

Bob Pratt

Dec 28 11

C. I have a couple questions for you on Mr. Moore if you are willing to help me seeing you know him before anyone else.

P. Well I know something about him.

C. Do you know what he did prior to being a school teacher in Minnesota?

P. Prior?

C. When did you first meet Moore?

P. I first met him at a MUFON conference in Houston - Clear Lake City.

C. I guess I could look that up.

P. 1975 I think. I can't remember.

C. After the time he was publishing the Roswell Incident.

P. I think it was after that, because I think he had some books for sale there. I knew of him from the book of course, but I remember talking to him and he suggested a joint project - the two of us could get together on something. I had no idea what at that time. He was looking into something that he called 'Lincoln's Air Force' - Abraham Lincoln's Air Force during the civil war which was a fascinating little thing but we never saw down that, and we did discuss doing something on the year of silence in Mexico. I & I actually didn't do anything for a couple years - just sort of kept in touch you know in that

C. When did this Project Equinox thing start?

P. That's what I'm trying to think. I made a trip to Houston in I think Jan 1982... I came on maybe at some January of 81.

C. I think because John Salomon and I had agreed to work together about a book on the Cuckoo / Lindbergh case. I made a long trip up there - Birmingham up to Birmingham to Little Rock

and then to Houston. Mostly talking to people related to the
Cosh / Landrum case. While I was in Houston... I think I had
talked to Bill by phone - ~~didn't say so~~ he said he wanted me
to come out to Arizona and talk to me about something
that he couldn't talk about on the phone. So, I got on a plane
in Houston. I had driven to Houston left my car there, flew
to Phoenix, rented a car and drove out to Prescott. Bill was
flat on his back in bed, and he told me he had a lot of
inside information... ah... he had gotten from a secret source,
not a secret source, but anyway a confidential source. He never
identified the person as such, but I think later on he hinted
it was Richard Doty down in Albuquerque. Anyway I took a lot
of notes at that time, I didn't have a tape recorder with me that
I recall and a lot of it had to do with Project Aquarius, MS-12
and a lot of other things. I don't recall exactly what all now.
That was the beginning of it January 82, and I can't remember
now. We finally agreed we couldn't prove any of this stuff...
and write a non-fiction book... so we agreed to write a novel...
and put all this crap in there you know and pass it off as
just described as fiction... that type of idea. That's what
we eventually agreed to do, and went ahead and did. He sent me
more material ^{in the way} ~~like~~ notes and things and I was going to do the
writing, and I think later that year he came down here to Ft. Lauderdale
he and a young friend of his. I can't think of his name now,
but Bill's in-laws at that time were in Boca which is only about
20 miles south of here, so he combined a visit with me. I think
he had a U.S. Air Pass that would let him fly anywhere for 300
bucks in one month or something of that nature. He was travelling
around as one of those cheap deals. He came down here and spent
the night at my place, and we talked for quite a bit. Also, the

book you know and what we could do. The general plot of the novel and this that and everything else - what we could throw in there and so on. That's when we really got going on it. I wrote the first draft of the whole thing, sent it out to him and he sent it back. I think Oct of 84 or 83 I can't remember & 3 day. I went out to Los Angeles and we had an extra copy of the text. We went over the whole thing literally sentence by sentence - the final revision of it. He took all that and (clipped?) out a final revision. Then we made a few more changes after that. He sent me a copy and I wanted to call it MS-12, or I wanted to call it the IAC something I can't remember. He wanted it to be called Project Aquarius. To me that was kind of hacky. Project Aquarius was an old word by that time. Since he had already published a couple of books, and had an agent, we left it with his agent. I heard from him three times over the next five to six months and I think June or July of 84 was the last time I ever heard from him, and nobody was interested in the book. I have not heard from Bill since then in person or in writing or by phone, but I do get his mailings you know - trying to sell stuff that he's peddling. Does that answer any questions

C. Cameron relates the AFOSI, Col William L. Moore sea story and how Moore seemed to pop up in the mid 70s as an English school teacher. Cameron then mentions the Moore FBI file

P. That's a very self serving file.

C. Cameron relates the Moore phone call to Steinhilber related to the call Steinhilber had made and the CIA story

P. I'm trying to think where he taught high school... you know he used a pseud for a number of years early on in the 70s I think when he was trying to get information from the gov't he claims. So he had a lot of files that we addressed to a name that was

totally different than William & Moore.

C. Related all the weird things about Moore not working etc. and the two Doty's

P. One was the father who was active in the 50s.

C. Doty's father was active in the 50s?

P. I think he was active in the 50s. His name is listed in some of the 1950s documents.

C. On what section?

P. FBI documents I think. I can't remember now. I think there were two Doty's but not contemporaries. Now whether he was Doty's father or not I don't remember. I thought there was.

C. And as far as you knew the material was coming from Doty?

P. That's the indication I got. He never came out and said that Doty was the guy, you know, but he hinted Doty was the man. Now it turns out there was a third silent co-author in this book, and he gave me the impression this was Doty. The manuscript was submitted to him for approval and the initial draft came back - one of the chapters was devoted to that incident up there... Rapid City... Ellsworth AFB. OK you know about the missile silo?

C. Ya.

P. OK... how did I get on to this.

C. The approval by the third author.

P. OK Now we used. I used that in one of the early chapters.

The Ellsworth thing as part of the overall thing, and the manuscript came back with a lot of interesting technical details put into there as to weaponry and squads and things of that nature. This supposedly came from Doty? Whether it did or not I don't know. Hold on a second. When all this came (the MS-12

ionary) came up a few months back, I must have took a look at any copy of the final version. At the bottom of the title page I just realized is where it is written "written with the cooperation and assistance of Ronald L. Davis". I don't know who the hell that is. The alternate title here is the "IAC Conspiracy" you know the Identified Victim Crafts.

A couple things. I think Bill would be a little young to have been a Colonel back in 72. I don't know how old Bill is. He's in his 40s now...

C. That's going back 17 years

P. Ya, 17 years and up and he would have been a Colonel in his mid 20s. And I'd say that's a little young ^{at} that stage of life, not in a war time you know, but there's something screwy about this guy because you know I met Shandera when I went out there with the final manuscript, but he was introduced as simply a friend. Not as someone who was deeply interested in U.F.O.s. But certainly not as someone who was investigating the MS-12 thing, and Shandera claimed in that TV show. I think he said he had been into it since mid 1982 (on the Oct 14 special) and I was surprised to hear that because Bill even mentioned that Shandera was into the MS-12 investigation, and secondly the alleged MS-12 document arrived in Dec 1984 and this is just four or five months after I had last heard from Bill about the novel you know. That information would have strengthened an so-called novel and I never heard from him again since then.

C. Very strange

P. Yes it is. Have you talked to Stan (Pinnerman) at all?

C. Coonson discusses the up and down with Pinnerman as well as to the Pinnerman source. Coonson added he had a document that is rather old but that is better as Coonson said that after Pinnerman

adds the silence might be due to the former NYT reporter now working on the story and Friedman may be involved. This lead added Cameron came from Clark who thinks Moore is a great guy and so is Stanton.

P. So that right!

C. It's all very strange what's going on.

P. I've wondered to how Bill made a living. No obvious means of support there and uh and when I went out to LA I stayed in his little teeny apartment in Burbank, and he supposedly went and stayed with an aunt who has a home somewhere in that general area, but as far as I know he didn't have a job you know. Now when I went to visit him in Prescott Az he was still married had three or four little children. His wife was rather bitter about many many things, and eventually left him. It was a nice little home but nothing extravagant and I assumed - it was a better home that I was living in at the time, and I assumed it was because he had sold a book and had made some money on the book - the Roswell thing you know. ~~the~~ Phil Experiment.

Another thing is that he tried to convince me several times in 82 or 83 that John Schuessler was a CIA agent which I couldn't see either, because I know John very well and I've been in his home several times. I know what he does and I just can't see him being active CIA... now maybe on a small part time basis he might be helping, but not a full time agent. He's literally responsible for the jobs of 300 or 400 engineers. You know they lost the space shuttle contract and he spent a whole year roaming around the country finding jobs for all these engineers. Ya. I'm curious about Bill Moore.

C. (Relates the Lee Graham story on the DF ID and the two different

presidential documents. The one with the AZTEC crash and his alien story and the one without)

P. Moore was telling me about the live alien way back then. I went thru my files on this novel a few months ago. There was something in there that indicated Moore was talking about MJ-12 as early as 1981. What I'm curious about is has he ever in any of his public statements since releasing this last year. Has he ever mentioned working on a novel about this.

C. Yes. Moore and Shandera say they're putting together a book and a novel.

P. On what?

C. On their experiences with the ten deep throats.

P. No, but what I'm asking is have you ever heard him say he had written a novel on MJ-12 before getting the MJ-12 document.

C. No. This is why I was so amazed that you had mentioned writing a Project Lazarus book with him. (Cameron then relates how Moore sat quietly why the MJ-12 controversy raged while Stanton defended the document)

P. Timothy Good says Richard Doty is not the agent's real name. He says that he has a real name, but he wouldn't give it. I didn't beg him for it. I saw him down in Rio in Sept (88) and I talked to him on the phone since then and I gave him (Good) this name Ronald L. Davis that Moore put on the cover of the book, and he said that's not it either.

C. So you figure that's where Good got his document?

P. I don't know. I don't even know what Timothy is got in his book.

C. Cameron asks if he has had anything to do with Bob Collins.

Pratt seemed not to know.

P. On any of your research have you ever come across the name John Warren.

C. No.

P. He's a Ph.D. Solid State physicist at Los Alamos, or was at one time. I'm just curious. He's into UFOs. Warren was a member of the National Enquirer Blue Ribbon Panel and the last time I saw him was in Mexico City. I don't remember what year 79 or 80 something like that. He and I were sitting chatting once. I made the statement 'I really don't know what UFOs are' and he said 'Don't you really?' He looked over and said. 'Don't you really?' He went up to Nova Scotia to investigate the boom and things and he just shows up in strange places. I'm just curious what his real research interest is.

C. (Cameron brings up the name Monteth)

P. Monteth is a black scientist who believes in UFOs

C. You've heard of this guy?

P. Monteth yes. I think I've actually talked to him on the phone. It's been six or eight years since I've talked to him but at that time he was one scientist who was willing to talk about certain things about UFOs. He may have shut up since then, but Bill Moore spent quite a bit of time in the Albuquerque area getting to know Paul Berkowitz very well.

C. (Cameron brings up the Hynek double theory)

P. You know I've had hints of that from John Schussler that Hynek had indicated to him that he knew things that he couldn't tell.

P. Did you talk to him?

C. No.

P. She's an extremely smart woman. She was perhaps smarter than Callan was. She was very deep into UFOs and very into it. She's a very sharp lady.

C. Bring up Bill Pitts new group

P. My estimation of him is that he's been on an ego trip for years - really full of himself and I don't know how good a researcher he is, or how careful he is. I just dismiss that whole thing. (Tapes not too clear here) John Huffer is the one who grabbed George Bush on one of his campaign trips and asked him "what about all this UFO business" or something like that. I forgot what he said right now. He got the impression Bush said he would look into it if he gets elected. But he got it on tape, and there's so much going on and it's hard to tell what the tape is actually saying.

C. You have heard the tape?

P. Ya. I got a copy of the tape. Huffer said "you were the head of CIA and ought to know" and he said "Ya I know but you know more than I do or something like that..." indicating he was interested or knew something... something like that... not a real strong commitment. There's no way of proving it now.

Interview Bob Pratt Jan 8, 89.

On a follow-up interview Mr. Pratt was asked if he had heard of DC-5. He said no.

He was asked about what he had been told about the live alien. He stated he had been told this by Moore on his trip to Los Angeles. He seemed to indicate that it was told to him as a rumor and didn't have many details. This would have been 1983.

He was asked if he had been told the story of themonds & group. He said this was news to him.