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**SUCH A STATE OF AFFAIRS WOULD, OF COURSE, HAVE TO BE TOTALLY INADMISSIBLE, AND IT WOULD JUSTIFY THE EXCEPTIONAL SECRECY IN WHICH THE AMERICAN AUTHORITIES HAVE WRAPPED GROOM LAKE.**

YES -EXCEPTIONAL, I SAY. FOR, AS FAR AS I KNOW, THEY NEVER DRUGGED AND HYPNOTISED THE ENGINEERS WHO WORKED ON THE MANHATTAN PROJECT WHEN THEY WERE QUITTING THEIR PLACE OF WORK!

Well, there it is. Everyone will decide according to his own preference. AS FOR ME, -I'VE MADE MY DECISION, AS YOU WILL HAVE GUESSED. But I do admit that I am not able to base it on any decisive argument. I MERELY STATE THAT, WHATEVER REPLY THEY GIVE US, THEY ARE DECEIVING US. BUT WE'VE GOT USED TO THAT NOW. EVER SINCE THE UFO BUSINESS STARTED!

#### **ADDITIONAL NOTE.**

It is amusing to note that, in his enthralling book, *Revelations*, Jacques Vallée, who himself lives in California, and knows the whole story of ufology right throughout and has investigated the "Lunatic Fringe" in order to denounce their credulity and the fashion in which they are being manipulated, does himself supply -( not intentionally, of course )- some arguments, even if not decisive ones, in support of the thesis that there is non-human technology at work at Groom Lake!

For in fact he admits, very objectively, that things have been seen flying over that Base "which it would be very difficult to differentiate from real saucers" -things which in fact are the cause of the reports referring to "spectacular sightings similar to the movements of true saucers".

obviously, of course, in his view those were merely craft of "an advanced terrestrial technology".

Supposing these telecontrolled "drones" come in several sizes, from little mobile discoidal platforms, almost totally silent and one metre wide, full of sophisticated electronics and with immense manoeuvrability, up to larger aerial reconnaissance craft as much as several metres wide, some fitted with searchlights and some not. ( It could have been a craft of this type that allegedly landed in December 1980 near an

Anglo-American base at Bentwaters ( i.e. Rendlesham).

That "UFO", it seems, was already expected by the military authorities who, before the landing, had already deployed troops from the Base to proceed to the landing-site, as though in order to test the troops' reactions ( a plausible enough interpretation that I won't contest. ).

But, just as Vallée ( anxious to ridicule those who believe in the existence of a great subterranean base, peopled with aliens, underneath Groom Lake ) puts to such folk the question: "WHO COLLECTS THE GARBAGE?", I will return the ball to him, and put to him a question that is possibly far more embarrassing, namely:-

**"WITH WHAT POWER SOURCE AND WHAT MODE OF PROPULSION CAN THOSE 'SILENT DRONES' THAT YOU DESCRIBE TO US BE FLYING?"**

**Rocket engines** are always noisy, require a heavy load of fuel, solid or liquid, if the flight is to be of any duration.

Propulsion by **rotary turbine** ( for lift ) can be almost silent if the power source is electrical, and it would account for the faint hum of the objects. But as it is a flying machine, the weight-power relationship for the batteries producing that energy would be prohibitive, and the same is also true for a nuclear reactor.

Finally, propulsion by MHD (magnetohydrodynamics) -which would account for the objects' luminosity at night and for their performance, would require even more electricity, and would presume the problem of controlled fusion to have been resolved -which, in these closing years of this century, twenty years after the Bentwaters affair, it still isn't!

**SO THEN HOW CAN THE FAKE UFOs AT GROOM LAKE AND ELSEWHERE FLY IF THEY AREN'T USING A TECHNOLOGY BASED ON ANOTHER KIND OF PHYSICS?**

I'm waiting for Vallée to give me the answer. Maybe, of course, there is one! But I confess that I haven't found it yet...

#### **EDITOR'S NOTE.**

I have all Donald Keyhoe's books, but put away in storage, and I can't access them easily, so I am unable to suggest which of the books it is that has been rendered into French as "Les Etrangers de l'Espace." G.C.■

## **“PROFESSOR X”: THE MYSTERY SOLVED**

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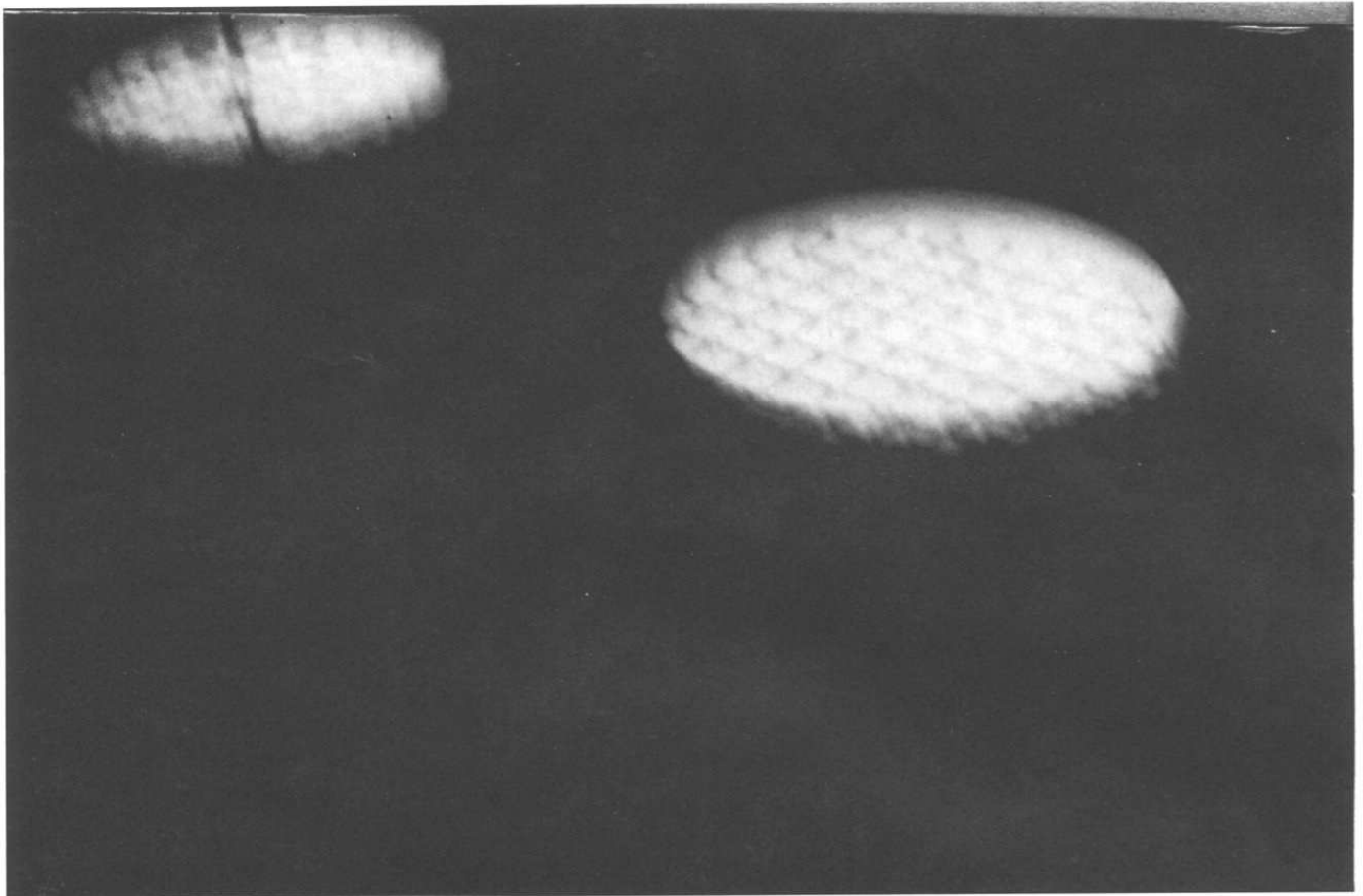
**Co-Author with George Adamski, of *FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED* (1953); one of the Founding Fathers of FSR (1955); and an FSR Consultant today.**

**[FOREWORD BY GORDON CREIGHTON]**

**A**s I have never ceased to remind our subscribers, FSR still has a mass of valuable old material on our files that is waiting to be processed and prepared for publication (no light job!), and if our subscribers will always remember to tell all their friends about us and enrol them as

readers then the nearer will be the day when we can add more pages to the journal and dig more frequently into that valuable stockpile.

The article by Desmond Leslie which I give below was received by FSR so long ago as October 1989. The general "climate" then with regard to such



**Professor X's Photo shown in black-and-white. Originally in colour, as also reproduced on the front cover of this issue.**

“Contactees” as George Adamski was very different from what it is now. In those days Adamski was still the object of much abuse and ridicule, Leslie’s name was always linked with Adamski’s and it was thought perhaps to be wiser to “bide our time” a bit until things changed.

During the last year or so this change has indeed begun to take place. A great deal of evidence is now surfacing which shows that Adamski and so many of the early “Contactees” who claimed to have encountered *benevolent and seemingly noble beings of completely ‘human’ build and appearance were not lying.*

In the meantime Timothy Good’s new book, *ALIEN BASE*, has just been published, and it will present a considerable number of cases of that very type, many of them culled straight from the archives of FSR. I conclude therefore that now is the right moment to bring up the story of this outstanding British astronomer, Dr. Percy Wilkins, and his photograph of two UFOs! And in my possession now is not only a print *but also the negative.*  
EDITOR]

**“PROFESSOR X”,  
By Desmond Leslie.**

Professor Percy Wilkins, FRAS, the most eminent lunar astronomer of our time, will be remembered as the ‘guru’ of Patrick Moore. Nobody, however, realized that Wilkins was also the famous “Professor X” who had had an early CE-III while out for a nice, quiet country walk and had managed to take an amazing photo!

Those who have read my re-edited and enlarged reprint of *FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED* (1970) may recall that it contained a statement by me to the effect that a well-known astronomer had secured a UFO photo. I did not however, at that time, yet know exactly who the famous astronomer was, and I said in the book, quite wrongly, that I understood him to be an American.

One can well understand why - in the 1950s - and indeed still today - a top-ranking astronomer who has had such an experience would want to conceal his identity in order to escape the barrage of ridicule from his “liberal-minded” colleagues. Like their own earlier “incarnations” who “knew” that the Earth did not go round the Sun, and would burn anyone who said it did, the astronomers “knew” that there are no such things as UFOs or, indeed, any form of intelligence higher than their own, and would gladly roast anyone who dared to show otherwise.

Patrick Moore himself told me the story, but, at the time, quite rightly refused to discuss the identity of “Professor X.” He did however - rather cunningly - introduce me to Professor Wilkins, leaving me, perhaps, to figure out the connection. I failed to do so. I’m afraid it didn’t occur to me at the time.

On another, subsequent, occasion, when I again met Dr. Wilkins and lunched with him for what would prove to be the last time, he gave me some of the many drawings that he had made of the Moon when using the largest reflecting telescope in France. He was particularly interested in the *Crater Gassendi*, in which he told me he had more than once observed very large moving objects - some of them luminous.

Wilkins also believed that he had noticed huge tunnels, - and even shafts - in that crater's rim. Perhaps he was mistaken? Perhaps not. But surely we now have enough close-up views of the Moon, taken by various orbiters, to get a better look at *Gassendi* ( and the *Blair Cuspids!* ) so as to be able to see what really is there (though of course no doubt the "moving lights" would have long ago departed.)

Then, towards the end of our meal, Professor Wilkins gave me the 35 mm. slide of the photo reproduced here. I studied it in amazement. Never before had I heard of UFOs with this curious gridlike appearance, although I am assured that indeed others similar have been sighted.

"Where on earth did you get *this* I asked him. He grinned and replied: "One of my family took it...*you keep it!*"

I must be thicker than I thought not to have "twigged" that he himself was the "one of my family" in question. A perfectly true statement nevertheless. Quite clever.

I said: "That streaky effect suggests that they were rising rapidly? Or else the camera was shaking?"

"They were rising rapidly", he said, offering me a glass of wine. And he said no more about it.

He was then quite amusing about the likely reaction of his astronomer-colleagues should he publish all his findings. But we agreed that even Socrates and Descartes would have scoffed at the idea of sending live pictures through the air (though Bacon didn't!) and that young Einstein, as a lad, would have found it rather improbable.

We ended up by agreeing that the elusive 'truth', whatever it turned out to be, would doubtless be many times more bizarre than anything that anyone could imagine. 'Black Holes' and 'silicon chips' had not then arrived on the scene. Nor had any science-fiction writer, no matter how '*far-out*', even conceived of them. Beside 'Black Holes' and 'computer viruses'. strange attractors - not to mention 'Sierpinski carpets' (I can't wait to lay mine), and 'Menger Sponges' (no smart bathroom complete without one), good old-fashioned 'UFOs' appear as down-to-earth as stage-coaches!

As I endeavoured to show in our book ***FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED*** (1953), saucers seem to have been coming down to Earth since prehistoric times, but today they are regarded as "inadmissible evidence", and nobody really wants to know about them except cheerful loonies like the people who founded FSR (of whom I am proud to have been one!) - which just soldiers on, regardless of our many betters who "know better".

Unfortunately Professor Wilkins died soon after our last meeting. There were still so many questions that I had wanted to ask him. But it was only recently (remember that this letter was written to me in 1989. G.C.) that Patrick Moore actually told me, (with one eyebrow in full right ascension, the other at apogee) that "Professor 'X'" had been Dr. Wilkins. Wilkins, it seems, had come

across these two landed saucers while out for a country stroll, and saw them both take off, and managed to photograph them.

### **A FOOTNOTE BY EDITOR OF FLYING SAUCER REVIEW : ABOUT DR. WILKINS AND PATRICK MOORE**

Right up until the day when the American astronauts touched down on "Our Luminary" (July 21, 1969) the very best book on the subject, in any language, was THE MOON, by Dr. H.P. Wilkins FRAS, and Patrick Moore FRAS (published in London by Faber and Faber in 1955).

And, incidentally, has anyone seen any good new book about our Moon since that one?

**And has anyone seen any evidence that anyone has been back to the Moon since July 21, 1969?**

If not, then isn't this total silence about the Moon surely *rather queer*? Wasn't there plenty of talk in those days about how we'd soon be running excursion trips to the Moon? So doesn't it strike anybody as rather odd that so little is ever even *said* about the Moon nowadays?

Well now - for what it is worth - why not take another look at the statements made by one-time US. Army Command-Sergeant-Major Robert Dean, formerly of the Staff of the Supreme NATO Headquarters in Europe, who claims to had constant access to NATO's secret UFO FILES. (See SFR 39/3, Pages 1-7, And FSR 39/4, Page 23).

**For Bob Dean has made it perfectly clear that the reason why nobody has yet been back to visit our Moon is that the Americans were very firmly "warned off" in 1969!**

**There are - so Bob Dean says - already no less than FOUR ALIEN SPECIES who have Bases on our Moon!**

**And one of those species is, in appearance, totally indistinguishable from us!**

If this be true, then what a headache it must be for our Governments!

Finally, I ought of course to mention that this top-notch British astronomer Dr. Percy Wilkins FRAS was a reader of FSR, and he wrote an excellent book, MYSTERIES OF TIME AND SPACE. He contributed three special articles to FSR: *Known and the Unknown* (in FSR 3/5); *The Planet Mars: A World-Famous Astronomer discusses the Controversial 'Canals'* (in FSR 3/4), and *Unidentified Flying Objects* (in FSR 3/6). He was the founder of the International Lunar Astronomers' Society. FSR also published (although I have not yet located it) Dr. Wilkins' account of how, when travelling in an air-liner near Mt. Vesuvius, he saw a flying saucer hanging motionless just inside the lip of that volcano's crater. (You can imagine that one does not try anything like that unless one has got *very good instruments!* ■

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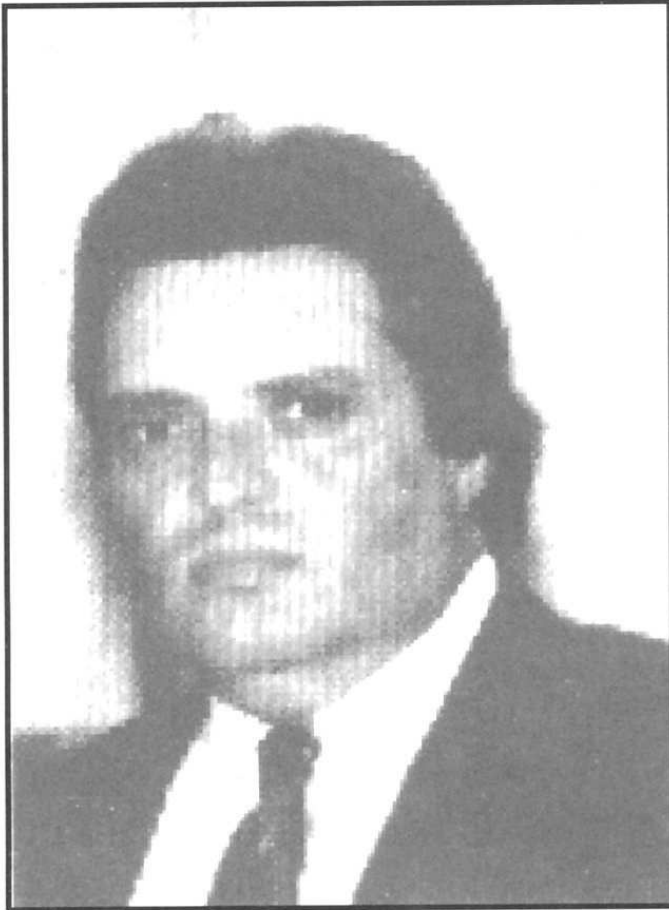


# I. A STRANGE CREATURE PHOTOGRAPHED IN THE PUERTO RICO NATIONAL FOREST OF EL YUNQUE (EASTERN END OF PUERTO RICO ISLAND).

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**Jorge Martín.**

Without being aware of it at the time, in March 1993, during a trip to the beautiful mountain and forest area of Puerto Rico's CARIBBEAN NATIONAL PARK (known familiarly to the Puerto Ricans as "EL YUNQUE" - the ancient Indian name. G.C.), two young men from the Municipal Region of Bayamón, Nelson Berríos and Joaquín Ruiz, took a number of photographs of a strange being of humanoid appearance, lurking behind a rock. Could this not perhaps have been one of the many, many mystery creatures that have been seen and reported from this area of the island of Puerto Rico over a long, long period reaching right back into the past?

They had made their way up to a waterfall known as La Mina Cascada, with the intention of having a dip in the two large pools there below the Falls. Nelson Berríos had his camera, so Ruiz began taking some snaps with it, of themselves and of the place. But next day, when they called to pick up their developed film, they were astounded to hear from the technician who had developed it that several of the seven or eight photos that Ruiz had taken showed an entity, in precisely the same spot, peering

out from behind the rock. They say "We had the impression that it might have been hiding there in order to escape being shown up by our 'flash.'"

As Joaquín Ruiz explained, "I saw nothing. I was absorbed in watching and photographing some young folk who were splashing about in the pools. The thing in the photo seems to have been about the size of a child, bald-headed, with oval-shaped eyes, pretty deeply set, and wrinkled sort of features, as though old."

## AND ANOTHER CASE.

But Ruiz then went on to describe to us another, and previous, incident that he and some friends had experienced, also in the Yunque.

As he described it: "It was some time back. We were camping up there, not far from the main El Yunque peak, when we saw lights shooting about very fast from side to side and, as it seemed, joining up from time to time, some of them light-coloured, white, and some red. They were round, and, as I say, joining up at times and shooting fast from one side to the other. It looked as though they were actually coming out of the mountains! We were scared - I must admit. And we did a lot of imagining about what it all might be. But definitely they were something weird...."

When we asked them what they thought the thing photographed by them might have been, Nelson Berríos answered:



**Tiene una rara pelusilla sobre su cráneo y ojos hundidos.**

**Entity with deep-set eyes and fluffy, down-like hair.**