

ience aboard a physical craft would be necessary to induce an abductee experience. The witnesses may have been influenced subconsciously (or unconsciously) to "perceive" — with no clue as to what they perceive is objectively true or false. Some researchers, indeed, suspect the motives of UFO entities as boding ill for mankind, while they "delude" us into considering them benevolent. No one knows where the truth really lies.

However, there is another train of thought which may throw a different light on the puzzle. Some researchers speculate that UFOs are from a higher realm of being than ourselves, from a dimension where "physical reality" as we know it does not exist. These entities would be logically more intelligent than us and even concerned with our welfare. Slowly they may be educating us about the higher realms of the universe. Thus Frank Salisbury refers to the phenomenon as "the UFO display." Leo Sprinkle speaks of "cosmic consciousness conditioning."

There is another hypothesis which might explain many elements of the abductee phenomenon. During the past year, John de Herrera and I have conducted studies into the reliability of hypnosis in obtaining valid information. In the few times which we have consciously combined "remote viewing" with hypnosis we have found that the hypnotic state heightens psychic abilities to a remarkable degree.

"Remote viewing" as used here, refers to the studies conducted at the Stanford Research Institute by Professors Puthoff and Targ. Their experiments proved that ESP exists and that *under strict laboratory conditions ordinary persons could obtain otherwise inaccessible information over kilometer distances.*

Berthold Schwarz agrees that hypnosis heightens the psychic abilities of the mind. He wrote, "the [hypnotist] can not only implant thoughts consciously or unconsciously, but can also influence telepathically the one he is questioning in hypnosis."

It is evidently something about the hypnotic

state which produces the "imaginee" phenomenon discussed above. It also seems to be something about the hypnotic state which produces real abductee experiences. The difference is that in the actual abduction incidents, there seems to be an alien stimuli interacting with the witnesses' minds.

Hypnotized persons can not only be in telepathic contact with the hypnotist and other persons in the room but are probably at times in touch with the "collective unconscious." The collective unconscious is the linkage of all men's minds together in the psychic realm, and in it, time as we know it does not exist. Past, present, and future are all available in a timeless now. A mind tapping the collective unconscious is capable of precognition as well as clairvoyance, telepathy and theoretically, the entire range of psychic perception.

We do not yet understand these things clearly. They are in the realm of parapsychology, which is still in its infancy. But the tapping of the collective unconscious through hypnosis may well be the stimulus for the initial abduction experiences of selected UFO witnesses. It may also be the means by which these witnesses are able to provide added detail, under hypnosis, to interested researchers.

The above hypothesis is tenuous. Its logic is difficult to express in limited wordage. But follow it out a little further, and consider the following: The collective unconscious is the linkage of all minds. There is no reason to suppose that it is composed only of *human minds*. Any intelligence in the universe — including UFO entities — should have access to it. Somewhere, somehow, the abductee in hypnosis is tapping a source which wants him to know minute details about UFO occupants, their motives and their purposes. The witness is "remote viewing" information concerned with the UFOs.

The entire subject of the reliability of UFO information obtained under hypnosis is tenuous indeed. Further research is desperately needed. The UFO field has generally been hampered by lack of funds for adequate study. Investigation of the paranormal aspects of the phenomenon, such as is evident in the abductee phenomenon, suffers even more.

World round-up

of news and comment about recent sightings

Spain

Caravelle makes emergency landing at Valencia after encountering UFO(s)

The following extracts come from UPI reports datelined (1) Valencia, November 12, 1979, and (2) Madrid, November 15, 1979,—
(1) "A Caravelle jet with 109 pass-

engers aboard made an emergency landing here Sunday after its pilot radioed he was being 'pursued' by four unidentified flying objects, airport officials said Monday.

"Transport Minister Salvador Sanchez Teran travelled to Valencia and ordered an investigation into the alleged air chase, which started when the Spanish plane was flying over the

island of Ibiza en route to Tenerife in the Canary Islands...

"The crew said the objects pursued them for some four hours, deciding them to abort their long flight south... they said the objects peeled off some 30 miles from Valencia..."

(2) "...a reported UFO sighting in Spanish air space must be one of the best documented on record.

"The case involves a pilot who diverted his plane with 109 passengers and seven crew to make an emergency landing, claiming UFOs were buzzing him and threatening collision.

"An airport director, among others, says he saw the UFOs.

"Air Force jets were reportedly sent up and filmed them and Spain's Transport Minister...said: 'It is clear that UFOs exist.'

"Francisco Lerdo de Tejada, 34-year-old pilot of the Spanish *Caravelle* jet, broke his silence on the weekend incident Wednesday to explain why he plunged the aircraft 14000 feet, and put his chartered planeload of German and Austrian tourists down in Valencia...

"I've never been in danger like it,' Lerdo, a pilot with 15 years' experience told reporters. 'What I saw was a UFO.'

"Lerdo said two 'intense red lights' streaked across the sky towards his *Caravelle* shortly before midnight Sunday [November 11, 1979] as he flew at 24000 feet after taking off from Majorca. Within minutes the objects closed in to a half mile from his plane and he ordered his passengers to fasten their safety belts. After the UFO made two apparent attempts to buzz the plane, the pilot dropped his aircraft into a sharp dive and diverted the plane to Valencia.

"Lerdo claimed sophisticated radar in Madrid picked up the UFOs and saw them plunge 12000 feet in 30 seconds — 'something no plane I know can do' — in an attempt to follow him down...

"Some of the passengers, whose dramatic flight began with a four-hour delay, claimed Lerdo detoured to a quick landing in Valencia because his aircraft was not airworthy, but technicians who checked the plane in Valencia declared it 'in perfect condition.'"

Credit: Peter Tomikawa of Yonkers, New York.

[See also J.J. Benitez' report *Jetliner 'intercepted' by UFO near Valencia* elsewhere in this issue.]

Scotland

UFO & Occupant report from West Lothian

A remarkable entity report was published in the *Sunday Express* of November 11, 1979. The report appeared under the headline "Forester attacked by visitors from Space." Needless to

say it was considered essential that a UFOIN investigator should look into the case. It is hoped to publish his report as soon as it is received. Here is the *Express* account:—

"An area of Scottish grassland was sealed off on the advice of police yesterday after a forestry worker claimed he was attacked there by creatures from space.

"Experts in the field of unidentified flying objects rushed to the site at Livingston, West Lothian, to examine imprints on the ground.

"Last night a police spokesman said:

'It's all very strange. There are indentations on the ground as if made by the legs of some machine. But there are no marks leading to the spot, which is in quite a secluded area.'

"Mr. Bob Taylor, a 50-year-old forestry foreman says he was assaulted by two creatures who tried to pull him into their spacecraft. It happened early on Friday morning when Mr. Taylor was working alone on Dechmont Hill, near the M8 Glasgow-Edinburgh motorway.

"His boss Mr. Malcolm Drummond said: 'Bob Taylor is not a man to make something up. If he says he was attacked by some creatures then there must have been something there. And the indentations on the ground bear this out.'

"Mr. Taylor and his wife were last night visiting relatives in England.

"'Bob was shocked and upset by the incident,' said Mr. Drummond, who is head of the Livingston Development Corporation forestry department. 'But he had arranged some time ago to make this trip and he thought he would go ahead with it despite what had happened, as it would allow him to get away from all the publicity.'

"Neighbours of Mr. Taylor, of Broomyknowe Drive, Livingston Station backed up Mr. Drummond's description of Mr. Taylor as a 'sensible straight-forward man.'

"Mr. Taylor said that as he reached a clearing on the hill he was faced with a silver-coloured spacecraft. Suddenly, two creatures shaped like wheels with arms peeled off from the craft and slowly approached him.

"They grabbed him by the sides of his trousers and tore them, leaving scratch marks on his thighs. At this point Mr. Taylor fainted.

"But he said he had the sensation

of being dragged towards the craft.

"Later, investigations revealed two small trailmarks which could have been made by the feet of someone being dragged.

"Mr. Taylor also remembers a strong chemical smell and his red setter, normally a placid creature, barking furiously.

"When he came round he was dazed and shocked and the creatures and their craft had gone.

"All that remained were a dozen or so deep triangular marks in the ground. There were also two parallel caterpillar tracks on the same spot. But there were no scorch marks, only flattened grass.

"After the incident Mr. Taylor, a father of seven grown-up children, crawled several hundreds yards back to his van. But after reversing it he felt unable to drive and the vehicle was stuck in the mud.

"Later police found the van with the engine still running and the radio-microphone lying on the floor.

"Mr. Taylor, still dazed, walked the mile-and-a-half to his home before contacting Mr. Drummond.

"Although there were no witnesses to the events on Dechmont Hill, a 72-year-old Glasgow woman yesterday came forward with claims of a sighting which could add substance to Mr. Taylor's story.

"Mrs. Mary Hunter, of Drumlendrick Avenue, Easterhouse, who lives opposite a large field, said she noticed a pale white ball-shaped object in the sky on Friday afternoon.

"'I called a neighbour and we watched it for some time,' she said. 'I am sure I saw it split up in half and then come together again. Then suddenly it just vanished. There was no flickering or anything. It was something I had not seen before. I don't drink. So I wasn't seeing things.'

"Mr. Stuart Campbell, a member of the British UFO Research Association, said:

'I found parallel lines on the site described by Mr. Taylor. Also there were marks of a circular design and a series of holes in a pattern round the tracks. What I saw could have been caused by a space craft. But there could, of course, be another explanation, such as a bolt of ball lightning.'

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WE REGRET THAT THIS ISSUE'S COLUMN IS VERY RESTRICTED. SEVERAL LETTERS ALREADY RECEIVED WILL BE USED NEXT TIME.

Sky-high at Night

Dear Mr. Bowen,—After viewing the programme *The Sky at Night* on BBC2-TV last week the public was confidentially informed by Patrick Moore that last year's New Zealand sightings have been identified as 'Venus'. How does this agree with those conflicting statements made by scientists on study of film earlier in 1979? The public is being confused again. Would you please unravel. Yours sincerely,
D. Durand,
15 Netherbury Road,
Ealing, London W5
December 18, 1979
We hope our next letter will help—
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More on the New Zealand film

Dear Mr. Bowen,—Having been involved to some extent in the analysis of the 16mm film of an anomalous aerial object sighted off the East coast of New Zealand's South Island on 31 December, 1978, I wish to comment

on your Mail Bag comment in volume 25, number 3 (May-June, 1979) entitled "The New Zealand airborne movie." The 'gyrating' aircraft instrument panel referred to was, indeed, an engine fuel gauge. Let me quote directly from a letter dated 23 April 1979 which I received from Captain W.E. (Bill) Startup concerning the possibility of electro-magnetic effects on board the aircraft during the flight north from Christchurch.

"Your letter refers to your interest in electromagnetics. To my knowledge the only instrument that showed any sudden change was the fuel flow indicator for number one engine. It occurred as we were proceeding towards the light source. The indicator oscillated for no more than 10 seconds. I place no importance on this, it (was) probably just its turn to flicker. No direct reading compass or RMI deviations were evident nor was there any radio communication interference. Even with the reported radar sightings with fixes ranging down to one to two miles behind us I am fairly safe in

Correspondence is invited from our readers, but they are asked to keep their letters short. Unless letters give the sender's full name and address (not necessarily for publication) they cannot be considered. The Editor would like to remind correspondents that it is not always possible to acknowledge every letter personally, so he takes this opportunity of thanking all who write to him.

stating that no interference of any significance came to my attention."

Despite this rather authoritative disclaimer, one cannot discount the active involvement of the aircraft's own radar as an indication of E-M effects. Ground radar returns at both Christchurch and Wellington ATC of the anomalous aerial objects also figure prominently in this case despite attempts by personnel of the Physics and Engineering Laboratory of the New Zealand Department of Scientific and Industrial Research to show that the source seen by the five eye witnesses on the plane and picked up on their radar was, in fact, an "almost stationary" fishing boat on the ocean's surface. The case remains open and the aerial light source remains unidentified.

Yours sincerely,
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USA — December 20, 1979.

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