

several trips to New Mexico, talking to many of the oldtimers and then locating other witnesses, there is no question that both Don and Kevin are absolutely convinced (as manifested in recent articles in the International UFO Reporter) that there was indeed the recovery of a crashed flying saucer and an almost immediate cover-up by the United States Government. Much new research has been done about Roswell, including a number of leads resulting from the Unsolved Mysteries broadcast of September 20, 1989, and January 24, 1990, and, despite attacks from people who aren't familiar with the evidence, and aren't aware that we have talked to more than 30 first-hand witnesses, seven of whom independently described the strange symbols on the wreckage and the strange characteristics of the materials.

Despite the high calibre of the witnesses, some still persist in insisting that what was recovered wasn't a flying saucer! Something happened, but it wasn't a flying saucer. This seems to be wishful thinking. One of the arguments, for example, is that what was recovered outside Roswell was the wreckage of a U.S. Army Air Force device based on the Horton brothers flying wing technology developed in Germany during World War II. This is a very tortured suggestion. In the first place, I have talked to John Northrop who was the inventor of the flying wing, and the founder of Northrop Aircraft. Its YB-49 was flown in the late 1940s. John, himself, was convinced that UFOs were alien spacecraft. He arranged for me to speak to a group of people in Santa Barbara where I advocated that position very strongly, as he knew I would. He told me of a UFO sighting by his flying wing test pilot while flying the Northrop wing. Clearly it was a vehicle that was not a flying wing or anything like it. As it happens, one of the Horton Brothers airplanes is at the Air and Space Museum. The wings consist of two layers of plywood with sawdust and carbon in between. They do have a low radar profile, but hardly match the Roswell wreckage.

Secondly, one has to ask the question "If we were capable of producing large quantities of the very high strength, very light weight material that was found at the Roswell site, where is it? Why are we not using that technology today? What we are talking about among other things, is a material with the weight of the foil on a package of cigarettes, that could not be torn, could not be permanently creased, could not be broken through with a sledge hammer, that when crumpled returned to its original shape, and that weighed next to nothing. Such a material as a skin for aircraft, spacecraft, etc. would be of enormous utility. We very obviously are still unable to produce large quantities of such a material. Secondly, this explanation neglects the fact that the 509th Bomb Group, the group at the Roswell Army Air Field, was unique in the world as the only atomic bombers of the world.

All the people had high very level security clearances. One of the key people involved as Major Jesse Marcel, the base intelligence officer. Jesse was familiar with the rockets that were being tested at the nearby White Sands Proving Grounds, with all kinds of weather balloons, and later even wrote the press