

UFOs and GOVERNMENTAL SECRECY

At one time, along with many others, it was my opinion that it was the Air Force who were withholding the true facts about the UFOs. However, as a result of later developments, I no longer adhere to that conviction. One of the principal factors in my change of opinion was a conversation with the late Wilbert B. Smith, approximately two years before he passed away. During the course of this conversation, I asked Mr. Smith whether it was the Air Force or some other department of government that was keeping UFO information from the public. Mr. Smith replied that it was not the Air Force but "a small group very high up in the government." Upon further questioning, Mr. Smith refused to identify the group to which he had reference, and quickly led the conversation into other channels.

Dr. Raymond Bernard: The Hollow Earth (New York: Fieldcrest Publishing Co., 1964), unpagged preface. The above paragraph occurs in a three-page essay which, for no very apparent reason, precedes Bernard's work. The essay is unsigned, but is evidently by C. W. Fitch. The writer refers to Edwards as a long-time acquaintance, and the interview with Smith indicated above is undoubtedly the one recorded in Flying Saucers -- Serious Business. In The Hollow Earth Bernard mentions a Theodore Fitch as the author of Our Paradise Inside the Earth. In addition to a subterranean world inhabited by a superior race, Bernard believes in vegetarianism and human reproduction by parthenogenesis.