

THE ANTHROPOMORPHIC ENTITY AT VILLA CARLOS PAZ — Part 3

A classic Argentinian Case re-examined

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PARTS 1 & 2 of this paper appeared in *Flying Saucer Review* Vol. 26, Nos. 5 and 6, and contained an account of the events reported at the Motel "La Cuesta" near the resort town of Villa Carlos Paz on June 14, 1968,* and of the new investigation of the affair. It remains now to complete our commentary on the case.

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To conclude this report, we think it opportune to lay stress on eight significant aspects of the Villa Carlos Paz phenomenon that show a close relationship with certain other and similar incidents, to wit:—

1: The "Delayed Fall"

The two slow falls which María Elodia says she experienced induce us straight away to associate the Villa Carlos Paz incident with the celebrated episode at Kelly, Hopkinsville (U.S.A.) on August 21, 1955. In that case, the anthropomorphic beings, when hit by the shots fired by the Sutton family, dropped down slowly, "seeming to

float to the ground"⁶ and getting to their feet again instantly. What forces are involved in the production of these "delayed fall" effects?

As a simple illustration may we point out that, according to the French electronics engineer Jean Goupil, his hypothesis of a repulsive magnetic field could satisfactorily explain the curious effect of the tempered fall as the result of manipulation by a miniaturized generator of a repulsion field.

To avoid going into the matter at greater length now, we refer the reader to the excellent article by Goupil⁷, inasmuch as it contains interesting technical ideas which

**[The following note was omitted, inadvertently, from Part 1 — ED]*

The meteorological data for Villa Carlos Paz for June 14, 1968, are as follows: atmospheric pressure: 733; humidity: 85%; minimum temperature: + 4.5°C at 7.30 a.m.; maximum temperature: + 15°C at 2.30 p.m. Approximate temperature at the time of the humanoid phenomenon: + 7° or + 8°C.

Maria Elodia indicates the position occupied by the entity when she first saw it. Behind her is the side door by which, presumably, the entity entered, and by which it left. In the foreground is the counter of the bar. (Repeated from part 1 of this article).



might have a great bearing upon this case with which we are here concerned.

2: The Sphere held in the Left Hand

When the entity at Villa Carlos Paz quits the scene, he does so carrying the sphere in his left hand, but with the arm flexed, rigid, and at a right-angle to his torso.

The anthropomorphic entity seen by Luftolde Rodríguez on September 28, 1972, at Santa Isabel, Córdoba, Argentina⁸ was also carrying a luminous sphere in his left hand, and also had the arm flexed and rigid.

3: Light Beams from hands and feet

The entity at Villa Carlos Paz emitted small beams of light from the tips of his toes and from the tips of the fingers of the right hand.

On June 24, 1968, at 1.10 a.m., Senora Dora Egger de Torres, living at Laguna Paiva in the Province of Santa Fe, Argentina, was awakened by an intense humming noise. In a corner of the room she beheld an oval-shaped light and, within the light, two strangely dressed beings. They were both encased in "divers' suits" of metallic appearance with helmet and vizor. One of them was about 2 meters in height, while the other one was only 0.50 meters. From the tips of the fingers of both entities, and also from their lower abdomens, and from the vizors, came luminous beams or rays. "The beams were intensely bright, white, and constant."⁹

4: Teleportation or Unconscious Removal

María Elodia says that after catching sight of the entity for the first time (and feeling the sensation that her body was being distorted, and hearing the voice inside her ears), she suddenly found herself grasping the counter. Yet she had no recollection whatsoever of having walked to the counter from where she had been standing on the threshold of the door leading into the kitchen.

At 11.30 a.m. on March 13, 1973, Señor Jorge Roberto Herrera observed the landing of a disc-shaped object some five metres in diameter beside the road from Jujuy to Salta, Argentina, at a place some 20kms distant from Salta. Suddenly, a human-like being appeared beside the object. The percipient threw his bag to the ground and attempted to approach the being, but only managed to cover a distance of five metres. Then the being, or whatever it was, suddenly vanished, and the object took off and disappeared at great speed. When Herrera started once more to walk towards the spot where the object had landed, he found that he was 20 metres from his bag (the starting point of his sighting), without having the slightest recollection whatsoever of having walked the last fifteen metres of the distance to the object.¹⁰

5: Intermittent Pains and Sensations

During the first few hours after the episode at Villa Carlos Paz, María Elodia felt a strange sensation of discomfort in her legs, and this sensation returned at intervals.

In the celebrated teleportation case which occurred at 3.10 a.m. on July 16, 1972, between Arroyito and Montecristo in the Córdoba area of Argentina, and some six hours after the actual occurrence, Señor Atilio Brunelli (one of the two men involved in the case) began to notice a strange sensation in the right dorso-lumbar region. He



Repeat of Figure 17 from part 1 of this article. The entity which confronted Maria Elodia Pretzel.

described it as like a sort of "going to sleep" which, while growing steadily more acute, was confined in its area to a perfect circle some 1.5 cms in diameter. The area affected was totally without feeling. After a few minutes, he began to experience a tingling sensation and this went on increasing until the normal degree of sensitivity had been restored. These phenomena continued to recur four or five times daily, over a period of four days.¹¹

6: Coherent Beam of Light

The sphere carried by the entity at Villa Carlos Paz emitted a coherent beam of light (concentrated light). This detail agrees amazingly with other UFO cases in Argentina and also throughout the world, and it enables us to find a close correlation between "solitary entities" and the UFO Phenomenon itself, an aspect which has always been a focal point of interest for the ufological analysis.¹²

For further data about cases involving coherent beams of light, we refer the reader to the notable catalogue issued by SOBEPS (Société Belgique d'Etude des Phénomènes Spatiaux) in which they gave a résumé of 128 episodes from all parts of the world involving various forms of emissions of "compact" light.¹³

7: Disappearance of the Entity

Another feature which likewise is striking is the manner in which the entity is said to have vanished once he had passed out through the side door from the dining room, particularly if we bear in mind his slow gait as described by the eyewitness. Why was it that Sr Pretzel did not see the entity? Did the latter perhaps disappear straight up

into the air, as the entity did at Cofico (Salta, Argentina) on July 2, 1968?¹⁴ Or did he maybe just vanish into thin air suddenly like the anthropomorphic being seen by Teodoro Merlo at Santa Isabel (Córdoba, Argentina) on September 22, 1972?¹⁵

On this weird question of the sudden disappearances of entities and/or UFOs, comparison may be made between the well documented articles of the Belgian investigator Jacques Scornaux¹⁶ and those by the Argentine analysis Professor Oscar Urinondo¹⁷ and architect Roberto E. Banchs.¹⁸

8 Parapsychological aspects

Finally, the affair at Villa Carlos Paz appears to comprise certain parapsychological manifestations with "physical effects" of the *Psi-Kappa* (P-K) type - i.e. telekinesis, as evidenced in the teleportation of the eyewitness as far as the counter, in her two "delayed falls" and in the final closing of the side-door without apparent physical contact between the entity and the door. The Villa Carlos Paz case contains moreover features involving "psychic effects" of the *Psi-Gamma* type (telepathy) as, for example, in the matter of the strange voice "perceived inside the ears" and not from the world outside and around the percipient.

Here again this is of course nothing new in the realm of UFO case histories — so much so indeed that the matter has of late been given particular treatment by numerous investigators of the UFO Problem, with the result that there have now emerged three clearly differentiated interpretative lines of approach which we may describe as follows:—

(a) **Parapsychological Monism**, which sees in all these paranormal effects an indication that the whole UFO Problem can be reduced to parapsychological terms.

(b) **Ufological Monism**, which maintains that ufological phenomena and parapsychological phenomena are entirely unconnected, and even goes so far as to deny the existence of all parapsychological phenomena and dismisses them as popular superstition.

(c) **Ufological — Parapsychological Dualism**, (which we personally hold to be the correct view) wherein it is considered that the UFO Phenomenon is in its nature and origin separate from parapsychological manifestations, though it does tend to generate around itself paranormal effects similar to those found in the traditional parapsychological phenomena.**

What, in our view, is important is that this case at Villa Carlos Paz, with all its obvious parapsychological connotations, has furnished — and so long as twelve years ago — an exceptional concourse of documentary ingredients that will be of great value in the study of the complex dilemma represented by the considerations which we have set forth above.

To sum up, we may say then that the phenomenon at Villa Carlos Paz has its sure place among the best and the most credible accounts of apparitions of unknown anthro-

pomorphic beings. Despite the time that has elapsed since its occurrence, we have thought it fitting to publish this full text of CADIU's enquiry into the case, in the conviction that by so doing we shall be enriching the History of Ufology with this true and complete account of the facts.

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Translator's Note

Of the 18 sources listed in Dr. Galíndez' bibliography, three (Nos. 8, 11, 15) relate to material of which I have already given full translations in past issues of FSR. An English version of another (17) has also appeared in FSR.

Only two of the sources listed (1 and 6) are in English.

**We are at present preparing a lengthy critical article on all these points, in which we will include a digest and evaluation of the various contemporary lines of thinking. We refrain from listing here the extremely copious bibliography — already in existence — relating thereto, but will append it in due course to our article when the latter is ready for publication.

O.A.G., S.S. de Jujuy, July 1980

As far as the remaining 12 sources are concerned (they are all in Spanish or French) I can only say that *to the best of my knowledge* no English versions of them exist. However, it would be rash to speak too categorically about this sort of thing. The English-speaking world is vast, and a translation of any Spanish or

French article on UFOs might well have been published somewhere in the USA or Canada or Australia, New Zealand, or South Africa without our having knowledge of the fact at FSR.

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New UFO books reviewed by . . .

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WE don't often hear about UFO entity cases from "down under," but they do exist, as **Keith Basterfield** reveals in his recently published study, **An In-depth Review of Australasian UFO-related Entity Reports** (published 1980 by The Australian Centre for UFO Studies, and available, price Aust.\$12 which includes surface postage of \$3, from Keith Basterfield, GPO Box 497, Adelaide, South Australia 5001).

Sixty-seven cases, the earliest dating right back to 1868, are described in Section A (with sources given in Section C), and in Section B the author analyses and discusses them. When the dubious cases are eliminated, 27 "meaty" cases are left, and "Our analysis . . . informs us that the average case is likely to be a sighting of one entity, human-like in features, associated with a single object of discoid shape, during nocturnal hours with the single reporter being in a familiar environment." This is a thorough and readable study of a puzzling phenomenon, and in one of the six appendixes Keith Basterfield suggests that hypnopompic and hypnagogic imagery (night-time visions) provide a possible explanation. The book is well presented, consisting of 110 A4-size pages loosely bound, and the text is illustrated with drawings and diagrams.

In June 1977, **Fate** magazine sponsored an International UFO Congress in Chicago, U.S.A., to celebrate ufology's first thirty years. Gathered together was a host of 'stars', including the man who started it all, Kenneth Arnold, plus James A. Harder, Ted Phillips, Frank B. Salisbury, Stanton T. Friedman, David M. Jacobs, J. Allen Hynek, Ted Bloecher, Betty Hill, Alvin H. Lawson, Jim & Coral Lorenzen, David Stuppel, Jerome Clark, R. Leo Sprinkle, Berthold Eric Schwarz, J. Gordon Melton and Curtis Fuller. Now the Proceedings of the Congress have been published in paperback form as, logically enough, **Proceedings of the First International UFO Congress** (compiled and edited by Curtis G. Fuller, and published by Warner Books, New York, \$2.75). This thick, 440-page paperback is excellent value. Its contents range far and wide, and most of the contributions are intelligent, readable, and thought-provoking. Kenneth Arnold describes his 1947 sighting over Mount Rainier in detail, also his involvement in the strange Maury Island affair. There are articles on physical evidence for UFOs, on propulsion systems and the ETH, on debunkers, close encounters, abductees real and imaginery, contactees, men-in-black, and much else besides. There is even an index. This lively collection representing ufology in the late 1970s is recommended.

Beyond the Four Dimensions is subtitled "Reconciling Physics, Paraphysics and UFOs," which promises far more than the book delivers. Individuals equally at home in all three of these areas must be very rare, and author **Karl Brunstein** does not appear to be one of them. He is a physicist who has a slight knowledge of parapsychology and ufology, and although the book is aimed at the general reader, the crux of this argument, which takes up a very small part of the book, is likely to be comprehensible only to those with a similar educational background to himself. Too much of the book deals with the history of astronomical speculation from ancient Greece to Newton, the development of early man, the origin of life on earth, and the possibilities of life on other planets, all subjects peripherally connected to the book's stated subject, but all have been written about more interestingly elsewhere. For unfortunately Mr Brunstein's writing lacks clarity and precision, and requires dogged perseverance to elucidate. His title refers to a fifth dimension, a sort of parallel universe where the physical laws, which both UFOs and parapsychical events appear to break, are reconciled and it is this level to which we connect when UFO or parapsychical events are experienced. This again is not an original idea and if the author were better read in ufology he would have known that. (Published by Walker and Company, New York, price \$12.50; 222-page hardback with bibliography and index.)

Storm on the Sun by **Joseph Goodavage** (Sphere paperback, £1.35, 192 pages), subtitled "How the Sun affects life on Earth," is a carelessly compiled and poorly written ragbag of facts and ideas, some of which are related to the book's title, but many of which are not. In his chapter on UFOs the author promotes Persinger and Lafreniere's theory of UFOs being generated by piezoelectric forces (as outlined in their book *Space-Time Transients and Unusual Events*), the connection with the Sun being that of electro-magnetism. He also has chapters on Tesla, Velikovsky, the chicanery of academics, and much more padding unrelated to the theme of the book. In his introduction, Goodavage tells us that the now famous Turkish admiral Piri Re'is (which he spells 'Reiss') was a "Dutch seaman." Any writer on Forteen subjects who can get that wrong deserves to be read with great caution — or better still, not read at all.

Stuart Holroyd's books are usually mind-stirring, and **Alien Intelligence** (Abacus/Sphere Books paperback,