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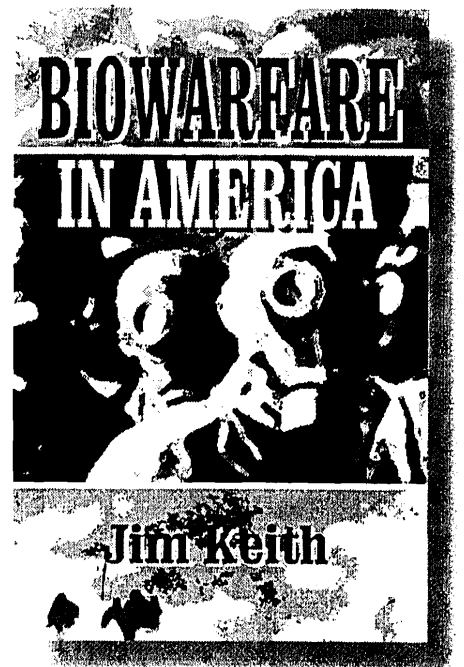
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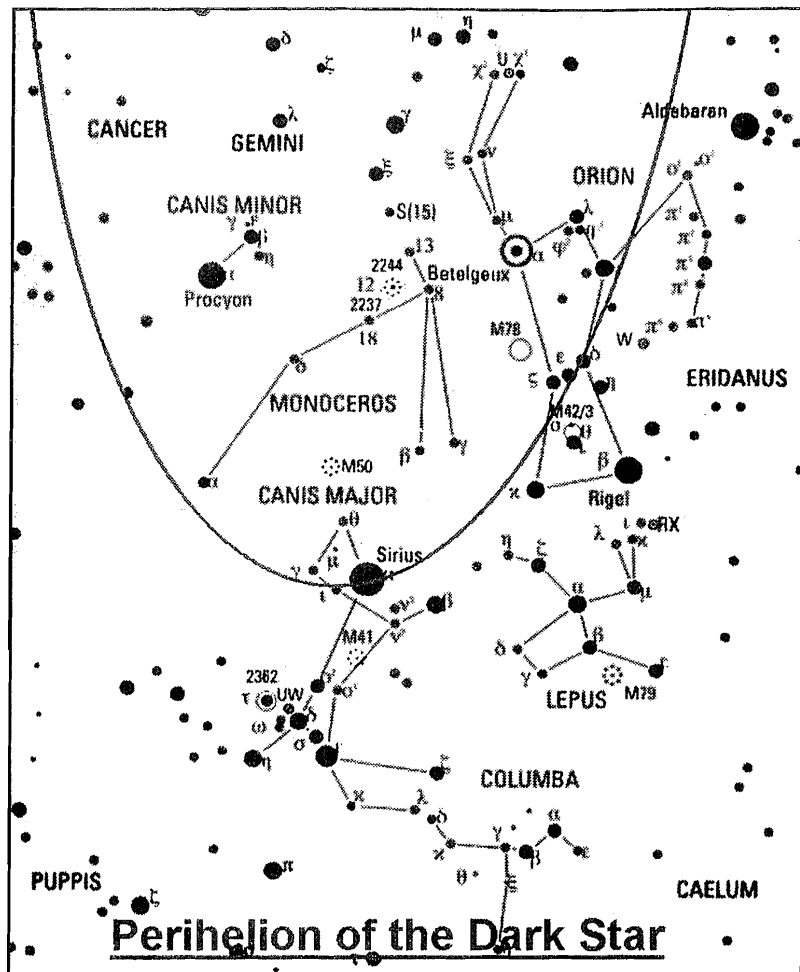
Sol B: The Messianic Star?

by Andy Lloyd

The possibility that our solar system may have another, as yet undiscovered, planet has been the subject of serious debate by astronomers for decades (1). Orbital perturbations by the outer planets point to a distant object's gravitational effect; yet, this so-called 'Planet X' has eluded discovery despite advances in telescopes and space probes. Even the recent IRAS sky survey failed to pinpoint the culprit, leading many to drop the idea of a tenth planet.

The assumption has always been that this planet would be similar to the known planets, and located about six times as far away as Pluto. While this distance is staggering, it is nothing compared to the gravitational range of our star, Sol. Within its sphere of influence is thought to reside a truly enormous field of comets known as the Oort Cloud. It is entirely possible that a massive planetary body lurks undetected in this comet cloud around the Sun; so massive, in fact, that it could fall into the category of failed star.

This possibility was forwarded by two independent astronomers, Drs. Murray (2) and Matese (3) in October 1999, based on evidence from long-period comet perturbations. The two researchers proposed different parameters for this proposed 'planet,' but the generalities were very similar (4). This planet was several times the mass of Jupiter (the largest planet in our



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solar system), was orbiting in a slow circular procession around the Sun, and was affecting comets tens of thousands of astronomical units away (1 AU is the distance from the Sun to the Earth). This possibility was an exciting breakthrough that caught the imagination of the world's media, even though the 'planet' had not even been detected directly. The astronomers pointed out that this 'planet' might be a brown dwarf, or failed star. They posited that although it had insufficient mass to become a star, it could be massive enough to emit low frequency light and heat, thereby falling into a category of object that is neither star nor planet.

The Dark Star: Sol B

Recent astronomical discoveries have shown that young planets only five times the mass of Jupiter can emit light (5). The unspoken implication of this finding is that our Sun might have a distant sister, a 'dark star' in orbit around it. In a loose sense, then, it could be claimed that we are living in a binary system. This proposition has vast repercussions, not the least of which is the possibility that this 'dark star' might have its own system of planets, lighted and warmed by the brown dwarf itself.

Take the Jupiter moon Europa, for instance. Europa is warmed by the gravitational effect of the nearby gas giant to such a degree that an immense ocean lies under its frozen, billiard ball-like

surface. Just imagine the effect, then, if Jupiter were even larger, and emitted heat and red light! It is highly likely that Europa would develop an atmosphere and would become an ocean-covered terrestrial world. This is how a brown dwarf could maintain a series of inhabitable moons. Not only that, but the more harmful high-frequency radiation that bombards our planet from the Sun would be absent. One can imagine the potential for extraterrestrial life if a 'light-emitting planet' were found in orbit around the Sun—a dark star that would become known as *Sol B*.

Nibiru

A couple of months before this story broke, I had proposed that a brown dwarf would be found in the Oort Cloud (6). The basis for this hypothesis was that the ancient Sumerian description of the "12th Planet" seemed more in keeping with our understanding of brown dwarfs than of presently

known planets. This massive celestial entity, reintroduced to a skeptical world by the eminent scholar Zecharia Sitchin, was a fiery world that emitted flares and lightning, and roamed around 'planet-busting' (7). These descriptions of the 'Winged Disc,' as Nibiru was known to the Mesopotamians and Egyptians, were in keeping with our present knowledge of light-emitting planets.

According to the ancient Mesopotamians, following its initial catastrophic entry into the planetary solar system, the wandering god Nibiru/Marduk was catapulted out after a collision with the watery planet Tiamat, whose main remnants became the Earth and its moon. The Mesopotamians stated in their astronomical and religious texts that this wandering 'god' traveled an elliptical orbit around the Sun, which Sitchin likens to that of a comet.

Sitchin had always assumed this entity to be the hospitable home world of the Anunnaki, an assumption dogged with practical difficulties. By definition, a hospitable world would have to be warmed by an external heat source to maintain its atmosphere. At the distances from the Sun that would be involved, a terrestrial planet's atmosphere would be so frigid that it would simply become a planet-covered snowdrift, as on Neptune's moon, Triton. Internal heat sources achieved through massive gravity or radioactivity would clearly preclude life as we know it. (A massive body, like a gas giant, creates its own heat. An abundance of radioactive isotopes would substantially warm a planet, although making it deadly at the same time.) Yet, according to the Sumerians, the Anunnaki are our god-like ancestors, and they presumably enjoy conditions on their own world that are similar to Earth's.

Encouraged by the discoveries of Murray and Matese, I produced a research paper to show that Nibiru was a dark star, not a planet, and that the home world of the gods was one of its moons (8). More shocks were to come. Upon reading Murray's paper, I realized that his 'planet' moved in an orbit whose angle to the ecliptic (the plane of the other solar planets) was 30 degrees, a figure *precisely* the same as that indicated by Sitchin for Nibiru (9). The ancient accounts of Nibiru's visible movement around the Sun indicated that it attained its closest point to the Sun (its perihelion) in the area the Egyptians know as the *Duat*, between Sirius and Orion (8). Murray's 'planet' was located *opposite the Duat*, in a region of the sky north of Sagittarius. If Nibiru really is Murray's brown dwarf, then it is presently near aphelion, the most distant point from the Sun.

Many people interested in the 12th Planet believe that it last appeared around the time of the Exodus; thus, its return should be imminent. I think it is safe to assume that this is incorrect, as we would certainly have located it by now as it bears down on us from the void. Instead, the lack of direct astronomical evidence for Planet X indicates that it is at a great distance from the Sun, eliminating the argument for an appearance during the Exodus. This argument owes more to the discredited Velikovsky than to Sitchin, I suspect. Any tilt of the Earth's axis that occurred at the time of the Exodus would suggest that the older monuments, like the Pyramids, could no longer be in line with astronomical indicators; a condition that is clearly not met.

Sitchin's work indicates that Nibiru reached the perihelion point of its cometary orbit in 3760 B.C., the date when both the Nippurian Calendar and the Jewish count of years began (10). Since Nibiru is supposed to orbit the Sun every 3600 years (itself clearly an archetypal approximation), the last passage should have been in the two centuries preceding Christ, and the 'planet' would now be at aphelion. Therefore, the only differences between Murray's data and Sitchin's hypothesis are its distance and orbital shape. But everything else fits, and this seems enough of a coincidence to pursue the possibility that we are looking at the same celestial body.

Furthermore, aspects of Matese's paper point to the possibility of an elliptical orbit and bizarre orbital changes known as *oscultation* (3), a review of which is beyond the scope of this paper (but will be tackled in my book in the near future). The recent discoveries about extra-solar planets, many of which exhibit wildly eccentric orbits, have shown us that we should not assume regularity based solely on the knowledge of our own planetary system (11). This opens the door to multiple possibilities regarding Nibiru. It is no longer necessary to simply consider a regular, elliptical orbit. There may be other, more bizarre factors at play here.

The Messianic Star

If Nibiru was supposed to have appeared in the skies in the centuries before Christ, why was its remarkable countenance not recorded? After all, a Jupiter-sized world, alight with red flame and accompanied by seven moons, must have been quite a sight at perihelion. This problem was not lost on researcher Alan Alford, who seemed to toy with the idea that this entity was the Star of Bethlehem (12). The stumbling block was the 3,600-year orbit, which moved the 'window of opportunity' to a period long before the lifetime of Christ, as agreed upon by biblical scholars. Also, it seems highly likely that the actual Nativity account itself is allegori-

cal. It is possible that, even though the *historical existence* of Christ is open to question, the emergence of Christianity was the result of an anomalous celestial event. However, there is no objective evidence available in the astronomical records of the time.

An anomalous event recorded by Seneca in A.D. 25 might hold the key. In the Dark Star Theory (8), I have shown that perihelion occurs near Sirius, the brightest star in the sky, which is of blue/white appearance. In comparison, a Babylonian astrolabe carries a crystal-clear description of Nibiru's appearance to observers on Earth: "The red star, which when the stars of the night are finished, bisects the heavens and stands whence the south wind comes, this star is the god Nibiru-Marduk." (13)

Whilst discussing fiery celestial phenomena, the Roman writer Seneca recorded Sirius as being a 'piercing red' star (14). No satisfactory explanation has been found for this so-called 'red Sirius' anomaly, an old astronomical chestnut that has done the rounds over the last few centuries (15). Yet, one solution has never been considered: that Seneca and others were not looking at Sirius at all! If this record points to Nibiru's appearance toward the end of Christ's life, a great many loose ends fall into place.

The appearance of the Messianic Star near Sirius (which would appear pale in comparison) would explain the very emergence of Christianity; a religious cult originally built on ancient pagan Mystery Cults of dying-and-rising gods. The Messianic Star is the Egyptian god Horus, being born from the goddess Isis (Sirius). It is also the Phoenix, a fiery celestial entity that was reborn in the heavens after a great absence, associated with meteoric bombardment of the Earth.

Nibiru, after all, is likely to enter the planetary solar system shepherding a flock of attendant comets and asteroids, as well as its seven moons.

The Talisman of Orpheus

The recent emergence of the Talisman of Orpheus, an amulet depicting the crucified Christ under an upturned crescent and semicircle of seven stars, would indicate a very real link between the mystery cults and Nibiru and its moons, especially since the crucified

figure is labeled Osiris-Dionysus (16). The amulet is from the 3rd Century A.D. and its language is Greek. The inclusion of a planetary crescent and seven attendant 'stars' has been ignored until now, but the imagery is consistent with the ancient description of the Winged Planet. After all, Jupiter's four largest moons are visible through binoculars. The seven moons of Nibiru, which are probably larger and lit by the dark star's red light, in addition to the Sun, would be naked-eye objects at perihelion. This would explain the 'wings' of the Phoenix itself. Other Pagan Mysteries also allude to a young, dying *celestial* Messiah as a 'Shepherd of White Stars' (16).

The appearance of Nibiru would also explain the unexpected resurgence of the Persian mystery god Mithras in Rome at the

time, a 'sun god' who sacrificed the zodiacal Taurus and dragged it off into a cave (the Primordial Deep). This cult seems to acknowledge Nibiru's disappearance into this constellation as it exits our planetary solar system. The sacrifice of bulls is an integral part of the rituals of many ancient religions. These cults have



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strong stellar links, with hidden esoteric messages, similar to the ancient Egyptian stellar religion of Osiris, Isis and Horus (17). Is it possible that ancient underground cults represented the secret knowledge of the Winged Disc in the hostile world of monotheistic Judaism and Imperial Rome?

In setting out to discover the truth about the Sumerian account of Nibiru, it has gradually become apparent that the Winged Planet was an essential part of the fabric of many ancient religions and cults. Its reappearance during the life of Christ, the Messianic event awaited since the time of Alexander the Great (18), triggered a surge of new esoteric cults, including Christianity, which were devoted to attaining heavenly resurrection for their followers. Christ, like the many dying-and-rising Pagan gods of the time, has stellar significance that owes more to the Babylonians and Egyptians than to orthodox Jews.

I think it likely that the 'literal' existence of Jesus is built upon allegorical teachings about the Messianic Star's appearance in the heavens. The Nativity contains zodiacal imagery, and the crucifixion is based upon the Osiris myth, in turn pointing to an event in the constellation of Orion. The esoteric teachings of Christianity are spiritual teachings aimed at preparing initiates for life as a reborn god in the realm of the gods.

It is my contention that the Egyptian practice of mummification and the stellar significance of the Pyramids at Giza (19) owe much to the awaited arrival of the Nibiruan system in the Duat. Mummification holds the *ka*, the spirit body, of the deceased to the Earth, while the Great Pyramid provides a time-activated device aimed at focusing the *ka* towards the reappearing system of Nibiru for its final astral

journey. This may explain why the Pyramid is empty, and why the star shafts point to Sirius and the belt of Orion; both significant markers on Nibiru's perihelion passage. I suspect that the Egyptian Book of the Dead (20) was meant to be an esoteric manual for departed souls to locate the gods' heavenly world in orbit around the Sun's dark sister, and for those souls to gain the opportunity of reincarnation as one of the Anunnaki, and thus to become immortal.

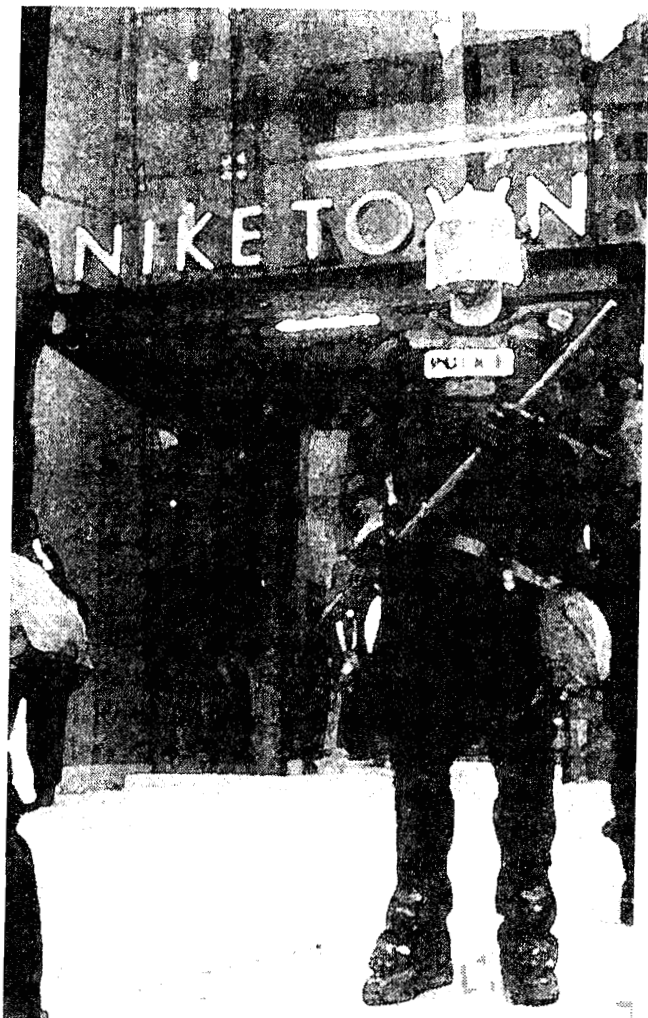
The cathedrals of the Roman Catholic Church are orientated towards significant stellar locations, and one wonders whether the tombs and graveyards in and around them are a more modern version of the Egyptian tombs around the Great Pyramid (21). The souls of faithful Christians wait patiently in the 'House of the Lord' until the Second Coming, when they too will rise to 'Heaven' and will be resurrected into everlasting life. As Christians no longer believe in reincarnation, mummification has become redundant. The burial of remains is considered sufficient to tie the soul to the Church.

The claim that Christianity is a later adaptation of ancient Egyptian esoteric teachings is controversial, but it certainly makes much sense of the Book of Revelation. The celestial Phoenix will be 'reborn' once again, in about 1800 years, giving the awaiting souls their next opportunity for resurrection and eternal life. However, the apocalyptic omens for our own planet, as the wandering 'planet-busting' brown dwarf closes in, seem less fortuitous.*

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A Retrospective, 1994-2000

"... The Police State is Now a Work Of Art"

Marshall McLuhan: "Take Today"

On May 8 and 9, 2000 there occurred a sequence of events I discerned as vital to the theme that follows. *USA Today* reported on May 8, "Serious crime continued to decline nationwide for the 8th straight year in 1999, dropping an overall 7% says the FBI." According to former New York Police Commissioner Wm. Bratton, in this decline, "We are beginning to see the long-term benefit of *rising incarceration rates* and the presence of additional police across the country." And, from the vantage of mainstream media and sensibilities of popular advertising, I would agree.

The Police State is Now a Work of Art

by Randy Koppang

In contrast, on May 9, 2000, a headline confirmed that human rights group Amnesty International held a news conference on policing. They voiced grave concern that nationwide police practices routinely demonstrate the "institutionalization of cruelty"; increasingly much like torture.

In 1994, I began to perceive a pattern of convergent points leading to a comprehensive analysis of crime which is a bit more technical than Commissioner Bratton's above. The global environment of electric media surrounding us can be empowering if we use the new perspectives it requires of all of us. Nineteenth century perceptions of twentieth century crime are obsolete. Time to move on.

From the hearts and minds of America, citizens express ever louder their concerns for crime and punishment. The L.A.

Times on February 24, 1995 observed that, "... crime (was) the hottest topic on network news ... in an annual survey of news coverage on ABC, CBS and NBC, Washington's Center for Media & Public Affairs found that crime ranked No. 1 for the 2nd straight year." As policies are mythologized in media, politics offers yesterday's answers to today's problems.

Consider: Is policing crime perhaps a tool for fine-tuning a socioeconomic vision; perhaps our future? The clarity of this view can be valued in terms of consciousness. People are hired to assemble in 'think-tanks,' as consultants with government. These policy 'thinkers' have successfully recommended solutions to crime, discussed below.

This article intends to show that popular notions of crime, and policies chosen in reaction to it, are disinforming. However, absent from this discussion is a claim that the policies mentioned are the works of liberals, rightists, extremists, conservatives, etc. This review is not about blame. Such conclusions fall prey to the diversionary tactics of dialectic debate that are so crucial to those of our controlling interests—those who would rather forsake liberty for a tyranny of security. Rather, I intend to emphasize consciousness.

When strung together, basic building blocks of crime and security policy form patterns of insight. To debate differences of opinion on these details is obsolete. This is a composite picture of transformation: a state of policing which we helped to create. This "state" has two interactive orders: the military jurisdiction and the civil jurisdiction.

My first point is taken from William McNeill's "A World Transformed" in the Fall 1990 issue of *Foreign Affairs*, the journal of the Council on Foreign Relations.(1)

The simple fact is that the more we tinker with human behavior and seek to manage it in accordance with some deliberate goal, the more we entangle ourselves in processes we do not fully understand. Yet, there really is no choice. Decisions have to be made and policies implemented—somehow. The situation we face in the United States as the Cold War winds down and the arms race peters out—if that does turn out to be the path into the future—is that some new balance among all the special interests and social groupings of American society will have to be contrived. That calls for the sort of political process that went into the redefinition of the role of the federal government after World War II.

It's interesting that the above viewpoint suggests that only *perhaps* a resolution to the Cold War and the Arms Race will be our path to the future. Whichever path it is, McNeill feels a "new balance" among the various segments of society will have to be "contrived." Contrived by *whom*, you may ask? And to what degree has or has not the "arms race" petered out? Cold War-level Department of Defense (DoD) budgets have been maintained. (The recent presidential campaign commitment to increase the DoD budget was greater by Gore than by Bush.)

The redefinition of the role of the federal government after World War II, which McNeill refers to above, resulted primarily in two creations. The Office of Strategic Services was transformed into the CIA(2); and the National Security Act of 1947 gave birth to the National Security Council, the National Security Agency (via Executive Order)(3), and our omnipresent National Security State mentality. This war mentality is now archetypal. As a microcosm of the nation, this mentality has so infected the social consciousness that ethnically diverse youth gangs are at war with each other (in and out of prison), and 'crime-fighters' are at war with them nationwide, in perpetuity. As Sanyika Shakur states in his Los Angeles youth gang autobiography, *Monster* (p. 355):

It's not enough to say that I had transcended the mind-set of being a (gang) banger ... After having spent thirteen years of my young life inside what initially seemed like an extended family, but had turned into a war machine, I was tired and disgusted with its insatiable appetite for destruction ... I wanted to construct something, which in (gang) banging is tantamount to treason.

The socioeconomic effects we experience today, resulting from a National Security path of governance, were publicly previewed by President Dwight D. Eisenhower when he warned(4):

In the councils of government, we must guard against the acquisition of unwarranted influence, whether sought or unsought, by the military industrial complex. The potential for the disastrous rise of misplaced power exists and will persist ... only an alert and knowledgeable citizenry can compel the proper meshing of the huge industrial and military machinery of defense with our peaceful methods and goals so that security and liberty may prosper together.

We did not heed President Eisenhower's warning. In this respect, I will begin by acknowledging the infrastructure of militarized industry for securing our nation.

The conscious intent of such security is the role model for civil police procedures now at federal, state and local levels.(5) This is culturally verifiable daily. View the many crime-fighting 'Real-TV' dramatizations and news broadcasts, preoccupied with a contrived *human interest* in paramilitary crime fighting; *i.e., media mirroring the social system of crime control paranoia back to us.* The clearest demonstration of this role modeling was Waco. BATF forces violated Posse Comitatus (Title 10 U.S.C.) by using military training, tanks and helicopters in the serving of a warrant on one David Koresh.

World War II established a militaristic, media-enhanced consensual reality. Thereafter, the people engaged a political will to continue funding major war preparedness. Yet, Section 8, Par. 12 of our Constitution states: "Congress shall have the power to raise and support armies, but no appropriation of money to that use shall be for a longer term than two years." (Coincidentally, the National Security Act was passed in 1947, two years after WW II).

Conscious nurturing of a World War economy still dominates the day: no signs of *economic conversion* have surfaced; budget continues to escalate; there is no post-Cold War budgetary *peace dividend*. Now, twelve years after the end of the Cold War, the non-war budget continues to escalate. In the 2000 presidential campaign, Al Gore pledged to increase DoD budgets, showing no difference between democrats and republicans. As militarized themes of conflict/entertainment pervade the daily media fabric (video games, virtual reality), media illusions exaggerate a morphed historical consciousness. Such war economy propaganda is the "MK-ULTRA" of thought control—a symbiosis of entertainment and the DoD.

In the post-World War security posture Eisenhower warned against, we've had the Cold War, Korean War, invasion of Cuba, Vietnam, covert war in Central America, Angola, invasion of Panama to arrest Noriega for drugs, the bombing of Libya, the Gulf War, Somalia, Haiti—all global policing "emergencies," but non-constitutionally declared acts of war.(6)

The Cold War may be over ... but what now? The "need" for annual military budgets of \$250-300 billion should require an impressive security threat. You can behold this new image being declared to America and the world. Representing our role in facing the newly invented "threats," see the cover of *U.S. News & World Report* (10/24/94) titled, "Uncle Sam, Supercop!" The creative thought required for

this cover story literally makes the point. Global policing (in collaboration with the U.N.) is a new American ambition, setting the stage for new domestic wars: wars on drugs, crime, Islamic terrorism, rogue nations, and perhaps "aliens" (not from the third world, but from space).

What ending the Cold War actually defines is the *possibility and desirability of peace*, per se. Eloquently prescribed in *The Report From Iron Mountain*(7) is a social equation: "It is the incorrect assumption that war, as an institution, is subordinate to the social systems it is believed to serve ... The fact that a society is organized for any degree of readiness for war (means) war itself is the basic social system."(8) The educational/commercial priorities of war economy are "the balance-wheel" securing our economy. War and Peace are social systems. War, as a system, has non-military as well as military functions in society.

As the 12/21/94 *L.A. Times* reported, "Military's Un-Martial Outlays Scrutinized," non-defense spending in the Pentagon budget was growing. Interestingly, the Pentagon budget included the following expenditures and dozens more: "Breast cancer research, drug interdiction/enforcement, environmental cleanup, *financing for public schools*, international aid and rifle practice for neighborhood teenagers."

Sooner or later, such non-military functions must substitute for overt war.(9) These are many and the time is now ... in peace. Actually, we have peace veiled in Executive Orders claiming continual National Emergency.(10) In May, 2000, the Clinton administration proclaimed that now AIDS is a national security threat. In reviewing the *Report From Iron Mountain* we learn:

Under sociological substitutes for non-military functions of war—war serves to insure social cohesiveness. In post-war (or Cold War), the Job Corps idea can serve to this end for the socially disaffected, economically unprepared, psychologically unconformable [e.g. 'Crips,' 'Bloods,' and Mexican Mafia gang members], hard-core 'delinquents,' incorrigible 'Subversives,' and the rest of the unemployable ... seen as somehow transformed by the disciplines of a service.

As Secretary Robert McNamara has stated, "even in our abundant societies, we have reason enough to worry over tensions that ... tighten among underprivileged young people, and finally flail out in delinquency and crime ... where mounting frustrations are likely to fester into eruptions of violence and extremism."(11) This couldn't be more true today. The most volatile social enclave is now that of youth gangs.

The Prison System: A Sophisticated Form of Slavery

Social safety concerns many citizens, who feel increasingly unsafe as a result of media portrayals of rampant crime. After all, they voted for the “3 Strikes You’re Out” equals 25 years to life sentencing. A plan to house greater numbers of prisoners for longer terms could reduce unemployment outside prison, imply greater social stability, and even create a labor force of prisoners. I mention this point in relation to a third reference from the *Report From Iron Mountain* that, “It is entirely possible that the development of a sophisticated form of

slavery may be an absolute prerequisite for social control in a world at peace.”(12)

On 5/6/00, it was reported that national unemployment was 3.9%—but how many people are in prison? What follows is evidence that policymakers continue to fine-tune a *system* whose priorities are outlined above—the *control* of crime, social cohesion, unemployment outside prison vs. a ‘Job Corps’ for unemployed prisoners:

ABC (TV) News “Nightline,” 11/18/94: Inmates in U.S. Federal Prisons, 93,708; State prisons, 919,143. Total U.S. prisoners: 1.01 million (Source: BJS, 1994). In the year 2000, the inmate population was 2 million (*L.A. Times*, February 15, 2000). Do 2 million people equal a sizeable work force?

L.A. Times, 10/16/94: “California’s Boom Times for Prison Building.” In this article, the

picture becomes focused. “During the past decade, Dept. of Corrections [asserted] get tough on crime policies ... by building 16 new prisons and renovating old ones.” Anticipating ‘3 Strikes’ sentencing, “terms for many 2nd-time felons will double (as of 12/19/94, Virginia may abolish ‘parole’ entirely) ... As a result, officials estimate (a prison) population ... of about 100,000 more than today’s total—and 25 new prisons will be needed ... [giving] Calif. 58 [state] prisons, plus several minimum security work camps.” Construction has begun!

California’s constitution mandates education as a budgetary priority over others. But \$5 billion has been spent and a bond debt “will double that to \$10 billion with interest.” “... Prison building [is] a multi-billion-dollar industry in California, and with the ‘3 Strikes’ law, an even bigger boom is forecast for coming decades.” Clinton’s 2001 budget will fund the building of 17 more prisons. A prison construction boom lasting decades amounts to investment opportunities just like real estate. With ‘3 Strikes,’ the nation will imprison in

the next five years many more than the increase from 1.01 to 2 million that occurred between 1994-2000, at an annual warehousing cost of \$25,000 per inmate.(13)

The police state vision takes on added form with the following serious proposal, published in the *Journal of Criminal Justice* in 1993, describing how to make mega-imprisonment cost effective: “By 1990, prison populations in [America] had risen 135% since 1980, and most states were facing record deficits.” Following 12 plus years of “renewed interest in prison industrialization, and slow, steady, inmate employment growth, most prisons still suffered *vast inmate unemployment*.” The article proposed a policy for total prisoner employment, and discussed “a number of models,” which focused on “the implications of dramatically increasing prisoner employment.” The *Journal of Criminal Justice* article showed how prison productivity can increase with no “significant threats to the civilian labor force;” and that these production centers “can yield economic, institutional and individual benefits.”(14)

The pattern of facts presented here shows that the national will to “get tough on crime” exceeds simple bureaucratic success. The “getting tough” amounts to a sort of social surgery, and denies a sincere effort to end crime at its root via economic prevention. In 1994, the Federal Crime Bill gave \$20 billion for more police and prisons, which resulted in locking up 900,000 more people to date.(15) On February 15, 2000, America’s penal colony (literally, a socioeconomic subculture within) ascended to the 2 million inmate mark.(16) Furthering the econo-political momentum of this burgeoning social enclave, President Clinton’s law enforcement portion of his 2001 budget featured (yet another) “\$2 billion in funding for the construction of 17 (more) prisons.”(17)

This article was originally written in 1994. It is perhaps fortuitous that the

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article was not published until now, since there have been six years of War on Drugs and Terrorist Crime in the interim. Yet, not much has actually changed: pop-media reports of crime statistics in 1994 said crime was in decline; and pop-media reports in 2000 indicate crime is (still) down. Given the record increase in our prison populace, what has changed is the higher media profile which Crime and Punishment has attained via *crimertaining* News, Real-TV, Video Games, Drama, TV-Court and Film. Crime is a Big Buck Industry. *The Report from Iron Mountain* is on target here: crime becomes a commodity and a national pastime as it's fed back to us via thrilling entertainment values; *actual* or *virtual* notwithstanding.

Big Imprisonment is Big Business

As detailed on the front page of the *L.A. Times* on 3/7/00, California went on a prison "building spree" in the mid-1980s. The Pelican Bay (modern day Alcatraz) in Del Norte County "saved their community" in Crescent City. Numerous rural communities "have become dominated by the prison industry." (18) Yet, crime is reported as being down. A case in point: "The number of homicides in New Orleans" declined 47% from '94 to '98, compared with 27% decline in all of the USA. The New Orleans decline continued in 1999—for a drop of 62% since '94." (19) In the state of Louisiana, "the prisoner (average per capita population) rate is 736 (per 100,000), tops in the nation." (20) Is the homicide rate in decline because there are more people in prison?

In answer to this question, we will not pursue an analysis which the question logically suggests. Rather, to make these human warehouses useful, there are now serious proposals to employ all U.S. prisoners as workers—in what will then be workhouse prisons. The consensus leadership in America legislates against crime, consciously denying the socioeconomics of prevention. In 1994, the Republican Party intended to rewrite Clinton's Crime Bill by removing all funding for crime prevention. Why? Because policymakers don't act in terms of prevention; they *react* in terms of problem management, analogous to the absence of illness prevention in the education and practice of medicine. Ex-cons, stigmatized by their bad reputations, have always been viewed as 'negative-economic units.' With workhouse prisons they can be more productive. The prison sector of our economy, perhaps? An economic value to be managed?

For many reasons, policy thinkers must have decided crime should be redefined as a resource if it is a 'given' of society, with potential high-yield growth. Quoting Noam Chomsky in a 1998 radio broadcast lecture on the issue of stable profits and the New Economic Order (GATT):

A case in point ... is the early 19th century ... there was an effort to undermine ... [the 'Right to Live' system] carried over from feudal times; the poor were granted 'benefits' (by) the 'poor laws' to keep them alive. Because 'people' had their 'Natural Place' [in the world]. As the 'New System' of Industrial Capitalism developed, came an ideology called 'Classic Economic Theory,' which denied people had a 'Right to Live.' It stated they had no rights other than by selling their labor power in the market place. Economists like Malthus [argued] it was an attack on liberty and the 'Natural Order' to deceive the poor into thinking they had rights.

So, [denying a 'Right to Live'] "forced people either into the wage system, or into workhouse prisons." [This was early 19th century England; working class riots ensued.] "Today, [with WTO/GATT] there's to be a market for labor, people have no rights other than [obtainable] on the labor market, capitol is protected [by monopoly power and state power]. There will be workhouse prisons, which is what the huge prison systems will become, more and more ... The growth of prisons, the increasingly Draconian punishment system is all part of this ... Also, part of it is to whip up fears and hatreds; which have an objective basis, e.g., fear of crime and terror. These are the best techniques of social control to suppress ...

The humane sensibilities of society are being progressively numbed as youth are vicariously reared with data overload: graphically violent Real-TV in tandem with virtually violent video game/entertainment skills of mental specialization. From this came the last few generations of children devoid of empathy, increasingly resorting to violent conflict resolution—provoking the "Million Mom March."

The bottom line is, are there sufficient crimes committed to warrant building so many prisons? Or, who is in prison and why? Popular opinion views violent crime as the main problem. In 1994, the ABC "Nightline" series on crime quoted 73% of their poll as wanting to "build more prisons and give longer sentences." (21) Sympathy for this view is reasonable. However, the 8/31/94 *L.A. Times* reported, "that although crime has seized the public's attention recently, crime rates are sinking in L.A."

County and to a lesser extent nation wide.” The same report stated that, “Figures released by [Calif.] State Attorney General’s office show ... a declining homicide rate (excluding murder by gun) for the first time since 1987, [and] echoes federal and local reports.” Again on 11/14/94, KFWB (radio, L.A.) reported all categories of major crimes in decline. A panic momentum in prison construction ensued. It continues, creating a need which must be filled, while crime statistics reported in 2000 are down, as they were in 1994. As an *L.A. Times* headline read on 5/17/99: “Crime Rates Continue Record 7-Year Plunge.”

I agree with skeptics saying statistics can be skewed, favoring biased conclusions. However, I’m not taking a stance for debate. Whether increasing or decreasing, crime is a measure of societal health. On 12/21/94, Sen. Paul Simon released a poll of prison wardens, the majority of whom felt building more prisons won’t solve crime. It’s a bad policy. In an age when increasing incidents of violent crime are committed by children (prosecuted as adults in some states) the issue is that the sociology of criminal behavior focuses on crime-management, not prevention. And if crime is generally declining, what is the true reason for the years of advance planning of this prison construction boom, other than to accept the reality that an inequity in our socio-economics requires the *warehousing* of millions of prisoners?

The *actual* use of our mega-prison capacity needs to be deciphered. The 9/13/94 *L.A. Times* reported, “stiff drug laws cited for record incarceration rate (i.e., not violent criminals).” “[In 1994] more than 60% of federal and 25% of state inmates were there on drug charges.” Nationwide, in 1993, “... 22% [more people were imprisoned] than in 1989.” Between 1994 and 2000, 900,000 more people were jailed; and counting. “If California were a nation, it would be the world’s leader in incarceration.” In 2000, California is home to the largest prison population. “The U.S. Bureau of Prisons estimated that 70% of its inmates will be serving time for drugs by 1997.”(22)

As of March 13, 2000, the *L.A. Times* reported, “large increases in federal anti-drug budgets.” The TRAC researchers at Syracuse University reported (3/13/2000), “Marijuana was involved in more federal convictions in 1998 than any other single drug.” In response to the report, Justice Department spokesman John Russell said, “It’s worth noting that the number of drug defendants sentenced has increased 21%...” from 1992 to 1998. This [what’s “this”? federal convictions?] was the rationale for prosecuting the Drug War. As of May 17, 2000, the Department of Defense had “about

200 employees in Columbia helping with the anti-narcotics effort” of Columbia’s narco-civil war.

Criminological Sleight of Hand

If most offenders filling prisons are drug users/dealers, why is there such a determined effort to outlaw ‘assault rifles’ (Crime Bill H.R. 3355, 1994), and possibly all guns? Are drug abuse offenses synonymous with rape, murder and aggravated assault? Statistics consistently show gun crime is mostly done with handguns—not assault rifles! Perhaps the urban terror of violent crime with guns is a media exaggeration. As of December 15, 2000, the *L.A. Times* reported a new local study showing an overall decline in gun deaths of nearly 10% from 1998–1999.

Clearly, outlawing “assault rifles” is an erosion of the Second Amendment. A 12/5/94 *L.A. Times* legal opinion stated that, “... The argument ... about preserving legitimate sporting and hunting misses the mark: The 2nd Amendment isn’t about hunting ducks. Nor are weapons only good for killing people, exempted from 2nd Amendment protection; they are at its core.”(23)

It seems there is a shrewd sleight of hand in this “debate” on the crime issue, since the debate lacks the recognition that national economic *prevention* of crime would be wise. Crime is a micromanaged economy unto itself. It begins as a tumor on the host economy of social values. When the health of national values deteriorates—no longer immune to crime—it spreads as cancer. The best approach to crime is conscious prevention; not prison management and crimertainment.

The political debate on crime gives No. 1 priority to illegalizing assault rifles, and perhaps all guns. But guns are a tool in crime, not a cause. There is evidence that the federal government has actually sanctioned the creation of an apparent handgun/assault rifle crime wave. Congress then usurped the 2nd Amendment and passed laws to control the crime wave.

Point 1: Handgun proliferation. On 10/4/94, L.A. Radio KFWB Pentagon correspondent Ivan Scott reported: “A White House spokesman confirmed, President Clinton personally endorsed and encouraged the importation of 7 million 9-millimeter Russian handguns, plus 7 billion rounds of ammunition; a trade deal worked out at a recent summit meeting?” “That’s all it is ... a trade deal,” a White House official says, “you’d better believe it.” The Russian handgun “will sell for about a hundred bucks.”

I've always heard most gun crime is *caused* by readily available, inexpensive handguns. So, why would our authorities allow flooding the market with millions more? Political expediency is a prerequisite to consideration of such a deal.

Point 2: Assault Rifle proliferation. On a 1994 'Dateline' TV news magazine, Brian Ross reported the "Deadly Cargo" story. As Ross reported, during national debate to outlaw assault rifles, America imported over 1 million assault rifles from China since 1987; 965,000 of them in 1993 alone. Under our "most favored nation" trading policy, Norinko Corp., a branch of the Chinese People's Armed Police, was granted a Treasury Department import license, and State Dept. sanctioning, to import a million of these \$129.00 assault rifles. As L.A. customs agent Joe Charles stated, "We are being inundated by these weapons." William Triflet, former CIA China expert said, such an import decision meant "somebody in the American government is asleep at the switch." When personally questioned on video for this report, Treasury (B.A.T.F.) Secretary Lloyd Bentsen and his Assistant Secretary in Charge of Law Enforcement, Ron Noble, said they knew nothing about it and refused discussion.

These two high-level policy decisions should clarify a contradiction in government intent. At the core of a governmental stance, which demonized guns for public consumption, was an import policy aiding and abetting activities of crime! Such demonization also presumes that our highest incarceration rate in the world is due to convictions of criminality with guns; which is not the case. Therein the public debate to ban guns becomes a "PR ploy" encouraging public support for strengthening the police state; which continues as each incident of school killing by children occurs. Rather than focusing on gun controls, perhaps a better question would be: Why are more and more kids being drugged with "stimulants, anti-depressants or anti-psychotic drugs?" (24) Meanwhile, a loophole in the '94 Crime Bill allowed importation of the Chinese weapons after becoming law; likewise with sales of 30-round ammunition magazines manufactured prior to the law.

Obviously, the best method for resolving the crime problem would be prevention and systemic revitalization. If military industrial economy prevails among the superpowers, manufacturing of guns is institutionalized. Illegalizing civilian guns will not make crime go away; guns would only become lucrative black market commodities. The denial of gun abuse as a function of conditioned behavioral response via media crimertainment (including video games) presupposes political "debate" of more gun laws vs. improved enforcement, and the filling of Clinton's 17 new prisons.

The 11/27/94 broadcast of "60 Minutes" featured the report, "Arms Supermarket," which reported that since the collapse of the USSR, America has cornered the market as an international arms dealer. In 1993, the U.S. had 72% of weapons sales to the Third

World; selling to 140 countries. Since then, civil war has ensued in many of these countries, and small arms have ended up on the black market. "Arms Supermarket" reported that, contrary to policy of previous administrations, Clinton's Commerce Department teamed with the Defense

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Ayn Rand, Atlas Shrugged

Department and major defense contractors to sell arms at international arms expos. In 1993, this amounted to \$22 billion in sales. So, what goes around, comes around: America corners the market on *material* for low intensity warfare, and we have exactly that throughout the land—gangs or individual youth in armed conflict resolution. The populace would deny there is a connection.

In 1992, Clinton pronounced "a long term effort to reduce proliferation of weapons of destruction." Two years later, his government contradicted this pledge; participating directly in profiting upon exactly the opposite. In the 12/6/94 *L.A. Times* it was reported that President Clinton needs more than the \$1.5 trillion he planned for the Pentagon over the next six years. Now he wants to add \$25 billion

more. "This year ... (alone) ... the country will spend ... almost as much as the rest of the world combined," on national security. In 2000, Clinton husbanded a 2001 DoD budget, literally at Cold War levels. Whatever happened to the pacifist-touted

peace dividend?

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From 1994 to 2000, \$1.5 trillion went to battle an unknown force, as 900,000 offenders filled new prisons. Quoting Robert Anton Wilson, the only people in America with access to free health care are prisoners and Congress. Militarism, policing, and crime have been institutionalized as the 'balance wheel' of our social economy. With Echelon global satellite eavesdropping and Clinton's 17 new

prisons, our future will feature mega-imprisoning workhouse prisons and global policing. Crimewar will be analogous to the perpetual warfare in Orwell's 1984. With TV's pseudo-mythologizing of the police state, a need for ritual arises; we must exorcise our heretics-of-criminality from the body politic.

The insight gained by seeing our systems of security as an Art Form is that it has a life of its own; perpetually perfected. This is important, since crime incidence can actually decline, yet the system becomes ever more invasive and unconstitutional under the 'Color' of the Law. "The problem (of crime) now is more perceptual than actual," (L.A. County) Sheriff Sherman Block stated in a news conference reported in the 12/29/94 *L.A. Daily News*. As also reported, "For the third straight year most serious crimes decreased in L.A. County ... (down) 12.2%.(25) This was incredible, given that California was then, in 1994, in the process of building 25 new prisons. I will speculate that crime rates probably fluctuate like inflation; while the economic ills causing poverty and crime are never truly resolved—intentionally.

The 21st Century is upon us. Soon we may see womb-to-tomb Echelon surveillance, based on mathematical computer probability models used to predict where the future "hot spots" will occur. In scanning our digital telecommunications, the FBI is supposed to get court orders for wiretaps based on probable cause. "In practice, probable cause has come to mean just that the FBI asks for a wiretap."(26) To protect our First Amendment rights, digital phones safeguard privacy with codes. But, "the FBI wants us to use codes (they) or the National Security Agency can crack. The NSA has twelve underground acres of computers to crack codes, in Ft. Meade, M.D. It also has little oversight."(27)

The insidious applications of high tech police work can be summed up with the following technique; a variety of what is called the "non-lethal weapon." These weapons are currently being transferred from their military R&D to local police. In collaboration between Psychotechnologies Corp. of Richmond, VA and Russian military scientists of Moscow Medical Academy, a new control is being introduced. It is called a "psycho-correction technology;" designed for security situations "where inaudible commands might be used to alter behavior." This method of computerized acoustic mind control was to be used on David Koresh(28) but, the high profile publicity of Waco perhaps prevented it. The FBI, CIA, Defense Intelligence Agency, and the Advance Research Projects Agency were all consultants on its use. Legal and political fallout has since vindicated critics of Waco.

The art of security mindedness is creeping into every niche of society. The all-seeing video eye pursues us throughout the land. From shopping mart to roadway intersection, the Orwellian nightmare of sci-fi surveillance has come home to roost.

I conclude with an exchange between two characters in *Atlas Shrugged*, a 1957 novel by Ayn Rand. Government official Dr. Ferris instructs industrialist Mr. Rearden on crime:

'Did you really think that we want those laws to be observed,' said Dr. Ferris. 'We want them broken. There's no way to rule innocent men. The only power any government has is the power to crack down on criminals. When there aren't enough criminals, one makes them. One declares so many things to be a crime that it becomes impossible for men to live without breaking laws. Who wants a nation of law-abiding citizens? What's there in that for anyone? But just pass the kind of laws that can neither be observed nor enforced nor objectively interpreted—and you

create a nation of law-breakers, and then you cash in on guilt. Now that's the system, Mr. Rearden, that's the game and once you understand it, you'll be much easier to deal with.'

This seems cynically excessive. Yet, since the publishing of this book in 1957, we have seen such prolific lawmaking that, in a real sense, there can be few if any fully law-abiding citizens. To which archetypal mythos do we assign this paranoia, with our most common offenses being tax or traffic violations? And whether it's the aforementioned construction boom in prisons, or local government demanding more revenue-bearing traffic ticketing quotas, we have a real "cashing in on the guilty."

In a police state, virtually all people become law-breakers by definition. Thereby, people become psychologically disaffected via the attitude "how much we can get away with," no matter how seemingly minor the violation. This is especially true in traffic violations or tax evasion. A 2/21/00 *L.A. Daily News* headline, "Cop Conspiracy," reported the worst case of L.A.P.D. criminal policing. Thus, the system expands to service the growing numbers of violators. On the day you read this, perhaps 2.05-2.1 million may be imprisoned. Baby Boom to Prison Boom.

Due to '3 Strikes' sentencing, the cost effective "plea bargain" trend in court procedures has lost purpose. Court schedules are clogging up with criminal trials, and civil courtroom uses have no priority standing, being resolved at greater expense elsewhere.(29) Could mega-prisons and multi-media computerized 'Cyber Cop' methods of justice be viable solutions to crime? No! The Art of War approach lacks basic common sense.

This compilation of facts is merely a discomfiting reference point. As sensible citizens, a police-state illusion of safety and comfort is not our business. As citizens, healing the root cause of crime is our responsibility. This requires an evolution of our ineffective perceptions of the problem, beyond the reward and punishment system. State-of-the-Art crime management thinking is obsolete, because it is resonant with ancient Hammurabic codes of "An Eye for an Eye" justice. An extreme state of Constitutional erosion that forces such justice is not justice at all. The path of social progress means creating true innovations in crime and economic management via prevention and forgiveness.

The prerequisite for a sensible future lies in new perceptions—willing the greater body of citizens into political will congruent with what is now known: our most precious resource is children. So, let's prevent their being enculturated to "accept" crime via role models exhibiting violent conflict resolution: Turn off commercial TV!

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Unholy Alliance: Politics and the Occult

Tracy Twyman, editor of *Dagobert's Revenge*, interviews Peter Levenda, author of *Unholy Alliance: Nazis and the Occult* (Avon Books).

Your book is about how occultism, esoteric beliefs and secret societies inspired many of the leading figures in the Nazi party. You also detail how several people in the upper echelons of the Golden Dawn and the OTO were involved in espionage: Karl Germer and Theodor Reuss for German Intelligence, and Crowley for the British. And certainly we know that a number of occult societies throughout history, such as the Bavarian Illuminati, various Masonic sects, the Knights of Malta, and the Templars, have been involved in espionage and political revolution. What do you think draws occultists into the field of spying and revolutionary activities?

Secret knowledge; the illusion of secret power. The man or woman who walks among us, ordinary and unremarkable, who is in reality a Magister Templi or a Colonel in the KGB. It's the same attraction that comic book heroes hold for pre-adolescents. On a deeper level, I think that many people—intelligent people—resent having to obey authority. Openly resisting authority is usually a cause for arrest and torture, if not execution, in many countries. Secretly resisting authority, however, has its charms. One stays alive, and one resists. One has one's cake and eats it.

In the case of spiritual authority, an intelligent person cannot stomach that a black-robed eunuch with a wine-red nose would have some kind of direct connection with God unobtainable by ordinary folk. The intelligent person wants to talk to God directly, and not to have to take direction from a tired old priest or minister. That person—through the act of contacting higher powers or forces on his or her own—becomes a kind of “anti-priest,” and thus a cult is born.

Conspiracies are a fact of life. Add God or occult powers into the mix—of politics, espionage, coups d'état—and you have an irresistible mix for a certain type of person. We all feel there is a mystery at the heart of reality. The spy and the occultist live at the periphery of this elemental, Ur—mystery. It has to do with Authority, the King, and Reality. The very word “reality” comes from the same root as “royal”: reality was whatever the King said it was. Real estate was the kingdom; outside the kingdom, there was no King and, hence, no reality. To challenge the King, one had to be from beyond the border of the kingdom: one had to be in communion with non-real forces; one had to represent the anti-King. Spies and occultists live among us, but have loyalties elsewhere. There is a certain attraction to that, and a certain danger.

Are politics and magic inseparably linked? Have politicians and political movements always used subliminal occult messages and archetypes to manipulate public consciousness for or against the prevailing power structure? Are political struggles basically magic wars, with power



structures kept intact by magical means?

In other words—to paraphrase Clausewitz—is magic a continuation of politics by other means? It depends on your definition of magic. Is it, as Crowley would have it, the “science and art of causing change to occur in conformity with will”? Then, yes. But, under those guidelines, so is selling used cars. We need a sharper definition of what we mean by magic. It also depends on whether or not you subscribe to the conspiracy theory of the day, I suppose. If real power is in the hands of a few secret people who pull strings behind the scenes, then politics as we know it does not exist. The will of the people, the voting booth, the mud-slinging; in the end they come to naught because the boys in the back room will decide who gets

elected. But if you define political power as the ability to move and mold masses of people, then you have a chance at proving the thesis that political wars are magic wars.

The key to this thesis would be, in my point of view, propaganda. Propaganda is the use and manipulation of symbols. Whoever does it best is the better magician, and will probably win the “war.” But the symbols of the political arena—especially in the United States—are not as sublime as we find in the occult symbol system. The political symbols are taken from the environment, from the times; the zeitgeist, if you will. No one actually goes around waving the tattvic symbols or the Tarot deck around during a political campaign; the manipulation goes in different

channels. I think political wars are analogous to magic wars, but I don't think they are necessarily one and the same. A magician does not need a crowd to effect his or her will. A magician operates—like our spies—secretly, and manipulates forces of nature (or supernatural) rather than directly massaging the psyches of people.

We are also in danger of considering all subliminal messages as occult messages. There may be some justification in this, in that any subliminal message probably has its occult analogue, but when you compare a run-off election in Iowa with what Hitler was

plary human being even by his executioners, and thus a fitting sacrifice. After all, he was an important element of Germany's war machine during the First World War and had a lot to offer post-War Germany. His was a true sacrifice. But, the Holocaust? In the Nazi view, the slaughter of the Jews—and Gypsies, and homosexuals, communists—was designed to purify the planet of diseased blood and diseased spirit. That is why it kept going until the very end, regardless of the cost and regardless of the fact that the resources being used to keep the camps running could have been better utilized defending Berlin. It was not so much a

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doing at Nuremberg, you are comparing apples and oranges. Hitler was upfront about what he was doing; the symbolism was deliberately occult, pagan, anti-Christian, anti-Semitic. In fact, he was openly using ritual. Most of our popular politicians today would be unable and unwilling to do this, since virtually any public use of ritual for political ends would be considered cryptofascist.

King Arthur had Merlin for that. It was a separate department in his government, if you see what I mean. I believe that the CIA—specifically the boys at MKULTRA—came close to becoming our very own, homegrown version of Merlin, but I don't think Harry Truman was a black magician himself.

On page 73 of your book, you suggest that the Friekorps assassination of Foreign Minister Walther Rathau (in June 1922) on the eve of the summer solstice was a human sacrifice to the sun god Wotan. Do you think that in a larger sense the elimination of 6 million Jews could be considered one giant pagan sacrifice?

We can consider the Holocaust a kind of pagan sacrifice, but more importantly I think it was something far more sinister than that. You don't sacrifice what you despise; you sacrifice something of value. Rathau—although Jewish—was considered an exem-

sacrifice as a purification of the soil. The Nazis believed that the Jews and their fellow travelers were actual representatives of an evil force on earth and had to be destroyed, at any cost. If this race disappeared, the Nazis felt that they had done the planet—and its surviving human members—a favor and would be remembered forever for their contribution.

You state that Hitler himself did not perform any magickal rituals, but had others do so on his behalf. But what about the rumors to the contrary? In the notes to your book, you dismiss Trevor Ravenscroft's book *Spear of Destiny* and its "wild tales of Hitler attending séances with Dietrich Eckart." But what makes you so sure? Also, Fred Berger of *Propaganda* magazine, once published an article claiming that Hitler had gone to see the opera *Parzival* in 1909 while on peyote, and had "fallen to a transcendental state in which he perceived that he was the reincarnation of the evil black magician Klingsor," the bad guy in Wagner's opera. Any comment as to the veracity of this claim?

I dispute this because there is simply no evidence for it. I feel that Hitler was more or less as I portrayed him in my book: Not a joiner, not someone who could sit still for long waiting for the table to tip or a ghost

to materialize. Hitler makes more sense as an unconscious medium, one being used by other magicians, than as a practicing occultist himself. The stories of his taking peyote and attending séances are all without substantiation, so far. One of the things I tried to make sure I did in my book was to document everything thoroughly, based as much as possible on primary sources (the Captured German Records section at the National Archives; the Rehse Collection at the Library of Congress), so that I would be immune from charges that I was "channeling" the information. In fact, using the primary sources, I came up with far more craziness than I could fit in *Unholy Alliance*. Avon cut my Appendices, for instance, which would have contained more reference material. They wanted to cut the Bibliography and Index, as well, but I fought it.

Why do you think the Nazis spent so much effort persecuting pagans and occult orders? Was it part of an attempt to placate the Catholic Church, or were they just eliminating competition? Were they afraid of the magickal powers of these other occult orders?

They were eliminating competition. Also, remember that the occult groups were a potential fifth column inside Germany. They had their own means of communication and contacts all over Europe. They had roots going back many years in many countries. They were indeed a threat. I believe that the United States has felt the same way.

Why do you think the swastika specifically was chosen as the Nazi insignia? I know that their ideology was heavily influenced by Theosophy, and the swastika was one of Blavatsky's favorite symbols. But what exactly was its significance to the Nazis? It gives one the impression of aggression and power, and I know that Crowley, in his book *Gematria*, describes the swastika as containing 17 squares, and in a later chapter says of the number 17, "Here is a magic disc for me to hurl, and to win heaven by violence."

I cover this in my book. The swastika was a popular symbol in Germany before the Nazis appropriated it. In fact, it was used by troops during World War I as a kind of talisman. The Germans clearly felt it had racial connections, and was more representative of their people than the Christian cross. Remember, too, that the Nazis idolized Tibet and the cults of Northern India. The so-called "Aryan" race would have had its origins there, and India, Nepal, Bhutan and Tibet are replete with swastika motifs. I live in Asia, and the swastika is everywhere out here: on Buddhist, Taoist and Hindu temples alike. It represents, specifically,

"auspiciousness," but is also taken to symbolize a kind of polar energy in the universe. A spinning sun disk, but also a deeper, more mysterious analog since the sun does not spin in two directions but the swastika does.

You write that Guido von List borrowed the Golden Dawn's system of degrees, based on the Tree of Life, for use in his own völkish, anti-semitic pagan order, the Armanenschaft, and that he might have gotten the information from a Golden Dawn initiate named D.R. Felkein, or from OTO initiate Rudolf Steiner. You write "That List would have based his hierarchy on the patently Jewish Tree of Life and borrowed the concept from the Golden Dawn—by way of the OTO—would seem merely ironic to a lay person, but positively frightening to an occultist, for what it implies about the relationship between the anti-Semitic List organizations and the ostensibly apolitical Golden Dawn and OTO lodges." So what is that implication, exactly?

The implication is that the Blavatskian notion of a racial hierarchy—root races and all that—would have found a sinister manifestation in a proto-Nazi occult movement; that the Golden Dawn and OTO themselves might have been fellow travelers; that a spiritual hierarchy might imply a racial one; and that a magical war might develop into genocide.

From my understanding, the Nazi idea of the Overman entailed much more than just increased physical strength and intellectual prowess. It was a creature whose ajna faculties (psychic powers associated with the Third Eye) had been fully developed. It entailed a creature more in touch with his higher self, a creature more advanced spiritually. What do you think men like Sebetondorf, Liebenfels, List and Eckart imagined when they talked about the Overman? Did they imagine the Aryan race evolving into something with an entirely different physical appearance?

Yes, the Overman was not merely a "superman" as it is often erroneously translated. It was the next level of human evolution. As Hitler himself said, anyone who thinks that National Socialism is merely a political party had better think again: The goal is to create the New Man. I believe he meant that literally. Otherwise, why the Holocaust? Why the Lebensborn organization? Why the documented racial purity of prospective SS members? Germany was a laboratory where Hitler would create his homonculus. To the Nazis, this meant a human being that was above compassion, above sentiment, passionate in his ideals and self-

image, but without conscience in comparison to the rest of us. A sociopath, probably. Intelligent, strong, perfectly proportioned. And a remorseless killer. Not exactly ET.

You've mentioned that many of these Nazi occultists believed in the Theosophical concept of Ascended Masters and Secret Chiefs. I know that Blavatsky believed them to reside in the Himalayas, while the Thulists deposited them underground, in a subterranean vault accessible by a tunnel which opens up in the North Pole. But is it possible that some of these people believed that the Ascended Masters were extraterrestrials or transdimensional beings? I know that the Nazis were suspected of conducting experiments with flying saucers, time travel and multiple dimensions, so it made me wonder.

I think that recent neo-Nazi authors are toying with this idea, most notably Miguel Serrano in Chile. Crowley and his followers certainly hold these views (see the works by Kenneth Grant, for instance). The Nazis themselves? Well, going through their Canon is a bit tedious, but I am sure the resourceful researcher could uncover the odd reference to an extraterrestrial abode for their Secret Chiefs. At that time, space opera was not nearly the advanced art form it is today and flying saucers were not yet the vogue, although the foo fighters had already made an appearance, as did the mysterious flying ships of the turn of the century.

I think the Nazis understood the Masters to be a kind of god force, like Odin or Thor. Horbiger was coming close to an extraterrestrial theory as he developed his World Ice concept, but it had little to do with the Secret Chiefs. I have not found documentation to show that the Nazis had a developed theory about the nature of the Chiefs, and I have found very little support for an extraterrestrial theory of any kind among the Nazis so far. I am aware of the idea that they were working on a saucer or some kind of space ship, but that does not imply that they held significant alien life theories beyond those of a purely speculative nature.

Please explain the "World Ice Theory," if you would. It makes no sense to me.

Makes no sense to me, either. The idea is that the basic building blocks of the universe are ice crystals, and that temperature and humidity are the determining factors for the various stages of life and evolution. The Nazis perceived themselves as "ice men" and their Eden was a frozen wasteland. They looked down on the tropical Edens of Biblical lore as being the

abodes of subhumans, much as tropical countries are the domain of non-Aryans. The theory is convoluted and self-referential, and gave rise to scientists running all over the world taking its temperature, so to speak.

You tell of Nazi mind control experiments involving psychedelic drugs and torture techniques. You quote Rudolf Hess at the Nuremberg Trials saying he himself was a victim of such mind control techniques, and how he believed that the prosecution witnesses at the trial had been hypnotized because of their "glassy and dreamy eyes." You seem to think that the Nazis had become rather adept at mind control, and that our own intelligence organizations copied them. Do you have any more to add? What aspects of mind control do you think the CIA and others have copied from the Nazis?

I don't think that Hess was implying the Nazis had mind control, but that the Allies had it. The man who interviewed Hess for CIA Director Dulles was Dr. Ewen Cameron, who went on to run the official CIA mind control operation in Montreal. The Nazis were experimenting with hallucinogens and narcotics during the war. Their documentation on this was seized by American intelligence and has never seen the light of day. That much is known. The idea that CIA ran a vast mind control experiment in the 1940s-1970s, which involved all sorts of people and organizations, forms the central thesis of my next book (which has not been finished yet), so I don't want to ruin the surprise. Suffice it to say that when the Nazis were being imported by the hundreds to the US and other American countries after the War, it wasn't only an "outer" space program that was being contemplated.

You write that Jörg Lanz von Liebenfels created the Order of New Templars as "a secret society bent on reviving the chivalric brotherhood of knights, but in an aggressively Teutonic—and anti-Semitic—format." Since the original Templar order had so much to do with Judaism—Jerusalem, holy relics like the Ark of the Covenant, Jewish mysticism, and of course the Jewish priest king known as Jesus Christ—how did he reconcile the concept of the Templars with his own anti-Semitic beliefs?

We enlightened types realize that Christianity has its roots in Judaism. I mean, the Old Testament should be proof enough of that, right? But just try telling the wrong people that Christ was a Jew and see what happens. If occult scholarship on the Templars is correct, however, these knights were less Christian than would appear at first blush. The Templars, an

order of Catholic knighthood, went on an expedition to the Temple of Solomon, and found something there that probably challenged their belief structure and caused them to deny the crucifixion. Also, possibly to deny the entire Judeo-Christian edifice they had sworn to uphold and defend.

Recall the Nazis were fond of the Cathars, whom they considered—via Otto Rahn, at any rate—to be the “true” Christians rather than the persecuting Catholics. Remember that generations of scholars have posited some sort of Cathar/Templar connection. Remember that the Templars became enemies of the

So, the “new Templars” were able to identify with a Christian knightly order while simultaneously reviling Christianity, since the “revealed” Christianity was a hoax. They were at least half right. What we know of Christianity today is a hodgepodge of other myths, other religions, and some political agendas. Strip away Mithraism, Gnosticism and paganism from Christianity—especially Roman Catholicism—and what’s left? A messianic cult of Essenes with a narrow focus on regaining Jerusalem in its lifetime? The end of the 19th century saw a flurry of books and articles attacking the Church and demonstrating how it

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Church and were ruthlessly exterminated (as were the Cathars). When someone like Lanz von Liebenfels decides to resurrect the Templars, it is not as the pious Catholic monk/knights, but as heroic enemies of Catholicism and, by extension, Judaism as well.

The Grail was no longer a Christian symbol to Lanz, but something more ancient, more “pagan.” The bloodline of Jesus? Not to Lanz, unless that bloodline was purely Teutonic. One can no longer speak of Templarism without the implicit challenge to papal authority. To the Church in the 14th century, Templarism was synonymous with Satanism and idol-worship, and all sorts of heresy. There has been no attempt by the modern Church to rehabilitate the reputation of the Templars. Von Liebenfels and other “new Templars” such as Crowley and Reuss bore no love for Catholicism. They used esoteric Judaica purely as a key to other mysteries, as a tool and not as an element of their “faith.” Crowley may have been a qabalist, for instance, but by no stretch of the imagination was he a worshipper of the Jewish god. No tallis, tefillim or yarmulka for that boy. Same for von Liebenfels. The Christ that Christians worship—according to the Nazis, both then and now—is a Jewish impersonator. That Christ was Jewish is a lie perpetrated by the Jews to maintain some degree of control over the Gentiles.

obtained all its non-Christian trappings over the centuries. Cults like the new Templar orders were created as repositories of the “true Faith,” the secret knowledge behind the Masons and the Jews and the Christians, the pre-Jehovah, pre-Garden of Eden consciousness of the Aryan people. As the old saying goes, “the enemy of my enemy is my friend,” and the Knights Templar were obviously the enemy of the Church.

One chapter in your book that particularly interested me was Chapter 7, entitled “Lucifer’s Quest for the Holy Grail.” In it, you describe how a mystical Grail scholar named Otto Rahn was enlisted into the SS and hired by Himmler to a write a book proving (a) that Lucifer was the God of the Aryan race, (b) that Jehovah was Satan, and (c) that Christ was a Teutonic sun god and Christianity was the corrupted result of Jews trying to co-opt the German Messiah.

All this led to the conclusion that the Holy Grail was actually a Luciferian relic that the Jews had also tried to co-opt. Rahn was even given a deadline of October 31, 1936 to finish his book, entitled *Lucifer’s Servants*. But a few years later, in February 1939, Rahn resigned from the SS for reasons unknown, and died a mysterious death one month

later while hiking in the mountains. You intimate that he may have been assassinated because of something he may have discovered during his Grail research, something he'd confessed to another Nazi occultist named Karl Willigut, with whom he was

violent deaths. Was he murdered by the Nazis, or were other elements at play here? He was Himmler's pet for awhile, and a friend of Willigut (who designed the Death's Head Ring worn by the SS). Willigut was a total psycho, so it is hard for me to imagine a less

likely friendship since Rahn seems somewhat sane in his writings, if going a bit overboard at times. There is no evidence that Himmler ordered an investigation into Rahn's death, so either it was ordered by Himmler himself or he was satisfied that it was an accident. Had Rahn been cut down by a cult defending the Cathar/Templar secret, it is possible that more would have been made of his death, and that there would be a paper trail to follow.

Yes, if Rahn had discovered the "Holy Blood, Holy Grail" secret, then possibly Himmler would have ordered Rahn killed to keep the secret safe. Or, he would have had him killed for having the temerity to suggest it. But I think that Himmler would have been fascinated by this discovery and would have had Pierre Plantard and his relatives rounded up and brought to Wewelsburg for some heavy interrogation. The Rahn mystery is one that concerns me to this day, for none of the reports, stories, theories I have heard so far have seemed conclusive enough. Perhaps, as the French say, *cherchez la femme*.

You write that S.L. MacGregor Mathers had "aristocratic pretensions and was desirous of restoring the House of Stuart." I recently got a letter to the editor claiming this as well. The man, whose name is Kevin Coogan and is a successful writer in his own right, also said that Crowley and other members of the Golden Dawn supported the Stuarts, and referred me to p. 121 of Crowley's *Confessions*. Could you comment on this and tell me what evidence there is to support this? Also, please explain why they might have been supporting this long-exiled royal family.

This could be a long story. I think the best source for background on this would be *The Temple and the Lodge* by Baigent and Leigh. They cover the links between the Stuart dynasty, the Jacobite movement, and Freemasonry pretty thoroughly, including data on the Rosicrucian societies and the Royal Society connections. According to Baigent and Leigh, Scotland was an early destination for Templars fleeing the Church, and there are Templar graveyards and chapels there and a history of Templar activism supporting the armies fighting the English.



good friends. Is it possible that he discovered evidence that the Grail was actually the Bloodline of Christ, the Judaic bloodline of David? This would of course have been thoroughly unacceptable to Himmler, and devastated his whole cosmology if such facts had gotten out.

I don't know why Otto Rahn was killed, although I am reasonably certain he was, and that his death was not the accident it was made out to be. He may be only another one in a series of individuals involved with Montsegur and Rennes-le-Chateau who died

Remember that restoring the House of Stuart would have been a romantic concept to Mathers, Crowley, et al. And this ties in with their opposition to Victorian English values. Mathers went so far as to have photographs taken of himself in full highland drag, and signed many of his writings MacGregor. Crowley made himself Laird of Boleskine on the banks of Loch Ness, and Boleskine is now the "Mecca" for Thelemites, the place they face when they pray. I could go on and on about Bonnie Prince Charlie, "Charlie over the water," and the underground societies that supported him with their codes and safe houses; all those elements necessary to attract the devotee of secret cults and hidden meanings. I mean, look at the similarities between the Catholic Church battling the Templars, and then the English Empire versus the Templars: the Templars as romantic champion of the underdog, fighting the minions of the Death Star. More to the point, the Stuart connection gives the Templars a dimension on the British Isles apart from its Gaelic origins and fame. It makes them more universal, and moreover is credited with being the source of Freemasonry. To restore the Stuart dynasty would be to restore Templarism de facto.

Mathers was passionately involved in Stuart-type intrigues and half-baked political movements; Crowley adopted it as a fashion and probably believed in restoring the throne to the Stuarts, but I think he was not as politically involved as his mentor in this cause. Crowley came first to Crowley, and unless he could prove to himself that he was a Stuart, I don't think he would have thrown his not inconsiderable weight behind the movement for any period of time.

What do you think about the idea put forth in *Holy Blood, Holy Grail*, hypothesizing that the Protocols of the Learned Elders of Zion were originally a Masonic document, doctored by Sergei Nilus in order to foster anti-Semitism?

It is possible that the Protocols are a corruption of another document; but once we go down that path, how do we know what was original and what was Nilus? At one point, Nilus himself says that the Protocols were stolen by a woman from an influential leader of Freemasonry. (That was only one of his many stories of the background and origin of the Protocols; most are mutually exclusive.) It was originally entitled "Minutes of the Meeting of the World Union of Freemasons and Elders of Zion" according to Norman Cohn in his definitive *Warrant for Genocide*, which is probably the best source for anyone interested in the history of the Protocols. I should also mention Cohn's point that "in the 18th century, the Freemasons were on the whole hostile to the Jews (and so, incidentally, were the Bavarian Illuminati)." The irony is that the Nazis (and the Russian anti-Semites responsible for the Protocols) assumed a Jewish-Masonic conspiracy. Both groups were considered secretive, clannish, self-supporting, and outside the mainstream of culture; ergo, they were united in a single conspiracy. Paranoia has its own internal logic, I guess.

In your book, you hint about your own involvement with the occult. What can you tell me about that? Why are you mentioned in the "Special Thanks" section of the *Necronomicon*? And what's up with the *Necronomicon*, anyway? I always thought it was something that Lovecraft had made up, but the preface to the one edited by L.K. Barnes states that it was brought to him by some guy named Simon in a briefcase containing "additional material on the NECRONOMICON which provided his bona fides." He also says that the briefcase contained "correspondence from various Balkan embassies." This I at first took with a grain of salt, but after seeing your name in the special thanks section I grew curious.

My involvement was on the translation side. I've been around occult groups in New York since the late 1960s. I was a friend of Herman Slater of the old Warlock Shop in Brooklyn Heights before it moved to Manhattan and became Magickal Child. I was around during the famous Witch Wars of the 1970s, when it seemed that everyone was casting spells on everyone else. I was there when Gardnerians and Welsh Trads and Alexandrians and Sicilian Trads sat down around a table in the back of Herman's shop to settle the War and make peace once and for all. Herman had once interviewed neo-Nazis in New York in the 1960s, and we had a lot of interests in common. I never joined any of the groups, that wasn't my intention or inclination, but I was a familiar face around the campfire, so to speak.

My fascination has always been the degree to which religion and occultism influence mainstream politics. *Unholy Alliance* began as an academic study of this before it turned into a Nazi history. As for the *Necronomicon*, it was part of a stash of stolen books. The story is told in other places, and I have been asked this before—also on the Internet—so to summarize: In the 1970s, two Eastern Orthodox monks pulled off the biggest rare book heist in the history of the United States. It was a continuing crime, the books being taken from libraries and private collections all over the country (and, it was said, Canada and Mexico). They were finally busted, and

did federal time, but most of the books were never recovered.

The *Necronomicon* was part of this swag, as were a lot of occult books. It was in Greek, handwritten, but the problem was that much of the Greek was unintelligible. My modest contribution to this was recognizing that some of the Greek was an attempt to phoneticize Babylonian and Sumerian words. I am not one of the people arguing that this *Necronomicon* is THE *Necronomicon*, or that Lovecraft was even aware that it existed. I think Lovecraft heard the name through one of his friends in the Golden Dawn, and used it creatively. If the Simon *Necronomicon* is a hoax, I think it would have been better done, and more closely followed the Cthulhu Mythos. I kind of like the fact that William Burroughs was into it, and wrote Simon and L.K. Barnes a letter praising it as an important spiritual breakthrough.

In *Unholy Alliance* you talk about how the Nazi occultists believed there was an "Aryan spirit" and a "Jewish spirit," which was passed along through the genes by way of racial memory. Is this not the same concept espoused in the *Necronomicon* when it talks about how we all have the blood of the Ancient Ones pumping through our veins, poisoning us. It says "...a man, being born, is of sadness, for he is of the Blood of the Ancient Ones, but has the Spirit of the Elder Gods breathed into him." Also, I believe Abdul Alhazred, if there was such a person, refers to the pentagram as "The Sign of the Aryan Race."

Yes, this is similar to what we find in the *Necronomicon* but is also what we find in ancient Sumerian religion (for instance). Man is formed from the blood of the slain gods, but has the spirit of the victorious gods blown into him. Hence, his naturally schizophrenic nature.

In the final chapters to your book you explain how Nazi occultism is being spread throughout various youth countercultures like the skinheads. One of my readers, that same Kevin Coogan,

recently sent me an article he'd written for *Hit List* magazine about a phenomenon popular throughout Europe known as "Black Metal," hardcore heavy metal called "black" ("an adjective used by Europeans for right-wing", he claims) because of the radical views espoused by the musicians. Many within this counterculture blend Nazism, anti-Semitism, fascism, Satanism, sado-masochism, and Odinist ancestor worship, supposedly as a means of shocking themselves or others out of the mundane, linear mindset. He traces this cultural anomaly back to Genesis P-Orridge, one of the forefathers of industrial music (Throbbing Gristle/Psychic TV) and a Thelemic essayist with whom you're probably familiar. Genesis used a lot of these elements in their work as well, calling it "Entertainment Through Pain." Any comments on the usefulness of such practices?

I'm not sure it's necessary to shock oneself out of a linear mindset, although that would be the fast approach. Satanic ritual does that, properly performed. But what happens to the psyche thus shocked? Who is in control at that point? In the case of Black Metal, the musicians are ostensibly in control but often their sole contribution has been the "shock" factor. Where does the psyche "go" at that point? What does it learn from the experience? Growing up in the 1960s, we understood acid to be a similar shock factor that disrupted linear time and linear thinking, but our trips were guided. The acid was used as a tool for other purposes and not an end in itself. I think it is more useful that way. The same for Black Metal. I think the music should be part of a larger format—a ritual, if you will—to enable the effects to be more lasting, more profound. But ... where's the fun in that?

Do you think that members of the OTO are involved in espionage today? If so, how prevalent do you think that is? Do you think that by joining the OTO a person is entering into a den of spies and government agents?

No, not really. I have known a lot of OTO people in my time—from various countries—and for the most part they would make poor spies. There were some lodges operating in the former Yugoslavia, though, that might have become involved in the murder and mayhem taking place there now. I don't know, as I have lost touch with them. But I do believe that the OTO was involved in espionage for the first maybe 50 years of its existence. I think, as it became "hippified" in the States, it lost some of its attraction for the intelligence agencies, but that does not mean that it would not be involved somehow in such activities in other parts of the world, or that individual OTO members would not be involved in such activities even in the US. I feel that US intelligence investigated—and possibly infiltrated—the OTO in the 1960s, as they did the Klan and the neo-Nazis, and that the full extent of the FBI and/or CIA "cult awareness" program has never been adequately revealed, or the right questions asked.

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THE RACIST ROOTS OF THE DRUG WAR

by Dan Russell

“Negro Cocaine Fiends Are A New Southern Menace!” screamed Dr. Edward H. Williams in *The New York Times*, Feb. 8, 1914, while the Harrison Act, this country’s seminal federal drug law, was in committee. Old Doc Williams didn’t let the facts stand in his way: “But I believe the record of the ‘cocaine nigger’ near Asheville, who dropped five men dead in their tracks, using only one cartridge for each, offers evidence that is sufficiently convincing.”

“Nine men killed in Mississippi on one occasion by crazed cocaine takers, five in North Carolina, three in Tennessee—these are facts that need no imaginative coloring. And since this gruesome evidence is supported by the printed records of insane hospitals, police courts, jails, and penitentiaries, there is no escaping the conviction that drug taking has become a race menace in certain regions south of the line.”

Doc Williams was an ally of Dr. Hamilton Wright, author of the Harrison Act. The Harrison Act was conceived in China, at the 1909 Shanghai Opium Commission, the idea being that America should pass a model “no license” law it could then ask other nations to adopt. President Roosevelt had arbitrated the end of the Russo-Japanese War only to observe Russia and Japan dividing Manchuria, Mongolia and Korea between them. With China beginning to industrialize on a massive scale, all the imperial powers were delighted to have a “pro-Chinese” issue they could sell while competing for China. America, with never more than 2500 troops in China, had the weakest military position, and so led the fight for an “open door” and an end to the opium trade.

But the opium trade was “anti-Chinese” only from the geopolitical perspective of the Chinese leadership, not from the perspective of traditional Chinese culture. In 970 CE Su Che, in his poem “The Cultivation of the Medicinal Plant Poppy,” sang that opium’s “seeds are like autumn millet; when ground they yield a sap like cow’s milk; when boiled they become a drink fit for Buddha.” In 1057, Su Sung noted that the opium “poppy is found everywhere.” Throughout China, for more than a millennium, honored guests were greeted with drinks or pipes full of opium.

But the Chinese leadership had grown to hate opium because the British, since their 1850’s & 60’s conquest of the major Chinese ports in the Opium Wars, controlled the nationwide trade, and had used it as a lever to control China. Industrialization, however, with its mills, mines and railroads, had created different stakes. For America, Chinese cooperation in the industrial competition was essential. The weaker the British position, the stronger the U.S. The State Department therefore asked Dr. Hamilton Wright, a member of the Shanghai

NEGRO COCAINE "FIENDS" ARE A NEW SOUTHERN MENACE

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delegation, to draft a more general, model no-license law it could then ask other nations to adopt. This uniform international effort would force the British to give up an important element of their power.

Lobbying Congress in 1910 for his new bill, Wright fretted about cocaine's "encouragement among the humbler ranks of the Negro population in the South.... it has been authoritatively stated that cocaine is often the direct incentive to the crime of rape by the Negroes of the South and other sections of the country." Here you have the geopolitical, the economic utility of racist pharmacophobia. Wright wrote the editor of the *Louisville Journal Courier* that "a strong editorial from you on the abuse of cocaine in the South would do a great deal of good—do not quote me or the Department of State."

It seems to me that, from the Black perspective, the achievements of the cocaine nigger were an endorsement of cocaine. *Obayi*, in the Akan language of Ghana, means witchcraft; it is counteracted with *myal*, spirit possession for the purpose of identifying and prescribing the curative herbs. The captive African *obeah* and *myal* women and men of the West Indies teamed up to defend their enslaved culture. An 1891 *Scientific American* article, "Obeah Poisons and Poisoners," expresses the usual progressive compassion:

There is probably no locality where Anglo-Saxon civilization is now waging so active a warfare in this direction as in the British West Indies. There the colonial governments are brought face to face with the Obeahman, whose skill with native poisons is supplemented by a certain rude acquaintance with the pharmacopoeia, and whose sway over his debased followers is practically absolute.

Obeah, the worship and propitiation of the eternal snake as an emblem of evil, long ago degenerated into a series of obscene orgies among its West Indian followers.... it suffices to say that the result is to bring into great demand the services of the 'bush doctors,' as those uneducated charlatans are called who brew

simples from the wild herbs at hand. This is not to be wondered at when we find that there is but one educated physician to every 12,300 of inhabitants, by far the greatest proportion of which are spread over stretches of wilderness, and what wonder that 'bush physic' is all that the ignorant, neglected negroes ever receive?

"East African Babies Doctored To Death" reported *The New York Times*, Nov. 23, 1920: "The Daily Mail published further details this morning of the Rev. John Roscoe's expedition among East African tribes. Mr. Roscoe found that among the best tribes infant mortality was terrible, and that this was almost wholly due to the use of drugs. Out of sheer kindness babies were dosed with drug after drug, most of them prepared from crushed herbs given in water or milk." *The Literary Digest*, in 1920, explained "The Cannibal's Substitute For Religion":

Religious consciousness is generally supposed to be innate among all races and tribes but Professor Richard L. Garner, a director of the Smithsonian Institution's recent expedition to the French Kongo, finds that the Pangwes, an incorrigibly cannibalistic tribe, acknowledge no deity and believe that everything which presents the least element of mystery is explainable by witchcraft. They are a purely materialistic people, without sufficient powers of abstraction to conceive of spirit as a thing apart from matter, nor of anything else that the natural organs of sensation fail to perceive. *Buiti* is the highest native conception of a beneficent being, says this authority in *The Forum*; but this being is only human, armed with the natural agencies of *monda* or 'medicine'; and *Nyakwa*, who is also human, is the most definite conception of an evil genius. The good services of the one are procured through a ritualistic ceremony which has no connection with any religious emotion, and tribute forestalls the malign influence of the other.

Their belief in witchcraft has no religious aspect. It's secret knowledge. The wise men of the tribe know the medicinal and poisonous properties of certain herbs, and how to use them for a desired

effect. The powers of a witch are limited only by the knowledge of such secrets and the ability to obtain the required ingredients of *monda*.

The Bwiti religion of Gabon, Congo, Guinea and Cameroon, centered on the use of the Iboga root bark, was the African equivalent of the peyote religion, and is still a great intertribal force in Central Africa. There are between 1–2,000 Bwiti temples in contemporary Gabon, where it is virtually the state religion.

One “sees Bwiti” by “eating the Iboga.” The ancient legend says that deep in the Ituri forest a great Mbuti (“Pygmy”) hunter was seized by Bwiti for killing too many wild boar, porcupines and gorillas. The hunter was cut into a thousand pieces and scattered throughout the jungle. Searching for her lost husband, the hunter’s wife found flowering Iboga shoots growing from the scattered fragments of her husband’s body, as if from seed. Bwiti told the widow that if she wanted to speak with the great hunter, all she need do was eat the Iboga. Thus was contact with Bwiti established forever after.

Ibogaine, isolated from the root bark of *Tabernanthe iboga* bush, has been clinically shown to be of profound psychiatric value, in that it brings repressed memories to consciousness without inducing hallucinations. It is, therefore, a viable aid in the treatment of schizophrenia as well as neurosis and drug addiction. This is discussed by Dr. Claudio Naranjo in *The Healing Journey*, Dr. Stanislav Grof in *LSD Psychotherapy* and Dr. Arthur Janov, the founder of primal therapy, in *The Anatomy of Mental Illness*. Although under active investigation by NIDA’s Medication Development Program because of its value to drug abusers, Iboga is *verboden* to us incorrigible Pangwes, who might, God forbid, see Bwiti.

For those who think that the rationale of American drug law isn’t inherently racist and anti-tribal, or that it’s different than the industrial fascism of alcohol Prohibition, we have the KKK-supported Rep. Richmond P. Hobson of Alabama. In the 1920’s Hobson was the most famous anti-heroin crusader in the country. In 1911 Hobson was the man who introduced what became the Eighteenth Amendment, Prohibition, in Congress. One of Rep. Charlie Rangel’s favorite lies is that Drug Prohibition and Alcohol Prohibition are separate issues

engineered by separate forces. They were, in fact, part and parcel of the same political program engineered by exactly the same individuals, most of them anti-Black racists.

The trouble with Prohibition was that the old Civil War Alcohol Tax had become the financial mainstay of the federal government, accounting for two-fifths of the federal budget. The solution, of course, was the one Temperance originally proposed in 1862, the other great constitutional rape, the personal income tax, which became the Sixteenth Amendment in 1913. The IRS, certainly the most intrusive government bureaucracy, is a *Republican* invention originally conceived as a rationale for alcohol Prohibition.

Since most state electoral districts were gerrymandered to give rural voters three times the voting power of urban voters, the only edge the cities had was their ability to act as the deciding bloc in an electoral fight. The Seventeenth Amendment, direct popular election of senators, undercut the power of the big city machines.

The Nineteenth Amendment, woman suffrage, would never have passed had it not been for the WCTU, although by this time the Woman Suffrage Association had become a

major player, as had the less political but rich General Federation of Women’s Clubs. The Southerners feared woman suffrage led logically to Black suffrage, and they had the votes to stop it. But the church ladies, who closed every WCTU meeting with their marching song, “All Around the World,” sung to the tune of “Old Black Joe,” argued that only the votes of educated “American” women could save the South now.

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hated unions at least as passionately as their Northern brethren, and they came to rely on the wholesome influence of the church ladies. The WCTU chief,

ing what became, in 1918, the Eighteenth Amendment, Prohibition:

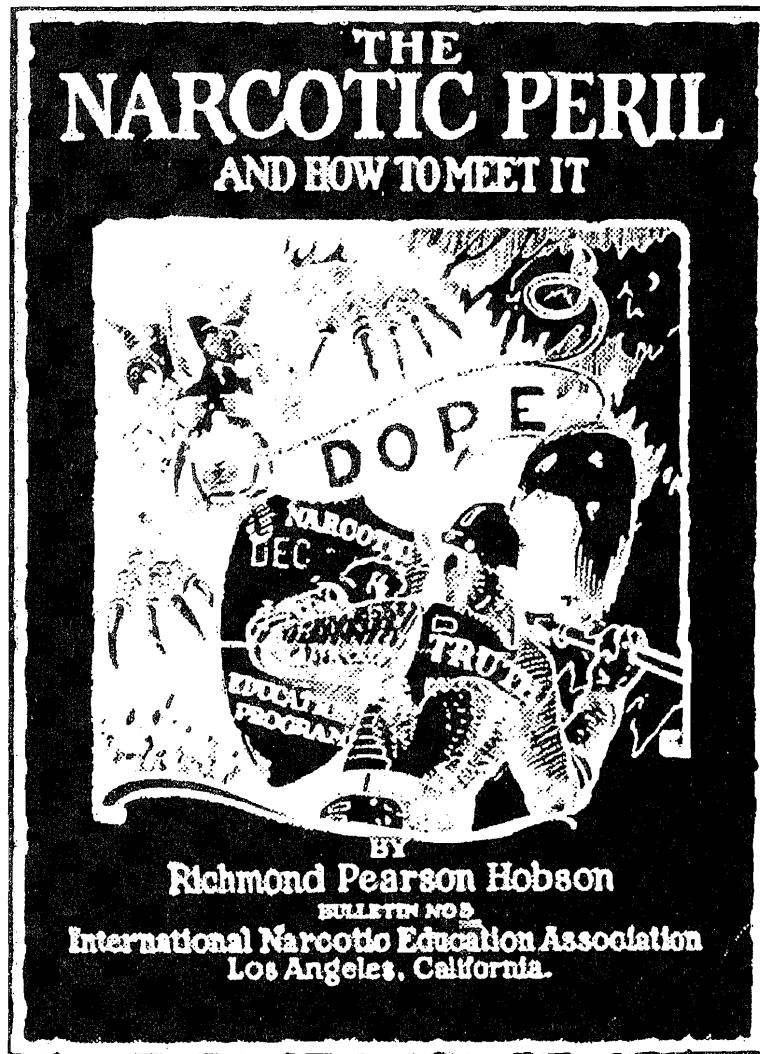
History is a record of a sad procession of world tragedies. Nations and empires in turn have risen to greatness only to fall. Before the death blow was struck from without the evidence shows in every case the ravages of a titanic destroyer within, under whose operations the vitality and strength of the nation were submerged in a general degeneracy.

For centuries the world's philosophers and historians have looked on appalled, overwhelmed. Only in the last few years has science taken up the question. Following her patient, rigid methods, under which nature and life have slowly yielded up their secrets, science has at last cleared up the mystery and identified the great destroyer as alcoholic poisoning.

Exact laboratory, clinical and pathological research has demonstrated that alcohol is a dehydrating, protoplasmic poison.... under the microscope it was found that even a moderate drink of alcoholic beverage passing quickly into the blood paralyzes the white corpuscles. They behave like little drunken men. In pursuit they cannot catch the disease germs. In conflict they cannot hold the disease germs for devouring, and they cannot operate in great phalanxes, as they do when sober, against such powerful germs as those of consumption.

If a peaceable red man is subjected to the regular use of alcoholic beverage, he will speedily be put back to the plane of the savage. The Government long since recognized this and absolutely prohibits the introduction of alcoholic beverage into an Indian reservation. If a negro takes up a regular use of alcoholic beverage, in a short time he will degenerate to the level of the cannibal. No matter how high the stage of evolution, the result is the same.

In our great cities like New York, Chicago, and Philadelphia the ravages upon the average character have been so great, so many degenerates have already been produced, that the degenerate and corruptible vote not only holds the balance of power between the two great political parties and can dictate to both, but actually holds a majority of the votes, so that honest and efficient self-government as a permanent condition is now impossible. Immigrants coming in



Frances Willard herself, had stressed that the problem with labor was not so much "how to make higher wages" but "how to turn present wages to better account." What that was supposed to mean to a sharecropper with starving children is beyond me. This ruthless bourgeois condescension was the prevailing attitude among the Southern Suffragettes and WCTU's. If they were what White female power was about, the South was all for it.

The KKK's Rep. Hobson of Alabama was the Anti-Saloon League's most popular and highest paid speaker. The assumptions of his astounding arguments are all written into today's drug law. Here are some excerpts from Hobson's Feb. 2, 1911 speech introduc-

vast numbers from abroad remained chiefly in the cities. As young as our Nation is, the deadly work of alcohol has already blighted liberty in our greatest cities.

If America degenerates the yellow man will be on hand. Some may make light of the yellow man; so did Romans make light of the 'Barbarians.' The yellow man is not degenerating. He can shoot as straight as a white man now, and undegenerated he can live on one-tenth of what is necessary for the white men while they are in the field doing the shooting. A race of degenerates cannot occupy the American continent.

In America we are making the last stand of the great white race, and substantially of the human race. If this destroyer cannot be conquered in young America, it cannot in any of the old and more degenerate nations. If America fails, the world will be undone and the human race will be doomed to go down from degeneracy into degeneracy till the Almighty in wrath wipes the accursed thing out!

God, they loved him in Alabama. In the 1920's he founded the International Narcotic Education Association, with a board of directors of prominent industrialists and an advisory council of cabinet secretaries, governors, mayors, district attorneys, bishops and ambassadors, but not one reputable drug abuse expert. Having gotten his alcohol Prohibition, Hobson decided that the fate of "the race" rested on defeat of the new "Great Destroyers"—all herbal and refined inebriants. Advocating precisely the policies we now have in place, Draconian law enforcement combined with unrelenting propaganda, Hobson wrote:

We need to preach the gospel of narcotic abstinence from the pulpit, to flash it on the screen, to enact it on the stage, to proclaim it from the public platform, to depict it in the press, and, above all, to teach it in our schools./All constructive social agencies will help in fighting this peril—in setting up in the minds of all the same abhorrence that is felt for a venomous snake...

All the measures Hobson advocated for the inner cities are now law. Our prisons are full of exactly the people Hobson thought belonged there. We don't say "nigger" anymore, of course, we say "drug dealer," so much more scientific; Hobson stopped saying "nigger" too. In *Good Housekeeping*, March, 1914, the progressive Dr. Harvey Wiley, the USDA's chief Harrison

Act enforcer, worried about "Negro peddlers." In the yellow press the single most common synonym for "nigger" was "drug dealer" or "addict," as in the sharpshooter from Asheville; these words are racist code to this day.

My old man grew up on the Lower East Side near Meyer Lansky and Benny Siegel, whom he knew as the big kids who put together the feared killers of the Bugs and Meyer Mob. They were the kids Grandma warned Dad to stay away from (Uncle Izzy didn't listen). While they were still teenagers, they teamed up with Charlie Lucania, Frank Castiglia, and their awesome collection of young Sicilians and Italians, and built the organization that came to represent organized crime in America.

Prohibition made interstate and international cooperation the order of the day. Arnold Rothstein showed Lansky and Luciano how to use freighters hanging off the three-mile limit as wholesale warehouses servicing their fast crabs. God help the Fed who didn't shut up and take his cut. The Wasp industrialists said it was all because of the Kikes and the Wops, and even the Micks, Krauts and Pollocks, when they could sober up enough to put up a fight. Prohibition, of course, is still in force. Only the alcohol part has been repealed. Now it's all the fault of the Spics, Gooks and Niggers.

The racist hammering young Black men take behind the drug laws is intense and constant, driving many of them nuts with hostility. The schizophrenic Nation of Islam, of course, out-platitudes the platitudinous—and calls it prophesy. It supports escalation of the Drug War, consistent with Islam's imperial hostility to tribal culture, while at the same time decrying the obviously racist enforcement. If the enforcement is incurably racist, as the Nation of Islam has always accurately insisted, why support escalation of the Drug War? Because racists, Black or White, thrive on hostility.

Racism relates to the Drug War in exactly the same way it related to slavery. Racism didn't *cause* slavery, industrial fascism, the *economic* utility of slaves, caused slavery in ancient Sumer as in colonial Georgia. In fact *industrial fascism* can be defined as *the coercive use of people as industrial machinery*. It was inflicted on Native America and Native Polynesia by the Portuguese, Spanish, Dutch, French, English, German and American slavers in exactly the same way as on Native Africa, and plenty of Asians and Whites suffered from fascist brutality as well.

In Africa, of course, the European and American slavers had to deal through their military equals, the Moslem conquerors of North and Central Africa. The great Senegalese filmmaker Ousmane Sembene's film,

The Cedo, is a good look at invading Islam from an African perspective. As Kenya's Gikuyu shaman Ngugi wa Thiong'o points out (*Decolonising the Mind*), Islam is no more a Native African religion than Christianity is a Native American religion. Nigeria's great Yoruba shaman Wole Soyinka, winner of the 1986 Nobel Prize for Literature, makes the same point. In Zimbabwe, Islam is virtually unknown. The predominant religions are those of the native Shona, Ndebele, and Tonga.

The Sufis of Islam, who preached against slavery and social injustice, often achieved their mystical communion, their detachment from the hypnosis of the official symbolism, through shamanism. They are remembered as the greatest poets Islam ever produced. Since they used, among other things, newly-popular coffee to focus their attention, coffee was criminalized. In Mecca, in 1511, all the Sufi coffee houses were closed. Istanbul's Murad IV, in 1625, put coffee drinkers to death, as did the Ottoman Grand Vizir Koprili in 1656.

Koprili, a great slaver, was about as 'Moslem' as Charles V was 'Christian.' Anti-Black racism was an inevitable result of the economic and military utility of the African slave trade to the imperial powers. How can you militarize a culture without an enemy? From the fascist perspective, the police need a scapegoat. Detroit or Watts might as well be in Guatemala or Mexico. Every Nigger is a Zapatista.

The Nigger, a popular 1910 Broadway play, believe it or not, was typical of the traveling temperance shows that ran all over the country between 1880 and 1920. The scene is the deep South. Our hero is Phil Morrow, owner of the local big plantation and county sheriff. Our villain is Clif Noyes, owner of Noyes Distillery Works and Phil's childhood friend. There is a subplot of competition between the two for the hand of Miss Georgiana, but she rejects distiller Clif "as easily as I'd kick a niggah downstairs" and marries Phil after the first act.

The distiller has come to Phil's plantation to per-

sue its blueblood owner to run for governor against the progressive, niggah-lovin, carpetbagger prohibitionist who threatens to turn the state dry. Just as he accepts Clif's offer, a deputy runs breathlessly up to Phil to inform him that "it's a niggah, suh, the usual crime"—the rape-murder of a little White girl in the woods. The rapist, an habitual drunk, is one of Phil's plantation hands, so Phil gets his hands on him before the lynch mob, led by the murdered girl's father.

Law'n'order Phil adamantly refuses to turn the "black beast" over to the mob, insisting that he must be hanged legally. Distiller Clif warns that this action will endanger "the anti-niggah vote" but Phil refuses to relent. Just then the rapist bolts, the mob gets him, and the anti-niggah vote is saved at the end of a rope.

Once in the statehouse, Phil is confronted with a prolonged race riot down in the levee district. Explains Phil to the horrified distiller:

This volcano's helped me along considerable. We brought the niggahs ovah t' this country, Clif-an' I reckon we're responsible fo' them while theah heah. If we've kept 'em like children, we've got to treat 'em like children. An' we're not in the habit, Clif, o' pourin' liquoh down the throats of our infants. Why, day befo' yeste'day I had a count made an' theah were three thousand four hundred an' sixty-seven idle niggahs in the fifty-nine saloons o' the levee district! That was the end, Clif, an' the long an' the sho't of it is—we're goin' dry!

As Rep. Edward Pou of North Carolina explained on the floor of Congress in 1914, the South prohibits Black voting not out of hatred, but "as the adult takes the pistol from the hand of the child." We are all, of course, *The Nigger*, all children, too stupid to take herbs our Paleolithic ancestors knew how to use, all likely to "degenerate to the level of the cannibal" at the first toke (like Louis Armstrong?).

The KKK, "Defenders of Protestant Americanism," were violently Prohibitionist. Their "racial superiority" was explained in Prohibitionist, that is moral, terms. Prohibition was "Salvation," "Gospel" as Hobson called

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it. Fascism always masquerades as venial morality. In fact, the political confusion between venial morality and mortal morality is a defining characteristic of fascism, as if getting stoned too much were as evil as torturing people.

Fascism is always maudlin. Industrial fascists need a scapegoat to coalesce. Without the *pharmakos*, the Nigger, the Judas, the Witch, the Dealer, the Fiend, the Hippie who inflicts such grave hurt upon Our Salvation, there is no rationale for an ongoing *Inquisitio*, without which the structure of industrial fascism would be left standing naked. It ain't so much what they're for, it's what they're against.

Ronald Reagan was against communism and drug abuse. His maudlin wife exhorted the kiddies to "just say no." And Ronald Reagan was as tied to the dope-dealing Syndicate as Nixon was. During his Hollywood years as head of the Screen Actors Guild, he enthusiastically worked with key Mafia point man Johnny Rosselli, who started his career as a Capone hit man. Ronald Reagan's longtime producer, Bryan Foy, who began his career as a pioneer of sound technology at Warner Brothers, was Johnny Rosselli's partner in Eagle Lion Productions, his lifelong best friend.

The mob-connected studio power structure, the mob-built-and-run production and distribution giant MCA, and the mob-led unions, IATSE and SAG, actively encouraged the House Un-American Activities Committee, HUAC, to come to

town. Ronald Reagan, President of the Screen Actors Guild, was a star "friendly witness" in the late forties and early fifties.

Reagan helped to draw up enormous blacklists, some 2,000 names, who were then prevented from organizing independent unions or infecting the airwaves with their idealism. Historian C. Vann Woodward documented this in a 1987 *New York Times*

piece. Reagan "fed the names of suspect people in his organization to the FBI secretly and regularly enough to be assigned an informer's code number, T-10."

As President of the Screen Actors Guild, it had been Reagan's job to negotiate with MCA, which he did by acceding to its every demand and red-baiting his critics. In return for helping to engineer MCA's virtual monopoly in early television production, Reagan was made part owner of MCA. When the Kennedys went after MCA as a price-fixing monopoly, Reagan went after the Kennedys, attacking "government bureaucracy." His reward was the state-house.

On assuming the Presidency, Reagan appointed Walter Annenberg's wife Leonore as White House chief of protocol. Walter Annenberg, publisher of *TV Guide*, was the son of racing wire kingpin Moe Annenberg, a very major mob figure. Moe was convicted of tax evasion and racketeering in 1939 and died in the Lewisburg Penn. Leonore was the ex-wife of Lewis

FIGHT A NEGRO MOB FOR 6 DRUG CAPTIVES

Detectives Battle in San Juan Hill District Amid Rain of Missiles.

AMAZON WORST DETECTIVE

As Powerful Negress Finally Is Sub- dued Reserves Clear Path Through Rioters.

Reserves from the West Sixty-eighth Street Station, aided by half a dozen detectives from the west side yard of the New York Central, last night fought dozens of the San Juan Hill district to rescue four detectives of the Narcotic division who undertook to arrest two white men and three negroes for violating the narcotic law. In the fight started by the prisoners and their friends before the arrival of the reserves, sympathizers in nearby tenement houses showered the detectives with bricks, flower pots, boxes of coal and a large packing case.

Dr. Carlston Stone, head of the Nar-

Rosenstiel of Schenley Distilleries, the anticommunist ex-bootlegger close to J. Edgar Hoover. Like their friend Edgar, Rosenstiel, Annenberg and Reagan were early-50's operatives of CIA Operation Mockingbird's "Crusade for Freedom," which raised money to help East European Nazis relocate in the U.S. The Annenbergs were close lifelong friends of Sidney Korshak, Johnny Rosselli's lawyer.

Korshak was "often delegated to represent the Chicago mob, usually in some secret capacity," as a 1942 IRS report put it. Just as Rosselli was the Chicago mob's most trusted street operator in Los Angeles, so Korshak was its most trusted legal eagle. Korshak, who began his career in Chicago as Big Al's lawyer, was an early, and major, stockholder in Red Dorfman's Union Casualty Company. This is the Chicago company that became the awesome Teamsters' Central States, Southeast, and Southwest Areas Pension Fund.

Korshak was pursued by Bobby Kennedy on the McClellan Rackets Committee in 1957. The New Jersey Casino Control Commission called Korshak "a key actor in organized crime's unholy alliances with corrupt union officials and its pernicious efforts to frustrate the rights of working men and women by infecting legitimate unions, to rob their members' future by stealing the benefits they have earned in the past from honest labor."

The very first official stop in Washington of the Reagan-Bush administration, immediately following their victory, was the headquarters of the Teamsters Union, where they met with Jackie Presser, Roy Williams, Frank Fitzsimmons and Sidney Korshak's very own Andy Anderson of Los Angeles Teamster Local 986. Reagan asked the Teamster high command to pick his Secretary of Labor and other top administration officials. They picked Ray Donovan of Schiavone Construction Company of Secaucus, NJ, accused at his confirmation hearings of being close to "Tony Pro" Provenzano and "Sally Bugs" Briguglio of the Union City Teamsters, top Genovese operatives. Both were indicted for the 1961 killing of Anthony Castellito, which resulted in the Provenzano reign in Union City.

This is the pair, according to *Time*, that quickly chipped in \$500,000 in cash to cover Nixon's January 1973 covert Watergate expenses. Allen Dorfman, on Frank Fitzsimmons' orders, matched the Union City Teamsters with another half million in cash. Provenzano and Briguglio were also accused, in 1978, by Family member Little Ralph Picardo, of killing Jimmy Hoffa. Sally Bugs did not live out the year.

Donovan was also accused of being close to New York mafioso William Masselli, then under indictment for manufacturing synthetic cocaine and hijacking trucks. Schiavone Construction was accused of being Masselli's money laundry. Assistant Director of the FBI Bud Mullen successfully prevented the confirmation committee from finding out what the FBI knew about Donovan, and so Donovan was confirmed as Secretary of Labor. Mullen was then rewarded with the leadership of the Drug Enforcement Administration. Donovan was finally forced out of government, in late 1984, after being indicted, along with nine top New York mafiosi, for murder, grand larceny, fraud, extortion and labor racketeering.

Immediately on taking office, Reagan began the "deregulation" of the savings and loan industry, allowing S&L's to offer any interest rate they wanted and do anything with the money.

Reagan's administration regularly approved unqualified hoods for federally-insured bank ownership.

Hood banks often looted their entire cash reserves, lending them to their own front companies, washing the money out the front companies through various transfer tactics, and then declaring the front companies bankrupt, which in turn forced the bank's collapse. The money was gone into hood hands, and the FDIC/FSLIC was liable to reimburse depositors, to the tune of *hundreds of billions* of taxpayer money—some estimates go as high as *one trillion dollars*—that's one-seventh the entire annual GNP.

These cooperating hoods and businessmen, Marcello, Beebe, Renda, Mischer, Lyon, Khashoggi, Murchison, Helliwell, Hernandez-Cartaya, Charles, Rebozo, the Bushes, etc. were indistinguishable from the intelligence community and from the Republican establishment, although there are certainly plenty of Democrats on the list as well.

Former President Bush's Federal Housing Administration Commissioner, Catherine Austin Fitts, Assistant Secretary of Housing under HUD Secretary Jack Kemp, got a close-up look at the *modus operandi* of this establishment. During the Reagan years, Fitts was a Managing Director and Board member of the prestigious Wall Street investment bank Dillon Read & Co. As manager of their huge municipal and government portfolios, she oversaw the financing of multi-billion dollar urban transportation and renewal projects, including the renovation of the NYC subway system. Nicholas Brady, George Bush's Treasury Secretary, was her partner and boss at Dillon Read.

Unlike many of her fellow Reaganauts, Fitts was a religiously-motivated idealist, not a money-motivated hustler. As Bush's manager of the FHA's gigantic \$300 billion mortgage and properties portfolio, she set out to revamp the system from the bottom up, whoever's ox got gored. Secretary Kemp, fearing for his oxen, fired Commissioner Fitts.

After leaving at loggerheads with the corrupt bureaucracy she found at HUD, Catherine Austin Fitts did something really

remarkable. She showed new HUD Secretary Cisneros, in 1993, how to save taxpayers billions by empowering the very people in danger of defaulting on their HUD mortgages or living in HUD-supported housing.

Using a bottom-up rather than top-down model, Fitts' new Hamilton Securities Group developed a pilot project at a HUD housing project, Edgewood Terrace. Hamilton taught the local women how to use computers to build data bases that tracked the money flowing through their own neighborhood. Since their neighborhood wasn't particularly different than the other 63,000 neighborhoods in HUD's database, what Edgewood Technology Services did was help Hamilton Securities create software and money management tools applicable to the whole country.

The women of Edgewood Terrace proved that they could be as computer literate as anyone else, given the sweat-equity subsidy, and were rewarded with stock in their company and a decent income doing highly productive work. The real value of Edgewood Terrace property, of course, rose as its pain level dropped. Edgewood Terrace could no longer be bought for pennies on the dollar for condo conversion. Fitts' practical tools for dealing with "How the \$ Works and How to Reengineer How the \$ Works" can be found at her site, www.solarivillage.com.

One of the obvious things Fitts was able to demonstrate was that HUD was often paying its pet contractors \$200,000 per housing unit when perfectly good units were available in the neighborhood for \$40,000. But, of course, the cheaper local units weren't owned by HUD-connected contractors.

The politically insubordinate Fitts was viciously, and falsely, attacked by the politicized HUD legal bu-

reaucracy. Her ally, Secretary Cisneros, found that his sex life somehow became more important than his ideas about structural poverty. The painfully expensive legal infighting, however, didn't stifle Fitts' remarkable creativity.

With her 'geo-coded' database she was able to demonstrate that defaulted HUD mortgages were concentrated in areas of structural poverty, and that those were precisely the "drug areas" the Prohibitionists were most up in arms about. "Freeway" Ricky Ross' Harbor Freeway, running right through the center of South Central L.A., was a concentrated mass of defaulted HUD/FHA single family loans. Fitts' map of defaults looks quite like a pollution-induced disease cluster centered around the Harbor Freeway.

Failure to address neighborhood structural poverty results in a pain-filled neighborhood dependent on the default painkiller economy. The resultant anarchic poverty and violence collapses neighborhood property values. Why pay off an apparently worthless mortgage when it makes more sense to move? Prime urban real estate can then be bought for pennies on the dollar.

And who was buying this prime real estate? The HUD contractors—indistinguishable from the intelligence community and the Republican establishment. The same "liquidators" that had made the neighborhood ripe for a "drug epidemic" in the first place, the same military intelligence operatives dealing the drugs, were using their drug money to buy the now devalued neighborhoods for a pittance—for cheap conversion into condos, malls and industrial parks. These were the very same radical Prohibitionists demonizing those using the pain killers and then vying for the resultant prison contracts.

As Fitts relates:

Let's look at how the Section 8 owners, managers and tax partnership beneficiaries worked alongside the drug traffickers. Let's look for patterns of loan brokering, money laundering, cleansing and other relationships between real estate, land, prison growth and privatization and the kind of investors who control CIA and intelligence networks. Then let's look how this ties in to campaign fundraising.... Support all this by a national media owned by defense contractors and other corporate interests. That way the nightly news has lots of moneymaking incentives to cover HUD OIG sponsored drug raids in black communities rather than doing a story on CIA drug trafficking.

This was precisely the point made by Malcolm X and Fred Hampton years ago. "Crack" is a fascist red herring, a way of demonizing the symptom rather than the disease. The problem is structural poverty, not too few incarcerated poor. Crack is nothing but a symptom of massive systemic pain. Given the criminalization of the safe herbal painkillers and euphorants, and the Prohibition-created default economy, crack may have become the euphoriant/painkiller of choice, but the problem is the pain, not the painkiller.

The Bloods, the Crips, the Cobra Stones, and especially the Gangster Disciples, repeatedly stress that they have the inalienable right to participate in the only economy open to them, rather than rotting in abject poverty in the concrete jungle. The Disciples call themselves "Brothers of the Struggle," but their political message is uniformly ignored, even

by those supposedly sympathetic to their plight. They're just "drug dealers." These pistoleros are perfectly well aware that "drug dealer" is just another word for "nigger," just as the assassinated Fred Hampton said, and just as it was in the old yellow press. The most important point about the Drug War, for me, is the point that never gets mentioned—it is an *armed rebellion*. Most prisoners of the Drug War are *political* prisoners.

And the conformist Black leaders, "role models" who stupidly blame the symptoms for the disease, just like they're supposed to, support the massive arrest and imprisonment of their own people. They buy into the fascist line that "values" have to be enforced by law. Whose values? General Dynamics'?

Jesse Jackson commiserated with General McCaffrey on CNN, 1/25/98: "Somehow it seems that our own appetite, maybe our society is so wealthy or so egregious, some kind of values crisis here is driving the demand. But what about the supply? It seems that in a couple of countries that there is some slowing down of the drug supply. But Mexico, it seems to be 70 percent of the drug flow. How can we stop it coming from the greatest source?" This was McCaffrey's cue to explain that victory is just around the corner if we'll just keep beefing up the Mexican army and expanding the police function of the military.

Charming Charlie Rangel, the D.A., made a career of throwing "my people" into prison before he became the Black Richmond P. Hobson. Jackson, at least, consistently uses the word "fascist" to describe the dope dealers, but, since he is an unempirical theocrat, has absolutely nothing original to offer in the way of policy. He quite rightly calls for "an urban policy" while, at the same time, in the same sentence, calling for "a real War on Drugs." If he were a baseball player, his nickname would be "Clueless."

Jackson consistently portrays African-American culture as if it were composed entirely of middle-class Baptists. I never hear the Rastafarians I smoked with in the back of so many subway cars mentioned. The largest mass-movement in African-American history was overtly shamanic, overtly tribal African. Marcus Garvey's Universal Negro Improvement Association was an awesome force throughout the Caribbean, North and South America in the 1920's. Those Africans revered their ancient tribal sacramentalism.

The criminalization of African sacraments was a basic part of the cultural genocide necessary for enslavement. The Rastafarian memory of history is simply photographic. This memory is very much alive on the Mau Mau streets. Thanks to the ruthless cultural genocide directed at them, many young African-American shamans would rather go down fighting with their local posse.

But, since Jackson and Rangel are adamantly amnesiac about their own tribal roots, they can only peck around the edges of policy. By not fighting the militarization of American culture, the conformist Black politicians collaborate in the diversion of billions that should be going into structural sweat equity antipoverty programs, to which they pay only lip service. Instead, they help the fascists demonize their own young. This has not only confused the Black community, but split it right down the middle, completely destroying the unity

that made it such a formidable force during the days of the civil rights struggle.

"Taking drugs is a sin," says Jesse, a Dope with Hope. "Since the flow of drugs into the U.S. is an act of terrorism, antiterrorist policies must be applied." That's just what the KKK's Hobson said, and that's just what L.A. police chief Daryl Gates did, telling the Senate that "casual drug users" should "be taken out and shot." Well, beaten to a pulp with nightsticks, anyway.

Has this brutality made the situation better or worse?

William Moffitt of The National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, agreeing with the defendants in a case before the Supreme Court that the statistical evidence proves racially biased enforcement, was rebutted on the *Today* show, 2/26/96, by Attorney General Janet Reno. Reno, determined to out-Republican the Republicans, insisted that "crack is a tremendously violence-inciting drug," and that therefore the Republican hicks have it right. How is that a defense against selective enforcement? Niggers are violent?

It is true, of course, that if you smash Snoop Doggy Dogg in the face with a nightstick while he's smoking some crack he's liable to get violent, but that's the nightstick working, not the crack. Crack is just cocaine stretched and rendered smokable by heating it with baking soda and water. The resultant crystals "crack" when smoked. This simple cutting technique makes it much cheaper than powder, since it is not only diluted in an edible base, but smoked. The lungs absorb vapor far more efficiently than the nose absorbs powder, delivering an immediate, ecstatic painkilling flush.

In December of 1990 Judge Pamela Alexander in Minnesota's Hennepin County Court threw out the crack possession convictions of five Black defendants as racist. Minnesota's Office of Drug Policy had officially concluded that *there was no pharmacological difference between crack and powder*, and therefore,

concluded Judge Alexander, the Draconian sentence for miniscule quantities of crack was culturally, or economically, prejudicial.

A 1989 government study of all 193 "cocaine-related" murders in New York City concluded that 87% grew out of fights over money or dealing territory, and almost all the others were also alcohol-related. In only one case was the perpetrator actually high on coke. Professor Goldstein's study of New York's 218 "drug-related" murders during 8 months of 1988 came to exactly the same conclusion. In only one case could cocaine be shown to have actually been a possible pharmacological contributant to a homicidal mania. If cross-examined, Attorney General Janet "violence-inciting drug" Reno will no doubt proudly admit that she knows nothing at all about pharmacology.

George Bush's favorite nark was LAPD Chief Daryl Gates, so tolerant of police racism that he sparked the 1992 L. A. riots. Asked to account for the high number of police nightstick choke-hold deaths inflicted during his tenure, Gates explained: "We may be finding that in some Blacks, when [the choke-hold] is applied, the veins or arteries do not open as fast as they do on normal people."

Between 1978 and 1988, virtually the entire job base of South Central Los Angeles collapsed as manufacturers and warehouses fled to more stable locations. Unemployment in South Central soared to 60% or more. Reagan cut CETA, Comprehensive Employment and Training Act funds, and eliminated the Job Corps. Los Angeles itself allocated virtually no funds to South Central's parks or libraries, and actually eliminated the municipal Summer Job Program. There was almost no legal way for many young people in South Central to make a living. LAPD Chief Gates, in April 1988, then announced that the problem was crack cocaine.

Gates institutionalized Operation Hammer, massively funded by the Bush administration. Gates roused the young Black men of South Central for virtually anything at all—dress, hairstyle, curfew. The

LAPD, between 1988 and 1992, arrested 75% of all the young Black men in LA. 90% of those arrested were released without charges, but their names went into the counterinsurgency database. I can't remember being more enraged as a kid in the Bronx than when I was roused for nothing at all on my own home ground. It was a denial of my right to be there. Daryl Gates was the best recruiter the Crip guerrillas ever had.

As of early 1994, 1500 Black Americans per 100,000 were behind bars. The figure for Whites was 210 per 100,000. As of 1997, the U.S. had an incredible 645 people per 100,000 behind bars, while rates in countries such as Canada, France, Germany, Finland, Sweden and Australia varied from 40 to 125 per 100,000. Our imprisonment rate is higher than the world's worst police states, literally the highest in the world. 60% of all federal, and 25% of all state prisoners are there on drug charges.

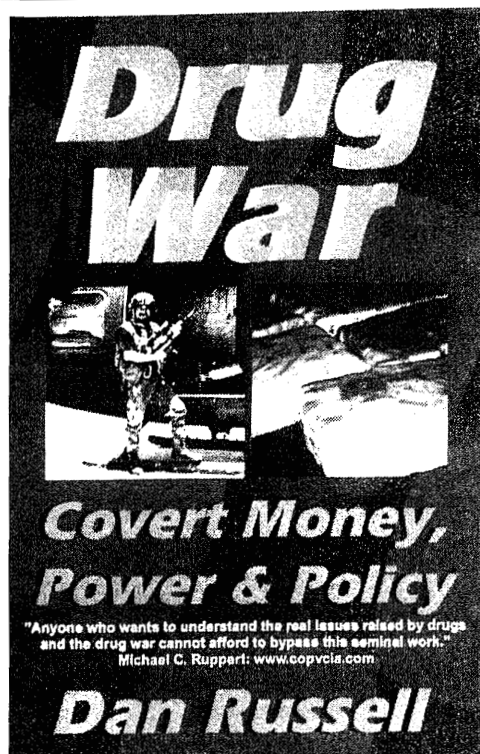
In 1993, 2.3 million Black men were sent to the slammer while 23,000 received a college degree—that's a hundred to one. *That's* what's fascistic about all that "role model" propaganda—the 1% are "role models"—the 99% are "dealers," "niggers." By mid-1997 there were 100,000 federal prison inmates, 1,060,000 state prisoners and 600,000 in municipal lockups—and 51% of them were Black.

Blacks comprise about 15% of the U.S. population. We leave millions of ghetto kids

unemployed—and without neighborhood social centers—to fend for themselves amidst Prohibition-created violence and economics. We throw their parents in the slammer for medicating their own pain, hunt them like wolves, and then act surprised when they turn into wolf packs. Some Republican from Kansas, working for the contractor lobby, then gets righteously indignant on the floor of Congress and decides that daycare money would be better spent on more "privatized" prisons, run by HUD's favorite building and prison contractors.*

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Preston Peet, *High Times Magazine*.

Mind Control: In the Beginning

by KK

Part of the problem in communication is using an undefined term. Groups of people start using a term thinking that everyone else understands what they mean. This causes miscommunication and confusion. For example, there is a term now being bandied about and used in all kinds of contexts, with all kinds of meanings being attached to it. Everyone assumes that everyone else understands what is meant, but what is meant when we talk about “mind control” and “mind control victims”?

Early on I realized that different people meant different things because there appeared to be different types of mind control victims. I resolved this for myself by referring to these people as “targeted individuals,” or “TIs.” These are people who are targeted by specific government and private groups, utilizing very sophisticated and advanced electronic technology coupled with advances in physiological and psychological triggering.

It is important to define the overall term “mind control” because this term could provide one of the most important underlying concepts of how the targeting of individuals (TIs) works. How does the electronic harassment and field testing of sophisticated technology, along with “prescribed-acted-out-street scenarios” directed by government and

private corporate operatives, work? (The technology was covered in detail in my previous article in *Paranoia*, Issue 24.)

The term “TI” describes an externally oppressed, controlled, and manipulated state of mind. Therefore, for the purpose of understanding the term “mind control,” we need to go back in time to examine the history of mind manipulation, to see whether this term should be or can be applied to targeted individuals (TIs) of electronic harassment. In other words, is this term applicable to situations or experiences where individuals are claiming external control over aspects of their immediate, personal environment?

The Greek Mystery Schools

To understand, it is necessary to take a brief look at the Greek mystery schools, where we find that methods to manipulate an individual’s belief system were already in place. There are written accounts of the ancient practices by the Greek mystagogues. One of the more primitive methods involved sound and flickering light from the flames of a fire. There is evidence that caves were places where transformations, spiritual re-births, or changes of the mind happened. Therefore, even in ancient times, it was well known

that one of the ways to manipulate a human's mind was to put them in a dark, isolated, and very quiet place.

If the priest or shaman wanted to cause a very drastic, long-lasting effect, the initiate was kept in the cave for many days without food or water. Drugs were administered before the initiate entered the "dark place." While in the cave, a very deliberate and traumatic event was created by the priest or shaman in charge; it had to be sudden and abrupt. The event needed to be scary and needed to target an individual's private fears. After the initial indoctrination was complete, there would be periodic rituals; structured meetings in the community as a whole to reinforce the conversion of the individual. We know the exact method used on the initiates from accounts of Greeks who took part in Eleusinian Mysteries. An initiate would spend a couple of days in the temple talking with priests before entering the cave of the oracle. We read in William Sargant's *Battle for the Mind*—quoting from Robert Graves' chapter(1):

On admittance into the temple, he was stripped of all his garments, and presently appeared before a judge, who sentenced him to die. Execution having been formally carried out, a mystagogue led him down a slope into a dark grotto representing the Underworld, where he heard the cries

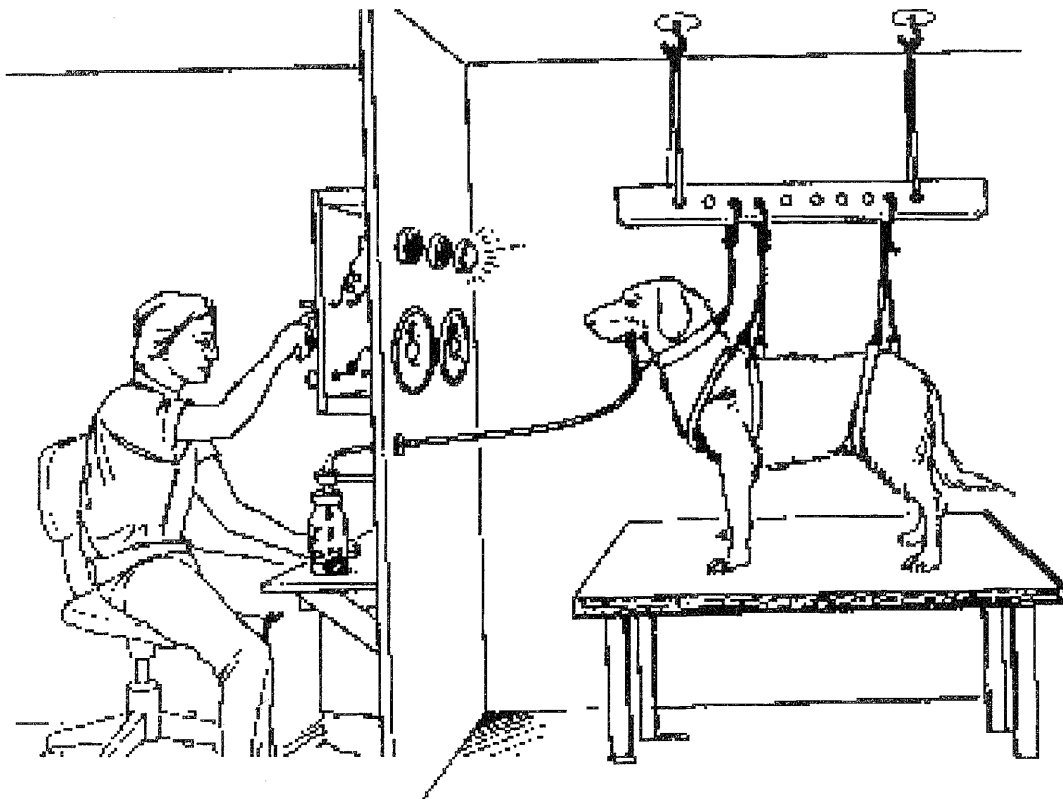
of the damned and met horrible phantoms, including wild beasts, serpents, and lecherous Empusae. Unseen hands daubed him with filth, and he could not escape because Furies with brazen whips threatened him from behind. Presently he was instructed to bathe in a pool and wash himself clean, before approaching another tribunal.

It didn't end there:

Being sentenced to chastisement, he was struck on the head, caught by the hair, thrown down, and beaten soundly by demons; but dared not defend himself. When he seemed sufficiently humbled in spirit, the mystagogue moralized on these sufferings and gave him a draught of Lethe water to make him forget the past. Next, apparently, he entered a magical circle and went tediously round and round, until he managed to escape—but only by a ritual of rebirth from the Goddess herself—and was given a new name.

The initiate suffered the emotional effects of this treatment, as the symptoms were noted as "shuddering, trembling, sweating, mental confusion, distress, consternation, and joy mixed with alarm and agitation."(1)

During the initiates' time with the temple priests, they learned to trust and confess their secret fears and



guilt to the priests. These secret fears and guilt would be the stuff of the mystagogue's moralizing. Just before being taken to the cave, the unwitting initiates were given "Lethe water" to make them forget. For example, slow dosing of drugs took place while initiates stayed at the temple lodge. After that, initiates were helped to the entrance to the cave, whereupon their feet were grabbed. They were pulled into the darkness from bright sunlight and maybe, if necessary, batted on the head until unconscious. When the initiates woke, they were in a very dark, quiet place and immediately began to hallucinate.

There are ancient accounts of some of these acid trips. One of the fathers of modern LSD tripping, Dr. John Lilly (*The Center of the Cyclone*), admits to reading ancient accounts of "waking dreams" to apprise himself of the effects of hallucinogens. Change the title of priest to shaman; add a "magic drug" made from the bark of a plant that contains an alkaloid-like harmine (grown close to Brazil's Amazonian frontier with Colombia); take the initiate into a cave in the Amazonian jungle or a specially built cave-like hut; and you've got the same effect as the initiation in the Greek mystery schools of the Eastern Hemisphere.

The point is, how to manipulate the human physiology has been known for thousands of years. It was discovered very early in man's incarnation on the planet Earth. We don't know exactly what took place in the ancient Amazonian jungle, or in the primeval cave underneath the Sun Pyramid at Teotihuacan, Mexico; but archaeological evidence from all around the world points to rituals as described above.

A Quick History of Brain Mapping

Hippocrates, in the 5th century BC, knew that consciousness was centered in the brain. However, for 1500 years after him, doctors thought that the brain cavities were where all thought and sensation happened. For instance, *sensus communis* was the place where sensations originated, the *virtus cogitativa* was the place where thinking originated, and so on, through the so-called five brain cavities. Even in the 1600s, doctors thought that the grey matter in the brain was the site of localized functions.

By the 1800s, doctors realized the brain was a combination of localized functions and was a holistic entity. As early as 1901–1903, neurosurgeons began systemically mapping the brain. Electrical stimulation would be applied to conscious patients undergoing brain surgery, and notations would be made as to what automatic system response would take place. As we read in Wilder Penfield's papers "Somatic Motor and Sensory Representation in the Cerebral Cortex of Man as Studied by Electrical Stimulation"(2):

It was the work of Grunbaum and Sherrington (1901, 1903) which, according to Dusser de Barenne (1935), caused the change of opinion from the idea of sensorimotor cortex to the conception of a pre-Rolandic motor cortex separate from the sensory region. They worked with a unipolar electrode using weak currents to avoid seizures. The animals, however, were under general anesthesia.

Very early in this century, pain pathways were being traced by subcortical (just below the outer layer of the brain cortex) mapping. During electrical stimulation, it was noticed that stimulating the limbic system (the part of the brain where the automatic functions and certain aspects of emotion and behavior are controlled) would create hallucinations. The important thing to remember is that these experiments were taking place in the early 1900s. There are journal articles from this period discussing that electrodes would become important in probing the brain and disclosing "the mystery of the mind."

To unravel this mystery, between 1901 and 1903 Drs. Grunbaum and Sherrington induced responses in the "ear, nostril, palate, lips, jaws, vocal cords, chest and abdominal wall, pelvic floor, anal and vaginal orifice as well as the extremities."(2) They got reactions when they applied electrical current in and around the central fissure in the Rolando (located midway in the cerebrum) of the brain. (If you are a TI reading this account, I imagine you can directly relate to the fact that somebody knows exactly how to make the limbic system respond.)

Electrical Stimulation of the Brain

Before there was MKULTRA, there were Drs. Mahl, Rothenberg, Delgado (Jose Delgado of the "remote-control-chip-implanted-in-charging-bull" fame) and Hamlin at Yale University in 1962 doing electrical stimulation to the intracerebral. Two multilead needle electrodes (made of polyethylene about 12cm long and 0.5mm in diameter) were implanted in a patient. Then the patient was interviewed while electrical stimulation was being applied. In their paper, "Psychological Responses in the Human to Intracerebral Electrical Stimulation" (published in 1962), they discuss the patient hallucinating whenever there was "conflicting mental content, ideas, wishes," which were activated prior to electrical stimulation. That

is, according to the doctors, “the conscious and unconscious mental content present at the time of stimulation may be manifested in hallucinatory experiences.” This research means that it was known that certain types of electrical stimulation could create hallucinations. It also means that humans could be controlled externally and unwittingly.

In 1978, electrical stimulation of the brain was used in experiments to evoke all kinds of simple and complex sensations and emotions. Once again, it was discovered by other researchers that hallucinations could be

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created by electrical stimulation. Some of this type of research into hallucinations through electrical stimulation was being done at the University of California-Los Angeles (UCLA) in the Reed Neurological Research Center, the Brain Research Institute and the Department of Surgery. These researchers based their experiments, according to their paper “Mental Phenomena Evoked by Electrical Stimulation of the Human Hippocampal Formation and Amygdala,” on the earlier research of Wilder Penfield, M.D. (1954).

Dr. Penfield's work from 1954 forms the basis of modern understanding of electrical stimulation and observed responses. UCLA was one of the institutions funded by the CIA to conduct several projects under the project name MKULTRA. As a matter of fact, at the time the above-named paper was being published by UCLA, Congress was conducting hearings into MKULTRA.

In 1975, at Tulane University School of Medicine, Drs. Heath, John and Fontana were performing stereotaxic (specific and precise placement) implantation of electrodes in human subjects(3). The implants were stainless steel or silver ball electrodes. Patients within the Department of Psychiatry and Neurology had been implanted starting in 1949. The problem the doctors complained about was that the silver ball electrode had “a slight tendency to attenuate faster frequencies” and “meaningful changes are not filtered out.” But they had narrowed down the most effective pulse rate for brain stimulation to 0.2 to 0.25 (this is a

very, very low rate). Tulane was another of the institutions receiving monies under MKULTRA in one of the subprojects starting in the 60s.

However, before the experiments at Tulane, in the late 1940s (as related in my previous *Paranoia* article), Bell Laboratories was sponsoring Andrija Puharich's experiments with remote telemetry. Dr. Puharich had implanted two inpatients at Bellevue with bioreceivers, or biochips. My guess as to why Dr. Puharich utilized Bellevue Mental Hospital patients is that if the patients began to report hearing voices in their heads, everyone around them, except Dr. Puharich, would attribute the phenomena to the fact that these people were diagnosed as mentally disturbed. This may have been the first time government-funded doctors used the “well, what do you expect, they're crazy” cover story. None of Puharich's early research ever appeared in any academic journal. My source is an on-line publication by Terry Milner(4) who based his investigative report on Andrija Puharich's private papers.

The fact that no researcher identifies the source of their funding means that we will never know for sure which of the above-cited protocols were funded by the CIA, or by other agencies or private corporations. If the researchers did reveal the source, it would have been in their private papers. If, after death, the researcher left those papers to their institution, you can be sure that by now the information would be buried—if it hasn't already been burned.

Electroshock and Psychic Driving

However, we do know from Gordon Thomas' non-fiction book, *Journey Into Madness*(5), that during the 1950s, Dr. Ewen Cam-

eron, head of the psychiatric program at Allan Memorial Mental Hospital in Montreal and chief psychiatrist at McGill University, was experimenting with a technique he called "psychic driving." Quoting from Carla Emery's book(6): "A severe series of electroconvulsive shocks will cause retrograde amnesia: an inability to remember not only the time of shocking, but also a period of time preceding the shocking."

Dorland's *Illustrated Medical Dictionary* defines "electroshock" as "shock produced by application of electric current to the brain." Electroshock, according to Dr. Cameron's protocol would do the following(6):

First Stage – In the First Stage of electroshock amnesia, the subject loses much of her recent memory, "yet she still knew where she was, why she was there, and who the people were who treated her." (J. Marks, p. 135). That is called keeping your "space-time image." The subject knows where she is, why she is there, and recognizes familiar faces. Names are harder.

Second Stage – In the Second Electroshock Amnesia Stage, the subject loses that space-time image and is aware of the loss. That awareness causes extreme anxiety. The subject wants to remember. At his stage the subject asks repeatedly, 'Where am I?', 'How did I get here?', 'What am I here for?'

Third Stage – In this final stage, the subject becomes bizarrely calm. All the previous anxiety is gone.

At this point, patients would be moved back to their room where a speakerphone had been placed under their pillow. A taped recording would play a continuous loop repeating the same command over and over again. While in this state, patients showed incontinence of both urine and feces.

Allen Dulles, of the United States' CIA, found out about Dr. Cameron's work and decided to fund it as part of the CIA's program to create a better spy.

The Sleep Room

Dr. Cameron never published exactly how his method worked. The only way we know the details of Dr. Cameron's experiments is from direct knowledge of one of his victims, Dr.

Mary Matilda Morrow(5). Dr. Morrow had been practicing part-time at the Montreal Neurological Institute before she came to work for Dr. Cameron. She was hoping that a position with Dr. Cameron would further her career. She wanted to become the first woman chief of neurology. However, when she objected to the amount of electroconvulsive treatment (ECT) given to Dr. Cameron's patients, Dr. Morrow found herself joining the other patients in the "sleep room," as the ECT treatment room was called by both patients and staff.

Because Dr. Morrow might have divulged what was taking place at Allan Memorial, it looks like Dr. Cameron made sure that Dr. Morrow would never talk. Another of Dr. Cameron's patients (unnamed in Thomas' book) who was involved in his "sleep room" projects, escaped Allan Memorial, and was interviewed by Thomas. Her testimony is published in his book. Therefore, we have the word of two people who underwent Dr. Cameron's methods. In 1997, the CIA was sued by a number of Dr. Cameron's ex-patients. The Canadian court found in favor of these patients, who had endured Dr. Cameron's tortures in the name of creating a more efficient Manchurian Candidate for the CIA, championed by Allen Dulles—the mind behind the MKULTRA projects.

Pavlov's Experiments

But, where did Dr. Ewen Cameron get the idea for his prescription of large doses of drugs and repeated courses of electroshock treatment, i.e., "psychic driving"? This takes us back to Dr. Ivan P. Pavlov's physiological studies with dogs beginning in 1911. Pavlov realized that dogs and humans share similar physiological traits. Pavlov's "Lectures on Conditional Reflexes: the Higher Nervous Activity (Behavior) of Animals" was translated and published in English in 1928. When I first read specific chapters in college, I was disturbed at how easy it was to control another human. For example, William Sargant states the following(1):

One of Pavlov's most important findings was exactly what happens to conditioned behavior patterns when the brain of a dog is "transmarginally" stimulated by stresses and conflict beyond its capacity for habitual response. He could bring about what he called a "rupture in higher nervous activity" by employing four main types of imposed stress. The first was simply an increased intensity of the signal to which the dog was conditioned; thus he would gradually increase the voltage of the electric current applied to its leg as a food signal. When the electric shock became a little too strong for its system, the dog began to break down.

But, Pavlov didn't stop there(1):

A second powerful way of achieving the same result was to increase the time between the giving of the signal

and the arrival of food. A hungry dog might be conditioned to receive food, say, five seconds after the warning signal. Pavlov would then greatly prolong the period between the signal and the giving of food. Signs of unrest and abnormal behavior might become immediately evident in the less stable of his dogs. He found, in fact, that the dogs' brains revolted against any abnormal prolongation of waiting under stress; breakdown occurred when a dog had to exert very strong or very protracted inhibition.

If Pavlov conducted his experiments today, one wonders whether animal rights advocates might storm his laboratory just as animal rights advocates storm the Animal Labs here at UCLA. One might think Pavlov would have stopped at starving his dogs, but he forged onward(1):

Pavlov's third way of producing a breakdown was to confuse them by anomalies in the conditioning signals given: continued positive and negative signals given one after the other. The hungry dog became uncertain what would happen next. This would disrupt its normal nervous stability just as happens with human beings.

A fourth way of producing a breakdown was to tamper with a dog's physical condition by subjecting it to long periods of work, gastrointestinal disorders, fevers, or by disturbing its glandular balance. Though the three other means listed above had failed to produce a breakdown in a particular dog, this might be engineered later by using the same sort of stresses immediately after the removal of its sexual glands, or during an intestinal disorder.

It should be noted that Pavlov never anesthetized his animals. He wanted to watch "raw" reactions without the softening effect of a drugged response.

It was understood, as far back as 1954, that Pavlov's theories were being used in Russia to extract confessions from captured prisoners during World War II, and, later on, from dissident Soviet citizens and political thinkers. The remarkable aspect of animal and human behavior that Pavlov was able to determine were the categories of physiology and the necessary steps to modify behavior in each category; the events that were



Pavlov and a subject.

needed to break down resistance to a modification program. One of the most productive ways to do this, Pavlov discovered, was to cause a breakdown of "normal" patterns of behavior by continuously disrupting a dog's environment, creating stress and tension in the dog's physiological make-up by "surprises," odd occurrences, or out-of-ordinary events. Replace a

dog with a human, and the same emotional and physiological environment can be created.

For example, disrupting a sleep pattern by waking the dog (or human target) at non-regular intervals over a period of days or weeks gets the dog's (or human target's) attention, creating what psychologists call *abreaction*, or *breakdown*. It wears down the target's resistance to change. After repeated emotional upheavals, the human target becomes sensitive to the controller, and *transference* takes place. In other words, the human target begins to "see the light."

Who are the best subjects for behavioral changes? It is not the psychotic or the insane. It is individuals that are considered normal by society. To quote from William Sargant(1):

(T)he normal extravert, for instance, seems to be 'got at' more easily, and his new patterns maintained, by quite crude and non-specific group excitatory methods, provided that they result in strong, continued and often repeated emotional arousal. Therefore, if these underlying physiologi-

cal principles are once understood, it should be possible to get at the same person, converting and maintaining him in his new belief by a whole variety of imposed stresses that end by altering his brain function in a similar way.

The most important principle discovered by scientists was that by forcing an alteration in behavior there was a forced change in brain patterns. It was not necessary to use drugs.

If you gain nothing else from this article, please remember that normal people are the most susceptible to changes in their environment acting upon the physiology of the human. After all, if your own voices are so noisy and distracting, you will never hear the external voice of a controller. According to Carla Emery(6):

Greater susceptibility is associated with higher intelligence and better adaptation to deprivation, to be suggestible is to be able to learn easily. Being able to learn quickly helps in survival. Humans have a built-in tendency to conform to any situation in which they are placed.

Hypnosis With Subtle Triggers

The above quote leads me to the next component utilized on TIs: hypnosis with subtle triggers. TIs are quite probably conditioned by techniques aimed first at their physiology, then further inducted remotely by hypnosis, and if necessary some type of "street theatre" is staged to reinforce new programming. This would be a very efficient way to keep the target under control without being on the scene at all times. This keeps the cost of field-testing within previously agreed-upon budgets.

Most people will say that they cannot be hypnotized. Or, if they admit to it, they state that they wouldn't do anything against their moral principles. If the individual claims they cannot be hypnotized, they could be in denial of their actual susceptibility. Subjects can be and are hypnotized against their will according to William Sargant in *The Mind Pos-*

sessed. The more emphatically an individual proclaims that no one can hypnotize them, the greater the probability they are "sealed." The term "sealed" means that a master hypnotist inserted a command in the target's subconscious stating something to the effect that no one else's hypnotic commands will be effective, or will break past the superficial, subconscious level.

As to whether someone can be made to go against his or her internal moral commands, all the controller needs to do is to rephrase the command in a way that is supported by the internal morals or ethics of the target. Further, first-time hypnotic induction can take place while asleep, and reinforcement can take place each and every time the target goes to sleep. Once the target is inducted, the controller has total control over the target.

In the next section of this series of articles, I will discuss how a hypnotherapist can counteract an individual's ethics or morals to program them to do whatever the controller wishes. This will include a discussion of the modern technique the Russians called "the word."*

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Secrets of the Shadow Government

by Uri Dowbenko

Al Martin is the man who knows too much.

About government fraud at the highest levels.

About Iran-Contra.

And about the unindicted conspirators who continue to do their dirty work.

In the past, Lt. Cmdr. Al Martin (US Navy, Ret) has testified before Congress for the Kerry Committee and the Alexander Committee, which investigated the illicit deals of the so-called Iran-Contra Affair. His new book, *The Conspirators: Secrets of an Iran-Contra Insider*, is a true crime story and an unprecedented exposé of high-level government crimes, coverups and scandals. The book includes first-hand accounts of US government-sanctioned narcotics trafficking, illegal weapons deals, and a veritable epidemic of securities fraud, real estate fraud, banking fraud and insurance fraud by high-level government perps.

These criminal perpetrators are members of the cryptocracy, those who rule from the shadows of government. In his landmark historical study, *Operation Mind Control*, author Walter Bowart describes the

cryptocracy as "a secret bureaucracy still supported by all the power of the federal government, but which operates outside the chain of government command." Former Assistant Secretary of State Elliott Abrams called it "a Shadow Government in the United States." In Al Martin's words, it's a "Government Within a Government, compris-

ing some thirty to forty thousand people the American government turns to, when it wishes certain illegal covert operations to be extant pursuant to a political objective."

Bowart describes the cryptocracy as "a technocratic organization without ideology, loyal only to an unspoken, expedient, and undefined patriotism. ... Its funds are secret. Its operational history is secret. Even its goals are secret."

Iran-Contra: In The Beginning

"Iran-Contra" itself is a euphemism for the tremendous frauds perpetrated by military, corporate and government criminals for profit and control using the cover story of "Fighting Communism." Ostensibly this inaccurate term entered history as shorthand for the public scandals of illicit arms sales to Iran (which were really to Iraq) coupled with the illicit weapons deals and narcotics trafficking to fund the Nicaraguan-based CIA army called "The Contras." The real story, however, is much more complex.

One of Al Martin's roles was acting as a fundraiser for the bogus "War Against Communism" in

An Interview
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Nicaragua. His expertise as a finance and corporate securities specialist served "The Cause," as Oliver North called the enterprise of raising cash for secret illicit operations.

After he retired from the Navy, Al Martin's life went into the fast lane as a black ops specialist and an Office of Navy Intelligence (ONI) officer. In his book *The Conspirators*, Al Martin tells the facts that have been ignored, ripping off the covers of the sleaziest secrets of the Washington power-mongers.

Because of his failing health, Al Martin has decided to go public and tell the whole story of the Iran-Contra Conspiracy. *The Conspirators* is a secret history of the late 20th century and an uncensored version of what really goes on in the back rooms of realpolitik brokers and go-fers. In a recent interview, Al Martin shared some of his knowledge of this covert world of global fraudsters.

Lawrence Richard Hamil: International Man Of Mystery

At a meeting with General Richard V. Secord and government-sponsored con man Lawrence Richard Hamil, Martin was briefed about Iran-Contra operations and was allowed to view CIA white papers on "Operation Black Eagle," code name for the illegal program of narcotics trafficking, massive fraud and weapons deals.

"Hamil was the type of guy who had a big ego, and he liked to impress people," says Martin. "I thought he was trying to impress me because of the level of his access, but it was much more sublime than that. He knew that later on these documents would become increasingly valuable as Iran-Contra would start to fall apart."

The documents he showed Martin revealed an operation that was basically government-sanctioned fraud, a "license to steal," as it were; in other words, a government-protected racket.

"Hamil was a master of 'The Game,' one of the best in the United States," Martin says. "He's one of the best political manipulators behind the scenes to ever come down the pike. He is not just a simple con man, a government-connected swindler and money launderer, as people seem to think. He was very deeply involved in all sorts of political deals at the same time. In late 1984, Hamil undertook a separate operation. He began dispensing money to House and Senate Republicans, and I don't think anyone else knew this."

The payoffs and systemic corruption were just "business as usual," according to Martin. "You have to look at the states where Hamil did a lot of business. Not only are they states controlled by Republicans, but they are also states where Hamil passed out a lot of envelopes. Illinois, Tennessee, Kentucky. On three occasions, I met then-Governor William Thompson of Illinois. We met him and his aide several times in the bar at the Whitehall Hotel in Chicago [to pass enve-

lopes of cash to him]. Also to the governor of Kentucky, Marcia Lane Collins."

You've heard of COD (Cash On Delivery) but to maintain this level of fraud requires CIE. That's Cash In Envelope.

Al Martin's Covert Ops Career

And how did he start? "I was in the Naval Reserves for a long time," he continues. "How I actually got involved was in 1975, with an old chum of mine George W. Carver III, son of George W. Carver Jr., one of the then-Deputy Directors of Intelligence for the CIA. He was DDI on their Central and Southern Desk. Actually I volunteered for ONI [the Office of Naval Intelligence]. I went from being a lowly 'G' (G's were essentially citizens who kept their eyes and ears open). They weren't looked at as particular assets or resources. Apparently, I did a pretty good job."

"We were in Peru," Martin continues. "At the time the country had a military dictatorship and its political line was officially pro-Moscow. There were about 4,000 so-called Russian advisors in Peru at the time. Peru has always been a problem for Washington because of the number of Russians in the country. The Russian military presence increased for another two years until the installation of civilian president Bernardo Terry. In 1975, my function was to simply keep an eye out on any movement of Russian troops."

So did he realize that Peru would become a staging area for CIA cocaine production and trafficking? "I didn't notice any organized effort in narcotics trafficking when I was there," he replies. "But I knew the CIA Deputy Station Chief in Lima at the time, the famous Buzz Barlow, Eugene 'Buzz' Barlow."

"As you well know, the Tingo Maria Hualaga Valley area of Peru became a focal point of cocaine processing," I pressed on. "That wasn't until after the Russians were kicked out," he answers. "The only thing the CIA seemed to care about at the time was perpetually subverting Soviet interests in Peru and continuously attempting to establish a narcotics base of operations as it were. But the Russians would continually frustrate that. They [the Agency] wanted to establish a network of narcotics traffickers within Peru who would cooperate with the Agency."

Was the CIA looking forward to a time when the Soviet presence would be gone and they could step in? “They were trying to build a network,” Al answers. “That was already in the process, when I was there in 1975. I lived in Central and South America from 1975 to late 1979—early 1980. Then I became involved in smuggling American Express cards into Argentina. I also became involved in circumventing the Dominican sugar embargo of 1981. That’s how I first met Hamil, from weapons sales to Argentina during the so-called Falklands War in 1982.”

“As you can imagine, the CIA could not be put in the political position of helping Argentina during the Falklands War. The American Express Card Affair in Argentina and the subsequent subversion of the Dominican Sugar Embargo were CIA-instituted. Through the operation in Argentina, I also met the famous Carlos Cardoen, the Chilean arms merchant. That was simply business.”

Office of Naval Intelligence

“In my service career as an active officer, I was never involved in anything covert,” Al continues. “That came later. Also there has never been a whole lot of interagency cooperation. There has never been a truly joint operation between the CIA and ONI. I know people like to say that, but the only people the CIA wouldn’t step on to accomplish their aims was ONI. They would easily subvert an FBI or DEA investigation, but never ONI, because they were frightened of them.”

In his book, Al writes that contrary to popular belief, ONI is the most powerful US intelligence agency. “ONI already had a deep existing covert illegal structure. They had a mechanism before the CIA even existed. They had contacts in foreign intelligence services and in foreign governments that the CIA never could have hoped to obtain.”

“Also ONI controlled its own assets, which the CIA had to build from scratch later on. The CIA can’t control any of its own assets domestically because it’s against the law for it to do so, thus the ONI is obviously in a superior position. For instance, you don’t see an airfield that says ‘Owned by the CIA’ on it in the United States. The ONI doesn’t have any such restrictions because it’s part of the US Navy.”

“ONI is where the real deep control is. It’s where the real deep secrets are kept. That was what ONI always did the best. Keeping secrets. Accumulating secrets. Warehousing secrets for the purposes of control.”

When I asked him “what secrets?” Martin replied, “One thing I can tell you is the ONI was instrumental in dethroning former Mexican President Louis Portillo. Portillo got very friendly with George Bush and the CIA, and ONI had never aligned with the Bush faction. I know what people think, but that’s not true. From what I can tell, it has never been aligned, but has always been hostile to that Eastern Country Club Bush Cabal and their friends in the CIA. The Bill Casey faction is the George Bush–Allen Dulles Faction.”

The principals of the ONI faction are “people that you wouldn’t know. Admiral Anderson. Admiral Garrett. Their power comes from the fact that they’re not known. Their names wouldn’t really mean anything, therefore, they can act in such a behind-the-scenes fashion—much more than the CIA. It’s because of their established structure. They’re very deep in old contacts. They’ve simply been around longer than the CIA. They are able to blend overt and covert operations in the same breath because they are essentially not a covert agency like the CIA. It allows them great cover to operate in the open.”

Offshore Money Flows

To understand the secret flow of money from the US “off-shore” to tax-free jurisdictions, where bits and bytes of monetary transactions can be hidden from public scrutiny, is to understand global finance. For instance, so-called “Dutch Sandwiches” are well known in certain well-heeled circles, including movie moguls like Saul Zaentz, the recording impresario and producer of *Amadeus* and *One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest*. The novel *Black Money* by Michael Thomas also deals with the Dutch Sandwich, as well as other arcane money laundry techniques.

When asked about this, Al laughs knowingly. He replies, “A Dutch Sandwich is a certain exotic money transaction. What allows it to exist is a peculiarity in the Dutch legal system and Dutch banking laws. You can retain a lawyer in the Netherlands for offshore trusts in the Netherlands Antilles, and you can give the lawyer exceptional power. He also has exceptional protection from Dutch law, as long as that lawyer is a Dutch citizen. If he is outside the Netherlands, then he can break certain financial laws with impunity. What you’re talking about [Dutch Sandwich] has been used in the past for the flow of monies. In Hamel’s personal address book, he always had a bunch of names of Dutch law firms in Amsterdam and the senior law partners in those firms. I still have those names.”

And where did the money from rich Republican donors go?

“The money went in two different directions,” Martin answers. “Hamil had to pay some of the money over to Oliver North and Richard Secord. Otherwise he wouldn’t have been allowed to operate. I know what the arrangements were with

me. I imagine he had other arrangements with them. I know one of the principal accounts he used to pay into was the account of International Industries S.A. of San Jose, Costa Rica, which was an account controlled by Oliver North and Richard Secord. This very account, as a matter of fact, became public during the Kerry Committee Hearings of 1987. It was one of the principal accounts North used to launder money through."

"Surprisingly enough, from what I could see, North operated through very few accounts, of which Intercontinental Industries SA happened to be a big one. He also operated through Secord's accounts. Secord had longstanding accounts and the names are quite famous. Stanford. Stanford Technologies Overseas. Stanford Exports Overseas. During Iran-Contra, when it came to the money end, anything with the word 'Stanford' in it was controlled by Richard Secord."

Oliver North and the Contra Clinics

Another prime way of hiding the flow of money was through the use of tax-free foundations, designated 501c3 entities, by US tax code. "That was a whole separate diversion scheme instituted by Senator [Jesse] Helms in collusion with Oliver North," Martin continues. "Money could be raised through a 501c3, then made tax-exempt for a seemingly charitable or innocuous purpose. Even political monies can be raised through tax-exempt organizations—and this is a quirk in the law—as long as they support a charitable purpose. This is how North came up with the idea of setting up all those medical clinics. He wanted to set up a string of medical clinics in Guatemala and Mexico in concert with his partner Dr. Louis Oschner of New Orleans. He's a very famous name in covert circles. He was a longtime friend of Bill Casey. I don't know exactly what their relationship was, but North went to Oschner to set up a series of medical clinics. Supposedly tax free charities would fund these."

The entire Contra Clinic fable was a great cover story. "The real purpose of these clinics, by the way, was to treat Contra wounded because they didn't want a lot of Contra wounded coming to the United States for medical treatment and the obvious questions that would be raised. Therefore, North came up with this idea much closer to the scene, ostensibly for the purpose of treating Contra wounded. Of course, the reason it didn't happen is because there wasn't that many Contra wounded because they never engaged in any pitched battle with the Sandinistas. There were very advanced plans made and certainly a lot of money was raised. The clinics were never established, but a lot of tax-free money went into them."

Global Masters of Fraud

Al Martin has plenty of behind the scenes information about the career tracks of government insiders like Frank Carlucci, Richard Armitage and their Blackstone Investment Group. Because of Blackstone's involvement in many high-level high-profile frauds like the Russian Bailout and the Mexican Bailout, one could assume that the company itself was a CIA "cut-out," an actual proprietary of the Agency.

"No, it's not," says Martin. "They're just sympathizers. They're an asset of the agency. They're not a cut-out. They're just one of the legion of financial companies, mostly domiciled in Washington or northern Virginia, which the CIA turns to, on occasion, to launder money, or for some other illegal purpose."

And who gave them the green light to go to Russia for the post-glasnost scams?

"You're talking about long established relationships that probably existed since the 1950s. Assistant Secretary of State Richard Armitage and National Security Advisor Frank Carlucci were not young in the mid 1980s," answers Martin.

"They had been involved with their Blackstone Investment Group, and they have other partners, originally Assistant Deputy Secretary of Defense Richard Stilwell, the son of the famous General Stilwell. Stilwell himself was a retired Major General. Stilwell was also very close to Armitage, Carlucci, and Pete Peterson."

Brady Bonds and Mexican Debt

"There was a whole cabal of these guys," Martin continues. "They had been involved in all sorts of stuff for a long while. For instance, when we were bailing out the Mexicans in 1994, the new covert thing became to commit frauds in Mexico, against the Brady Plan—not the Brady Bonds themselves—the whole plan of using Brady Bonds to back up Mexican debt. There was a window of about a year when you could commit fraud against the Bank of Mexico and other Mexican companies. You would buy essentially worthless Mexican bonds, and you could give a Mexican company in a file drawer a face lift, and then you could get Brady Bonds in exchange for them, which were backed by the US Government."

"Or, to back those up, to securitize essentially worthless Mexican corporate securities—you could take a security that was essentially worth two or three cents on the dollar and make it suddenly worth thirty or forty cents on the dollar in the marketplace. The only thing Brady Bonds are is a collateral guarantee."

"A Brady Bond is essentially a strip-down, what's called a strip or a

stripped down US Treasury bond that essentially guarantees the ultimate mature capital value of a note. It does not however guarantee the interest of that note. It only guarantees the return of capital.”

For the record, the underwriters of these bonds were powerhouse investment banking firms Goldman Sachs, Shearson Lehman and Merrill Lynch. “They were making the one and a half point concession fees on the bonds and they were known as the primary dealer of the bonds,”

Martin says.

The so-called Russian Bailout followed a similar scenario. “Follow the money, and it will lead you to the new fraud,” instructs Al Martin. “The Blackstone Investment Group, even before the Mexican loan deal, was ‘in the bag’ as it were. Blackstone immediately set up an office in Mexico City because it knew that where there was fraud, there was money to be made. You see it three years later in 1997 when Blackstone set up an office in Mexico.”

Likewise there was massive trading activity in the Far East, where the bottom-feeder investment bankers would arrive to pick up “distressed assets”: defaulted stocks and bonds for pennies on the dollar. “That was early in 1998 before things fell apart,” says Al Martin, “because they knew things were going to fall apart.”

“The Carlyle Group, which is Frank Carlucci, and the Blackstone Investment Group are virtually one and the same. Two different names, but they are virtually the same organization,” he continues. “All they do is ride the crest of the waves of various frauds from country to country. Before the so-called Global Financial Crisis of 1998, Blackstone and Carlyle suddenly opened up an office in

Jakarta. They didn’t have an office in Jakarta before because they were very friendly with President Sukarto. Sukarto gave them all sort of inside capabilities to short, or sell short, the Indonesian rupiah which nobody really had the ability to do because the currency wasn’t particularly liquid. They do on a large scale—on a multi-billion dollar scale—what Richard Hamil does on a multi-million dollar scale.”

“They actually purchase a security, let’s say US Treasury Bonds, one security with their own money. They then use that security and hypothecate it ten or twenty times to all different types of transactions. Now that kind of fraud is not particularly hard to commit, particularly if you have a trust company under your control or a trust

company that’s willing to play ball with you. It isn’t that hard to take the same asset and pledge it twenty times.”

Because bank officers don’t do due diligence or what? I asked. “You have to understand that the securities don’t move anywhere. They’re just pledged. They’re usually just held in an account in a securities firm.”

And one bank won’t tell another bank that these assets have been pledged and there’s no way of finding it out? I pressed on.

“Not if you’ve got people willing to play ball with you,”

Al Martin replies. “The people

willing to play ball are the securities firms in the United States which have long-standing relationships with not only the CIA but also this little Eastern Country Club Cabal, as I call it. The firms that have had longstanding intelligence activities and illegal relationships with wealthy Republicans would be undoubtedly Goldman Sachs and Merrill Lynch.”

You could call them the Insiders’ Insider Deals. “Look where Press Secretary Regan came from,” Al Martin points out. “He was the chairman of Merrill Lynch.”

The Bush Family–Harken Energy Fraud

In his online column, “Behind the Scenes of the Beltway” (www.almartinraw.com), Al Martin has written that “you have to look at the entire Bush Family in this context—as if the entire family ran a corporation called ‘Frauds-R-Us.’ Each member of the family, George Sr., George Jr., Neil, Jeb, Prescott, Wally, etc., has their own specialty of fraud.” “George Jr.’s specialty was insurance and security fraud. Jeb’s specialty was oil and gas fraud. Neil’s specialty was real estate fraud. Prescott’s specialty was banking fraud. Wally’s specialty was securities fraud. And George Bush Sr.’s specialty? All of the above.”

Each member of the Bush family, George Sr., George Jr., Jeb, ... has their own specialty of fraud.”

In this context, the infamous Harken Energy Fraud takes on new meaning as a multi-generational family of fraudsters, using high-level insider contacts, are able to manipulate stock prices for their own profiteering.

"Harken was one of those deals that was a combination fraud as well as a manipulation," says Al Martin. "There's different types of fraud when you get into securities. When George Jr. was put in charge of Harken Energy by his father [George Herbert Walker Bush], he essentially took it down the tubes. You have to realize that every business that George Jr. has ever had has failed. That's the man's business record."

Inquiring minds want to know—was it deliberate? "It was a deliberate act by the old man, knowing that his son would take it down the tubes because the son's incompetent," Al Martin replies. "George Bush, Sr. and James Baker and Senator Tower would heavily short Harken stock. I have a list of everybody because I was one of them, but to a much smaller extent. Harken stock was trading at 7-3/4 or 8, when George Jr. was put in charge of it. A year later, the stock was trading at 1-1/8 bid, 3/8 offer. They pumped the stock back up through a lot of bogus press releases, and by using essentially worthless leases in Bahrain and essentially worthless South American oil leases, and through sympathetic geologists making them appear to be really worth something, and making it appear that Harken's about to make a strike when in fact it's all made up. It's all fictitious. And through carefully crafted broker releases and broker statements and press releases, you can pump the stock back up. This has happened sixteen times to my knowledge. Harken would get pumped back up from the dead, from say a buck, buck and a half, back to seven, seven and a half, then it would get dumped again. Originally George Jr. had control of the company. He stayed on the board."

The Hidden Side of Barry Seal

The notorious Barry Seal was a legendary CIA drug smuggling pilot, but there was another side to this 20th century government-pirate (or privateer) which Al Martin reveals in this interview.

"Barry Seal was extensively involved in all manner of fraud," says Al Martin. "His principal partner was after all, Larry Hamil. Hamil had an equal relationship with Barry Seal. Barry provided seed money to set up fraudulent oil and gas and real estate limited partnerships for Hamil. Hamil later profited from them. Hamil would allow Barry to use these limited partnerships for Barry to launder his money through."

"It was a laundry situation. Barry would provide the seed money—perhaps a million dollars or whatever to establish a fraudulent limited partnership—then Barry would use that limited partnership to launder money in lieu of a fee. That was his return."

Was it to launder Seals' money or CIA money? "From what I could tell it was for Seals' own money, not an Agency thing. But where Seals' own money stops and the Agency's monies begins—the percentage or whatever deal they had—I'm not familiar with that. I just know what Seals' relationship was with Hamil. Before I men-

tioned Triton Energy, one of Hamil's oil and gas frauds that he set up in conjunction with Seal."

"It was a scam, but Barry wasn't really interested in the point of it being a scam. What attracted Barry about it was Hamil's ability to launder money, to hide money, to move money, and since these were fraudulent—since they were all set up under temporary corporate names—it was easy to disguise everything when it all fell apart. This is one of the peculiarities of the 1980s which you can't do anymore.

"The laws in all the states have since changed," he continues. "In the 1980s, you could set up what's called a 'temporary' corporation. You would go to the Secretary of State's office and set up what's called a 30 Day Corporation for \$10. At the end of 30 days, you had the right to convert that to a regular full corporation. If you didn't do so, after 45 days all records of your temporary corporation would be erased. There were other states you could do this. Too many people were doing what Hamil was doing. He was taking a temp corporation and treating it like it was a genuine corporation. He would get a corporate seal, a charter. He would simply have the 'T' for temporary removed off the charter and seal. All you need is somebody friendly in the Secretary of State's office. In some cases he would keep operating through those for two or three years. But there would be no corporate records. There would be nothing left. He would never convert them to full corporations."

And the scams continue.

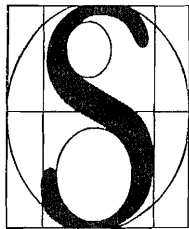
As Al Martin likes to say, with a "new" Bush presidency, "it will be just fraud, I mean, business as usual."

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Marcel Vogel and the Secret of the Fifth Force

by Joan d'Arc



Since ancient times a fundamental energy or “fifth force” has been postulated to be the intrinsic vital force in all of creation. As John White writes in *Psychic Warfare: Fact or Fiction?*, ancient magicians called this force the *astral light*; the Chinese call it *Chi*; the Japanese call it *Ki*; the yogic traditions of India and Tibet call it *prana*; the Polynesians and Hawaiian Kahunas call it *mana*; the Sufis call it *baraka*; Jewish Cabalists call it *yesod*; the Iroquois call it *orenda*; the Ituri pygmies call it *mgebe*; and the Christians call it *Holy Spirit*. As Eliphas Levi writes in *Transcendental Magic*:

There exists an agent which is natural and divine, material and spiritual, a universal plastic mediator, a common receptacle of the vibrations of motion and the images of form, a fluid and a force, which may be called in some way the Imagination of Nature. ... The existence of this force is the great Arcanum of practical Magic.

In modern times, Rupert Sheldrake postulated the existence of causative organizing fields he called *morphogenetic fields*, which he believed accounted for both the evolution (changingness) and stasis (unchangingness) of life forms. Also in modern times, Wilhelm Reich identified through scientific investigations a primordial, massless and pre-atomic creative life-force he called *orgone energy*. Inventor Marcel Vogel discovered an energy he called the *information band* as an energetic communication band between all substances, between all life. In addition, investigators have noted parallels between this all-pervading medium and the Soviet idea of *bioplasma*. This energy appears to be the energy

recognized in paranormal abilities. White quotes electrical engineer Laurence Beynam:

There is an energy in living organisms that is weak and unpredictable, but it can be refracted, polarized, focused and combined with other energies. It sometimes has effects similar to magnetism, electricity, heat and luminous radiation, but it is none of these. Attempts to control and employ the energy have met with little success; investigators have not yet defined the laws governing its operation.

It is likely that as of this writing in the year 2000 the laws governing the operation of this organismic energy have been well defined, and its ability to be focused and combined with other energies has likely been well researched by the military-industrial complex. Preliminary work in this area was performed by Marcel Joseph Vogel (1917-1991), senior research scientist for IBM in San Jose, whose work focused on “phosphor technology, liquid crystal systems, luminescence, and magnetics.” Remy Chevalier writes (www.remyc.com/bigigloo.html) of Marcel Vogel’s discovery of the properties of *Chi*:

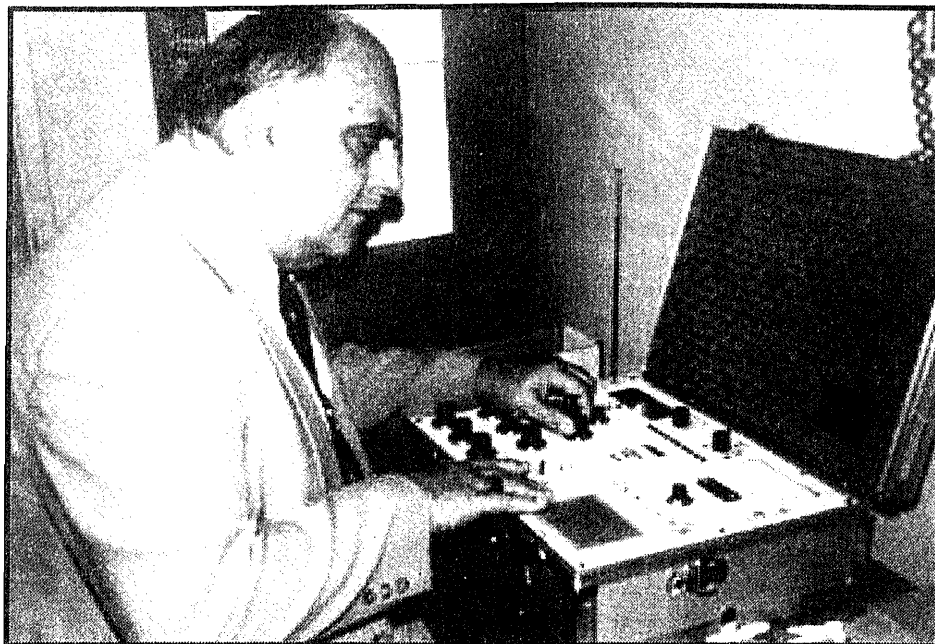
I experienced Marcel’s release of stored *Chi* from one of his crystals at

a US Psychotronics conference back in the late 80's. ... When he asked everyone in the audience to stand up, and he aimed the crystal in our direction telling us that three day's worth of *Chi* had been stored inside and that he would release it all at once, call it a 'psychic wind' blew from his direction to the back of the room, gently freshening our faces. There was no fan on the stage, no sudden burst of the air conditioning system. Just something Marcel was able to do.

We had a long conversation over the phone a few months before he passed away. He explained electromagnetism as a kind of 'box' that enabled *Chi* to travel, as if *Chi* was a passenger on the EM train, and that *Chi* was finer than EM and that EM was just its vessel. Marcel's work has yet to be re-discovered by the "new age" community. ... Somebody is carrying on his work and surely cashing in on his crystal designs.

Indeed, we can safely surmise that one of these *somebodies* is the secret government, a covert corporate/military/intelligence apparatus that is above the law. This is likely the same entity that has in its possession the co-opted works of Wilhelm Reich, Nikola Tesla, Marcel Vogel and other modern geniuses bitten on the ass by ancient wisdom. Laurence Beynam listed the characteristics of this fifth force or energy as follows:

- It is observed in the operation of heat, light, electricity, magnetism, and chemical reactions, yet is different from all of them.
- It fills all space, penetrating and permeating everything, yet denser materials conduct it better and faster, and metal refracts it while organic material absorbs it.
- It is basically synergistic, moving toward greater wholeness. It has a basic negentropic, formative and organizing effect, even as heat increases, and is the opposite of entropy, thereby violating the Second Law of Thermodynamics.
- Changes in this energy precede physical, observable changes, therefore it is a creative force.



Marcel Vogel and his Omega-5, which utilized the psychic power of the human mind and detected fields undetectable by standard scientific devices. Vogel referred to the unknown fields measured by the Omega-5 as the "information band."

- In any structure that is highly organized (crystals, plants, humans), there is a series of geometric points at which the energy is highly concentrated. (This relates also to chakras and acupuncture points.)
- The energy corresponds to certain colors, which can be seen by psychics.
- The energy will flow from one object to another. (According to the Huna tradition, it is 'sticky' so that an invisible stream of energy will always connect any two objects that have in any way been connected in the past. This is the basis for sympathetic magic).
- The energy is subject to exponential decay, radiating outward in the course of time... The density of this energy varies in inverse proportion to distance, which sets it apart from electromagnetic and gravitational laws.
- The energy is observable in various ways: as isolated pulsating points, as spirals, as an aura surrounding the body, as a flame, as a tenuous web of lines.

The Experiments of Marcel Vogel

In 1943, Marcel Vogel co-wrote with Dr. Peter Pringsheim a book entitled *The Luminescence of Liquids and Solids and their Practical Application*. Shortly thereafter, Vogel founded a company called Vogel Luminescence Corporation. Vogel sold this company and joined IBM in 1957, becoming one of the most prolific patent inventors in IBM history. Incidentally, Vogel did not hold a university degree, but was largely

self-taught. Vogel also did pioneering work in man-plant communication experiments, leading to the study of quartz crystals and the creation of the "Vogel-cut crystal," which stores, amplifies, converts and coheres subtle energies. By spinning water around a tuned crystal, Vogel created a novel information storage system.

When Vogel retired from IBM after 27 years, IBM and Stanford Research Institute donated equipment to his new company, Psychic Research, Inc., which aimed to show the ultimate compatibility of science and metaphysics. Vogel went on to study subtle energies and forces which emanated from the human body, and attempted to identify and quantify these energies. He was also interested in the therapeutic application of crystals and crystal devices, using stored energies to heal the human body.

Vogel invented a radionics machine called the Omega-5, which utilized the psychic power of the human mind and detected fields undetectable by standard scientific devices. The Omega-5 was a subjective type of device that assisted in scientific findings by providing clues regarding how to proceed, or where to look, to obtain standard scientific measurement. The Omega-5 worked by use of a pendulum, similar to the telepathic dowsing process. Vogel referred to the unknown fields measured by the Omega-5 as the "information band."

The Backster Effect

Following a 1969 article in *Argosy* magazine entitled "Do Plants Have Emotions?," which explored the research of polygraph expert Cleve Backster, Vogel began to explore the concept of human-plant communication. Interestingly, Cleve Backster was present at the Proceedings of the First International Psychotronic Congress in Prague in 1973. His paper, entitled "Evidence of a Primary Perception at Cellular Level in Plant and Animal Life," is listed in the table of contents for Volume 1 of these proceedings. Backster's work came to the attention of one L. Ron Hubbard, founder of Scientology.

Backster is also famous for the development of the lie detector, which was picked up for official use by Hubbard as the "E-meter." Hubbard also performed plant-communication experiments on tomato plants using the E-meter. (Backster's invention is advertized in the scientology magazine *Advance!* as the "Mark Super VII Quantum TM E-Meter" at a regular edition price of \$4,650.00, and a commemorative edition price of \$5,530.00.)

In separate experiments, Vogel was able to duplicate the "Backster effect." He used plants as transducers for bio-energetic fields released by the human mind, demonstrating that plants respond to thought. By connecting the plant to a "Wheatstone Bridge," Vogel was able to compare a known resistance to an unknown resistance. When he held a thought in mind while pulsing his breath through his nostrils, the philodendrons responded dramatically. Vogel's experiments suggested that these human bio-energetic fields were linked to the action of both breath and thought. His findings were that these fields were beyond the space and time domain; they had the same effect on the plant whether the person emitting them was inches away or miles away. This suggested that, "the inverse square law does not apply to thought."

Man-Plant Communication Experiments

Marcel Vogel was also present at the Proceedings of the First International Congress on Psychotronic Research held in Prague in 1973. In his talk entitled "Man-Plant Communication Experiments," Vogel presented his findings with respect to the distant influence of thought on ordinary house plants, specifically, split-leaf philodendrons. Vogel's basic conclusions after four years of work are most interesting. As he concluded, once the experimenter is able to establish a psychic link with the plant, the plant will respond to: "(a) the act of damaging the leaf of another plant; (b) the destruction of another life form, cellular or animal, (c) the release of a thought form of love, healing, mathematics, imagery, emotion."

Vogel explained that each of these thought forms have distinct patterns to them. Vogel also stated that the distant projection of thought forms had been accomplished with a distance of up to 110 miles between plant and person. He also acknowledged that repeatability of experiments had been possible, and that "thought forms of individuals can be repeated."

Vogel discovered that plants respond more to the *thought* of being cut, burned, or torn than to the actual act. The plants seemed to be mirroring his own mental responses. He concluded that the plants were acting like batteries, storing the energy of his thoughts and intentions. Vogel discovered that when thought is pulsed, the energy connected with it becomes coherent. To Vogel, the only pure force and the greatest cohering agent is "love." Coherent thought, Vogel asserted, can have a "laser-like power." He likened love to gravity, stating that it was an attracting and coherent force present at every level of existence.

The Vogel-Cut Crystal

In his experiments on crystals, Vogel was able to alter the final form of a liquid crystal while focusing on its

growth. In one experiment, Vogel, a devout Catholic, focused for a full hour on an image of the Blessed Virgin while viewing the growth of the crystal under the microscope. The result was a shape recognizable as the Madonna. Vogel videotaped this anomaly and noted that, "before the melt went into the liquid crystal state, a blue flash of light took place and then immediately after that, the sample transcended into the liquid crystal state." After a year of watching this anomaly, Vogel finally captured a picture at the moment of transition. This anomaly had been discussed in metaphysical literature, but had never before been witnessed and photographed. The flash of blue light witnessed through the microscope was the transfer of information from the level of light-coding to the physical plane. As Vogel wrote (www.vogelcrystals.com):

What appeared on the film was the prefiguring in space of the crystallographic form the system was to assume. The blue flash contained information which formed into a geometric form. This geometric form was the source of the crystallographic form from which the crystal grew and developed.

According to Vogel, once the crystal has ceased growing, the "intelligence matrix" of the crystal disappears. The form of the quartz is then basically an empty shell until it is enlivened with human bio-energy; accomplished by the transfer of thought-energy via the pulsed breath. Vogel then began 17 years of research into quartz crystals, discovering that quartz had the capacity to store, amplify and transfer information. But, because the raw quartz crystals could not adequately cohere these energies, Vogel began to cut the crystals into various shapes. Just as light through a faceted ruby can produce coherent energy, Vogel wondered if thought interfaced with a specifically

faceted quartz could produce a coherent energy.

One morning in 1974, Vogel awoke with a pattern similar to the Kabbalistic Tree of Life in his mind. Over the course of the following year, he was able to grind his quartz into a 3-D representation of the Tree of Life. The resulting four-sided quartz crystal with pyramid-like points came to be known as Vogel-cut crystals.



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From these experiments came the first instrument for storing, amplifying, transferring and cohering the energies of the body-mind of an individual. It is reputed that some of the best crystal and diamond cutters in Germany have attempted to reproduce the Vogel-cut crystals without success. Vogel explained that the crystal must be worked with right attitude, understanding, and consciousness." He maintained that it is *not* simply a matter of cutting the quartz in the correct shape, but it must be "tuned as a coherent information transfer device." The geometry of the Vogel-cut crystal creates a coherent field of energy that can act as a carrier wave of information.

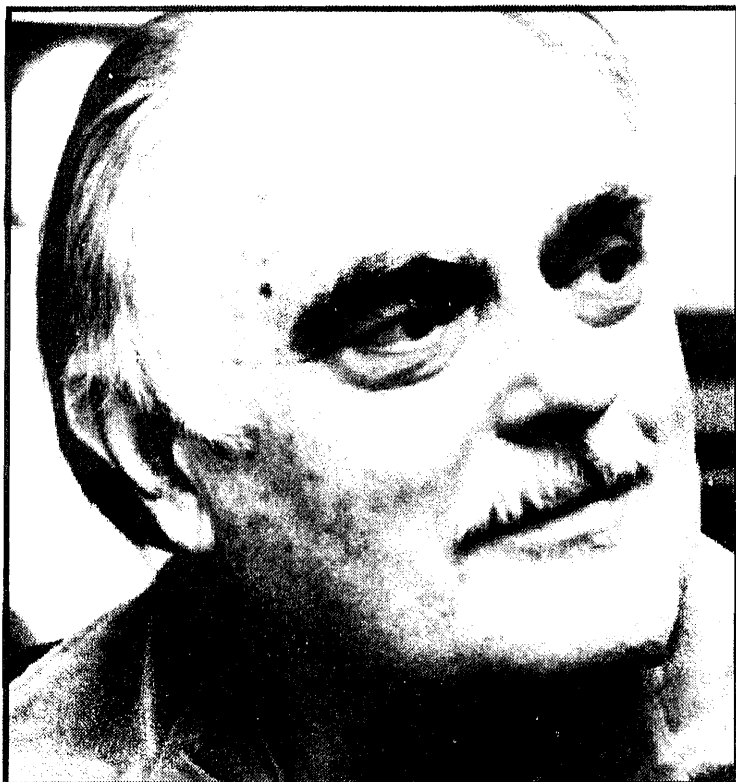
The ability of crystals to store information is now widely known. According to the September 4, 1994, issue of *Newsweek*, Stanford University physicists have demonstrated the first fully digital model of a device that stores information as a holo-

gram within the subatomic structure of a crystal. The scientists were able to store and retrieve a holographic image of the Mona Lisa. The particular crystal held only 163 kilobytes of memory, but it is expected that these holographic units could store up to one million megabytes. This article explains that crystals store information in three dimensions and could be ten times faster than the fastest systems currently available.

Vogel claimed his crystals could be used for healing the human body and mind, by "removing un-

wanted vibrations or thought forms from an individual in distress." He discovered that the crystal acted as an "energetic scalpel" in an "etheric surgery," and he developed methods of healing using the Vogel-cut crystals. Vogel also came to believe that the various subtle energy bodies described in metaphysical literature are "gradations of a field that is anchored to the physical body via the water molecule." He discovered that,

subtle energetic or quantum level as well as the macro level. The bones, tissues, cells, and fluids of the body have a definite crystallinity about them. The structure of the fluids, cells, and tissues of the body tends to become unstructured or incoherent when dis-ease or distress is present. The physical body is comprised of liquid crystal systems in the cell membranes, intercellular fluids, as well as larger structures such as the fatty tissues, muscular and nervous systems, lymph, blood, and so on. Through the use of an



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since the human body is 75% water, the profound healing effects of the crystal were related to its resonance to water. A web site devoted to Marcel Vogel (www.vogelcrystals.com), explains how these crystals work:

The crystal is a quantum converter that is able to transmit energy in a form that has discreet biological effects. This is most likely a resonant effect. The human body, on an energetic level, is an array of oscillating points that are layered and have a definite symmetry and structure. This crystallinity is apparent on both a

appropriately tuned crystal to which these structures are responsive, balance and coherence can be restored by delivering the necessary "information" or energetic nutrients needed.

The Information Band

Vogel discovered that the information band measured by the Omega 5 exists in and around all matter. He postulated that the information band is a sort of "record keeper" of events which brought an object into being, as well as the responses of this object to these actions, energies, fields or forces. He suggested that these forces and actions combined to build a series of identifying patterns or codes. Since all motion generates a field, the composite of these fields is the ground state of the information band. These perturbations form an energy cloud around the substance. This is the mind of the atom.

Vogel found that there is a rhythmic nature to this field, and a corresponding periodicity to the information band. He discovered that the information band would even expand and contract in accordance with its relationship to planetary influences. Vogel even took a clue from Alice Bailey's *The Consciousness of the Atom*:

We have seen that the atom of chemistry, for instance, demonstrates the quality of intelligence; it shows symptoms of discriminative mind and the rudiments of selective capacity. Thus the tiny life within the atomic form is demonstrating a psychic quality – take the atom that goes to the building of form in the mineral kingdom; it shows not only discriminative selective mind, but elasticity. ... Let us endeavor to realize that there is no such thing as inorganic matter, but that every atom is a life. Let us realize that all forms are living forms, and that each is but the vehicle of expression for some indwelling entity.

Vogel's contention was that there is communication through the information band. He believed that as long as there is integrity in the system the object holds its geometric form.

Keeping Occult Secrets

Keeping occult secrets is an unspoken mandate of the national security state. With respect to scientific knowledge of an arcane nature, this information becomes a source of power when it is kept within the control of an elite social clique. The story of Marcel Vogel illustrates that magic and science are two sides of the same coin. Notice that IBM kept their hooks in Marcel Vogel after he left their employ, and Stanford Research Institute donated equipment to Vogel's research lab. What kind of information did this computer industry giant and intelligence think tank receive in return? We can only imagine.

Both military and intelligence people, as Adam Mandelbaum points out in *The Psychic Battlefield*, are highly trained specialists. They are well-drilled in security matters, and always work under threat of extreme penalty for breaches of security. This is also how members of secret societies work. Loyalty to the organization's secrets is a very serious undertaking. As Mandelbaum concludes, "it is not surprising that occult secret societies have often played a role in the military and political arenas of the world, achieving status as permanent residents in the realm of the military-occult complex." As he also notes:

A secret cabal with indigenous contacts, untraceable funding, and a built-in chain of command is just what the revolutionary or the espionage organization ordered. The history of revolution and intelligence provides us with examples of how secret societies have participated in geopolitical struggles, and how occult symbolism and ritual have been found alongside the bayonets and bombs that have changed governments and established—or overthrown—tyranny.

The Secret Society of the State

An important book written in France in 1960 discussed the implications of this control of scientific knowledge by the secret society of

the state. As Pauwels and Bergier wrote in *The Dawn of Magic*, unknown treasures of the past lie slumbering in libraries of Alexandria, Athens, Jerusalem, and Egypt; and many other ancient libraries were torched for political and religious reasons. Much of our ancient history is physically lost, and much of what remains is lost to the tendency of moderns to think of the progress of knowledge as being "discontinuous with hundreds of thousands of years of ignorance." This assumption serves a purpose. It serves to obscure arcane knowledge in order to keep it in the hands of the few.

The idea that there suddenly came about an "era of enlightenment" serves to obscure all previous periods of history. Yet, Pauwels and Bergier lament, these periods of time actually contained "truths far too profound to be attributed merely to the intuition of the ancients." For instance, modern methods of rational inquiry were not, they wrote, invented by Descartes, but by Aristotle, and before that, Democritus actually had his roots in an earlier Phoenician tradition of rational scientific inquiry.

A comparison to modern science shows that the state of affairs is much the same. The rapid growth of technology makes the same secrecy a necessity. As knowledge advances, it is surrounded by secrecy at every level, and the technical language with which this knowledge is conveyed becomes more and more obscure to the lay person. As a result of this secret scientific knowledge, the upper echelons of the cryptocracy have the power to make far-reaching decisions over the heads of a powerless populace. As Pauwels and Bergier warned, we are returning to "the age of the Adepts," and to the era of secret societies. We are on the verge of fully apprehending that "magic" is misapprehended science. Yet, the agencies in charge of our so-called national security have known these secrets for a long time. Is this an orchestrated time lag?

Secret societies have always closely guarded their scientific knowledge, their artisan and industrial traditions, and their magical techniques, and carefully created closed societies and guilds for the propagation of these secrets. The Initiates of secret orders were organized to keep their knowledge and techniques underground. In 1960, Pauwels and Bergier imagined that the state would become a secret society in the near future. As is exhibited by the keen interest of the intelligence community in what we might call the "mind sciences," it would appear that this is exactly what is happening. I would add that the state has never been anything but a secret society, and therein lies the root of its ordained power.

Current scientific advances are merely an extension of the safekeeping and continual propagation of secret knowledge in the hands of the few. The safe haven of this hidden knowledge lies in a caste system, which possesses much more planetary clout than governments and political police. It is a secret society above the law of any land. This powerful elite clique has its own police force: the various intelligence tentacles of the US government, such as the CIA, NSA, the Department of Defense, and various military intelligence forces. Such secrets are kept secret under the auspices of "national security."

Pauwels and Bergier predicted that the secret society would be the future form of government, taking the form of a "cryptocracy." They believed that at a certain level intelligence itself is a kind of secret

society, and that its powers are unlimited when it is allowed to develop without boundaries. Thus, it is important to reconsider our conception of a secret society. The authors admitted that this view may seem

mad, but they admonished: "this is because we are saying rapidly and brutally what we have to say, like a man knocking on a sleeper's door when time is running short."•

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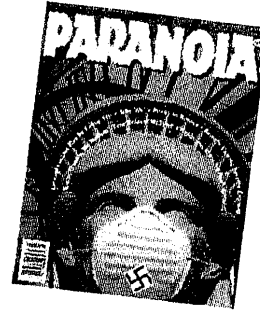
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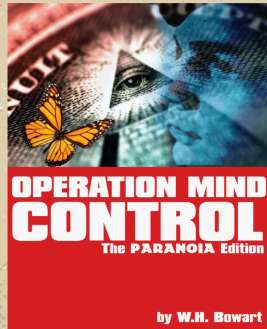
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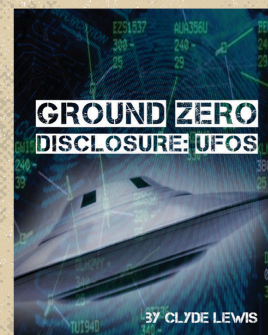
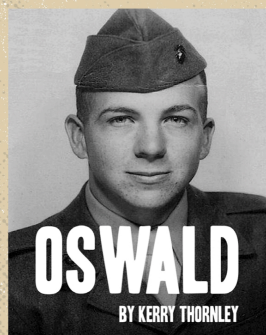
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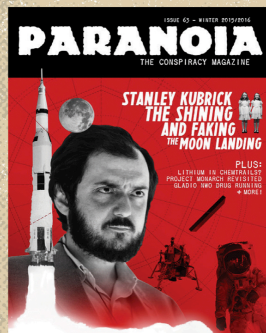


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