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Winter 1984 AA-EVP Newsletter

From My Viewpoint

It is winter and the weather has brought to Maryland it's not entirely welcome gifts of cold, snow and ice. The ice reminds me of a message I received through my tape recorder over a year ago.

My home is along the banks of a river which becomes ice covered during the winter. One morning, after the ice had returned, I sat down to start my usual morning taping. At once a Class A voice, apparently referring to the ice on the river asked, "*Is that thick water?*" The question raises the issue as to whether this entity came from a world in which ice is unknown. If this is the case, then we must further wonder just what his world is like. He obviously knew, by his use of the word "water," what water is. One morning to his surprise the water is gone. What has happened? All that he can think is that the water is thick.

In the following recording, I tried to explain to him what had occurred during the night and how the water had turned into ice. Perhaps he now knows what ice is and has carried this information to others. At least I have received no further observations that the ice outside my office window is thick water.

Another time when I was communicating with a reality I felt was not spirit, I asked how they were able to use our language so well and seemed to have a reasonably good understanding of concepts expressed and unexpressed in our day-to-day life. Someone replied, *"We sit with thee."* Some of us, and I know I am one of them, look upon those who communicate with us as teachers at times. They also seem to regard us as teachers and this could be one reason why they speak.

As William James wrote in *The Varieties of Religious Experiences*, "... our normal waking consciousness, rational consciousness as we call it, is but one special type of consciousness whilst all about it, parted by the filmiest of screens, there lie potential forms of consciousness entirely different."

In the last newsletter, I wrote about the responsibility we who are taping voices have to the public at large. I also feel that this responsibility stretches from our tape recorders to encompass all the unseen from wherever they speak. We need to consider how helpful we can be to them when this help seems needed.

One of the challenges we have is to learn as much as we can about these possible alternate realities. I would like to suggest that we give more consideration to those messages that seem strange and not dismiss them as an aberration. Most of them probably have meaning to those who give them. I personally find it heartwarming to believe we are not <u>alone</u> There may well be consciousness existing on other planets millions of miles away. I suggest it is not necessary to search that far.

BEVPA Conference Cancelled

I have learned from Gilbert Bonner and others that the EVP conference planned for London in November had to be canceled due to lack of support.

Again, how fortunate we were and I repeat my sincere thanks to <u>everyone</u> who helped make our first national conference last August in Baltimore such a tremendous success!

Gilbert, a well-known English EVP researcher, is writing a book about the phenomena, has also written articles, and given lectures concerning the electronic voice. He would welcome hearing from AA-EVP researchers with statements 400-500 words long giving their opinions,

discoveries, etc. concerning their EVP work, for possible inclusion in his presentations. His address is (Address removed) England.

Word from Veilleuxes

Richard, Fred, and their father Joseph, Veilleux, of Maine, are well-known for their psychic photographs as well as some EVP voices. Walter and Mary Jo Uphoff wrote about them and included some of their photographs in their book, *New Psychic Frontiers*. Recently I wrote to Richard to see if they are continuing their EVP work. He replied that they are to a limited degree but are concentrating more in the area of photography and automatic writing. One of their communicants told them, "*Truth is a torch, and the more you shake it, the brighter it burns.*" Richard commented, "It would appear as if there is a bit more 'shaking' to do with what we have been gifted to receive."

Holophonic Sound

Mercedes Shepanek, VA State Coordinator for the AA-EVP, and I have discussed upon several occasions the *Brain/Mind Bulletin* for May 30, 1983, which is devoted largely to holophonic Sound. Zuccarelli, a scientist who lives in London, has invented this new sound technique which broadcasts directly to the brain.

Zuccarelli speculates that the brain perceives moving sound in a way that is similar to the construction of a hologram. That is, the auditory system emits its own tone which acts as a reference beam similar to the one used to construct and decode a hologram.

Those who listen to a holophonic cassette recording describe the effect as 'realer than real.' It has a strange penetrating intensity. Not only do the sounds seem to move freely around the room, but sometimes they seem to be inside the brain or are felt in various body areas. Even the loudest sounds do not cause the normal discomfort associated with volume. Apparently because the holophonic effect depends primarily on its access to the brain rather than acoustic power, sound equipment meters do not reflect the apparent increase in volume.

Zuccarelli says, "The effect is not dependent on two ears. Each channel of perception works for itself. We don't need the cooperation of two channels. Each can give the brain the full information of its speciality."

There is a great deal more about holophonic sound in the Bulletin but space limits my going into it. Mercedes and I have speculated whether it might be possible to somehow develop a holophonic sound recording device that could be used in our EVP work. The advantages are obvious. So much of what we now miss would perhaps be audible, and the results we do get would be clearer. We call upon our engineers and scientists to consider if this approach would be practical and if so to do some research. For a copy of the issue mentioned, send S3 to Brain/Mind Bulletin (Address removed). Zuccarelli's address is (Address removed) England.

More Mirror Messages

In earlier issues of the NEWS, I wrote that several of us such as Mercedes, Dan McKee, Clara Laughlin and I had received messages telling us we should use mirrors in our work. I spoke about the mirror messages on the EVPQ-3 tape produced by Alexander MacRae, which is sent to many individuals around the world. At the end, I asked the listeners to let me know if they had recorded mirror messages, because I was eager to learn if similar messages crossed the boundaries of one country.

Apparently, they do. Alec said on tape, at the conclusion of my talk, that he <u>also</u> has received mirror messages. In one, he was told to, "*Look in the mirror*."

In a recent letter, Alec said that he believes the reverse voices are valid. There is controversy as to whether the voices heard on the wrong side of our tapes are genuine paranormal voices. There is every evidence that they frequently are, but some have trouble accepting this because the whole idea seems so incredible. I was happy to know that Alec, who worked for Stanford Research and NASA before returning home to Skye, Scotland and is regarded as one of the top men in the Western world in the field of voice analysis and research, does accept reverse voices as communication from other realities.

EVP Experiment Opportunity

Do you like the thrill and challenge of taking part in experiments? Are you eager to help provide more evidence for survival? <u>This</u> is for you!

I received a letter from Arthur S. Berger, President of Survival Research Foundation. He wrote, "The experiment will require several EVP experimenters located in different parts of the world who are willing to work with us in one experiment which should not extend over too long a period of time. In this experiment, we will be coordinating the survival research experiment and evaluating the material. Details will be supplied to those who write to me."

Sound exciting? You may write to Arthur at (Address removed).

AA-EVP Members Are Busy

It is especially gratifying to me that many of our members are becoming actively involved in the field of EVP. No longer are they satisfied to just sit back and observe, letting someone else do the work. They have stepped forward and each, using his unique talents, is helping the phenomena to progress. To briefly mention the activities of some of them:

Betty Barnell, who joined the Association last June and lives in Austin, Texas, has been asked to give a talk about EVP at her local church.

Jerry Bennett, the Georgia State Coordinator for the AA-EVP, has personally met all Georgia members who are willing to share names and addresses. Jerry, who is especially interested in the research and development of equipment to aid us in our communications with other dimensions, has written that he has completed work on an ultrasonic listening device. He will send it to me in the near future for testing. Jerry has also learned that an ultrasonic superheterodyne receiver (#C 5148 @ \$39.95) can be bought from Chaney Electronics, Inc. For their 1984 Product Catalogue write P.O. Box 27038 Denver, Colorado 80227.

Robert Camburn, a PA member, has recently had an article accepted by the *Journal of Spiritual Frontiers*, a national organization. The title of the article is: <u>The Evidence for Spiritual</u>

<u>Realities</u>, or, <u>The Death of Materialism</u>. I have been privileged to read the article and it is excellent. Among other things, he discusses the electronic voice and how it presents us with evidence for the Spiritual realities. Those of you who are members of Spiritual Frontiers will want to watch for Robert's article which will be published in one of the Journals this year.

Association members in other countries have also been busy. **Tine El-Ramli**, who joined the Association last summer and attended our national conference, has returned home to Wales. Since September she has met some of the leading English EVP researchers such as Gilbert Bonner and Association member Norman Marsh. In a recent letter, Tina wrote that she has also become acquainted with Benson Herbert in his Paraphysical Laboratory in Wiltshire. He was involved with EVP in the early years and studied Raudive's results. His interest in EVP has recently been rekindled, and Tina was invited to meet with him and two groups of his friends. She discussed her feelings about EVP, as a newcomer to the field, with the individuals who came. Herbert has asked Tina to take part in some EVP experiments in his laboratory in the next several months and he may publish the results in his Journal.

Jamil Jashan (he has given permission to use his last name) from Amman, Jordan, who I mentioned in the November newsletter, has been hard at work introducing EVP to his part of the world. In his recent letter, he wrote that he has made the acquaintance of the cultural editor of one of the local newspapers in Amman. This gentleman owns a publishing house and asked Jamil to translate a book about life after death into Arabic for publication. Jamil is presently translating Harold Sherman's book, *The Dead Are Alive*, which contains two chapters about EVP for this editor. In addition, Jamil has mailed a four-page article about EVP to a Lebanese magazine. Another friend of Jainil's is the Director of the English programs on Radio Amman, Jordan. Jamil introduced him to the subject of EVP and after having read in the May 1983, newsletter about the success of Otto Konig in receiving outstanding EVP voices at Radio Luxemburg, told his friend about this. This man is now ready to examine EVP taped messages with an electronic engineer. I was pleased to be asked to give a ten-minute talk about the electronic voice for the radio station. At the end, I included five EVP messages on the tape in order to give the listeners in Jordan a better idea of the electronic voice.

Members' EVP Messages

Carol Barron, AA-EVP member from MA, began recording EVP voices last spring after reading about the phenomena in the National Enquirer Despite the relatively short time she has been working in the field, a number of voices are coming through. Some of them are: "Feel better? Huh? You all right?" (After Carol had been sick.) "I have to quit." "Cut through." "Too bad she fell asleep." (After Carol went to take a nap.)

Monty Hearon, Oregon State Coordinator, wrote that he used to correspond with a Mr. H. who lived in GA. Since "Ham" had lost his eyesight all correspondence was done via cassette tapes in 1973. This was four years before the Hearons began EVP taping. Monty writes, "A while back I had reason to listen to his tapes again and this time with earphones. Much to my surprise, there were paranormal voices on several of his tapes.... On the first one, a loud, but whispery voice says, *'Miller.'* Last summer, when the Hearons were in England, they had a sitting with Ena Twigg, Britain famous medium. She <u>did not</u> know about any particular EVP messages the Hearons had received but said that someone by the name of Joseph Miller was telling her that he was trying to help the Hearons with their taping!

Clara Laughlin, AA-EVP member from VA, continues to get interesting messages. One day she was grumbling during a recording that she couldn't hear anything. A voice replied, on tape, *"Clara we try. We don't catch the earth between the opening."*

Clara has also been helping **Anne Smisko**, a new AA-EVP member from VA, get started in her EVP work. Anne's husband, Mike, died in January 1983. Although the Smiskos had attended Clara's church, she did not know them. After Mike's death, Clara began recording "*Michael*" on her tapes. When Anne came to Clara's home and they made a recording together, Mike came through with his last name and other evidential messages. In a later letter, Clara wrote, "Anne has joyfully received her first voice, '*Mike Smisko*.'" Clara listened to it and says it is of good quality.

Dan McKee, IL State Coordinator, wrote that he thinks it would be a good idea if everyone sent me their "Best of the Year" intercepts. I agree! Please drop me a note by April 1 telling me about the most interesting message(s) you recorded in '83. I would like to publish these in the May NEWS. Dan thinks. that perhaps the most significant one he taped last year was, "*The incentive; the inventive. Now does he know there isn't any error!*" Dan wrote, "Then to wipe out that lingering doubt we all fight with, *'There isn't any error!*" was a tremendous climax."

Mercedes Shepanek recently became a grandmother for the first time. One day while babysitting with six-week-old Gregory, she was doing her regular morning recording. Proudly she held him up in front of her tape recorder and said to anyone who might be with her, "Isn't he gorgeous?" On tape playback, a female voice answered her question with, "*Looks good!*" followed by a male voice who said, "*Looks awfully green!*" Gregory was wearing a green Jordache jumpsuit!

Otto Konig Continues Getting Results

Since the November NEWS was mailed, several individuals have written to me and, contrary to what I had been led to believe, have told me that Konig is continuing to get excellent results with the ultrasonic electronic equipment he has developed.

The first individual to write was Dr. Ernst Senkowski, an AA-EVP member from Germany. I will quote from his interesting letter: "Meanwhile he (Konig) had to go to the Fulda meeting of the VTF (German EVP Association) of which he is a member. They got a couple of good voices in the meeting (500 people) ... one saying in somewhat distorted German, '*The dead greeting.*' ... A lady asked whether Konstantin Raudive could possibly come in. Konig repeated this call, and after a few seconds a low pitched slowly speaking voice answered '*Raudive.*'

"I compared this voice, raising the velocity/speed in replaying it, with the original of Raudive during lifetime taken from an old record and believe me, they are quite similar to say the least!"

Dr. Senkowski also wrote that Konig recorded the name of his close friend Walter Steinokel, who was ill in the hospital. Fifteen minutes later, Steinokel's wife called Konig and said her husband had died fifteen minutes earlier! Since then he has succeeded in recording two minutes of a two-way conversation between himself and Steinokel in which Steinokel gave his complete name. This conversation took place with several other people in the room. His voice has been compared to his life-time voice and as Dr. Senkowski wrote, "They are so similar that any reasonable person will immediately recognize, again there is a certain touch/dialect very characteristic."

Edelgard John, another German member, subsequently wrote that she was present at the Fulda conference when Otto Konig demonstrated his equipment. She wrote: "One can hear the answers from the other side at once so this really is like a call with the telephone! The very best, well fascinating thing was, two mothers that had lost their children called, and the children answered with clear voices and several times with long sentences."

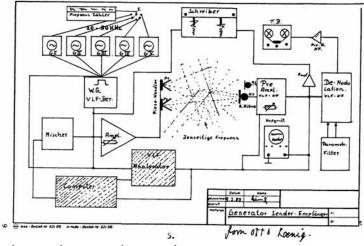
I am grateful to Dr. Senkowski and Mrs. John for their two interesting letters and for bringing us up to date on Otto Konig's work. We all 'rejoice' I am sure, at his continued success. I have always felt that one person's success is a success for all of us.

Review-German EVP News

I am indebted to Urbain Berthelot, Belgium AA-EVP member, for sending to me a xerox copy of an article from the German EVP newsletter. Many thanks are also owed to Tom Roers, MD AA-EVP member, who translated it for me.

The article, written 'by Fidelio Koberle, tells about Otto Konig's recording session at Radio Luxemburg on January 15, 1983. It mentions how loud and clear many of the voices are that come through Konig's "generator." Koberle writes, "Now there are microphone recorded voices of unexpected strength, precision, clear and noise-free. People can no longer say that one is hearing something in the background noise that isn't there."

Mr. Berthelot also included in his letter two block diagrams Konig had made of his electronic set-up for recording EVP voices. Space prohibits showing both of them but Monty Hearon, a retired engineer, has examined them and suggests the one shown here might be of most interest to



other engineers and researchers.

Roll Call

Since the November NEWS, we have added a member from Australia, two more German members, plus members from states already represented. For those interested in a mild dose of statistics, we have twenty-six more men than women who are members of AA-EVP. This might be of interest to sociologists and others, who feel women are more interested in things that go bump in the night. To me there is no mystery why men outnumber women in their interest in EVP. This is one area of the so-called "paranormal" (and I use that term with reservation) that our "nuts and bolts" engineers and scientists can cane to grips with in "hard" research.

Cross-Country List Mailed

Many responded to the notice in the November NEWS about having their name and address on the cross-country list. The first week in January, I sent a list of fifty-eight names to all who wished to participate. This list will be updated periodically. If you are not on the current list but would like to be on subsequent lists let me know. A special note to our friends in other countries: This list is also for <u>you</u>; it is truly cross-country. We already have names on it from three foreign countries. Please send me a note if you want your name and address on future lists.

EVP Tape for Sale

After reading Mike and Ruth Wolverton's interesting book, *How To Build A Lie Detector*, *Brain Wave Monitor and Other Secret Parapsychological Electronics Projects*, which was kindly sent to me as a surprise gift by Harold Sherman. (Recommended by Ben Lee Harris, AA-EVP member, Washington, August NEWS.) I wrote to the Wolvertons. Mike replied graciously and said they are living in Australia and continuing to lecture, teach workshops and do parapsychological research. He mentioned that they have a series of audio cassettes about surviving death, one which deals "… with the latest theory and practice of electronic voice phenomena." To order a copy (\$9.95 plus \$2 for airmail) or learn more about the other tapes Mike has available write (Address removed).

Cassette Tapes in Bulk

For those who use many cassette tapes in your EVP work, you may be interested in contacting Long's Electronics of Birmingham, Alabama. Rev. H. H. Van Dick, New Jersey AA-EVP member, wrote that he finds them to be inexpensive and of excellent quality. Mercedes Shepanek and I have also used them for some time and can agree with Rev. Van Dick. In addition, Long's offers many other reasonably priced electronic aids. For a catalogue, call toll free:

1-800—633-6461. www.longselectronics.com/index.jsp

SAC Conference

Paul Johnson, President and Founder of Spiritual Advisory Council (SAC), member of AA-EVP, is holding his fifth Winter Festival in Orlando, Florida from February 2-5. Notice of this is probably arriving too late for most of our AA-EVP members to consider going, but if you live near Orlando, you might want to attend for at least a day or two. The program promises to be excellent with Sol Lewis and Bryce Bond as featured speakers. I will lecture Saturday morning about EVP and teach a workshop that afternoon.

Odds and Ends

In 1601, William Shakespeare wrote, "We know what we are, but know not what we may be." Those of us who are interested in the electronic voice are getting a glimpse of Eternity. Unlike in Shakespeare's time, we have a better idea of what we may be in the future; the potential that is there for all of us. It could be that the quality of one's Eternity depends on the quality of one's present.

Always my best wishes. Sarah Estep

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