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Editorial

The Christmas Message

With the approach of Christmas, 1964, Topside has great pleasure in extending to its readers across the world, cordial greetings for a Happy Holiday Season and every Blessing in the New Year.

As we look back on the events of the past few years and survey a world torn by strife and dissension, nation against nation, and with change and chaos the order of the day, some of us may begin to wonder what the New Year has in store for us. Never, it would seem, did the world stand in greater need of the age-old Christmas Message of "Peace on Earth; Goodwill towards Men". And many of us may ask ourselves: "But what can I, as an ordinary, average person, do about this?" The answer is "Much".

To each and every one of us has been given the Divine Gift of the Power of Thought, which if used wisely, can move mountains, break down the power of negative thinking, turn aside the forces of evil, shed light in dark places, and create a better, brighter world for all of us. It has been said that the power of thought is the only true reality of life and when we stop to think that we each have it in equal measure, we begin to realize the vital role that we too, as individuals, can play in shaping the destiny of this planet.

Let us then send out strong, positive thoughts of brotherly love, particularly to those who hate us, take an optimistic, cheerful view of our future prospects, refusing to be drawn by provocative newspaper talk often deliberately slanted to arouse anger and hatred, and constantly visualize this world and its people as the happy place it should be.

We have tried the other way and resultant wars-upon-wars proved a miserable failure in solving any of our problems and only increased man's burden of suffering. With the coming year, let us try the new approach. Let us use this vital power of thought, wisely and constructively. We, the world's millions of average people, are in the majority, and by the power of thought, we can cast our vote in favour of a better world.

A Christmas Story: LAMPS TO LIGHT THE WORLD

By

Wilbert B. Smith

The day was dark and dismal,  
The sky was overcast,  
A cold north wind was blowing,  
Heralding Winter's blast;  
Store-windows brightly glistened  
With merchandise displayed,  
Interspersed with sparkling lights,  
Christmas was on Parade !

Here and there a Christmas Tree  
With strings of lights aglow  
And the Star of Bethlehem  
The Christian Way to show,  
And throngs of happy people  
Hurried along the street,  
Busy with their own affairs,  
Their daily chores to meet.

A newsboy cried a headline  
About Atomic War,  
Military readiness  
And horrors held in store;  
While some may voice their reverence  
Unto the Prince of Peace,  
Their brothers plan destruction,  
With violence increased,  
Degrading Cosmic Energy  
For evils yet untold,  
Instead of atom power plants  
For Lamps to Light the World !

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SWEDEN SHOWS A WAY I

A New-Age Educational Program for Youth.

In this issue, Topside would like to pay tribute to the work of Mrs. Edith Nicolaisen of Hålsingborg, Sweden, founder of PARTHENON, a space age educational organization aimed at enlightening Scandinavian youth as to the new concepts of science brought about by the arrival of technically superior spacecraft to this planet from other worlds.

Mrs. Nicolaisen, besides maintaining contact and correspondence with UFO groups all over the world, handles most of the work in getting out all the necessary literature and information to further the cause of this educational program and frequently puts in an 18-hour day on the job. Such dedication not only evokes our admiration but should act as a spur to increase our own efforts to spread the truth.

The following is a copy of a pamphlet put out by PARTHENON entitled "OUR ADM" :-

"PARTHENON was founded in 1957 as a link in the global work dedicated to peace and enlightenment, and for the purpose of awakening the Scandinavian people, especially the young generation, to a perception of our time's epoch-making interplanetary occurrences.

We are now on the threshold of the Space Age - an era that will make human beings fellow-members of a four-dimensional world where all traditionally known concepts and theories will prove obsolete and be replaced by a wider and deeper understanding of the cosmic laws.

A comprehensive modern observation material and numerous reports from highly esteemed persons in different parts of the world who have been in contact with interplanetary intelligences, have slowly awakened people to the fact that our globe receives visits from other worlds.

And an increasing number of groups have gradually realized how important it is for the continued existence and development of our civilization and culture that we establish contact with our fellow-space beings. There is every indication that they have attained a higher spiritual, intellectual and social level than we have, and, consequently, acquired a greater technical ability.

Today we appeal to the young people who are interested in science to direct all their energy and zealous research to the new sources of energy which have now been discovered, and which do not leave radioactive fall-out to the injury of coming generations. Youth must grasp the four-dimensional space-time structure in order to utilize the cosmic energy for the benefit of all mankind.

It is our hope that the Scandinavian youth will join in this educational work. Future generations will thus be given the opportunity of a harmonic development in a new world where universal brotherly love within a fellowship spanning the whole world has swept away all the present barriers between human beings: national, social and political; different creeds and philosophies, racial prejudices, etc.

PARTHENON's educational activities have two main objects :

- (1) Publication of The New Age literature, the contents of which are related to real facts, and the aim of which is to convey the New Age's message to mankind;

publication of information on the most epoch-making occurrences and inventions in various parts of the world.

- (2) To assist in the establishment of interplanetary and cosmological study groups the members of which will join in a Scandinavian educational work with mutual contact as well as contact with other international study groups;

to assist in finding lecturers from abroad and arranging lectures with lantern-slides, films in technicolor, etc.

PARTHENON's educational activities are of a strictly unpolitical nature and not aiming at profit-making. Profits, if any, that PARTHENON might realize from the publication of New Age literature will be used for educational work among the Scandinavian youth. The financing of this work is entirely dependent upon the publication of literature and upon what may be obtained from voluntary gifts and efforts at the discretion of the contributors."

Any group, or individuals, wishing to obtain literature, to direct enquiries, or to offer assistance in any way to this most worthwhile organization, should write to :-

Mrs. Edith Nicolaisen,  
Hälsingborg 6,  
Sweden.

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## RECENT OTTAWA SIGHTINGS

To groups such as ours, it is encouraging to see a little more publicity being given to reports of UFO sightings in our local press and the interest being aroused by a number of people who would like to know more about the strange things they are seeing in the skies these days!

On Tuesday, October 20, 1964, "The Ottawa Citizen" printed the following article:

### "Were they aircraft, meteors, or saucers?"

A revival of the flying saucer scare, which once kept all eyes glued to night skies over North America, was renewed in Ottawa last night by numerous reports of "mysterious" objects by both ground and airborne observers. RCAF and Dominion Observatory officials today made conflicting identifications of the objects.

### Aircraft in area

An Air Defence Command spokesman said this morning there were several aircraft in the Ottawa area last night about the time the mysterious objects were reported. "Jets flying above 60,000 feet and using their after-burners" the official said, "will give off a brilliant orange light that can appear unusual from the ground."

On the other hand, Dr. J.L. Locke, in charge of stellar physics at the Dominion Observatory, said the objects were more likely to have been of meteoric origin. "Most of the reports we received," Dr. Locke said, "appeared to describe a series of meteors." At the same time no official at the observatory had been able personally to confirm the sightings.

Miss Karen Archer, a Bank of Canada employee, said she witnessed an unidentified object shortly before midnight and was positive that it was neither an aircraft nor a meteor. "The trail seemed to be made up of red, green and yellow sparks," Miss Archer said.

A pilot who reported to the control tower at Uplands also confirmed the sighting. He described an object "moving at fantastic speed and leaving a bright orange trail." He said it travelled from north to southeast and was apparently flying "in line astern" of his own aircraft.

### Watched 'big cigar'

Roy Russell, a National Defence Department employee at RCAF Station Rockcliffe, told The Citizen that he and his wife stopped while driving on Putman Street in New Edinburgh at 11.52 p.m. and spent "at least one minute" observing an odd object moving in a south-southeast direction.

Mr. Russell said the object looked "like a big black cigar and there was flame coming out of the tail section. It seemed as if the tail pipe was full of sparkles and there were three or more windows along the side of the body."

On Wednesday, October 21, The Citizen followed up with this proffered explanation of the sightings :-

#### "Flying objects remains of satellite

NORAD headquarters in Colorado Springs has tentatively identified "mysterious objects" sighted over Ottawa Monday night as the remains of Cosmos 31, a test satellite launched by Russia last June 6.

A North American Air Defence spokesman advised Ottawa's directorate of information services Tuesday that the local sightings coincided with the forecast natural extinction of Cosmos 31 after 2,161 revolutions of the earth. He said that the main part of the satellite fell over Northeastern United States, but it is thought parts of the tail assembly may have "burned out" as far north as Ottawa.

#### Reports requested

The NORAD official requests persons who witnessed the event to report by letter to the Director General of Operations, Canadian Forces Headquarters, Department of National Defence, Ottawa 4, in order to make available all pertinent information. Witnesses are asked to give the following points of information: Exact time, as near as possible, of the sighting, location of person making the observation; estimate of section of sky where object appeared; estimate of the elevation or angle of the object in relation to the observer, number of objects seen. "

#### Topside Investigates

On being interviewed by a Topside reporter, Mr. Roy Russell stated that he had received a letter from NORAD giving various details to support their theory that the unidentified object he had seen was part of the tail assembly of the burned-out Russian test satellite, Cosmos 31. However, on carefully working out speeds and orbits, direction and other data given, Mr. Russell said they didn't seem to fit in with what he had seen. For one thing, he was quite certain that the object was travelling in a south-southeasterly direction and furthermore, it gave every appearance of being on an upward incline rather than coming down. His wife, too, had volunteered this impression of an upward course, unasked. Also, he felt that the object when first seen, was flying too low horizontally to be the descending part of a satellite, and its later apparent upward course gave him the impression that it was a "manned craft" of some kind.

Mr. Russell said that his wife had first noticed the object in the sky, exclaiming: "Look - what is it? It's not an airplane, it has no wings!" He said that what they had seen was a long, dark, cigar-shaped object with somewhat irregular yellow and orange

lighted sections. There appeared to be about three dimly lighted windows in the side of the craft, although these might have been metal plates giving off some reflection. The object was flying slowly, silently and at a fairly low altitude over a tall apartment block known as Champlain Towers. When asked about the size of the flying object, Mr. Russell replied that while it was difficult to estimate its size in flight, he imagined that on the ground it would be about "two or three house-lots long."

In summing up, Mr. Russell said he was not convinced that the NORAD explanation fitted in with what he had seen. On being asked what he thought the object really was, Mr. Russell laughed and said: "Well, if I said it was a flying saucer or something of that nature, I suppose some people would think I was crazy." To which our reporter replied: "Yes, some would, but probably not as many as you may think."

Then, on Friday, October 30, The Citizen came out with this headline :

"Another unidentified flying object sighted

Another unidentified flying object has been sighted in the skies over Ottawa. Two women were walking near the corner of Edgar and St. Francis Streets Thursday morning when they saw "this orange crooked triangle with a rough edge on top" in the southeastern sky.

Mrs. Jocelyn Isaacs of 20 Sycamore Dr. said the object stayed still in the sky, blinking on and off at 30 to 45 second intervals. "It was just as if somebody blew out a candle," she said. Mrs. Isaacs said she and her friend, Mrs. Brenda Mazan of 74 St. Francis Street were so frightened, they ran back to Mrs. Mazan's apartment. "Once we were back, we looked out of the window and it had changed position in the sky," said Mrs. Isaacs. She said the object eventually got so close, "it seemed as if I could reach out and touch it. There weren't any trails, sparkles or glows. This was just a solid whatever it was."

Dr. J.L. Locke, chief of the department of mines and technical surveys stellar physics division, said because the sky was overcast Wednesday night, the phenomenon couldn't have been astronomical. "

When Topside interviewed the two ladies mentioned in this report, the following further details came to light.

The object, which was first seen by them at 1.15 a.m., in the southeasterly sky, was bright orange in colour and a lot larger than the full moon in size. It appeared as a solid, roughly triangular shape, with an irregular edge on the left hand side of the triangle, and the whole thing lit up and went out at regular intervals. Mrs. Isaacs stated that when she and her companion ran frightened, back to Mrs. Mazan's apartment,

the object appeared to be following them and getting closer. When they looked from the apartment window, it was then in the due east, its colour was more yellow than orange, and it appeared to have changed its shape into a roughly crescent form. It was much larger in size and seemed to be hovering just at the top of an apartment block about 30 feet high. Asked to estimate its size in relation to the apartment block, Mrs. Isaacs thought it might be about 20 feet long by 12 feet high but admitted it was difficult to estimate, not knowing its exact altitude.

The two ladies watched the object from the window for over half an hour during which time they turned on the radio to see if there were any other reports of the sighting but they heard none. Finally, the object disappeared suddenly.

Mrs. Mazan stated that she had the impression that what they had seen was only the lighted, bottom half of the 'aircraft' and that there was some sort of upper structure to it. "It looked incomplete, the way we saw it," she said. She further stated that she telephoned Uplands Airport but they were unable to trace the lighted object in the sky. Asked if the object had made any noise, she replied no, but rather an odd thing had happened. When the object was at its closest, her radio "went dead" for several seconds.

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The Ottawa New Sciences Club,  
Box 2221, Postal Station D,  
Ottawa, Ontario. Canada.

IMPORTANT!

As this is not a Club matter but a private sale, all enquiries or orders in connection with the sale of the late Mr. W.B. Smith's book "The New Science" should continue to be addressed directly to his son:-

Mr. Jim Smith,  
10 Lotta Street,  
City View,  
Ottawa 5, Ontario.

The Truth of Project Magnet

by W. B. Smith

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## THE DEATH TRIANGLE AT THE BERMUDAS\*

In the course of the past 20 years, about 100 people have disappeared here - without a trace!

\* Translated from a recent article in "Die Andere Welt" by Mrs. Ann Hardy.

New York: "Project Magnet" of the U.S. Navy is attempting to solve an enigma which has puzzled navigation for a century and aeronautics for 20 years - the atmospheric and magnetic conditions in the so-called Bermuda - or Death - Triangle. The Triangle's base is formed by the 1700 kilometer air line (beeline) between Puerto Rico and a point between West Palm Beach and Orlando at the east coast of Florida. By drawing lines on the map from that point and from Puerto Rico to the Bermuda Isles, one obtains a lateral line of 1500 kilometers to the West, and a line of 1550 kilometers to the East. Within this triangle, vessels have been disappearing for 100 years and more recently airplanes, without leaving a trace.

The well-known incident of December 5, 1945 when five Avenger Torpedo Bombers, with a crew of 20, got lost in this space without any wreckage fragments being found, drew the attention of the Pentagon to the Triangle. Involved in this incident also was a Navy flying boat which started on a search and, 20 minutes later, disappeared, giving no news as to the reason.

In January 1948, a passenger plane, with 30 people, was lost, which had started from the Azores for Cuba.

A four-engine plane disappeared in the Bermuda Triangle on January 17, 1949.

In October 1954, it was a U.S. Super-Constellation, with 42 people on board. Although they had two independent radio devices, they gave no SOS either - the same as the other missing machines.

On November 9, 1956, a patrol plane of the U.S. Navy was lost there.

More recent cases concern three planes and two boats. On January 8, 1962, a jet tank plane crossed the Death Triangle on the route from Virginia to the Azores, and did not make it across its borders.

On February 2, 1963, a sulphur tanker, with a crew of 39, went down in that space en route from Beaumont (Texas) to Norfolk (Virginia). Weak but inarticulate signals were received from this vessel.

Since July 1, 1963, a fishing steamer, with 40 men aboard, has been missing in the Bermuda Triangle, of which, after a

ten-day search, not even a splinter of wood was found.

In August, two strato-tankers started from Florida on an air tank exercise. They signalled their position before entering the Triangle - never to be heard from again.

The marine register reports from this territory show a great many more boat losses than missing planes. A search through the older volumes disclosed that, for the past 100 years, boats have continuously disappeared there, with no explanation for their sinking.

Since 1945, the Bermuda Death Triangle has claimed over 100 human lives. Not one dead body has ever been found.

All this caused the establishment of "Project Magnet", a mutual enterprise of the U.S. and Canadian Navies, in which a number of planes with sensitive measuring apparatus observed the atmospheric and magnetic conditions of this region.

Already back in 1950, A Canadian Government expert had, during test flights in the Triangle, discovered "layers of reduced atmospheric binding, which, as deviations, influenced compass, radio and electronic apparatus."

The last Canadian-U.S. measurements yielded something unique, viz., "... special magnetic forces which do not originate from the ground but from above" as it was expressed by them. Apparently they result in sudden, inexplicable catastrophies to planes and vessels which disappear without trace and cannot be proven any more thereafter.

There is one solitary clue concerning the nature of the catastrophe. This came from the last radio message of one of the five torpedo bombers which crashed together on December 5, 1945. The squadron leader said, with a half-suffocated voice: "We seem to have lost our way: everything goes wrong - strange! Even the ocean does not look like it should look ----" Therewith the connection was severed forever.

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northerly direction. His first impression was that it must be a satellite, but then it appeared to change course to the south-east. He continued to watch it for another five minutes and then he says "it lost its luminosity gradually, like someone had used a reostat, and was lost to my sight within 3 seconds. The next day I called the local observatory to check if satellites conceivably behaved in such a manner but received a very definite answer in the negative. I had the impression that the object had just started to move when I first looked at it. I could be wrong but I venture the opinion that we are, in all actuality, being watched by our space brothers."