups are the same," Dunning said. Not so good. It got even worse when Dunning recommended that high school and college students take courses in religion, including new religions, so that they could make intelligent choices for themselves. Some students might then choose to join new religions, but they would do so with their eyes wide open, Dunning said. That was not a message that CAN wanted to hear. "Rosedale cut me off and did a five-minute rebuttal with the rest of my time," Dunning said. Among other things, Rosedale denounced what he called Dunning's "academic detached attitude."

"I think what happened was that I was perceived to be an enemy and

**Conflicting points of view were non-subjects at CAN conferences. Instead, like good "cult leaders," CAN officials appeared to choose carefully what was an appropriate subject for discussion and the correct way to think about it.**

therefore on the spot told to be quiet and censored from the program," Dunning told me. "I'm hurt by the fact that the leadership took this action. I just made a strong pitch for education." CAN's leaders might have been offended by Dunning's comments—they were a radical departure from CAN dogma—but the audience had a different reaction. "Lots of people came up to speak to me afterwards," Dunning said. "The response from the people in the audience was very positive."

Perhaps. But CAN never invited Dunning back again. And he suffered a final indignity. When CAN offered tapes of the conference for sale, he was the only conference speaker whose talk was not available. "They literally censored my talk," Dunning said.

### **Social science and the threat of death**

CAN may be a non-profit educational organization. But there are narrow limits to what CAN considers to be educational, as Dunning discovered, and as James Lewis, a respected scholar in the field of NRMs, also discovered years before. Like Dunning, he too said the wrong thing. And then got some death threats.

Lewis became interested in the cult controversy in 1983 while a graduate student in religious studies at Syracuse University. Lewis had been told that there was a lack of good data on former members and decided that would be a promising area for research. He contacted Coates, who was then the executive director of CFF, as well as a number of NRMs including the Unification Church, the Way International and the Krishna movement. Coates and the NRMs both gave Lewis the names of former members, the majority coming from CFF, and Lewis put together a sample of 154 former members.

One of Lewis's objectives was to collect data on what Flo Conway and Jim Siegelman, the authors of "Snapping," called cult-related "information disease." In an article published in **Science Digest**, Conway and Siegelman argued that when an individual in a cult is under the influence of mind control, the mind loses its ability to correctly process information (otherwise an individual would surely see through the cult, Lewis said). The more time each day a former member spent in brainwashing activities (prayer, meditation, etc. according to Conway and Siegelman) the more likely they were to experience the prolonged symptoms of information disease: depression, nightmares and suicidal tendencies.

Lewis divided his sample into three categories: those who walked away from their group and had no exit counseling; those who left with voluntary exit counseling; and those who left with involuntary exit counseling, that is, they were forcibly kidnapped and deprogrammed. He discovered that those who reported they experienced the symptoms Conway and Siegelman described had been coercively deprogrammed. Those who did not had left voluntarily.

Lewis realized that some ex-members were indeed suffering, but it wasn't from information disease. "I hypothesized that what people were experiencing was a traumatic stress syndrome and that it was caused by deprogramming," Lewis said, including the trauma of "being violently yanked out of a group and having their religious beliefs destroyed."

In 1984 Coates wrote to Lewis and asked for a progress report on his research. He wrote back and told her that information disease was not a unique syndrome related to cults. It was post traumatic stress disorder related to deprogramming. Lewis also told Coates that his research showed that people who left voluntarily tended to have positive or neutral feelings toward their former religious group. But those who were deprogrammed tended to have intensely negative feelings towards the group.

Lewis never heard from Coates again. Not so the chairman of his department and Melvin A. Eggers, the chancellor at Syracuse University. Coates wrote to them claiming that Lewis was conducting deceptive research and he was on the payroll of the Unification Church, which had summarized some of his preliminary findings in their newspaper. Eggers wrote back telling Coates that there was nothing wrong with Lewis' research and that he was not working for the "cults." "The 'evidence' you cite does not convince me that Mr. Lewis has been deceptive about his affiliations," Eggers wrote.

But Coates was not done. In January 1985 Coates wrote to all the ex-members affiliated with CFF who participated in Lewis' study and told them Lewis had deceived them, that he was on the payroll of the cults and had penetrated CFF's security and that they should stop cooperating with him, Lewis said.

That's when he got the death threats. "They were from former members of controversial religions who had been deprogrammed," Lewis said. Now, nearly a decade later, Lewis puts this event into perspective. "The anti-cult movement likes to say that these awful cults try to stop any research about them from coming out, and isn't it awful that they are trying to interfere with the free flow of information," Lewis said. "And here is a perfect example of the anti-cult movement willing to resort to precisely the same tactics."

In preparing this report, I called CAN headquarters for an interview with Cynthia Kisser or any other spokesman CAN would designate. I offered to fax written questions to Kisser before the interview. CAN did not respond to my requests.

During the 1994 CAN conference, Dr. Margaret Singer said she would give me an interview. I did not talk to her during the conference, mostly because of Kisser's ban on interviews, and Singer did not respond to subsequent requests for an interview. Bill Goldberg said he would give me an interview during the 1994 conference, but within several hours changed his mind. •

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# The False Memory Hoax

## CIA Connections to Mind Control Cults

by Alex Constantine

*In a sense, we are in the same ethical and moral dilemma as the physicists in the days prior to the Manhattan Project. Those of us who work in this field see a developing potential for a nearly total control of human emotional status.*

Dr. Wayne Evans, U.S. Army Institute of Environmental Medicine, 1978

In the fall of 1994, 27 members of the Sovereign Order of the Solar Temple were found dead at chalets in Granges, Switzerland and Morin Heights, Quebec. Luc Joutet, the Temple's grand master, the **London Times** reported, "espoused a hybrid religion that owed more to Umberto Eco's novel **Foucault's Pendulum** than to any bible. His followers called themselves 'knights of Christ.' The crusading codes of the Knights Templar, the rose-and-cross symbolism of the medieval Rosicrucian Order, Nazi occultism and new age mysticism were joined together into a mumbo-jumbo mishmash that seemed more designed for extracting money from disciples than saving souls."

Joutet, born in the Belgian Congo in 1947, set out in youth as a mystic with communist leanings, but his politics apparently swung full circle. He has since been linked to a clutch of neo-Nazis responsible for a string of bombings in Canada. He told friends that he had once served with a unit of Belgium paratroopers.

French-Canadian journalist Pierre Tourangeau investigated the sect for two years. A few days after the mass murder, he reported that the sect was financed by the proceeds of gun-running to Europe and South America. Simultaneously, Radio Canada announced that Joutet's Templars earned hundreds of millions of dollars laundering the profits through the infamous Bank of Credit and Commerce International (BCCI), closed by authorities worldwide in 1991. Montreal's **La Presse** observed "each new piece of information only thickens the mystery," but the combination of international arms smuggling and BCCI presented a familiar enough picture of CIA sedition. The Manhattan D.A. who closed the American branch announced that 16 witnesses had died in the course of investigating the bank's entanglements in covert operations of the CIA, arms smuggling to Iraq, money laundering and child prostitution.

The average coffee table would crumple under the weighty BCCI Book of the Dead. Journalist Danny Cassalero and Vince Foster appear in it, grim antece-

dents to the Solar Temple killings. The cult's connection to BCCI (reported in Europe but filtered from American newspaper accounts) fed speculation among Canadian journalists that followers of Joutet were killed to bury public disclosures of gun-running and money laundering.

But the fraternizing of America's national security elite and the cults did not begin in Cheiry, Switzerland. Joutet's Order of the Solar Temple was but the latest incarnation of mind control operations organized and overseen by the CIA and Department of Defense.

Scientists in the CIA's mind control fraternity lead double lives. Many are highly respected, but if the truth were known they would be deafened by the public outcry and drummed out of their respective academic haunts.

Martin T. Orne, for example, a senior CIA/Navy researcher, is based at the University of Pennsylvania's Experimental Psychiatry Laboratory. He is also an original member of the False Memory Syndrome Foundation's advisory board, a tightly-drawn coterie of psychiatrists, many with backgrounds in CIA mind control experimentation in its myriad forms. The Foundation is dedicated to denying the existence of cult mind control and child abuse. Its primary pursuit is the castigation of survivors and therapists for fabricating accusations of ritual abuse.

Dismissing cult abuse as hysteria or false memory, a common defense strategy, certainly relieves parents of preschool children. Indeed, in a small percentage of cult abuse cases it's possible that children may be led to believe they've been victimized. But the CIA and its cover organizations have a vested interest in blowing smoke at the cult underground because the worlds of CIA mind control and many cults merge inextricably. The drum beat of "false accusations" from the media is taken up by paid operatives like Dr. Orne and the False Memory Syndrome Foundation to conceal the crimes of the Agency.

Orne's forays into hypno-programming were financed in the 1960s by the Human Ecology Fund, a CIA cover at Cornell University, the underwriter of many of the formative mind control experiments conducted in the U.S. and abroad, including the gruesome brainwashing and remote mind control experiments of D. Ewen Cameron at Montreal's Allen Memorial Institute. Research specialties of the CIA's black psychiatrists included electroshock, lobotomies, drugging agents, incapacitants, hypnosis, sleep deprivation and radio control of the brain, among hundreds of

sub-projects.

The secondary source of funding for Dr. Orne's work in hypnotic suggestion and dissolution of memory is eerie in the cult child abuse context. The voluminous files of John Marks in Washington, D.C. (139 boxes obtained under FOIA, to be exact, two-fifths of which document CIA interest in the occult) include an Agency report itemizing a \$30,000 grant to Orne from Human Ecology, and another \$30,000 from Boston's Scientific Engineering Institute (SEI), another CIA funding cover founded by Edwin Land of the Polaroid Corporation (and supervision of the U-2 spy plane escapades). That same year, the CIA's Office of Research and Development (ORD) geared up a study of parapsychology and the occult. The investigation, dubbed Project OFTEN-CHICKWIT, gave rise to the establishment of a social "laboratory" by SEI scientists at the University of South Carolina -- a college class in black witchcraft, demonology and voodoo.

Dr. Orne, with SEI funding, marked out his own mind control corner at the University of Pennsylvania in the early 1960s. He does not publicize his role as CIA psychiatrist. He denies it, very plausibly. In a letter to Dr. Orne, Marks once reminded him that he'd disavowed knowledge of his participation in one mind-wrecking experimental sub-project. Orne later recanted, admitting that he'd been aware of the true source of funding all along.

Among psychiatrists in the CIA's mind control fraternity, Orne ranks among the most venerable. He once boasted to Marks that he was routinely briefed on all significant CIA behavior modification experiments: "Why would they come to him," Martin Cannon muses in **The Controllers**, which links UFO abductions to secret military research veiled by screen memories of "alien" abduction, "unless Orne had a high security clearance and worked extensively with the intelligence services?"

To supplement his CIA income, the influential Dr. Orne has been the donee of grants from the Office of Naval Research and the Air Force Office of Scientific Research. "I should like to hear," Cannon says, "what innocent explanation, if any, the Air Force has to offer to explain their interest in post-hypnotic amnesia."

According to Army records, Orne's stomping grounds, Penn U., was a bee-hive of secret experiments in the Vietnam War period. The Pentagon and CIA -- under the auspices of ORD's Steve Aldrich, a doyen of occult and parapsychological studies -- conferred the Agency's most lucrative research award upon the University of Pennsylvania to study the effects of 16 newly-concocted biochemical warfare agents on humans, including choking, blistering and vomiting agents, toxins, poison gas and incapacitating chemicals. The tests were abruptly halted in 1972 when the prison's medical lab burned to the ground.

Testimony before the 1977 Church Committee's probe of the CIA hinted that, as of 1963, the scientific squalor of the CIA's mind control regimen, code-named MKULTRA, had abandoned military and academic laboratories, fearing exposure, and mushroomed in cities across the country. Confirmation arrived in 1980 when Joseph Holsinger, an aide to late Congressman Leo Ryan (who was murdered by a death squad at Jonestown) exposed the formation of eccentric religious cults by the CIA. Holsinger made the allegation at a colloquium of psychologists in San Francisco on "Psychosocial Implications of the Jonestown Phenomenon." Holsinger maintained that a CIA rear-support base had been in collusion with Jones to perform medical and mind control experiments at People's Temple. The former Congressional aide cited an essay he'd received in the mail, "The Penal Colony," written by a Berkeley psychologist. The author had emphasized: Rather than terminating MKULTRA, the CIA shifted its programs from public institutions to private cult groups, including the People's Temple.

Jonestown had its grey eminence in Dr. Lawrence Laird Layton of the University of California at Berkeley, formerly a chemist for the Manhattan Project and head of the Army's chemical warfare research division in the early

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1950s. (Larry Layton, his son, led the death squad that murdered Congressman Leo Ryan, who'd arrived at Guyana to investigate the cult.) Michael Meiers, author of **Was Jonestown a CIA Medical Experiment?**, scavenged for information on the People's Temple for six years, concluding: "The Jonestown experiment was conceived by Dr. Layton, staffed by Dr. Layton and financed by Dr. Layton. It was as much his project as it was Jim Jones'. Though it was essential for him to remain in the background for security reasons, Dr. Layton maintained contact with and even control of the experiment through his



wife and children." The African-American cult had at its core a Caucasian inner-council, composed of Dr. Layton's family and in-laws.

The press was blind to obvious CIA connections, but survivors of the carnage in Guyana followed the leads and maintained that Jim Jones was "an employee, servant, agent or operative of the Central Intelligence Agency" from 1963 - the year the Agency turned to cult cut-outs to conceal MKULTRA mind control activities - until 1978. In October 1981 the survivors of Jonestown filed a \$63 million lawsuit against Secretary of State Cyrus Vance and Stansfield Turner, former director of the CIA, currently a teacher at the University of Maryland and a director of the Monsanto Corporation. The suit, filed in U.S. district court in San Francisco, accused Turner of conspiring with Agency operatives to "enhance the economic and political powers of James Warren Jones," and of conducting "mind control and drug experimentation" on the Temple flock. The suit was dismissed four months later for "failure to prosecute timely." All requests for an appeal were denied.

Ligatures of the CIA clung to the cults. Much of the violence that has since exploded across the front pages was incited by CIA academics at leading universities.

Small wonder, then, that Ted Goertzel, director of the Forum for Policy Research at Rutgers, which maintains a symbiosis with the CIA despite media exposure, should write that the most susceptible victims of "cryptomnesia" (a synonym for false memories) believe "in conspiracies, including the JFK assassination, AIDS conspiracies, as well as the UFO cover-up." The problem, Goertzel says, "may have its origins in early childhood," and is accompanied by "feelings of anomie and anxiety that make the individual more likely to construct false memories out of information stored in the unconscious mind." This side of gilded rationalizations, the CIA's links to the cults are no manifestation of "cryptomnesia."

Like Jonestown, the Symbionese Liberation Army was a mind control creation unleashed by the Agency. The late political researcher Mae Brussell, whose study of the CIA commenced in 1963 after the assassination of John Kennedy, wrote in 1974 that the rabid guerrilla band "consisted predominantly of CIA agents and police informers." This unsavory group was, Brussell insisted, "an extension of psychological experimentation projects, connected to Stanford Research Institute, Menlo Park." (She went on to lament that "many of the current rash of 'senseless killings,' 'massacres,' and 'zombie-type murders' are committed by individuals who have been in Army hospitals, mental hospitals or prison hospitals, where their heads have been literally taken over surgically to create terror in the community.")

Evidence that the CIA conceived and directed the SLA was obvious. The SLA leadership was trained by Colston Westbrook, a Pennsylvania native. Westbrook was a veteran of the CIA's murderous PHOENIX Program in South Vietnam, where he trained terrorist cadres and death squads. In 1969 he took a job as an administrator of Pacific Architects and Engineers, a CIA proprietary in Southern California. Three of Westbrook's foot soldiers, Emily and William Harris and Angela Atwood (a former police intelligence informer), had been students of the

College of Foreign Affairs, a CIA cover at the University of Indiana. Even the SLA symbol, a seven-headed cobra, had been adopted by the OSS (America's wartime intelligence agency) and CIA to designate precepts of brainwashing.

When the smoke cleared at SLA headquarters in L.A., Dr. Martin Orne was called upon to examine Patricia Hearst in preparation for trial. The government charged that she had participated voluntarily in the SLA's gun-toting crime spree. Orne's was a foregone conclusion - he sided with the government. His opinion was shared by two other psychiatrists called to appraise Ms. Hearst's state of mind, Robert Jay Lifton and Louis Jolyon West. Dr. Lifton was a co-founder of the aforementioned Human Ecology Fund, the CIA contractor that showered Orne with research grants in the 1960s. Dr. West is one of the CIA's most notorious mind control specialists, currently director of UCLA's Neuropsychiatric Institute. It was West who brought a score of mind control psychiatrists of the ultra-right political stripe to the UCLA campus.

Drs. Orne, Lifton and West unanimously agreed that Patty Hearst had been "persuasively coerced" to join the SLA. She had been put through a grueling thought reform regimen. She'd been isolated and sensory deprived, raped, humiliated, bad-

gered, and politically indoctrinated with a surrealistic mutation of Third World Marxism. Ms. Hearst was only allowed human companionship when she exhibited signs of submission. Orne and his colleagues assured that attention was focused on their psychologizing, rather than evidence of CIA collusion.

Another psychiatrist called to testify at the trial of "Tania" surfaced with Dr. Orne in 1991 on the board of the False Memory Syndrome Foundation. The FMSF

board is almost exclusively composed of former CIA and military doctors currently employed by major universities. None have backgrounds in ritual abuse: their common interest is behavior modification.

Dr. Margaret Singer, a retired Berkeley Ph.D., studied repatriated prisoners-of-war returning from the Korean War at the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research in Maryland (1952-58). Singer turned up in 1982 on the book jacket of *Raven* (the CIA's code-name for Jim Jones) by San Francisco Examiner reporters Tim Reiterman and John Jacobs, a thoroughly-researched account of the People's Temple that completely side-steps CIA involvement. Co-author John Jacobs was supposedly one of the country's leading authorities on CIA mind control, a subject he studied at length for a series published by the *Washington Post*. Reiterman had been the Examiner reporter on the Patricia Hearst beat. Yet both writers managed to avoid obvious intelligence connections. Dr. Singer commended the book as "the definitive psychohistory of Jim Jones." *Raven*, she opined, conveyed "the essence of psychological and social processes that Jim Jones, the ultimate manipulator, set in motion." The true "manipulators," of course, were operatives of the CIA, and the public disinformation gambit lauded by Dr. Singer was, according to Meiers, in tune with "a concerted attempt to suppress information, stifle investigations,

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ensor writers and manipulate public information."

The CIA and Pentagon have quietly organized and influenced a long line of mind control cults, among them:

**The Riverside Lodge of the Ordo Templis Orientis.** Also known as The Solar Lodge of the OTO, which followed the teachings of cult messiah Aleister Crowley, whose fixed gaze on the astral equinox resulted in instructions from his deities to form a religious order. Crowley, high priest of the OTO and a British intelligence agent, gave Winifred T. Smith a charter to open an OTO lodge in Pasadena. The high priest of the lodge was Jack Parsons, a rocket expert and founder of the California Institute of Technology. Parsons, who took the oath of the anti-Christ in 1949, contributed to the design of the Pentagon under subsequent CIA director John J. McCloy. Parsons was killed in a still unexplained laboratory explosion. There is a crater on the moon named after him.

The OTO's Solar Lodge in San Bernardino was presided over by Georgina "Jean" Brayton, the daughter of a ranking Air Force officer in the 1960s. The cult subscribed to a grim, apocalyptic view of the world, and like Charles Manson believed that race wars would precipitate the Big Cataclysm. In the Faustian Los Angeles underworld, the lodge was known for its indulgence in sadomasochism, drug dealing, blood drinking, child molestation and murder.

Candace Reos, a former member of the lodge, was deposed by Riverside police in 1969. Reos said that Brayton controlled the thinking of all cult members. One poor soul, she said, was ordered to curb his sexual urges by cutting his wrists every time he was aroused. Mrs. Reos told police, according to the report, that when she became pregnant, Georgina was angry and told her that she would have to condition herself to hate her child. Reos told police that children of the cult's 43 adult members were secluded from their parents and received "training" that took on "very severe tones."

"There was a lot of spanking involved," she said, "a lot of heavy criticism. [Children were] enclosed in dark rooms." The teachers, she added, "left welts." If so ordered, adult cultists would beat their children.

According to a Riverside County Sheriff's report, a six year-old child burned the group's school house to the ground. The boy was punished by solitary confinement in a locked shipping crate left in the desert, where the average temperature was 110 degrees, for two months. The boy was chained to a metal plate. When police freed him, they were nauseated by the suffocating stench of excrement. The child was smothered in flies swarming from a tin-can toilet.

**The Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh Movement.** In 1985 the *Portland Oregonian* published a 36-part, book-length series linking this cult to opium trafficking, prostitution, money laundering, arson, slave labor, mass poisonings, illegal wiretaps and the stockpiling of guns and biochemical warfare weapons. The year-long *Oregonian* investigation revealed cult ties to CIA-trained mercenaries in El Salvador and the Far East. Domestically, Rajneesh's secret police force worked with Agency operatives.

**Finders.** On February 7, 1987 Customs agents raided a child-porn ring in Tallahassee, Florida. Eight suspects and six children were taken into custody. The children, according to a Customs Department memo, behaved "like animals in a public park," and "were not aware of the function and purpose of telephones, televisions and toilets."

The children told police that they were forced to live outdoors and were given food only as a reward. A check on the backgrounds of the adults turned up a police report, "specific in describing 'bloody rituals' and sex orgies involving children, and an as-yet unsolved murder."

Customs agents searched a cult safe house and discovered a computer room and documents recording "high-tech" bank transfers, explosives, and a set of instructions advising cult members on moving children through jurisdictions around the country. One photographic album found in the house featured the execution and disembowelment of goats, and snapshots, according to a Customs report, of "adults and children dressed in white sheets participating in a bloody ritual." An American passport was found. The investigating agents contacted the State Department and were advised to "terminate further investigation."

They investigated anyway, reporting that "the CIA made contact and admitted to owning the Finders ... as a front for a domestic training organization, but that it had 'gone bad.'" The late wife of Marion David Pettie, the cult's leader, had worked for the Agency, and his son had been an employee of Air America, the heroin-riddled CIA proprietary. Yet Pettie denied to a reporter for *U.S. News & World Report* any connection to the Firm. Police in Washington refused to comment. Officials of the CIA dismissed as "hogwash" allegations of any connection to the Finders cult.

**MOVE.** On May 13, 1985 MOVE's Philadelphia headquarters was firebombed by local police. Not only did the fire consume the cult's home, it devastated the entire neighborhood, leaving 11 dead and 250 homeless. The group was cofounded by Vince Leapheart, aka John Africa, a Korean veteran. His intellectual mentor and source of funding was Donald Glassey, a lecturer at the University of Pennsylvania's School of Social Work. Glassey was an admitted police "informant," but conducted himself like a paid provocateur. He purchased weapons for the cult with cash drawn from city coffers. John Africa, the cult's titular head, claimed to be a messiah, and like Jim Jones to have Godly "healing" powers and "total control" over his followers.

**O.T.A.** The Order of the Temple of Astarte in Pasadena, California is a "hermetic" occult organization that practices "Magick in the Western Tradition." The cult is led by Fraters Khenemel, a police officer, and Aleyin, a veteran Green Beret. The cult's everyday language is unusual for a mystical order - one group schedule is laden with words like "operation," "sixteen-thirty hours," and "travel orders." Demonology is among the OTA's primary occult interests.

The police connection recalls the statement of Louis Tackwood, the former LAPD provocateur whose revelations of secret police subterfuge set off a political tempest in Los Angeles in 1973. "You don't know," he told journalist Donald Freed, "but there's a devil worship cult in Pasadena. Actually in Altadena." Tackwood alleged that the cultists were "on the LAPD payroll."

The CIA and Pentagon cooperate in the creation of cults. To be sure, the Association of National Security Alumni, a public interest veterans group opposed to covert operations, considers it a "primary issue of concern" that the Department of Defense has a "perceived role in satanic cult activities, which qualify in and of themselves as very damaging exercises in mind control and behavioral modification."

It is beginning to dawn on the psychiatric community at large that the CIA's mind control clique is a menace reminis-



cent of Nazi medical experimentation. In 1993, Dr. Corydon Hammond, a professor at the University of Utah's School of Medicine, conducted a seminar on federally-funded mind control experiments. Topics covered by Hammond included brainwashing, post-hypnotic programming and the induction of multiple personalities by the CIA. Hammond contended that the cult underground has roots in Nazi Germany, and that the CIA's cult mind control techniques were based upon those of Nazi scientists recruited by the CIA for Cold Warfare. (Researcher Lenny Lapon estimates in *Mass Murderers in White Coats* that 5,000 Nazis resettled in the U.S. after WW II.) Hammond was forced to drop this line of inquiry through professional ridicule, especially from the CIA's False Memory Syndrome Foundation, and a barrage of death threats. At a recent regional conference on ritual child abuse, he regretted that he could no longer speak on the theme of government mind control.

The psychological community is waking to the threat in its ranks, to judge by APA surveys and personal communications with ranking members of the mental health field, but the world at large remains in the dark. The "mass hysteria" and "false memory" bromides disseminated by the establishment press obscure federal and academic connections to the mind control cults, which are defended largely by organized pedophiles, cultists and hired guns of psychiatry. An ambitious disinformation gambit has led the world at large to side with cultists operating under federal protection. As at Jonestown and Chiery, Switzerland, the denouement of cult activity often ends in the destruction of all witnesses. This cycle of abuse and murder can only be ended by full public awareness of the federal mind control initiative.

## II. The CIA, the False Memory Syndrome Foundation and the Politics of Ritual Abuse

The conference session bears a passing resemblance to a 12-Step meeting. Assembled in a Portland religious retreat, members of the False Memory Syndrome Foundation (FMSF), all accused of child abuse, are encouraged to unload their anguish. Only women take the stage (they leave reporters with a sympathetic impression; men stigmatized by child abuse do not). Pamela Freyd, a Foundation founder, assures these victims of pernicious therapies they are not alone. The Foundation's office in Philadelphia, she says, takes 60 calls on a typical day from distraught adults hounded by their own confused children, rogue therapists and sensation-seeking pack journalists.

The number of dues-paying members (each contributes \$100 a year) varies according to the source. The group reported in January 1993 that 1,200 families had made contact in its first year of operation. The same month, the *San Jose Mercury News* declared flatly that "nearly 3,000 families" from across the country had been recruited. The FMSF now claims 5,000 families. Time magazine raised the figure to "7,000 individuals and families who have sought assistance."

The Foundation's distinctive handling of statistics is incessant. In April of this year the FMSF claimed 12,000 families have been strained by false child abuse allegations. A month later, the figure dropped to "9,500 U.S. families." Yet the Foundation prides itself on accuracy. One FMSF newsletter advises members to insist the media "report accurate information. The rumors and misinformation surrounding the false accusations based on recovery of repressed memories are

shocking." The same author regrets that "65% of accusations of abuse are now unsubstantiated, a whopping jump from 35% in 1976." This figure, once gleefully disseminated by such pedophile defense groups as NAMBLA (North American Man/Boy Love Association) and VOCAL (Victims of Child Abuse Laws) was debunked years ago. It was fabricated by Douglas Besharov of the American Enterprise Institute, a right-wing propaganda factory fueled by the Olin Foundation, a CIA funding cover. (Christian conservatives are often accused of propagating ritual abuse "hysteria," yet in the 1992 presidential election the para-conservative wing of the Republican Party slipped into its platform a strategy to put an end to investigations of child abuse.)

The FMSF selectively ignores child abuse data that disagrees with their own. Judith Herman, author of *Trauma and Recovery*, reported in the Harvard Mental Health Letter that false abuse allegations by children "are rare, in the range of 2-8% of reported cases. False retractions of true complaints are far more common, especially when the victim is not sufficiently protected after disclosure and therefore succumbs to intimidation by the perpetrator or other family members who feel that they must preserve secrecy."

Other statistics shunned by the False Memory Syndrome Foundation include a survey presented at a 1992 psychiatric conference finding that a full 88% of all therapists in a large sampling consider ritual child abuse to be a very real social problem with devastating emotional effects. Another: In 1990 the State University of New York at Buffalo polled a national sampling of clinical psychologists on ritual abuse. About 800 psychologists, a third of the poll, were aware of treating at least one case. Only 5% of all child abuse cases ever enter the courtroom, and half of these end with the child in the custody of the abusive parent.

The recovered memory debate was discussed at a 1993 conference on multiple personality disorder. Richard Lowenstein, a psychiatrist from the University of Maryland Medical School, argued that the Foundation is "media-directed, dedicated to putting out disinformation." Other conference participants contemplated funding sources and "possible CIA connections."

## The Devil Denuded

The CIA, in fact, has several designates on the FMSF advisory board. They share backgrounds in mind control experimentation. Their very presence on the board, and their peculiar backgrounds, reveal some heavily obscured facts about ritual child abuse.

Martin T. Orne, a senior CIA researcher, is an original board member of the Foundation, and a psychiatrist at the University of Pennsylvania's Experimental Psychiatry Lab in Philadelphia. In 1962 his forays into hypno-programming (the elicitation of "anti-social" behavior, dissolving memory and other mind-subduing techniques) were financed by a CIA front at Cornell University. He was also funded by Boston's Scientific Engineering Institute, another front, and a clearinghouse for the Agency's investigation of the occult.

The smoothing over of the national security state's cult connections is handled by academic "experts." A forerunner of the Foundation is based in Buffalo, New York, the Committee for Scientific Examination of Religion, best known for the publication of *Satanism in America: How the Devil Got More Than His Due*, widely considered to be a legitimate study. The authors turn up their noses to ritual abuse, dismissing the hundreds of reports around the country as mass "hys-

teria." Cult researcher Carl Raschke reported in a March, 1991 article that he coincidentally met Hudson Frew, a **Satanism in America** co-author, at a Berkeley bookstore. "Frew was wearing a five-pointed star, or pentagram, the symbol of witchcraft and earth magic," Raschke says. Shawn Carlson, a contributor to the book, is identified by the media as a "physicist." Yet he runs the Gaia Press in El Cerrito, California, a New Age publishing house with an emphasis on witchcraft and occultic lore. Carlson is also a "scientific and technical consultant" to the Committee for Scientific Investigation of Claims of the Paranormal (a promoter of the "false memory" theory of ritual abuse and UFO abductions), publisher of the **Skeptical Inquirer**.

The FMS Foundation is no less eccentric. Within two years of its founding, it was clear that the Foundation leadership was far from disinterested on the workings of childhood memory, and concealed a secret sexual and political agenda. FMSF founder Ralph Underwager, director of the Institute of Psychological Therapies in Minnesota, was forced to resign in 1993. Underwager (a former Lutheran pastor) and his wife Hollida Wakefield publish a journal, **Issues in Child Abuse Allegations**, written by and for child abuse "skeptics." His departure from the False Memory Syndrome Foundation was hastened by a remark in an interview, appearing in an Amsterdam journal for pedophiles, that it was "God's Will" that adults engage in sex with children. (His wife Hollida remained on the Foundation's board after he left.) As it happens, holy dispensation for pedophiles is the exact credo of the Children of God cult. It was fitting, then, when Underwager filed an affidavit on behalf of cult members tried in France in 1992, insisting that the accused were positively "not guilty of abuse upon children." In the interview, he prevailed upon pedophiles everywhere to shed stigmatization as "wicked and reprehensible" users of children.

In keeping with the Foundation's creative use of statistics, Dr. Underwager told a group of British reporters in 1994 that "scientific evidence" proved 60% of all women molested as children believed the experience was "good for them."

Dr. Underwager invariably sides with the defense. His grandiloquent orations have graced courtrooms around the world, often by satellite. Defense lawyers for Woody Allen turned to him, he boasts, when Mia Farrow accused her estranged husband of molesting their seven year-old daughter. Underwager is a virtual icon to the Irish Catholic lobby in Dublin, which raised its hoary hackles against a child abuse prevention program in the Irish Republic. He was, until his advocacy of pedophilia tarnished an otherwise glittering reputation, widely quoted in the press, dismissing ritual child abuse as a hysterical aberration.

He is the world's foremost authority on false memory, but in the courtroom he is repeatedly exposed as a charlatan. In 1988, a trial court decision in New York State held that Dr. Underwager was "not qualified to render any opinion as to

whether or not (the victim) was sexually molested." In 1990 his testimony on memory was ruled improper "in the absence of any evidence that the results of Underwager's work had been accepted in the scientific community." And in Minnesota a judge ruled that Underwager's theories on "learned memory" were the same as "having an expert tell the jury that (the victim) was not telling the truth."

Peter and Pamela Freyd, executive directors of the Foundation, joined forces with Underwager in 1991, and their story is equally wretched. Jennifer Freyd, their daughter, a professor of psychology at the University of Oregon, openly leveled accusations of abuse against her parents at an August 1993 mental health conference in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

"My family of origin was troubled in many observable ways," she said. "I refer to the things that were never 'forgotten' and 'recovered,' but to things that we all knew about."

She gave her father's alcoholism as an example.

"During my childhood, my father sometimes discussed his own experiences of being sexually abused as an 11 year-old boy, and called himself a 'kept boy.'" Peter Freyd graduated to male prostitution as an adolescent.

At the age of 13, Jennifer Freyd composed a poem about her father's nocturnal visits:

I am caught in a web, A web of deep, deep terror.

she wrote. The diaries of her youth chronicle the "reactions and feelings (guilt, shame and terror) of a troubled girl and young woman. My parents oscillated between denying these symptoms and feelings ... to using knowledge of these same symptoms and feelings to discredit me."

"My father," she says, "told various people that I was brain damaged." The accusation was unlikely. At the time, Jennifer Freyd was a graduate student on a National Science Foundation fellowship. She has taught at Cornell and received numerous research awards. The "brain damage" apologia did not wash. Her mother suggested that Jennifer's memories were "confabulations," and faulted therapeutic intervention. Pamela Freyd turned to her own psychiatrist, Dr. Harold Lief, currently an advisory board member of the Foundation, to diagnose Jennifer.

"He explained to me that he did not believe I was abused," Jennifer recalls. Dr. Lief's diagnosis was based on his belief that Peter Freyd's fantasies were strictly "homosexual." Of course, his daughter furrows a brow at the assumption that homosexual fantasies or a heterosexual marriage exclude the possibility of child molestation. Lief's skewed logic is a trademark of the Foundation.

He is a close colleague of the CIA's Martin Orne. Dr. Lief, a former major in the Army medical corps, joined the University of Pennsylvania faculty in 1968, the peak of federally-funded behavioral modification experiments at Holmesburg Prison. Dr. Orne consulted with him on several studies in hypnotic programming. His academic writing reveals a peculiar range of professional interests, including "Orgasm in the

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Postoperative Transsexual" for *Archives of Sexual Behavior*, and an exploration of the possibility of life after death for a journal on mental diseases edited by Foundation fellow Paul McHugh. Lief is a director of the Center for Sexuality and Religion, past president of the Sex Information and Education Council, and an original board member of the False Memory Syndrome Foundation.

Two others, Jon Baron from Penn U. and Ray Hyman (an executive editor of the aforementioned *Skeptical Inquirer*), a professor of psychology at the University of Oregon, resigned from the board after Jennifer Freyd went public with her account of childhood abuse, and the facetious attempts of her parents and their therapist to discredit her. They were replaced by David Dinges, co-director with the ubiquitous Martin Orne of the Unit for Experimental Psychiatry at the University of Pennsylvania.

"At times I am flabbergasted that my memory is considered 'false,'" Jennifer says, "and my alcoholic father's memory is considered rational and sane." She does not, after all, remember impossible abuses: "I remember incest in my father's house.... My first memories came when I was at home a few hours after my second session with my therapist, a licensed clinical psychologist working within an established group in a large and respected medical clinic."

"During that second visit to my therapist's office, I expressed great anxiety about the upcoming holiday visit from my parents. My therapist asked about half way into the session, whether I had ever been sexually abused. I was immediately thrown into a strange state. No one had ever asked me such a question. I responded, 'no, but...' I went home and within a few hours I was shaking uncontrollably, overwhelmed with intense and terrible flashbacks." Jennifer asks herself why her parents are believed. "In the end, is it precisely because I was abused that I am to be discredited despite my personal and professional success?"

Pamela Freyd published an open letter defending her husband in Ralph Underwager's *Issues in Child Abuse Accusations* in 1991. It was reprinted in *Confabulations*, a book published a year later. Laced with lubricious sentiment, the book bemoans the "destruction of families" brought on by false child abuse accusations, and maligns "cult-like" support groups, feminists, and "lesbian cults." Executive director Freyd often refers to the feminist groups that have taken up the cause of child abuse survivors as "lesbians," after the bizarre Dr. Underwager, who claims, "these women may be jealous that males are able to love each other, be comrades, friends, be close, intimate."

Pamela Freyd's account of the family history, Jennifer insists, is patently false. In an electronic message from her father, he openly acknowledged that in his version of the story "fictional elements were deliberately inserted."

"'Fictional' is rather an astounding choice of words," Jennifer observed at the Ann Arbor conference. The article written by her parents contends that Jennifer was denied tenure at another university due to a lack of published research. "In fact," Jennifer counters, "I moved to the University of Oregon in 1987, just four years after receiving my Ph.D. to accept a

tenured position as associate professor in the psychology department, one of the world's best psychology departments.... My mother sent [an article about my experiences] to my colleagues during my promotion year, that is, the year my case for promotion to full professor was being considered. I was absolutely mortified to learn of this violation of my privacy and this violation of truth." Manipulative tactics are another Foundation imprimatur. Lana Alexander, editor of a newsletter for survivors of child sexual abuse, observes that "many people view the false memory syndrome theory as a calculated defense strategy developed by perpetrators and the lawyers and expert witnesses who defend them."

A legitimizing barrage of stories in the press has shaped public opinion and warmed the clime for defense attorneys. The concept of false memory serves the same purpose as Holocaust denial. It shapes opinion. Unconscionable crimes are obstructed, the accused is endowed with the status of martyr, the victim reviled.

The emphasis on image is obvious in "How Do We Know We are Not Representing Pedophiles," an article written for the February 29, 1992 FMS Foundation Newsletter by Pamela Freyd. In it, she derides the suggestion that many members of the group could be molesters because "we are a good-looking

bunch of people, greying hair, well dressed, healthy, smiling; just about every person who has attended is someone you would surely find interesting and want to count as a friend."

#### Friendly Fire

The debate's bloodiest stage is the courtroom. The hired guns of Martin Orne's circle of psychiatrists are constantly called upon to blow smoke at the jury's gallery to conceal CIA mind control operations. This branch of the psychiatric community is steeped in the programming of serial killers, political assassins and experiments on involuntary subjects. Agency psychiatrists on the

witness stand direct the press away from the CIA, and the prosecution to a predetermined end. Martin Orne's high-toned psychologizing in the Hillside Strangler case, for example, is a strategy adopted by the FMS foundation to stifle the cries of mind control survivors.

Orne's influence contributed to the outcome of a high-profile abuse case, the \$8 million lawsuit filed by Gary Ramona of Napa, California against child therapist Marche Isabella and psychiatrist Richard Rose. Ramona charged that his daughter Holly's therapists elicited from her flashbacks of sexual molestation that never occurred, decimating his marriage and career as a vice president at Robert Mondavi wineries. His wife and employer, note, immediately believed Holly's accusations. In May of 1994 Ramona received a \$500,000 jury award. He hailed the decision as a "tremendous victory."

Nevertheless, Holly Ramona still maintains that she was sexually abused by her father, though no criminal charges have been filed. Holly first confronted her father with the allegations on March 15, 1990, with her mother and Isabella present. She filed a civil action against him in Los Angeles County, but before it went to trial her father's suit got underway in Napa.

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The suit turned on the use of sodium amytal to resurrect buried memories. Holly Ramona exhibited telltale symptoms of abuse – fear of gynecological examinations, a phobia of pointy teeth, like her father's – and asked to be treated with sodium amytal. Dr. Rose wrote in his notes that under the influence of the drug, Holly "remembered specific details of sexual molestation." But Orne, who has pioneered in the use of sodium amytal in hypnosis research, cautioned in a court brief that the drug is "not useful in ascertaining 'truth.' The patient becomes receptive to suggestions due to the context and to the comments of the interviewers."

Yet the jury foreman stated for the record that Isabella and Rose did not implant false memories of abuse, as Holly's father had complained, but were negligent in reinforcing the memories as Holly described them under the influence of the barbiturate. The court considered it irrelevant whether Holly actually suffered abuse, narrowing the legal focus instead to the chemical evocation of Holly's recollections and her therapist's leading questions.

Left hanging was the question of Ramona's guilt or innocence, not exactly an irrelevant issue. Orne offered no opinion. The "tremendous victory" in Napa, given these facts, begins to look like a manipulation of the court system, especially the use of "expert" testimony.

The therapists did not, contrary to most press reports, bear the full brunt of blame. The jury found that Ramona himself bore 5% of the blame for what happened to him, Holly's therapists 55%, and 45% was borne by the girl's mother and the Robert Mondavi winery.

But the 55% solution is diluted by Holly's memories. Contrary to the impression left by the press, her past has not been explained away. "I wouldn't be here if there was a question in my mind," she testified in Napa.

False memory had no clinical history or symptomology (repressed memory has both), but the concept had held up in court. All that remained was to provide a scientific explanation. The Foundation had spread the word that a "syndrome" was winding through society and "destroying families." But what is the origin of false (not inaccurate or clouded or fragmented) memories? What are the symptoms? It remained to supply a cognitive model for false memories of ritual molestation. One of the most prolific and quotable popularizers of false memory is Elizabeth Loftus, a professor of psychology and law at the University of Washington in Seattle, and an advisory board member of the Foundation. Her dual academic interests have fueled suspicions that the organization is more committed to defending perpetrators than ferreting out the facts. Loftus testified in over 150 criminal cases prior to joining the Foundation, always on behalf of defendants. In 1991 she published a professional autobiography, *Witness for the Defense*, a study of eight criminal trials in which she appeared as an expert witness. In her book, Loftus – billed as "the expert who puts memory on trial" – conceded that her critics deem her research "unproven in real-life situations," and her courtroom dissertations "premature and highly prejudicial."

One book reviewer for the *New York Times* grumbled: "Her testimony would be less controversial if she could distinguish between the innocent and the guilty and reserve her help for the former."

Elizabeth Loftus has two criteria for taking the stand. The first is when eyewitness identification is the sole or primary evidence against the defendant. Secondly, the accused must act

innocent – she regrets testifying on behalf of Ted Bundy because the serial killer once smiled at the prosecutor, which she regards as an expression of guilt – and defense attorneys must believe it.

Loftus stood at the Harvard Medical School podium in May, 1994 to inform a conference on false memory of her research, "in which false memories about childhood events were created in 24 men and women ages 18 to 63." Dr. Loftus reported that the parents of volunteers "cooperated to produce a list of events that had supposedly taken place in the volunteer's early life." Three of the events actually took place. But one, a shopping trip, never happened. Some of the volunteers had memories, implanted by suggestion, of wandering lost on the fictitious shopping expedition.

Karen Olio, the author of scores of articles on sexual abuse, complains that Loftus's memory studies "examine only the possibility of implanting a single memory with which most people could easily identify (being lost in a mall, awakened by a noise in the night). The possibility of 'implanting' terrifying and shameful memories that differ markedly from an individual's experience, such as memories of childhood abuse in individuals who do not have a trauma history remains to be proven."

Psychiatrist John Briere of the University of Southern California has found that nearly two-thirds of all ritual abuse survivors report episodic or complete amnesia at some point after it occurred. The younger the child, the more violent the abuse, the more likely that memory lapses occurred. These findings have been duplicated at the University of California at San Francisco by psychiatrist Lenore Terr, who concluded that children subjected to repeated abuse were more likely to repress memories of it than victims of a single traumatic event.

Clinical psychologist Catherine Gould has treated scores of ritually abused children at her office in Encino, California. At the September 1993 National Conference on Crimes Against Children in Washington, D.C., Gould objected that the studies of Elizabeth Loftus ignore past research on trauma and its influence on memory.

"My concern about Elizabeth Loftus," Gould said, "is that she has stated in print, and correctly so, that her data tells us nothing about the nature of memory of traumatic events. And yet she has failed to protest the misapplication of her findings by groups who are involved in discrediting the accounts survivors are giving of their traumatic history. I believe that Dr. Loftus, like other psychologists, has an ethical responsibility to do everything possible to ensure that her research findings are interpreted and applied accurately, and are not manipulated to serve the political agenda of groups like the False Memory Syndrome Foundation. I question whether she has met this ethical responsibility."

Some psychologists accuse Loftus of faking her research data. Her study did not live up to its promise. But now that she had "proven" that a false memory could be implanted, friends of the Foundation at the Harvard conference announced they'd identified the neurological and cognitive causes of disorder. Daniel Schacter, a Harvard psychologist and conference organizer, claimed that the "confabulator" selects a fragment of a real memory, "but confuses its true context, and draws on other bits of experience to construct a story that makes sense of it." Dr. Morris Moscovitch, a neuro-psychologist at the University of Toronto, claimed that "brain damage" could also evoke false memories. He noted that mental patients with frontal lobe defects frequently confuse



imaginary stories with actual memories.

A superficially plausible revelation was provided by Cornell psychologist Stephen Ceci, who reported on five studies of 574 preschool children. After 10 weeks of repeated questioning, 58% of them concocted a false account for at least one fictitious event.

But like the studies of Elizabeth Loftus, Ceci did not attempt to explain the supposed amnesiac effect of severe trauma on children and adults alike (veterans of WW II and Vietnam have been known to "forget" atrocities of war). Besides, the average preschooler is bound to invent at least one fantasy in 10 long weeks of repetitive questioning. Toddlers aren't known for their consummate adherence to objective reality. An invisible playmate and the Cat in the Hat are not "false memories."

The research results presented at the Harvard conference were not exactly staggering. All that had been proven was that children forget, become confused and make things up.

Seattle therapist James Cronin, one of the Foundation's harshest critics, believes that the false memory concept is promoted by "fact and artifice" to a public conditioned to the fragmentation of knowledge, intellectual charades, elitism and the sterile abstractions that often pass for university education and expertise. The so-called experts now jumping on the side of false memory and therapist 'bias' are opportunists."

Yet the *New York Times* hailed the Harvard conference as "epic." The conference had given a gracious "scientific nod to the frailty of memory." Victims of aggravated child abuse had nothing to celebrate, but the *Times* reporter was ecstatic. At long last, scientists everywhere had arrived at "a consensus on the mental mechanisms that can foster false memories." A consensus? Actually, the "consensus" of psychologists, at least the 88% mentioned earlier - only a vast majority - believe it to be a very real scourge. The *Times* story is typical of the scorn the press has shown ritual abuse victims and their therapists. **60 Minutes**, for example, publicly exonerated Kelly Michaels, a day-care worker in New Jersey, of charges that she sexually molested dozens of youngsters in 1984. Michaels was sentenced to 47 years in prison for sodomizing the children in her care with kitchen implements, among related charges. Her conviction was overturned in March 1993 when the state appeals court ruled that Michaels had not had a fair trial.

But in its rush to present Michaels as a blushing innocent, the **60 Minutes** research department somehow overlooked a May 1991 *New York Times* story on the abuse trial, and the testimony of four Essex County corrections officers who witnessed Miss Michaels and her father kissing and "fondling" one another during jail visitations. Jerry Vitiello, a jailer, said that "he saw Mr. Michaels use his tongue when kissing his daughter, rub her buttocks and put his hand on her breasts." Similar incestuous liaisons were detailed in the courtroom by three women working in the jail. The bizarre sexual antics of Kelly Michaels - damningly chronicled in *Nap Time* by Lisa Manshel in 1990 - was nixed from the one-sided **60 Minutes** account, which made her out to be grist for the meat grinder of wrong-headed child abuse laws.

## The Forgettable "Remembering Satan"

The False Memory Syndrome Foundation made its collective debut in "Remembering Satan," a two-part story by Lawrence Wright in the *New Yorker* for April and May 1993. The story (republished in 1994 in book form) concerns a ritual abuse trial in Olympia, Washington that culminated with a 20-year prison sentence for Thurston County Sheriff Paul Ingram, chairman of the local Republican Party. Ingram has since filed motions to withdraw his guilty plea, a move rejected by an appellate court in 1992. Also charged, but not convicted, were Jim Rabie, a lobbyist with the Washington State Law Enforcement Association and a former police detective assigned to child abuse cases, and Ray Risch, an employee of the State Patrol's body-and-fender shop. Wright's conclusion, however, is based on the opinions of False Memory Syndrome Foundation psychiatrists: that accusations made by Ingram's two daughters, and his own confession to police, were fantasies misinterpreted by Ingram himself and his daughters as actual memories.

Wright fumigates any question of abuse with false memory theory. Among the authorities consulted by Wright was Foundation board member Paul McHugh, director of the department of psychiatry and behavioral sciences at Johns Hopkins. Like Margaret Singer, he is a veteran of the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research (1961-64) and moves in political circles. For three years (1986-89), McHugh was chairman of the bio-psychology study section of the National Institutes of Health, and a former member of the Maryland Governor's Advisory Commission.

McHugh is an unshakable skeptic of repressed memories. He told Wright that "most severe traumas are not blocked out by children but are remembered all too well." Most, in fact, are. But McHugh's own professional opinion leaves open the possibility that some severe traumas are repressed.

He cites as an example the children of Chowchilla, California, who were kidnapped in a school bus and buried alive. McHugh claims they remembered the horror "all too well." Not exactly. In fact, the FBI's subsequent use of investigative hypnosis was largely the result of the Chowchilla children's failure of memory. After their release, none of the children had a clear recollection of the kidnappers, could not identify them - and neither did the bus driver, Ed Ray, who managed to recite the license plate number of the abductor's van under hypnosis.

Wright's defense of Ingram turns on the opinion of Richard Ofshe, a Berkeley psychologist, reputed mind control expert and friend of the False Memory Syndrome Foundation. Ofshe has written, Wright explains, "extensively about how the thought-control techniques developed in Communist China, the Soviet Union and North Korea had come to be employed and refined by various religious cults in the United States." Pointing to mind control in Communist countries is a favorite tactic of the American mind control fraternity to divert attention from the highly sophisticated techniques employed in "Democratic" countries (often in the form of experimentation on unknowing subjects). This historical revision is a fine example of "mirror imaging," the CIA technique of vilifying others,

## The CIA and the Pentagon cooperate in the creation of cults.

and ignoring the Agency's own role in the formation and control of mind control cults. Ofshe has not been directly linked to the CIA, but his work parrots the writings of UCLA'S Louis Jolyon West and other psychiatrists with Agency credentials.

Wright somehow failed to mention that Ofshe is sharply at odds with much of the American Psychological Association. He has filed a suit, with Margaret Singer, for \$30 million against the APA for engaging in a "conspiracy" to "destroy" their reputations and prevent them from testifying in the courtroom. Both Ms. Singer and Richard Ofshe derive a significant part of their income as consultants and expert witnesses on behalf of accused child abusers. Their complaint, filed under federal racketeering laws, claims that members of the APA set out with "repeated lies" to "discredit them and impair their careers."

The Association flatly denied the charges. Two courts quickly dismissed the case. The APA released a statement stating that the organization had merely advised members against testifying in court on the subject of brainwashing with "persuasive coercion" (a concept, after all, pushed during the Korean war by the CIA to justify barbaric mind control experimentation on American citizens), and had in no way conspired to impair the careers of Ofshe, Singer or anyone else.

Many in Ofshe's own profession believe him to be a world-class opportunist. He is a constant in newspaper interviews and on the talk show circuit, where he claims there is "no evidence" to support ritual abuse allegations. His categorical denial ignores Ingram's own confession and a number of jury decisions across the country. And then there are, to cite one documented example of evidence from the glut that Ofshe ignores, the tunnels beneath the McMartin preschool, the most widely-publicized case. And a raid on the Children of God compound in Argentina in 1993 turned up videos of ritual abuse and child pornography. Evidence does exist - Ofshe simply refuses to acknowledge the fact. A cult specialist with Ofshe's credentials would surely explore the abundance of evidence if he was a legitimate psychologist. Instead, he chirps a categorical "no evidence," perfectly aware that most mental health professionals will see through him. A credulous public will not.

On the December 3, 1993 **Rolanda** talk show, a woman was interviewed who'd had flashback memories of abuse before consulting with a therapist. Dr. Ofshe appeared on the program, his silver beard groomed, looking every inch the authority. Rolanda asked Ofshe if "a terrible childhood memory, as bad as child abuse, (can) actually be repressed."

There is absolutely no reason to think that that is true," Ofshe told her. "And it's not just what I say - this is the sum and substance of everything science knows about how memory works." This, of course, is a transparent lie. Ofshe dismissed repressed memories of abuse as the reigning "psychological

quackery of the 20th century."

Dr. Daniel Lutzker, a psychologist at the Milton Erickson Institute, was sitting in the audience - turning crimson with rage at Ofshe's misrepresentations of the psychology of trauma. He stood up and argued that sex abuse can indeed begat buried recollections. "Repressed memories," Lutzker countered, "are not only important, they are the cornerstone of most psychotherapies. The fact is that the more awful the experience, the more likely it is to be repressed!" Ofshe responded that there was "no evidence" to support such "nonsense." Grimacing with disbelief, Lutzker said that Ofshe wouldn't make such outrageous comments if he bothered to pick up "any basic textbook on psychotherapy."

"You're making it up!" Ofshe spat. Lutzker stared at him in disbelief.

But the crowning contradiction to Ofshe's "expert" opinions appeared in a September 1994 **L.A. Weekly** article on alien abductions (another phenomenon said by the Foundation to breed "false memories"). "There are a lot of not particularly well-certified people out there," Dr. Ofshe told Gardetta, "using very powerful techniques on people. Visualizing this kind of stuff under hypnosis - abduction, Satan cults, sexual abuse - is the closest thing that anyone can experience short of the experience itself. That's why it's so traumatic to the individuals undergoing hypnotherapy, and why the hypnotherapist today can be seen as a new form of sexual predator." But one morning, shortly thereafter, Gardetta awoke to find a triangular rash on the palm of his left hand. "It didn't surprise me,"



"Those who do not remember the past are condemned to repeat it." The warning above Jim Jones' throne at Jonestown, Guyana

Gardetta wrote. "Things around the house - which sits on a hilltop in a semi-rural area - had been getting weird. A jet-wash noise buzzed some afternoons around the house, its origin impossible to discern. Lights were turning themselves on, and the alarm system's motion sensor was tripping every morning between 5 and 6. One early evening, footsteps crossed the roof. I ran outside to find the electrical wires leading to a nearby telephone pole swaying in the windless dusk."

The mysterious federal mind control fraternity had struck again, leaving behind more memories to be denounced by the "skeptics" of the FMS Foundation - the CIA's answer to the Flat Earth Society. ●

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# The Looting of America

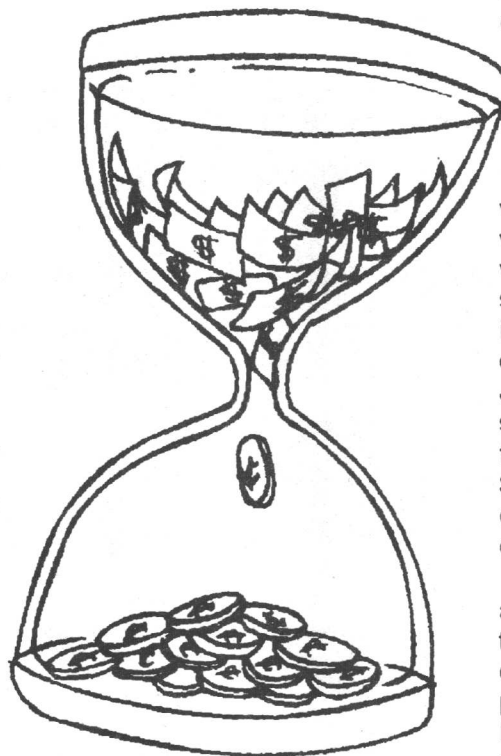
How over 200 Civil Asset Forfeiture laws enable police to confiscate your home, bank accounts and business without trial.

by Jarret Wollstein

In 1989, police stopped 49-year-old Ethel Hylton at Houston's Hobby Airport and told her she was under arrest because a drug dog had scratched at her luggage. Agents searched her bags and strip-searched her, but they found no drugs. They did find \$39,110 in cash, money she had received from an insurance settlement and her life savings – accumulated through over 20 years of work as a hotel housekeeper and hospital janitor. Ethel Hylton completely documented where she got the money and was never charged with a crime. But the police kept her money anyway. Nearly four years later, she is still trying to get her money back.

Ethel Hylton is just one of a large and growing list of Americans – now numbering in the hundreds of thousands – who have been victimized by civil asset forfeiture. Under civil asset forfeiture, everything you own can be legally taken away even if you are never indicted, tried or convicted of a crime.

Suspicion of offenses which, if proven in court, might result in a \$200 fine or probation, are being used to justify seizure of tens or even hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of property. Innocent Americans are losing their cars, homes and businesses, based on the claims of anonymous informants that illegal transactions took place on their property. Once property is seized, it is virtually impossible to get it back.



Property is now being seized in every state and from every class of Americans. Seizures include pocket money confiscated from public housing residents in Florida; cars taken away from men suspected of soliciting prostitutes in Oregon; and homes taken away from ordinary, middle class Americans whose teenage children are accused of selling a few joints of marijuana. No person and no property is immune from seizure. You could be the next victim. Here are some examples:

- In Washington, D.C. police stop black men on the streets in poor areas of the city, and "routinely confiscate small amounts of cash and jewelry." Most confiscated property is not even recorded by police departments. "Resident Ben Davis calls it 'robbery with a badge'." [USA Today, 5/18/92]

- In Iowa, "a woman accused of shoplifting a \$25 sweater had her \$18,000 car – specially equipped for her handicapped daughter – seized as the 'getaway vehicle'." [USA Today, 5/18/92]

- In December 1988, Detroit drug police raided a grocery store, but failed to find any drugs. After drug dogs reacted to three \$1.00 bills in the cash register, the police seized \$4,384 from cash registers and the store safe.

(According to the **Pittsburgh Press**, over 92% of all cash in circulation in the U.S. now shows some drug residue.)

- In April 1992, Dr. David Disbrow was accused of practicing psychiatry without a license. His crime was providing counseling services from a spare bedroom in his mother's house in Monmouth, New Jersey. Counseling does not require a license in New Jersey. That didn't stop police from seizing virtually everything of value from his mother's home, totaling over \$60,000. The forfeiture squad confiscated furniture, carpets, paintings, and even personal photographs.

- Kathy and Mark Schramas were arrested just before Christmas 1990 at their home in New Jersey. Kathy was charged with taking \$500 worth of UPS packages from neighbors' porches. Mark was charged with receiving stolen goods. If found guilty, they might have paid a small fine and received probation. The day after their arrest, their house, cars and furniture were seized. Based upon mere accusation, \$150,000 in property was confiscated, without trial or indictment. Police even took their clothing, eyeglasses, and Christmas presents for their 10-year-old son.

The incentive for government agencies to expand forfeiture is enormous. Agencies can easily seize property and they usually keep what they take. According to the **Pittsburgh Press**, 80%

of seizure victims are never even charged with a crime. Law enforcement agencies often keep the best seized cars, watches and TVs for their "departments," and sell the rest.

How extensive are seizures in America today? In April 1990, **The Washington Post** reported that the U.S. Marshals Service alone had an inventory of over \$1.4 billion in seized assets, including over 30,000 cars, boats, homes and businesses. Federal and state agencies seizing property now include the FBI, the DEA, the U.S. Marshals Service, the Coast Guard, the IRS, local police, highway patrol, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, FDA, and the Bureau of Land Management. Asset forfeiture is a growth industry. Seizures have increased from \$27 million in 1986, to over \$644 million in 1991. In 1993, seizures exceeded \$2 billion.

Civil asset forfeiture defines a new standard of justice in America; or more precisely, a new standard of injustice. Under civil seizure, property, not an individual is charged with an offense. Even if you are a totally innocent owner, the government can still confiscate your "guilty" property.

If government agents seize your property under civil asset forfeiture, you can forget about being innocent until proven guilty, due process of law, the right to an attorney, or even the right to trial. All of those rights only exist if you are charged with a criminal offense; that is, with an offense which could result in your imprisonment. If you (or your property) are accused of a civil offense (offenses which could not result in your imprisonment), the Supreme Court has ruled that you have no presumption of innocence, no right to an attorney, and no protection from double jeopardy.

Seizure occurs when government takes away your property. Forfeiture is when legal title is permanently transferred to the state. To get seized property returned, you have to fight the full resources of your state or the federal government; sometimes both! You have to prove your property's "innocence" by documenting how you

earned every cent used to pay for it. You have to prove that neither you nor any of your family members ever committed an illegal act involving the property.

To get a trial, you have to post a nonrefundable "bond" of 10% of the value of your property. You have to pay attorney fees – ranging from \$5,000 to over \$100,000 – out of your own pocket. Money you pay your attorney is also subject to seizure (either before or after the trial) if the government alleges that those funds were "tainted." And you may be forced to go through trial after trial, because under civil seizure the Constitutional protection against "double jeopardy" doesn't apply. Once your property is seized, expect to spend years fighting government

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agencies and expect to be impoverished by legal fees – with no guarantee of winning – while the government keeps your car, home and bank account.

As bad as current asset forfeiture laws are, even worse laws may be just ahead. The Omnibus Crime Bill – now before Congress – gives authorities six-and-one-half years to return improperly seized assets to their rightful owners. (How much would your home or car be worth after six-and-a-half years without maintenance?) In California, legislation is now pending to seize the assets of any business that employs illegal aliens – even if employers don't know they're illegals. Even the Clinton Administration's ill-fated "Health Security Act" makes it a federal crime for your doctor to accept money directly from you for 95% of all medical services. The penalty: confiscation of all of your doctor's assets, \$50,000 fines, and 15 years in prison.

Some Americans are fighting back

against the police confiscations. Last year, a California state representative introduced a bill that would have allowed the government to confiscate million-dollar restaurants and \$100 million hotels, if anyone alleges that a patron has committed a drug crime on the premises. A coalition of anti-forfeiture groups, led by San Francisco attorney Brenda Grantland, successfully defeated this bill, and forced California to eliminate other recent confiscation laws.

In Washington, D.C. two excellent forfeiture reform bills sponsored by Reps. Conyers and Hyde – are now pending. Both bills would significantly curtail police confiscations. (The Justice Department is trying to block them).

Finally four recent Supreme Court decisions have placed some restrictions on confiscations. Legal notice and a hearing are now required before homes can be seized. And the amount of property confiscated must now be "proportionate" to the seriousness of the alleged offense.

Despite these positive steps, police confiscations continue to increase. Every week over 5,000 innocent Americans – like you – are now losing their cars, homes, bank accounts, and businesses. Only 3 in 100 confiscation victims ever get a trial. YOU could easily be the next target.

The fight against civil asset forfeiture is a battle against tyranny in America. If forfeiture squads continue to expand, liberty and justice in America will become a fleeting memory. At the present rate of increase, within 17 years all property in America will be confiscated by the government! You need to take steps NOW to protect yourself, and to help stop the looting of America. •

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# UFOs CHARIOTS OF THE DAMNED?

**T**he Rev. Barry Downing's 1968 book, *The Bible and Flying Saucers*, is a seminal work in the field of ufology. There he argues that some biblical passages, especially miracles in the Old Testament, are best understood in light of UFO research, including accounts of angels or God's messengers. His later commentary on the UFO experience ("The Rock of Ages Principle," *MUFON UFO Journal*, May 1990) is important because it further directs the attention of the ufological research community to the religious implications of UFOs.

*Flights of angels came and we called them hordes of demons.*

Whitley Strieber, *Majestic*

However, while Downing's perspective is a highly plausible explanation for some ancient events, I do not find it acceptable as an explanation of contemporary abductions. I am especially concerned that he tries to convince us that "disguise and deception" should be regarded as benevolent. He says we may have to decide whether UFOs are good or evil, and he opts for the "good" position, arguing that UFO reports, including abductions, are best understood in light of the biblical doctrine of angels.

I find Downing's position flawed because the Bible recognizes "fallen" angels who retained their superhuman capacities but turned from their allegiance to God. Since then, their paranormal abilities have been used for evil rather than good. Thus, the choice Downing would have us make with

regard to UFO entities is not a simple either-or. Both good and evil are possibilities, depending on the sort of angels with which one is dealing.

Downing is well aware of the "fallen angel" perspective on UFOs; his contribution to the 1980 *Encyclopedia of UFOs* entitled "Demonic Theory of UFOs" is an excellent survey of the topic. Despite that, in "The Rock of Ages Principle" he arrives at what I regard as an unsupportable conclusion. My response to it focuses on the phenomenon of alien abductions and examines that in the light of biblical doctrine.

I disagree with Downing's interpretation for several reasons other than the one above. First, there is nothing in the Bible which indicates that God or God's messengers use deceit as standard operating procedure. Due care for

human limitations, yes—deceit, no. Only the primal adversary of God—called Lucifer/Satan—does that and is therefore known as the Great Deceiver. Second, nothing in the Bible indicates that contact with God's messengers results in the wild stories and wounded psyches of contemporary abductees. God's messengers identify themselves as such and state their purpose. They present their credentials without equivocation. Last of all, God's messengers show respect for the sanctity of human life and do not overpower human will. Yes, one can point to the Angel of Death, acting at God's command, to slay the firstborn of the Egyptians when the Hebrews were in captivity, but that is the exception, not the rule. Any deaths which have occurred in connection with alien abductions—and I'll discuss some below—simply cannot be compared to that biblical circumstance. Abductees are not contemporary Pharaohs and the god of the Bible is a god of love and life-enhancement.

My interpretation of "what's going on" contrasts radically with what Downing calls his "God hypothesis," while retaining a framework of religious concerns. And although it may seem that I am merely offering the simplistic Christian fundamentalism which Downing rightly rejects, I maintain there is an **enlightened** fundamentalism—that is, grasp of true fundamentals—which is congruent with that position but has greater depth and solidity because it is grounded in ufological data, metaphysical understanding and spiritual insight. That is what I offer here. It is a "worst case scenario."

**by John White**

Before proceeding further, however, I want to acknowledge that my interpretation is also similar to some scaremongering science fiction novels and movies. And I acknowledge that it has underpinning assumptions which are open to challenge. (To name just two: Are the alien abductions physically real events or psychological projections from the mythic-imaginal level of the human unconscious? Are the MJ-12 documents authentic?) Moreover, the data on which I build this scenario are few, tenuous and far from indisputable.

The evidence for my position is difficult to describe to an audience which is not psychologically sophisticated and parapsychologically educated. I've circulated a draft of this paper to a handful of UFO investigators and theorists. Some agree with me, in whole or in part; others think that, as one put it, I am "completely off-base" and "lapsing into a kind of primitive supernaturalism and an infantile paranoia."

Perhaps so. I acknowledge the possibility, but at this point I'm not convinced to see things differently. Therefore I present this statement as an hypothesis for discussion of what is a perplexing aspect of the UFO experience—and potentially the most important. I welcome critical feedback in the interest of realitytesting. I don't claim to have the "final" answer to the UFO question. (I've said before that I think there is no single answer to that question.) And I am not "locked in" to this hypothesis. I only claim that this statement is the result of thoughtful observation and analysis by a seasoned investigator of the paranormal which draws out reasonable implications and leads logically to a plausible conclusion. I recognize, however, that a chain is no stronger than its weakest links and that this chain of logic has various weak links. So I simply offer the following with sincerity, the most rigorous thinking I can bring to it, and a wish to provoke further discussion and

investigation along the line I'm developing. Of course, it's possible to be sincere but deluded. I am willing—indeed, eager—to be shown that is so in this case because if I'm right, even partially, we're all in big trouble.

The thrust of UFO research is into the metaphysical, where things are not always as they seem. Downing sees UFOs—meaning, in these circumstances, the gray abducting aliens—as benevolent, superior who compassionately take into account, through "disguise and deception," our inability to

lies, evasion, misdirection, manipulation, exploitation and total disregard for human values, personal property and our concept of respect for the inviolability of personhood.

We humans consider kidnapping and violation of civil rights to be criminal, rape to be loathsome, brainwashing and mind control to be heinous, lying to be despicable, deliberate infliction of pain to be sadism, unauthorized surgical invasion and unauthorized impregnation of people to be monstrous, mutilation of bodies to be savage, and



directly perceive their "vastly superior reality." In Downing's interpretation, that reality is traditionally known as the full glory of God. In my judgment, however, the gray abducting aliens are demonic and untrustworthy. "By their fruits ye shall know them," Jesus said about evaluating spiritual credentials. Saint Paul added that the fruits of the Spirit are peace, joy and love. Judging by the fruit of the gray abducting aliens, I see aspects to the UFO abduction

experience which indicate there may be profoundly sinister dimensions to it. I get a strong sense of conspiracy by the abductors—a vast, subversive plot of long duration and careful coordination which aims at nothing less than the complete enslavement of humanity. I see nothing about their words and deeds which indicates anything except

**Imagine hundreds of thousands of Manchurian Candidates, each programmed to assassinate designated leaders and officials so that the aliens' hand-trained agents can come forward.**

damage to personal property to be vandalism. The gray abducting aliens exhibit such behavior—and possibly even murder (see footnote 4). On the other hand, I know of no behavior by them which is clearly intended to show respect for our physical or psychological personhood, property, civil rights, moral values and concern for truthful



speech; the abducting aliens routinely violate all that. As I view the situation, it's a ghastly picture which emerges. It is not merely alien; it is profoundly evil in precisely the sense given in the Book of Revelation and other sacred scriptures which describe a battle between the forces of light and the forces of darkness for the salvation or damnation of humanity and the planet. So when abducting aliens allegedly say, "We're here to serve you," I take it to mean they have something like cookbook recipes in mind.

I want to make clear that I am limiting this discussion to one class of UFO entities: gray abducting aliens. I am not condemning all gray aliens. I'm willing to believe there may be good ones, just as there are good and bad people. And speaking more generally, my assessment of ufology's data leads me to conclude that Earth is probably one of the major crossroads of local space, with many alien life forms visiting us. Some of them may indeed be motivated by vision and values in keeping with our own most transcendent insights and sacred wisdom. Others, however, are not—and that is my point. If alien abductions are the work of angels, let us be clear about who they are: **fallen** angels, which are demonic entities.

To get specific about what I think may be going on, consider the humans and/or humanoids who have been reported by abductees to be present on UFOs, apparently working with and for the aliens. There are many such reports, most notably that by Travis Walton. If the grays have been conducting a genetic experiment or an interspecies breeding program for at least several decades—which is what Budd Hopkins' work indicates—then there could be adult humans who have been raised under alien control since infancy and who are thoroughly alien in their loyalties and psychology, although they certainly would be able to pass as "real" people. While seeming to be ordinary citizens, they would nevertheless be at least programmed, if not naturally inclined through psychological bonding, to identify with the alien culture. Such people could have been raised in an off-world site—say, a base

on the moon or Mars or even a gigantic "mother ship" (1)—and then reintroduced to human society, with sufficient training and ongoing support from aliens to make their way into careers in many fields. Depending on the scope of the aliens' work—which I take to be happening on an enormous scale since abduction reports are worldwide—the abducting aliens could have hundreds or even thousands of their people infiltrated into science, industry, finance, government, education, the military, etc., with some undoubtedly in positions of great power and influence. These people, in turn, could have recruited others to various degrees, creating in classic fashion the "cells" of a subversion movement preparing to overthrow the establishment. More likely, though, they would have made their true identity known only to other "aliens among us" and committed true-human collaborators who have been voluntarily working with the aliens.

How might the aliens begin to infiltrate and recruit? The MJ-12 group offers a point of entry. A crashed flying saucer would be "bait" to hook the military-government-scientific complex into contact. Of course, this infiltration activity would not be limited to the United States. If the aliens are doing it here, they're probably doing it elsewhere. If they've made contact with MJ-12 or its successors—as the Project Aquarius, Project Snowbird, Project Sigma and Project Garnet reports indicate (2)—we can be fairly certain they've contacted other major powers. (Timothy Good's **Above Top Secret** demonstrates a worldwide cover-up of the UFO phenomenon, although he doesn't take that to the extreme I do here.) However, being scheming, untrustworthy and bent on planetary domination, the aliens would not have told MJ-12 anything about their communication with other scientific and governmental/military officials or groups they have contacted over the decades. It wouldn't do to let each know about the others. In terms of the intelligence community's operations, they would keep knowledge compartmentalized and would reveal it only on a "need to know" basis. Infiltration would be the hidden agenda behind their contact with MJ-12 and the

governmental-military-scientific elite of the world until the time is right to let all parties know of the others' participation.

In the meantime, since "loose lips sink ships," the military-intelligence community would have undertaken counterintelligence, disinformation and media influence programs to discredit anyone on the inside who might come forward to tell the truth and anyone on the outside who might surmise the truth. Thus, the ridicule and harassment which people who tell stories about ETs or UFOs encounter may have been started or aggravated by MJ-12 or its successors. Once the attitude "caught on" with the public, anyone who broached the subject was considered a lunatic and his/her claims or data disregarded. How could there be a "Hanger 18" at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base or Alternative 3-like colonies on the moon and Mars when everyone knows that UFOs are sheer fantasy, hallucination or misperception?

In parallel with the aliens' infiltration movement would be Manchurian Candidate-like programming of the true-human abductees and collaborators, as well as alien-human hybrids produced through interspecies breeding. My thinking is this: if the grays' ultimate intention is world control, they have several ways to get there. Their last resort would be violent takeover, using open warfare. That would certainly unite true humans in opposition, and even if the grays conquered humanity, we would continue to resist them by any and all means, even if our condition were reduced to the status of POWs at a Hanoi Hilton. No, the aliens would seek a bloodless takeover by conquering through deception, manipulation and propaganda. Remember that American POWs in Korea and Vietnam were continually subjected to brainwashing because their bodies were captured but not their minds. The aliens would recognize that and, in order to make their victory complete, try to indoctrinate us, through covert means, to accept them as we walk down a garden path, rather than have to "reeducate" some five billion people in effect held captive as POWs.

So, the more intelligent approach to **total** control would be to co-opt the

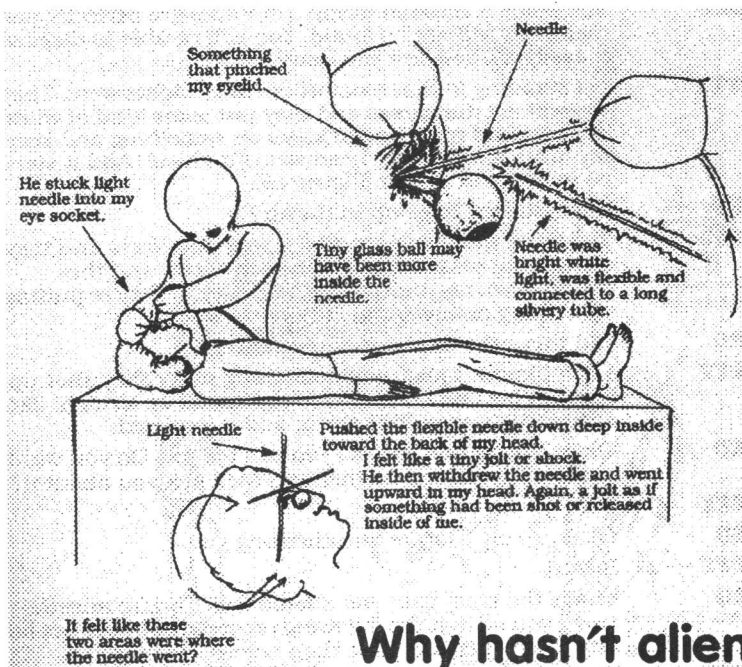
human race—to subvert it through a cultural conditioning control system such as Jacques Vallee suggests in **Messengers of Deception and Dimensions**. (To be flip about it, we can call it the “crock of ages principle”—meaning a crock of you-know-what.) MJ-12 and its counterparts in other nations would be the starting point.

Here's where the plot thickens. In fact, it ties in with more mundane conspiracy theories in the political sphere which allege that groups such as the Rothschilds, Rockefellers, Trilateralists, Bilderbergers, Council on Foreign Relations and others are the hidden powers and the secret establishments directing world affairs through international banking and control of the media, education, science and military/political institutions in order to set up a one-world social order with themselves at the seats of power.

There are some plausible arguments for the political conspiracy theory made by responsible, credible thinkers and scholars such as Carroll Quigley, Antony Sutton and Eustace Mullins; there are also some absolutely bozo claims made by head-for-the-hills redneck survivalists and fringe Christian fundamentalists. I try to assess them all to see what looks viable, weighing them against my standards of reason, logic and evidence. Now, it's perfectly clear, thanks to the Iran-Contra affair, that international conspiracies can and do happen. The real question is to what degree and how well coordinated and controlled they are by the alleged secret powers.

Until the last decade, I dismissed the notion of a generations-old international conspiracy to set up a one-world society controlled by international banking-financial interests such as the Rockefeller and Rothschilds. I reasoned that if there were one conspiracy, there would be others, and the net result would be to negate or at least neutralize each

other. No one would gain total control or unassailable ascendance. The vagaries of world affairs would be too unpredictable; too many things could go wrong; people wouldn't stay loyal to such a cause all their lives; evidence of it simply couldn't be covered up forever.



Then the abducting gray aliens came into view, and the situation took on a wholly different complexion.

If the aliens have secretly planted their agents throughout civilization for decades and if they are pursuing contact with the top echelons of power around the world for purposes of infiltration and subversion, then over the years they have been playing out a hand which was strategized nowhere but in Hell.

Look at MJ-12's roster. The members and their probable successors lead straight into the heart of the most

disturbing “conventional” conspiracy theories about international finance and military/political/scientific intrigue. For example, consider the Skull and Bones Society at Yale University. It is, from the political conspiracy theorists' point of view, the quintessential “evil empire” within the USA. George Bush,

McGeorge Bundy, and a large number of the Trilateral Commission members and the Council on Foreign Relations were tapped by this secret society while they were undergraduates at Yale and were bound by an oath of secrecy to be loyal to the “Bones” purpose. That purpose goes far beyond simple collegial fraternity and the typical “good ol’ boy” network's interests.

The conspiracy theorists say that the aim of all this is to covertly create a new world order in which the secret establishment becomes the hidden power controlling global affairs—its economy, science, industry, religion, education, technology, etc., even while maintaining a facade of increasing

freedom and prosperity for the world's masses. Nationhood would wither away, but political power would not. It would be consolidated behind a screen through the fraternal bonds of men (Skull and Bones presently excludes women) whose aims and loyalty are not to any country or group, but only to

## Why hasn't alien data-gathering become more sophisticated over the decades? It hasn't changed since Betty and Barney Hill were abducted in 1961.

“Something pinched my eyelid” Illustration from *The Andreasson Affair, Phase Two*, by Raymond E. Fowler (Wild Flower Press)



their own supranational cabal. They would be "the power behind the throne."

Imagine that such a conspiracy has been going on for decades. That would explain U.S. State Department approval of high-technology transfer from American industry to the former Soviet Union, even when it ends up being used against America in military situations—as has happened. It would also explain multimillion dollar bank loans to the Soviet Union with no assurances sought that they wouldn't be used to underwrite anti-American activities—as has happened. Then imagine that the aliens not only know of the conspiracy and understand its operations, but have also cunningly planned to co-opt it by pretending to establish friendly relations with it. What would be the nature of the directing intelligence behind the aliens' scheme? It seems to me that the gray aliens alone are not smart enough or powerful enough to pull it off, despite their technological edge. They appear to be rather robotic or hive-like in their capacities. They appear to lack the intellectual creative flair for such scheming. A greater intelligence is required. I see it like this:

The aliens abductors are glad to let the secret establishment continue its work aimed at world domination because the humans involved don't realize the danger they've gotten into by making what is in reality a diabolical pact—in the most literal sense. The secret establishment thinks it's simply got an edge by making contact with the aliens because the aliens can provide advanced technology (3) to help the power brokers advance their scheme; all they have to do is let the aliens continue with their "scientific" work of abducting people for "examination." But the aliens' intention is to be **the power behind the power** behind the throne. And the MJ-12 successors played right into their hands.

UFO conspiracy theorist John Lear says that a team amalgamated from MJ-12 and the CIA have had a long-time joint venture in which hidden

underground bases for alien activity play a part. He also says the team is now scared of that alliance because they have begun to realize the magnitude of the deadly game into which they've been suckered. From the perspective of this hypothesis, that makes sense. Just as they and their fellow conspirators see their "final" victory nearing—i.e., global affairs are tending well for the establishment of a one-world order, exactly as the conspirators have been working for over decades—the aliens trump them and in effect the secret establishment itself becomes secretly, subtly but inescapably enslaved, exactly as they sought to do to others. A delicious irony is there—but don't laugh too loud about it because, if this hypothesis is correct, the situation is appalling. It's the Book of Revelation

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## The last attempt to "improve" the human race through a genetic breeding program such as the aliens apparently have was engineered by Adolf Hitler and the Third Reich.

coming true: a titanic war is being waged in "the heavens"—i.e., invisibly, metaphysically—between the powers of light and the powers of darkness for the liberation or enslavement of all humanity.

I'll say more about the powers of light in a moment. For now, return to those alien-raised humans and humanoids. If the aliens are as knowledgeable about human psychology, physiology and anatomy as UFO research indicates, then they are wholly competent to "program" human beings and humanoids to react in certain ways upon signal. Under hypnosis, abductee Betty Andreasson stated repeatedly in **The Andreasson Affair—Phase Two** that she would reveal something in the future when the time is right as determined by the aliens; quite independ-

ently, her future husband, Bob Luca, received exactly the same mental programming from abducting grays. All the hypnotist's skill could not retrieve the unrevealed information from Andreasson because there was/is a second, deeper-level block in her mind to prevent people from learning the truth about the aliens' intention, even after the primary block was removed and her abduction revealed. The hypnotist, Fred Max, agrees with me on this point. After speaking with him, I was gratified to see that Raymond Fowler's **The Watchers** confirms and greatly elaborates on this point. Fowler initially titled the book **The Andreasson Affair—Phase Three** because it reveals much more about the Lucas' experience and their precise, profound programming by the aliens ("...they have been and are

in control of all the information stored within the deep recesses of Betty's mind"—p. 128), as well as Fowler's own. On the basis of these further revelations, Fowler states, "They know more about our overall makeup than we do ourselves" (p. 183).

Think about the so-called medical exam given to abductees. Isn't it perfectly obvious now that the abduction-as-medical-exam scenario is merely a cover for something else? How

many skin samples do alien "scientists" need before they have sufficient data? As David Jacobs, author of **Secret Life**, pointed out in a lecture at the 1988 "UFO Experience" conference in Connecticut, why hasn't their data-gathering become more sophisticated over the decades? (4) It hasn't changed since Betty and Barney Hill were abducted in 1961. Why the now-stereotyped, unvarying and well-rehearsed routine for thousands of abductees? While performing—in the sense of theatrical acting—their seemingly elementary examination of abductees, the aliens demonstrate that they actually have a deep and highly detailed knowledge of human psychology, physiology and anatomy. Abductee reports show that the aliens can completely control the human nervous

system. When aliens want to abduct them, abductees are routinely paralyzed instantly and placed in suspended animation. When they are on alien examination tables and report feeling pain from some operation, the mere touch of an alien hand can block the person's perception of pain. Reports also show that aliens can effect instant healings, alter memory, distort a person's sense of time, and perform precise surgical operations on the brain and visceral organs, not to mention the wide range of gynecological procedures they employ. I conclude that the alien "medical exam" is a sham and a cover for something else, namely, brainwashing and mind control.

For what purpose? I suspect this: the alien-humans would undoubtedly be programmed to rise up violently in armed warfare if the aliens felt it necessary to achieve their aims in **extremis**. Imagine hundreds of thousands of Manchurian Candidates, each programmed to assassinate or otherwise eliminate designated leaders and officials so that the aliens' hand-trained agents can come forward. Is that far out? Not in the shadowy—or should I say **gray**?—world of political intrigue, subversion and life-or-death struggle for conquest of Planet Earth.

Here I must state emphatically that I do not mean to have people regard all abductees with suspicion and fear, which might lead to a modern witch hunt against them. My sympathy for them is genuine and strong, and I trust that this essay makes that clear. I say so because Betty Andreasson Luca and Bob Luca, who are friends of mine, do not agree with me concerning the possibility of Manchurian Candidate programming—of themselves and others. They do not believe the grays are evil, including their abductors, and have asked me to refer people to two quotations from Raymond Fowler's books about them. Betty points to her statement from **The Andreasson Affair** as evidence: "He [Quazgaa, leader of the alien abductors] says my race won't believe me until much time has passed—our time... They love the human race. They have come to help the human race" (pp. 110-111, Bantam edition). Bob points to his statement in

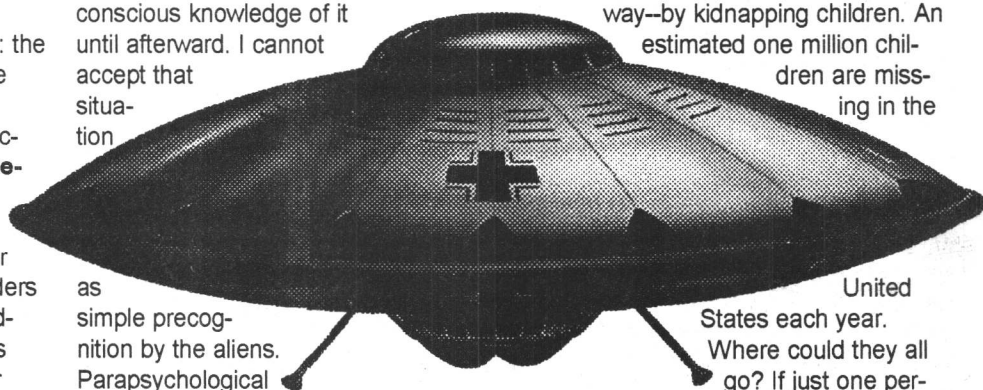
**The Andreasson Affair—Phase Two:** "[Fred Max, hypnotist] Why do they need to meet other people?" [Bob] "Prepare us for something good. Going to be for mankind" (p. 40, Prentice-Hall edition). Since our conversation, **The Watchers** (Bantam, 1990) has been published, and it amplifies their position greatly.

**The Watchers** also reveals that the 1977 automobile accident in which Betty Andreasson lost two sons was "foreseen" by the aliens, who told her of it three days before their death. However, they claimed they could not intercede or do anything about it. Moreover, they suppressed Betty's conscious knowledge of it until afterward. I cannot accept that situation

as simple precognition by the aliens. Parapsychological studies of precognition indicate that warnings can be given in order to alert people to impending danger and thereby avert tragedy; that, if anything, is the biological purpose of extrasensory perception: survival. Common sense leads to the same conclusion. So why should the aliens refuse to let Betty recollect their warning before it was too late? Moreover, since the aliens have legendary capability for tracking people and likewise have technology capable of controlling our own, they were not powerless to intercede; ufology abounds with stories of vehicles' electromagnetic systems being overridden. Last of all, since they are masters of mind control, capable even to the point of programming precisely timed and exact behavior in people, I reluctantly conclude that the aliens knew about Betty's sons' death in advance because they deliberately engineered the "accident." That can be described quite simply as murder. The aliens also told Betty that her religious faith would bring her through the tragedy. That proved true, but it was not thanks to the aliens. It seems to me

that the situation had the effect of conditioning Betty—and, through her, Fowler and his readers—to the notion that the aliens are allied with her spiritual outlook, thus making even death an acceptable action in support of the aliens' hidden agenda. I therefore regard the situation as profoundly deceitful. It cleverly and completely undermines Betty's spiritual sensibilities.

Where would all the alien-humans come from? Many would have been bred *in vitro* from sperm and ova, or raised from fetuses, as Budd Hopkins' research indicates. But many others could have been obtained the easy way—by kidnapping children. An estimated one million children are missing in the



cent of them were abducted by aliens, that's a sizable population to work with at off-world bases. If you grant the plausibility of this admittedly fantastic scenario so far, it then makes sense to say that the grays are not the "ultimate" type of beings contacting us in this matter. The grays are alien, and perhaps they're extraterrestrial. (I present the case for grays as extraterrestrials in "ET or MT? A Response to Kenneth Ring," **MUFON UFO Journal**, July 1989. That statement was deliberately devoid of the considerations made here.) They may also be what J. Allen Hynek called metaterrestrial. Whatever the case, it appears there is another "race" behind the abducting gray aliens, directing their activities. This "race" is not merely "alien"—it is evil. It is truly sinister, malevolent and unswervingly committed to the damnation of all humanity—and it is definitely not extraterrestrial. These intelligences have been characterized in ancient scriptures and sacred traditions as native to Earth, diabolic, hostile to our very existence as free people and intent upon dominating us totally—physically,



mentally and spiritually. St. Paul spoke of humanity contending with "powers and principalities." My reason, research and personal experience lead me to conclude that such entities are ontologically real, albeit parapsychical. I see the hand of such intelligences behind much of the UFO phenomenon. I will even name the chief entity, using its Judeo-Christian appellation: Lucifer/Satan. To say more than that in a meaningful manner, however, would take far more space than I have here. I am prepared to get into the issue of Lucifer/Satan and its nature, purpose and role in the UFO experience, but that will depend on my assessment of the response to this article.

Taking the widest possible view of the situation, I will say that, in my judgment, we humans are not alone against forces of darkness. I also see benign and even benevolent "alien intelligences" here as well—forces of light—trying to assist us in this struggle for psychobiological integrity, spiritual advancement and true planetary unity—not a new world order but a new world community. We are "surrounded by angels, unaware." These agents of godliness seek in gentle, noncoercive ways to guide us, protect us and enlighten us.

For example, the beings of light whom people meet during a near-death experience (NDE) are providing tremendous support for humanity. The light-beings' nature is clearly evident by the effect they have upon human lives. Completely unlike the abducting grays, the NDE light-beings produce no traumatic or ambiguous consequences on humanity. People who meet them while in the near-death state report later that they sensed only unconditional love and forgiveness for their misdeeds radiating wordlessly from these spiritual entities, along with heightened understanding of life. Abducting aliens induce fear and long-lasting anxiety, discomforting dreams, intellectual confusion and a disturbed personality in their victims; NDE light-beings have an aftereffect which brings people a sense of ultimate peace, cosmic goodness, reverence for life, deepened spirituality, concern for fellow humans and the environment—a gen-

eral revaluing of a materialistic, egotistic life-style in the name of God and Love. (5) Here in America alone, according to a Gallup poll, an estimated 14,000,000 people have undergone an NDE. If America is at the leading edge of a millennial demonic invasion directed by the "Prince of Darkness," as I'm postulating, it is also the site of an even greater number of transformative, uplifting, inspiring encounters with entities traditionally called angels, saints and enlightened teachers. And,

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like UFO abductions, such activity is happening around the globe. Altogether, this indicates a colossal support system of metaphysical forces which intend salvation—spiritual freedom—for humanity, building in opposition to what I have posited as a hellish plot aimed at complete enslavement of humanity and Planet Earth. In conclusion, I must acknowledge that some abductees disagree strongly with my hypothesis. They regard their abductors' behavior as benevolent and intended for human betterment. (In *The Watchers*, Fowler explicitly equates the abducting aliens with the NDE light-beings.) I do not deny that abductees, on the far side of their traumatic experience, often demonstrate psychological gains, and occasionally even extraordinary physiological health gains, as in the case of John Salter of North Dakota. All that does not negate my position. I attribute such transformation—such real

benefits—to the innate human urge to health and the bodymind's self-reparative capability rather than to the aliens' noble intentions. Holocaust survivors are stronger for what they've been through, but they don't thank Hitler for it. Likewise, recovering alcoholics don't thank the bottle. And while I'm mentioning the Nazis, I remind readers that the last attempt to "improve" the human race through a genetic breeding program such as the aliens apparently have was engineered by Adolf Hitler and the Third Reich.

To put it simply: I am concerned here with spiritual discernment and denouncement of evil. I am concerned with truth, freedom and public safety. Downing's stance—that all ETs are from God—is representative of a widely held view whose variations range from "ancient astronauts" through "Space Brothers" to "saviors from space." (6) I see that as one which unwittingly "glorifies the devil" by giving legitimacy to alien abductions. Legitimacy goes beyond merely establishing their reality; it passes into the moral dimension and makes or implies a public judgment of the aliens' benevolence and trustworthiness. This gives aid and comfort to "the enemy," who, the Bible tells us, disguises itself as an "angel of light." Yes, we called those flights of angels "hordes of demons" because they really are that—fallen angels.

And lest I be accused of thinking in simplistic black-and-white, good-or-evil, Us-vs.-Them terms of Christian fundamentalism, I hasten to say that is not so, as readers of my book *The Meeting of Science and Spirit* (Paragon House, 1990), will see. What is so is this: in keeping with Jesus' teaching about the proper attitude toward others, I regard the gray abducting aliens and all other life forms with unconditional love. However, unconditional love is different from acceptance and respect. My acceptance and respect is entirely conditional; it must be earned. Unconditional love is directed at personhood; acceptance and respect is directed at behavior. The abducting aliens have not earned my acceptance and respect. I judge their behavior—not their personhood—to be unworthy of it. I am not casting them out of my heart; I am

using my critical faculties to discriminate behavior from beingness and to condemn the sin, not the sinner.

Therefore, if I am anywhere near correct in this analysis, our best defense is to put on the armor of love and to wield the sword of discrimination, while making full public disclosure of the activities of the aliens and their human accomplices.

The abducting aliens always come to us under cover of darkness. They never tell us precisely why they abduct us. The whole thing is as suspicious to me as a Trojan Horse, so I'm simply voicing my concerns. If the aliens change their ways—if they reveal themselves in the light of day, unequivocally disclose their business and allow us to convince ourselves of their benevolence—I'll welcome them into human society. But until they present themselves to us in unambiguous circumstances and without veiled intent, until they present themselves as trustworthy visitors to Earth who do not violate and harm its human inhabitants, I shall continue to regard them as cunning, predatory creatures from a nether world bent on evil-disguised-as-good. And whether they ultimately prove to be physical, parapsychical or metaphysical will have no bearing on that conclusion.\*

## Endnotes

- 1) In 1972, while visiting the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California, I learned from my tour guide—a JPL employee—that the facility had analyzed many UFO photographs. The guide told me that JPL had explained away all of them except one. That one, he said, was taken by a man who provided such good information about the time of day, location, camera and film that JPL, after using computer enhancement of the photo, could offer only two explanations. The man who submitted the photo said he saw a UFO passing in front of the moon. The guide said JPL would not confirm it but was convinced there definitely was something real in the photo. The only trouble was that they couldn't tell if it was a small object about two feet in front of the camera or something 1,000 miles long at a distance of 100,000 miles from Earth. A mother ship?
- 2) These projects were reported by Jerome Clark in *Fate* magazine (April 1988) in the last of his fourpart article on crashed UFO retrievals.
- 3) Another implication of this scenario is that MJ-12 or its successors had access to UFOs through their alien contacts. If so, it must be assumed that (1) MJ-12 or its successors took advantage of that to visit the moon and other planets in our solar system long before the Apollo 11 moon landing in 1969, and (2) the NASA space exploration program is a gigantic boondoggle whose real purpose is to be another secret conduit for funding military/intelligence projects which are intended to be kept from scrutiny by Congress and the public.
- 4) Jacobs' lecture and the proceedings of the annual "UFO Experience" conference, which I produce, are available in audio and video tape format. For details, write to: Omega Communications, P.O. Box 2051, Cheshire, CT 06410-5051, USA.
- 5) For details, see Kenneth Ring's *Life at Death* (Morrow, 1980) and *Heading Toward Omega* (Morrow, 1984), Charles Flynn's *After the Beyond* (Prentice Hall, 1986) and George Ritchie's *Return from Tomorrow* (Chosen, 1978).
- 6) Another example is Fowler's interpretation of the Lucas' abduction experiences. He ask in *The Watchers*, "Are highly advanced beings from outer space god's agents of creation on this and other planets?" (p. 206). He concludes the answer is yes; "Watcher," he tells us, is translated from the Chaldean word for a class of angelic beings responsible for watching over the affairs of humanity (p. 214). Somewhat similarly, G. Cope Schellhorn's *Extraterrestrials in Biblical Prophecy* (Horus House: Madison, Wisconsin, 1989), concludes, "It would appear that the present

mission of the large group of assorted extraterrestrials now operating near earth is a standby mission, or as the Gospel of Matthew put it, a gathering of eagles, 'Wherever the body is, there the eagles will be gathered together.' (Mt 24:28)." Schellhorn, like Strieber, Fowler and Downing, indiscriminately lumps together all ETs as divinely motivated. There is a double irony in Schellhorn's use of this biblical quotation. First, the more accurate translation is "a gathering of vultures, since eagles are not primarily carrion-eaters who look for corpses (although they do occasionally scavenge). Second, and even more important, the quotation comes in the context of Jesus' enumeration of signs to distinguish false messiahs from the true one. A gathering of vultures, Jesus clearly indicates, is a sign of false messiahship—i.e., deception. Despite this and several other flaws in Schellhorn's work, his book is a very useful survey of biblical events which might be better understood as encounters with extraterrestrial societies.

Raymond E. Fowler's

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## Live From Death Row by Mumia Abu-Jamal

While reading Mumia Abu-Jamal's *Live From Death Row*, I couldn't help being impressed by his sure grasp and elucidation of the sad, harsh realities which are his subject. As Mumia's friend and fellow prisoner, I was present at the State Correctional Institution-Huntingdon (until 1989) for many of the death row events recounted here. I am a vicarious witness to the others. The incidents so aptly described by Mumia merely represent the norm in Pennsylvania's death row units. While Huntingdon's management style is indeed reminiscent of that of a southern plantation, circa 1830, similar events and attitudes (though better-veiled) prevail in this (SCI-Graterford) and other institutions. I am witness to the same utter contempt by prison officials for prisoners' lives, the same inane but repressive rules, and the same bigoted attitudes and misdeeds. I also bear witness to the death row prisoners: those with the fortitude to simply survive, those with the spirit to learn and even grow, and yes, those who break or give up under the weight of the constant life-crushing oppression. And, although I can attest to all this, Mumia captures in words the essence of life on death row, offering the free-world reader a glimpse of our incongruous worlds.

*Live From Death Row* also offers some sharply pointed and perceptive insights into contemporary "justice" and "corrections" in Amerika. Mumia relies on official information sources and judicial court opinions to provide the facts from which only one logical conclusion can be drawn: our system of criminal justice is pervaded by rampant racism and is irretrievably corrupted by power-grubbing politics, economic and corporate influences, and officials' abuse and chicanery. All this, of course, begs the question, does our justice system truly serve society and promote public safety? To which Mumia answers, correctly, that it does not. My own understanding of this is instinctive and visceral; as a convict, I am both a victim and student of the criminal justice system. And while those of us touched by the system know these truths directly, Mumia's powerful arguments, based on verifiable facts and deductive reasoning, are needed to enlighten the uninitiated. Only the bigoted or deliberately obtuse could remain unmoved and unswayed by these discourses.

Finally, *Live From Death Row* presents a collective print-portrait of Mumia himself. In some parts, Mumia speaks directly about himself, about MOVE, and about his feelings concerning the destruction wrought upon blacks. But much is also revealed indirectly. The now-infamous "revolutionary" Mumia is apparent in his expressions of outrage at the overt racism and callous arrogance found at all levels of government. And while many may judge and censure Mumia based solely on this "radical" image, those who do so neither care to hear truth, nor do they know Mumia. For Mumia also exemplifies his principles in honestly conceding his own biases, and in being open-minded even to those

who perpetrate the evils he decries. His humanity is told in the open acknowledgment of the pain and psychic injury he's suffered, and in the concern expressed for others. Certainly Mumia's personality is seen in his ever-intelligent, often cynical, sometimes caustic, and occasionally humorous observations. This is the Mumia revealed in *Live From Death Row*. This is the man I know.

**Roger P. Buehl**

(Roger P. Buehl, whose 1983 murder conviction was based on circumstantial evidence and in part on testimony of a prosecution witness who failed a polygraph test and later recanted, is appealing his impending death sentence. For more information, contact Roger Peter Buehl, AM-7936, SCI-Graterford, Death Row, PO Box 244, Graterford, PA 19426-0244.)

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**Uri Dowbenko**

**Angels Don't Play This HAARP by**  
Jeane Manning and Nick Begich  
Earthpulse Press, Anchorage AK,  
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Science journals in the early 1980s reported openly on the ionospheric disruption caused by scientists themselves. The launch of NASA's High Energy Astrophysical Observatories (HEAO) on Sept. 20, 1979, by an Atlas Centaur rocket "produced an extraordinary opportunity to monitor a large-scale, artificially induced depletion of the earth's ionosphere" the scientists bragged. They were being paid to study the impact of repeated rocket exhaust activity in the ionosphere. Data showed that the HEAO hole followed the rocket's ground track, extending at least 2,000 km - and probably 3,000 km... The overall disturbed region totaled 1 to 3 million km in surface area. The depleted area centered on the rocket's path for three hours then moved northward.

Presently the U.S. military is building its biggest ionospheric heater yet, in the wilderness of Alaska, to deliberately create more instabilities in the huge plasma layer making up the earth's ionosphere. The High Frequency Active Auroral Research Project (HAARP) will rev-up the energy level of charged particles. The device will artificially manipulate the electrojet, a river of electricity that flows thousands of miles through the sky and down into the polar ice cap. While its ostensible purpose can be explained by two words (Star Wars,) what exactly are they trying to heat up? Are they trying to divert a coming pole shift? The electrojet will become a vibrating artificial antenna for sending electromagnetic radiation raining down on earth. These military mental midgets will then be able to "x-ray" the earth and talk to submarines. "High frequency emissions can couple with longwave, low frequency (ELF) pulses the Earth grid used to distribute information as vibrations to synchronize dances of life in the biosphere... The coupling of HF with ELF can cause a dimension of unplanned, unsuspected side effects" states Dr. Daniel Winter.

Press releases and information sent to legislators from the military have continually downplayed HAARP's destructive potential; stating that the project is no different from other ionospheric heaters in safe operation. The unique aspect of Bernard Eastlund's new toy is its ability to focus the energy beam to a specific point. Could this technology be used to beam the holographic Fear 'o God onto the masses? HAARP is "the most remarkable manmade geophysical manipulation since atmospheric detonation of nuclear bombs." Are the authors of *Angels* "alarmists"? They state: "HAARP will not burn holes in the ionosphere. That is a dangerous understatement of what HAARP's giant gigawatt beam will do."

The authors found while researching this book that scientists dislike the word "damage" and prefer the word "disturb." (Pentagon scientists are mentally disturbed.) This abnormal "disturbed" condition, in any case, will overcharge

the ionosphere, resulting in hot spots, electrical arcing, physical cracks and turbulence as the pent-up energy "tries to find some place to go." With words like incise, arc, slice, noise, cut, pulse, vibrate, microwave, puncture, poke, confuse, tear, crack, rev, rain, harsh, beam, burst, etc., I for one, am not looking forward to the three and a half years of Armageddon madness that HAARP may represent. Order *Angels Don't Play This HAARP* for your congressman and senator, immediately. Available through Newspeak, 5 Steeple Street, Providence, RI 02903; (401) 331-3540; 40% discount to book stores, or call the publisher at 907-249-9111.

Joan d'Arc

**Man Made UFOs, 1944-1994** by Renato Vesco and David Hatcher Childress, Adventures Unlimited, \$16.95 and **Close Encounters of the Foo Fighter Kind** by Vladimir Terziski, RTZ Consultants, \$15.95  
"Saucerkraut"

At the end of World War II when Berlin was split in two, the US got the rocket scientists and the Russians got the radar technicians. For decades rumors have persisted that the Germans also had prototypes of flying disks that Hitler didn't even know about. I believe these stories because as a kid in France in the late 50s, I was looking at TV in the game room of a neighbor's house and saw on the news footage from secret test flights just discovered by reporters. A white disk lying in a clearing of trees rose off the ground and hovered. That's all there was and we

never saw it again. Somebody out there is sitting on an old film can.

Two new books are out on the subject which have tried to gather all the information into one spot. A lot of the material included in Childress's *Man-Made UFOs* has already been covered in other of his titles, but it's the first time such an exhaustive study has been made. *Close Encounters of the Foo Fighter Kind* is a more limited effort but contains information seemingly much closer to the source. (A mail order company specializes in this kind of stuff: German Research project, Box 7, Gorman, CA 93243.) Obviously, there's nothing conclusive; we still can't be sure of what's really going on. But it's interesting to speculate that perhaps a certain faction of German scientists were part of an international secret society of individuals who, like a James Bond plot (either through the contributions of wealthy participants or government covert ops) were able to construct an entire subculture based on superior technology of too sensitive a nature to share with common folks like us. The evidence is mounting. At a time when a little science museum toy like the "Levitron" can demonstrate that resting afloat on top of a magnetic field at room temperature is clearly possible, we should be paying heed to such an unlikely story like German flying saucers. What are the implications for environmental applications for this secret technology? If these stories were true, this would give hope to those who want to develop clean and unlimited

power sources. But what if the cure was worse than the disease?

Remy Chevalier

**Disneyland of the Gods**, by John Keel, IllumiNet Press, 174 pages, \$9.95

No matter where you live you may be under close scrutiny by mysterious entities who appear in many guises and who create all man's myths and beliefs! The ultimate Orwellian "Big Brother"? In the 1920's, Charles Fort became so obsessed with collecting information on "strange phenomena" that this style of folklore is now known as "Fortean" and a British mag called *Fortean Times* continues in his (big)footsteps. In the tradition of Charles Fort, John Keel has spent a lifetime studying ancient mysteries and the peculiar "forces" in which Fortean are immersed. Keel is well known for his earlier works *The Mothman Prophecies* and *Complete Guide to Mysterious Beings*. From strange aerial objects crashing in Norway and Sweden to loved ones vanishing into thin air, Keel's newest compendium of strangeness will give you the creeps. Speaking of creeps, this book is filled with stories about creeps like Men in Black, mothmen, bigfoot creatures and assorted tricksters and snallygasters that go bump in the night. Charles Fort concluded that the Earth was actually "owned" by some creeps that run it like an amusement park. This planet is a "farm" and we are the "crop." Yup, it's the Disneyland of the Gods. Are you having fun yet?

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# RANT

## Frankly, My Dears...

**W**hether or not the tale be true frightens me naught. Just knowing there be those who believe and thus act on their belief is the thing to fear. They think it be truth and, thereby, bring about the means by which the prophesy or prophesies may be fulfilled...

Joshua bar Joseph, called Jesus by the Greeks, chose his actions carefully so he might bring to fruition the babble spoken by prophets in yesteryear. Many today do likewise, and likewise they too shall suffer a similar fate.

As legitimate heir to the throne of David, which was illegally given over to Roman rule by the wedding of the Maccabean princess to the Palestinian who later poisoned her and her children and usurped the throne, Joshua knew he was doomed. For not only was he the rightful heir to inherit the title "king," he was the rightful heir in the Priesthood of Aaron to inherit the title Messiah. The Messiahship was real, it was not a mystical thing. It was a politico-religious office which many attained. Yes, others had held the title, Messiah, throughout the ages. Joshua is the best known because he was doomed to be the last.

The marriage of Joshua's parents after he was born joined two powerful families in alliance against Rome. His temporal father, the wealthy Joseph, who was himself a Master Mason, and whose family had become extremely wealthy throughout the years as the major construction firm in Palestine, took into his household as his betrothed, the Vestal Virgin Mary, impregnated by the High Priest in the Temple in a Holy Rite, who was, like he, of the House of David. Through his father Joseph, Joshua inherited the right to the Throne of David; through his mother, Mary, who had been raised in the Temple of Isis in preparation for her sacred insemination and subsequent birth of the heir to the Priesthood of Aaron, he inherited the right to be High Priest of the Priesthood of Aaron the successor Priesthood to the Priesthood of Midian.

Moses, High Priest of Midian, years earlier had fled Egypt during the time of great crisis which occurred when "the Earth rolled over on its side and the Stars marched backwards across the heavens." Great earthquakes shook the planet when the southern pole, heavy laden with ice, caused great imbalance when the planets aligned themselves all to one side of the Earth. The Earth's crust slid upon its mantle as the pole was tugged by the gravitational force of that great cyclical planetary alignment, that one which is next due on the pentagonal day of the pentagonal month in the year six thousand of the old calendar, year two thousand in the new calendar. As the Earth continued to shake and shudder, the Red Sea, very shallow in its midst, spread itself and enabled Moses and his followers to escape. Moses, the great scientist that he was, knew the things which were to occur and had prepared accordingly.

Whence they were safely out of Egypt, Moses, called Musa in the tongue of the Sons and Daughters of Ishmael, established the Priesthood of Aaron, naming his brother Aaron and his heirs to carry-on as replacements for the Priesthood of Midian, of which Musa was the last and final High Priest.

Musa took with him the Holy Device (later called the Arc of the Covenant) from the Great Temple of the Initiates (called the Great Pyramid today) which he sealed according to the Laws of Midian. It was many years later in the Great Temple of the Initiates in Egypt that Joshua was to be initiated into the oldest surviving order on the planet, one which survives still, one whose name is known only to they who have become one with it.

Joshua's day of initiation was a momentous occasion, not only for Joshua, but also for the entire population of the region. By right of Hebraic law, Joshua was to be both secular and religious ruler of Palestine, the last and best hope for the people in their struggle against the tyranny of Rome. Egypt and Palestine could both possibly be set free from Rome's decadent rule. But first, Joshua's family would have to win its gambit for power.

Joshua's marriage to Mary the Magdala (Magdalene in French), hereditary Matriarchal ruler of her clan and its holdings, further added to his family's strength. The wealth and manpower their marriage brought with it was essential, for war with Rome was on the horizon.

As leader of the Zealots, Joshua's friend and boyhood lover Simon, called "Rocky" in English (Peter being derived from the Greek word for "rock"), was a militarist who traveled with an armed band of men. Rocky and his warriors accompanied Joshua to protect him from not only the Romans, but also the San Hedrin — who liked their cushy and corrupt state jobs. Both the Pharisees and the Saducees wanted Joshua out of the way too, for years and years of corruption in the Temple had made them jealously guard their fatted calf.

The battle to take Joshua in the garden of Gethsemene on trumped-up charges of violating the Sabbath, which was, and still is today, kept only in name and not in spirit by most who haven't the foggiest notion as to what exactly it means to "keep the Sabbath," was a fierce battle, with the Romans winning, because Joshua was betrayed — by his sibling Judas. The family had decided that, to gain the throne, they would sacrifice their first born to the great YHVH, as was the custom in the time before Abram — who had refused such a monstrous duty, and broke with tradition. Judas, the younger brother of Joshua, also son of Joseph and Mary, could not bear the responsibility placed upon him and he took his life. James, second eldest son in the family became the heir. He too was to later suffer the same fate as Joshua at the hands of the occupying Roman heathen.

Joshua knew he was to die a martyr's death and he set himself willingly to the task. Were he alive today, transported through time somehow, I wonder if he would, after examining all the evil that was done in his name by "his" church, not instead choose another path upon his return to his own time. I think no, he would not choose another path. The sense of familial duty runs deep within the genome of the blood royale,

or sang graal: the holy blood. Joshua would still choose the course of the martyr, even if it meant he would be deified after death according to the profane Roman custom.

It is an abominable thing to worship a man; Joshua knew this. They who worship him, mock him. It is an abominable thing to obey the unjust law simply because it is the "law"; Joshua knew this also. They who say something like, "I know it's a bad law, but it is the law, so we should obey it until the law is changed." — these detestable creatures who espouse thusly, they figuratively spit in Joshua's face while they kneel at the altar above which is suspended an icon of his corpse hanging limp upon the cross, painted blood drooling from his wounds. The message is clear; it is a message which screams into the souls of every man, woman, and child; it screams, "Look what happens if you challenge the law! Look what happens if you don't do what you're told!" It screams, "OBEY! ...or die."

Are people so stupid they cannot see through Rome's fabrication of a "god" from Joshua hundreds of years after his crucifixion. He was a long-dead martyr whose martyrdom brought about one of the bloodiest battles in Roman history. The siege and destruction of Jerusalem became inevitable after Joshua (or his "double", as some have claimed — it does not matter) was executed. Think about it. the Jewish people knew he was the rightful King and the rightful High Priest. When Rome put him to death, the death of the Jewish Kingdom itself was inevitable. What a blow Rome struck to the psyche of the Jews, a blow from which they have never fully recovered.

One might point to the success of the many Jewish international financiers, and their modern construction: the state of Israel, and claim the blow struck by Rome was not all that successful; however, one must realize the money changers were never targeted by Rome for defeat. The money changers had lost all that was holy within themselves long ago; they no longer were, nor are they today, spiritually Jewish. Long ago they had cast aside their Jewishness, for that which they did, and do today, is in violation of the spirit of the law which clearly forbids the charging of interest. Usury is not permitted — under any circumstances; it matters not what the lawyers of the Talmud say, for with their words they seek only to break the law through incessant interpretation and deliberate misinterpretation. They seek only to wear down opposition to their detestable views. According to the law the money changers, they who commit usury, should be put to death, yet it is they who do the killing as they worship at feet of the golden calf. One can understand why usury is detestable and worthy of strong punishment when one truly examines the concept of "modern" banking which began in Jerusalem over two thousand years ago. When one demands not only the return of one's loaned capital, but also a portion of the profits from the enterprise the capital sponsored, one produces nothing and becomes a mere leech which sucks the blood from a healthy economy, causing it to suffer. The ancients were wise when they stoned the usurer; the English were wise when they cut-off the usurer's fingers, one at a time, until he repented.

The money changers at the Temple, those cast out by the rightful High Priest, he who was to soon be crowned King and anointed High Priest, "changed" the coin of the realm into the Temple coin of the half sheckle, which was the required payment if you wanted the priest to sacrifice your offering in the Temple. Many, in order to hold public office were required to make such "offerings" again and again...and again tomorrow too, so corrupt had become Jerusalem. The money changers charged two sheckles in precious metal for their half sheckle of worthless metal. The profits they split with the Temple Priests. It was these that Joshua cast out, along with the vendors of "official"

sacrificial animals for those who lived in the city and had none of their own. Yet many who worship this man do truly think he cast out those involved in day to day ordinary business — which occurred not in the Temple anyway. These ignorant Christians (I oft' times think the word Christian and imbecile are synonymous) actually believe Joshua became upset because he found a flea market going on in the Temple! It was those involved in the corrupt activities of the Temple itself whom he cast out! The people, having seen and heard of this, knowing he was right, desirous for change, stopped "buying" the "official" Temple garbage and the Temple Priests were very angered at Joshua because he had affected their "business", and that they could not tolerate.

What a story this was in yesteryear, is in this year, and will be next year and beyond. The ultimate conspiracy, about which people still argue, from which a "god" was made — by will of the Senate and People of Rome, with the Emperor's stamp on the document. The richest treasury in the world, that of Jerusalem, was looted — to some extent anyway. Where the treasury went and the power it wielded, who controlled it through the ages, who inherited that control, and who now controls all the wealth that fortune amassed throughout the ages — well... that's a story for another time.

You may choose to believe, or you may choose to disbelieve — it does not matter, for there are they who act upon the truth of these words, and that, my friends or enemies, will affect you whether you believe or disbelieve. If you are wise, you will reap; if you are unwise, you will weep.

Quite frankly, my dears, I don't give a damn what you do, because in the end...if only one be saved, the human race will live on. For out of the side of that one saved being shall be taken the seed for a new beginning. From the lining of the stomach — the most undifferentiated cells in the body, those that contain all the information necessary to grow another body just like itself (but in the opposite sex, of course) — from those cells shall be born a new mate for the other and a new race of man shall be brought forth upon the firmament to replace the defective model. And that new race shall set itself upon the remainder of the old, that which is called the Sons of Man — now decrepit, just as did the Sons of Man slay its predecessors, the Daughters of Man.

Let the play continue! Let the cycle churn.

I am Eadwine Domnal, in the old tongue Protector Worldmighty, in the new verse.\*

## **The marriage of [Jesus'] parents joined two powerful families in alliance against Rome. His temporal father Joseph was a Master Mason, whose family had become extremely wealthy as the major construction firm in Palestine...**



# The Last Testament of Rev. Jim Jones

**H**ow very much I've tried my best to give you a good life. In spite of all that I've tried, a handful of people, with their lives, have made our lives impossible. There's no way to distract ourselves from what's happened today.

Not only do we have a compound situation, not only are there those who have left it to me... The betrayal of the century ... Some have stolen children from mothers and are in pursuit right now to kill them, because they stole their children. I mean we are sitting here waiting on a powder keg and I don't think that is what we want to do with our babies, I don't think that is what we have in mind to do with our babies.

It was said by the greatest of prophets from time immemorial: "No man may take my life from me, I lay my life down..." So just to sit here and wait for the catastrophe that's going to happen on that airplane, it's going to be a catastrophe, it almost happened here, it almost happened, the congressman was nearly killed here, but you can't steal people's children, you can't take off with people's children without expecting a violent reaction. And that's not so unfamiliar to us either, if we only look at the old Christians, who weren't Communists...

World opinion ... violence, and force. But if we can't live in peace, then let us die in peace. I've been so betrayed. I've been so terribly betrayed. We've tried, and what he said right this minute was that, he said if it was only worth one day it was worthwhile... Right then, what's going to happen in a few minutes is that one of the people on that plane is gonna shoot the pilot, I know that. I didn't plan it but I know it's gonna happen. They're gonna shoot that pilot and down comes that plane into the jungle and we had better not have any of our children left when it's over cause they'll [...] on us. The point is that this plane, I don't know how to say it, I've never lied to you, I never have lied to you. I know that's what's going to happen. That's what he intends to do and he will do it, he'll do it.

I've been loaded with many pressures seeing all these people behave so treasonous. It was just too much for me to put together but I now know what he was telling me and it'll happen, if

the plane gets in the air, that is. So my opinion is that you be kind to children and you be kind to seniors and take the potion like we used to take an ocean breeze and step over quietly because we are not committing suicide - it's a revolutionary act. We can't go back, we won't lose it for long, we're not going back to tell more lies, which means more congressmen, there's no way, there's no way we can survive.

Anyone that has any opinion please speak. You'd be making a strike but we'd be striking against people we don't want to strike against. We'd like to get the people that caused this stuff and if some people are prepared and know how to do that tell it to Timothy Stone. But there's no plane. We can't catch the plane in time. He's responsible for it. He brought these people to us, he and Diana Myrtle. The people in San Francisco will not be idle over this. We do not take our death in vain you know.

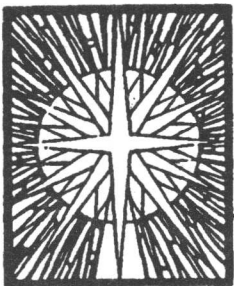
Is it too late for Russia? Here's why it's too late for Russia. They killed, they started to kill. That's why it makes it too late for Russia. Otherwise I'd said... , but it's too late. I can't control these people. They're out there. They've gone with the guns and it's too late. And once they've killed anybody, at least that's the way I want it. I just put my lot with you. If one of my people do something, it's me. When they say I don't have to take the blame for this, well I don't, I don't live that way, and if they deliver up ... and try to get the man, that's it. And was ... mother's being lying on him and lying on him and trying to break up this family and they've all agreed to kill us by whatever means necessary. Do you think I'm going to let them ... not on your life. No you're not going, you're not going. I can't live that way, I can not live that way. I've lived for all and I'll die for all.

I've been living on hope for a long time, Christine, and I appreciate you've always been a very good agitator and I like agitation because you have proof from two sides on one issue, on two sides of the question. And what those people are going to get done, what they go through. They make our lives worse than hell and make the rest of us not accept us. They tell so many lies there in that truck. We are not in as far as any alternative. •

To be continued. From a transcript of Rev. Jim Jones' last sermon in Jonestown, Guyana, 1978. Some believe the "mass suicide" of his followers was in fact a mass murder.

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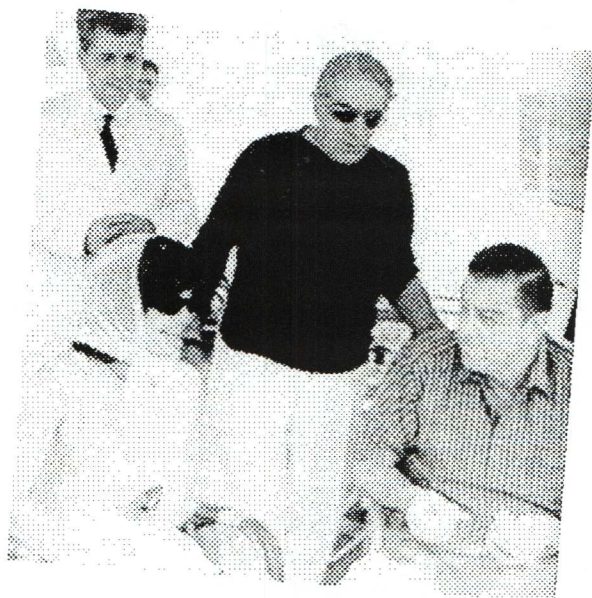
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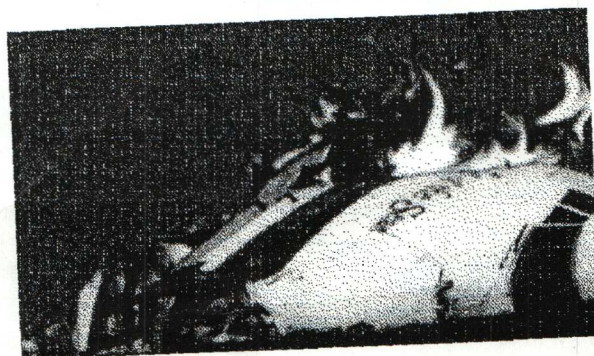
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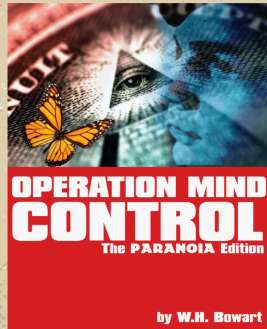
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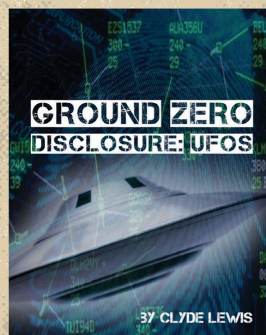
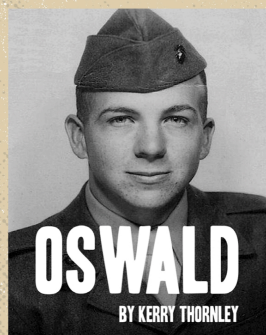


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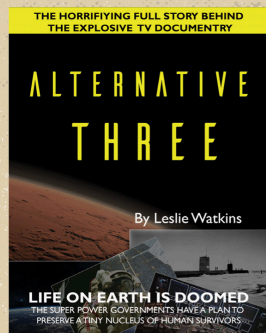
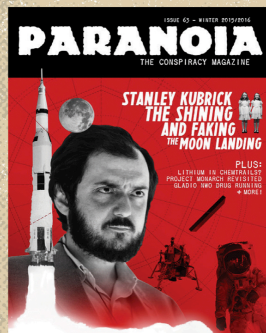


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