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Upon consultation with the Staff, your Editor has decided to reveal to our selected list of Newsletter subscribers the essential details of the "psychic blood" lab analysis. (For the background facts, see our report on the 1960 Giant Rock Convention, in the Sept. 1960 issue of SAUCER NEWS.)

The lab analysis, prepared by Robert Beck of the Color Control Company, 1538 Cassil Place, Hollywood, Calif., reads in part as follows: "The blood is definitely human. With the exceptions noted below, all red corpuscles appeared normal, with no crenated cells even at the periphery. The leukocytes appeared predominately in the degenerate phase. A number of polyneucleated granulocytes were counted, as well as degenerate segmented basophiles. The presence of shedded endometrium tissue tended to indicate an alteration of normal blood typical of menstrual discharge. The proportions of normal cells to hemolyzed and agglutinated red blood cells, plus the definite presence of disintegrated endometrial and stroma cells confirm this opinion. The final evidence to support my conclusion that the samples are menstrual discharge is based on the fact that several minutes elapsed between the time the blood was found and the time the actual smears were made. On exposure to air, the fibrinogen reaction of normal blood would have altered it irreversibly in the absence of an anti-coagulant such as potassium oxalate. Smears made containing "strings" of dehydrated material were noticeably uncoagulated. As you know, menstrual blood does not coagulate."

It has been theorized, therefore, that some teen-aged girl saved her Tampax and sought an opportunity to instigate a hoax or a practical joke. However, this explanation is almost certainly invalid. The drops of blood could hardly have come from a Tampax, because Tampax is very absorbent, and the blood would not be in liquid form. We are told that a girl could not get drops of blood from a Tampax even if she squeezed it at some length. And it should be remembered that the hoax - if it was a hoax - was performed in public, in full view of a great number of people.

Mr. Gray Barker, at whose bookstand the blood incident occurred, has this to say:
"Considering that the blood may have been placed there through completely mysterious agencies,
we are reminded of trance materializations, during which ectoplasm can often be seen emanating
from the breasts and genital areas of the medium." Mr. Barker goes on, somewhat facetiously,
"There seems to be a great deal of sex connected with saucers, and an occurrence such as the
Giant Rock 'psychic blood' phenomenon would, in our opinion, be typical of the Space People,
especially when we consider the low level of intellect they have demonstrated so far through
the contactees."

Thus, it is as difficult to write this incident off as a hoax as it is to believe that a genuine phenomenon occurred. We here at SAUCER NEWS are completely puzzled, and we would welcome comments from our readers.

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