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ENGLISH SUMMARY

This is issue 250 of our magazine *Jufof*, a fact of which we are especially proud. The *Jufof* started as a mimeographed sheet all these years ago and turned into a full-colour magazine. And we still strive at bringing fresh and interesting information to our readers.

UFO-Observations (pp. 98–102)

All four sightings discussed here are cases of mistaken identity. On 19 May 2020, a man photographed something strange over Uhdlingen-Mühlhofen on Lake Constance which can easily be resolved as a foil balloon (a number 6). On 16 May 2020, a woman videotaped a group of blinking lights at Schwalbach which most likely were LED lights attached to a balloon. On 19 April 2020, a Landstuhl woman took photos of the evening sky near Ramstein AFB. On one picture, she later discovered a UFO which looks very much like a Boeing-Vertol CGH-47 helicopter in silhouette. The last case comes from Kalamos in Greece where on 16 May 2018, a woman took pictures of the sky on which she later discovered two giant loops hanging from the clouds. Reflections show that the photo was taken through a window pane, and the loops may well be reflections of something inside the room.

Brief notes (pp. 103–107)

The Nazi UFO model – Modell maker Revell marketed a model of one of the imaginary Haunebu Nazi Saucers as a genuine historic model. Luckily, they have now added that the concept is “controversial”.

UFO over Waiblingen – At the end of July 2020, a bright UFO was observed over Waiblingen. Police investigation revealed a stunt kite as the most likely trigger.

Small plane causes UFO incident – On 7 July 2020, a triangular flying object accompanied by a small plane was photographed over Kyll in the Eifel Mountains. This, again, was the experimental plane flown by Belgian inventor Bart Verhees (see *Jufof* 213, pp. 85ff.).

UFO was a model – A UFO photo published by the English newspaper *Mirror* on 26 June 2020 clearly was a Billy-Meier-type model.

Précis and Results of the des Project »UFO authors – experiences of our members with their books and publishing« (pp. 108–114)

Klaus Felsmann, Detlef Hoyer, and Roland Horn interviewed members of the GEP who are authors about their experiences with publishing houses, sales, and the reading public. 8 of 18 authors cooperated, and the article outlines their different approaches to self-publishing, being published, and writing books about UFOs.

Paleo-SETI, UFOs and Aliens – Does Research need an increased focus on these Concepts? (pp. 115–123)

Increasingly, scientific publications on SETI refer to UFOs and ancient astronaut's theory as a potential avenue to discovering extra-terrestrial life. As most critical UFO researchers distance themselves from ET-ideas – do we need to rethink this approach? The author thinks that – at the current level of our knowledge – this need not be done. To talk about ET craft, we would need to have UFO reports independent of witnesses, but we are in no position yet to predict where a UFO might appear to actually and objectively proof a craft. Also, even if this were the case – how could we show that the craft is extra-terrestrial? There are no fool-proof methods for this yet.

Reviews (pp. 124–128)

Brent Raynes: John A. Keel – *The Man, The Myths, and The Ongoing Mysteries*. This is a good book on the ideas of John Keel, stressing not only his concepts and theories, but his scepticism too. It is not a biography but rather a book on how he influenced other thinkers in the field. Recommended.