

# INTELLIGENCE FILES ON CONTACTEE GEORGE VAN TASSEL



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Official FBI intelligence documents acquired under the FOIA on UFO contactee, George Van Tassel, operator of the Giant Rock Airport which hosted the fabled 'Giant Rock Space Conventions'. These meetings ran annually from 1954 to 1970, and attracted the world's most famous 'contactees'. Unfortunately for Van Tassel and colleagues such as George Adamski and Dan Fry, they also attracted the attention of J. Edgar Hoover's immense FBI organisation.

The documents are historic in nature and extremely important, for they reveal the extraordinary lengths in which Washington was prepared to go to discover if Van Tassel's claims were true. A former aviation worker who was employed by the likes of Douglas, Hughes and Lockheed, Van Tassel alerted the authorities following his comments regarding an alleged flight on a spaceship in 1951.

Van Tassel died in 1978. With him a UFO epoch also passed. He was just 68.



August 17, 1965

Project Blue Book Information Office  
Washington, D. C.

Sirs:

On August 9, 1965, I was invited to a friend's house to listen to tape recordings that he had obtained. He claims that there are 16 hours of these tapes dealing with a great many subjects. I had time to listen to only one.

This one particular recorded tape was of a speech given in 1956 by a man named George W. VanTassel. Some of his background stated that he worked at Douglas Aircraft and Howard Hughes at Barstol, California. He claims that he and others have communicated with a higher intelligence not of this world. To further our ability in space travel and in communicating with these so-called space beings, he also claims to have founded an institution called the College of Universal Wisdom near Giant Rock, California, in 1951. He goes on to state that the United States Air Force and Government keeps this information from the general public.

Mr. Van Tassel also stated that two years prior to this talk, Mr. Eisenhower went to an air field for a special conference with these people.

He also elaborates in great detail on these beings, what exists in our universe, how our earth was inhabited, etc.

In my opinion, it is quite subversive and in conflict with the interests of the United States the way this gentleman uses the demoralizing of religion and also his accusations against our Government.

This friend of mine and his wife take these explanations quite realistically and seriously. Another friend, also invited to hear the tapes, did a bit of research to either prove or, mainly, disprove this man and what he obviously believes. We have uncovered nothing on the existence of Giant Rock, California; College of Universal Wisdom or George W. VanTassel.

I now appeal to your office to either give me any information on the above mentioned subjects or to forward this letter to the proper person(s) who could furnish such information.

I am informing your office of this situation and requesting said information for the benefit of myself and my two friends, but for the general public who might obtain these tapes. I do think the information given in these tapes used by a group for propaganda could and would be detrimental to our American form of Government.

Your immediate attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated. Thank you. My full cooperation and service, if needed, is available.

Sincerely yours,

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Miami, Florida

April 9, 1965

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

RE: GEORGE W. VAN TASSEL,  
JOINTROCK,  
YUCCA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA;  
UNKNOWN SECRET DEVICE

A source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, and in addition, has furnished information which could not be verified or corroborated, advised as follows on April 9, 1965:

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] has stated that a secret device, which can be carried on a person and used to blind people, has recently been perfected. This device, also referred to by [REDACTED] as a weapon, formerly developed to keep others from seeing operator of weapon. [REDACTED] reports no other details regarding description and use of device. However, he said his information was second hand. (b)(7)(C)

The source states that it has been determined the alleged device was developed by GEORGE W. VAN TASSEL, <sup>GIANT ROCK</sup> ~~JOINTROCK~~, Yucca Valley, California, who reportedly owns or operates an airport some 20 miles from Yucca Valley in the desert area, telephone number 365-9860. VAN TASSEL reportedly has a son-in-law at Yucca Valley telephone number 365-8226. It is believed VAN TASSEL can be contacted at Yucca Valley, California, telephone number 365-8747.

Source stated VAN TASSEL claimed he worked over seven years in research and development of this device and the machine to make it. The weapon reportedly is of the electrical type, not further described. Any additional information can be obtained only by individuals who purchase the device and must be present at the time it is made. VAN TASSEL allegedly owns the building or property where machine and factory located which he uses to make the secret device.

VAN TASSEL is reportedly working with his son and his son's wife reportedly is his secretary. It has also been determined that VAN TASSEL contemplates traveling throughout

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RE: GEORGE W. VAN TASSEL,  
JOINTROCK,  
YUCCA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA;  
UNKNOWN SECRET DEVICE

the United States from May 1, 1965 to June 19, 1965 but  
contemplates being at his home in Yucca Valley on weekends.

RE: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is described as a white male, born  
[REDACTED] in [REDACTED], and has resided at  
[REDACTED] for a number of years. According to the same source, [REDACTED] is an  
ultra-rightist individual with some emotional instability  
and with a tendency towards violence. (b)(7)(D)

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Date: 4/12/65

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AIR MAIL

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (62-4080) (RUC)

RE: GEORGE WELLINGTON VAN TASSEL  
GIANT ROCK AIRPORT,  
YUCCA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re Miami teletype to Bureau and Los Angeles dated 4/9/65; Los Angeles letter to Bureau dated 11/16/54 and captioned as above; Denver letter to Bureau dated 5/4/60 captioned "Unidentified Flying Objects, Investigative Society; GEORGE W. VAN TASSEL."

Enclosed herewith are eight copies for the Bureau and two for Miami of a letterhead memorandum containing information from the files of the Los Angeles Office concerning GEORGE W. VAN TASSEL.

The Agents conducting the interview of VAN TASSEL on 11/16/54 were SA's [REDACTED], and [REDACTED]

The subject's lecture at Denver, Colorado, on 4/17/60 was attended by SA [REDACTED]

Subject appears to be an eccentric, self-ordained minister of a quasi-religious organization, and inasmuch as there is no apparent violation within the jurisdiction of the FBI, no further investigation will be conducted at Los Angeles UACB.

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date: 4/30/65

by: [REDACTED]

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Approved: [Signature]

Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

DATE: April 20, 1965

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, Little Rock (157-345) (RUC)

SUBJECT: GEORGE W. VAN TASSEL,  
JOINTROCK,  
YUCCA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA;  
UNKNOWN SECRET DEVICE  
RACIAL MATTERS  
OO: LA

Re Miami airtel to Bureau, 4/9/65.

Indices of the Little Rock Office were checked regarding captioned matter with negative results.

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1 - Los Angeles  
1 - Little Rock (157-345)  
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Los Angeles, California

April 12, 1965

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

GEORGE WELLINGTON VAN TASSEL  
GIANT ROCK AIRPORT,  
YUCCA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA

VAN TASSEL has been known to the Los Angeles FBI Office since 1954. He is reported to be owner and operator of the Giant Rock Airport, which is located approximately 18 miles from Yucca Valley, California. He has also been reported to be a director of the College of Universal Wisdom, Yucca Valley, California. Numerous complaints have been received by the Los Angeles Office concerning VAN TASSEL and his activities surrounding "flying saucers", "spacemen" and "space craft."

VAN TASSEL was interviewed by Special Agents of the FBI on November 16, 1954, and advised that he had purchased a ranch in the vicinity of Giant Rock about seven years prior to the interview and subsequently had leased land from the government. He stated that the newly acquired land was then known as Giant Rock Airport, having been acquired under the "Airport Act", and was a certified Civil Aeronautics Authority (CAA) emergency landing strip.

VAN TASSEL advised that in August 1954 he had been awakened by a man from space. The spaceman had allegedly invited VAN TASSEL to inspect a space craft, or flying saucer, which was manned by three other male individuals who were identical in every respect with earth people. VAN TASSEL furnished detailed descriptions of an unarmed, bell-shaped flying saucer and claimed the spacemen were mutes who conversed with him through thought transfers.

VAN TASSEL stated that he advocates and follows a metaphysical religion and research which is based on thought transfers, and that through the thought transfer media he has ascertained that there will be a third world war with a destructive atomic explosion. He further stated the above facts could be verified through the Bible, and that the peace-loving space people would not enter or provoke a war.

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1 He further claimed to have learned from the  
2 space people a means of rejuvenating people's life expect-  
3 tancy from the present expectancy to 300 to 1500 years.  
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5 VAN TASSEL advised that he published a bimonthly  
6 publication entitled, "Proceedings of the College of Universal  
7 Wisdom, Yucca Valley, California", and claimed a distribution  
8 in 1954 of 1,000 free copies.  
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10 VAN TASSEL claimed to secure his money for life  
11 necessities and the furtherance of his religion, research  
12 and college through the generosity of about 100 individuals  
13 whom he failed to identify. He stated that some income was  
14 derived from the airstrip and a small restaurant located at  
15 Giant Rock. Giant Rock was noted to be a remotely located  
16 area about 18 miles from the nearest highway, with a rough  
17 dirt road leading from the highway to the airport.  
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19 VAN TASSEL voluntarily mentioned that he is a loyal  
20 American and would be available at any time to assist the  
21 FBI.  
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23 The articles written by VAN TASSEL on space craft,  
24 space people and space communications appear to be the  
25 writings of an eccentric who attempts to connect passages  
26 from the Bible with the philosophy of the religious hierarchy  
27 of the "College of Universal Wisdom."  
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29 Between 1954 and 1958 VAN TASSEL furnished infor-  
30 mation to the Los Angeles FBI Office on at least seven  
31 occasions, making various allegations of espionage, sabotage  
32 and Nazism. None of the allegations were ever substantiated  
33 through investigation.  
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35 On November 16, 1954, [REDACTED]  
36 [REDACTED], Twenty-Nine Palms, California, which covers (b)(7)(C)  
37 the area of Giant Rock, advised that VAN TASSEL operated in  
38 the name of religion [REDACTED] advised he had attended meetings  
39 where VAN TASSEL would read from the Bible to fifteen or twenty  
40 people, preach a sermon and then go into a seance.  
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42 [REDACTED] advised he had watched the maneuvers of VAN  
43 TASSEL for some time, and the San Bernardino County Sheriff's (b)(7)(C)  
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Office had ascertained that VAN TASSEL had not violated any California statutes due to the fact that he operated in the name of religion. [REDACTED] advised that the general consensus of opinion in the area where VAN TASSEL resided was that VAN TASSEL was eccentric and appeared to be a mental case. (b)(7)(c)

During 1960 VAN TASSEL gave a lecture before the Denver Unidentified Flying Objects Investigative Societies, Denver, Colorado. This lecture was described by a Special Agent of the FBI as more of a religious-economics lecture rather than concerning unidentified flying objects. A summation of VAN TASSEL's speech was furnished as follows:

1. Space people in relationship to occurrences in the Bible.
2. Atom bomb detrimental to earth and universe.
3. Economy is poor and would collapse under ideas brought by space people.

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Date: 4/16/65

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Via AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-0)

GEORGE W. VAN TASSEL,  
JOINTROCK,  
YUCCA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA;  
UNKNOWN SECRET DEVICE  
RM

Re Miami airtel 4/9/65.

Mobile Indices negative.

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1 - Miami  
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Approved: *[Signature]*

Special Agent in Charge

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5 9PM PST URGENT 4-9-65 SMZ

6 DIRECTOR AND MIAMI

7 FROM LOS ANGELES (62-4080) 1P

8 George Wellington Van Tassel  
9 GEORGE W. VAN TASSEL, YUCCA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA, UNKNOWN

10 SECRET DEVICE, RM.

11 RE MIAMI TELETYPE APRIL NINE INSTANT.

12 LOS ANGELES FILES INDICATE VAN TASSEL KNOWN TO

13 BUREAU AND LOS ANGELES. HE HAS BEEN DESCRIBED AS

14 ECCENTRIC AND APPARENT MENTAL CASE. WELL KNOWN AS

15 FLYING SAUCER ADVOCATE. AIRTEL BEING SUBMITTED MIAMI

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SAC, Miami

4/14/65

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1 - Mr. Glascock  
1 - Mr. Trainor  
1 - Mr. Smith

GEORGE W. VAN TASSEL  
INFORMATION CONCERNING - SUBVERSIVE CONTROL

Reference is made to Miami and Los Angeles teletypes to the Bureau dated 4/9/65, bearing "Racial Matter" character.

For information of Miami, captioned individual is probably identical with George Wellington Van Tassel, who was interviewed by Bureau Agents in November, 1954. A copy of Los Angeles letter to the Bureau dated 11/16/54 concerning subject is enclosed herewith for information of the Miami Office. This letter, which sets out the results of the above-mentioned interview, included a statement from [redacted] who was acquainted with Van Tassel; and it is noted that [redacted] considered Van Tassel to be an apparent mental case.

Because of Van Tassel's apparent mental condition, as evidenced by his statements and apparent beliefs concerning interplanetary travel by men from Venus, and in view of his other highly imaginative and incredible statements concerning space travel and population, it is believed that no further inquiries need be conducted by the Miami or Los Angeles Offices concerning Van Tassel.

If information exists, which has not been previously furnished to the Bureau, and which indicates a propensity towards violence on the part of Van Tassel, or if other reasons exist which would indicate that the matter should be referred to Secret Service, a letterhead memorandum should be submitted under the caption of Van Tassel.

Information concerning ultra-right, subversive and/or racist activity on the part of [redacted] mentioned in referenced Miami teletype, should be appropriately furnished in form suitable for dissemination under [redacted] individual caption. Such information should include [redacted] interest in a device capable of blinding people as described in referenced Miami teletype.

Enclosure

2 - Los Angeles

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Letter to Miami  
RE: GEORGE W. VAN TASSEL  
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For information of Miami, Bureau files contain only one reference to [REDACTED] who was born [REDACTED] [REDACTED] contains pertinent background information.

Los Angeles should furnish the Bureau any current available information contained in its files regarding Van Tassel, including current address if known. No investigation should be conducted for this purpose.

NOTE:

Miami teletype 4/9/65 reported information from a [REDACTED] who said [REDACTED] had exhibited an interest in a secret device used for blinding people, which device was being developed by Van Tassel. [REDACTED] was described as an ultra-rightist with tendency toward violence. Van Tassel last known to be residing at Yucca Valley, California. Among his other unusual views, Van Tassel claims that space-men inhabited the earth before Adam; that Jesus was descended from the spacemen, and that after resurrection, Jesus was "retrieved" to outer space by means of a "transistor beam."



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☐ AIRGRAM ☐ CABLEGRAM ☐ RADIO ☒ TELETYPE

1:55 PM EST URGENT 4-9-65 SHR  
TO DIRECTOR AND LOS ANGELES  
FROM MIAMI 091600

GEORGE W. VAN TASSEL, JOINTROCK, YUCCA VALLEY, CALIF.  
UNKNOWN SECRET DEVICE, RM.

THE FOLLOWING TELEPHONICALLY FURNISHED MIAMI OFFICE  
APRIL 9 INSTANT BY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED] A SECRET  
DEVICE WHICH CAN BE CARRIED ON PERSON AND USED TO BLIND  
PEOPLE, HAS RECENTLY BEEN PERFECTED. THIS DEVICE FORMERLY  
DEVELOPED TO KEEP OTHERS FROM SEEING OPERATOR OF DEVICE.  
NO OTHER DETAILS REGARDING DESCRIPTION AND USE FURNISHED BY  
[REDACTED], WHO STATED THAT HIS INFORMATION IS SECOND HAND.

[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] MADE SEVERAL ATTEMPTS TO CONTACT  
GEORGE W. VAN TASSEL, JOINTROCK, YUCCA VALLEY, CALIF.,  
ALLEGED DEVELOPER OF DEVICE. CALLS PLACED TO 365-9860, RE-  
PORTEDLY AN AIRPORT OWNED AND OPERATED BY VAN TASSEL SOME  
20 MILES FROM YUCCA VALLEY IN DESERT AREA. CALLS ALSO  
PLACED TO [REDACTED], HOME OF VAN TASSEL'S [REDACTED] AND  
[REDACTED] POSSIBLY VAN TASSEL'S RESIDENCE.

[REDACTED] ACCEPTED COLLECT LONG DISTANCE CALL FOR  
10:20 PM, EST APRIL 8 LAST AT [REDACTED] RESIDENCE  
NOT PRESENT. [REDACTED] TOLD VAN TASSEL OF HIS  
ASSOCIATION WITH [REDACTED]

VAN TASSEL STATED HE HAS RESEARCHED AND WORKED OVER  
SEVEN YEARS ON A MACHINE TO DEVELOP AN ELECTRICAL TYPE

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HSC-A Committee

JTA 1/2 5/25/77

Re: [REDACTED]

APR 10 1965

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PAGE TWO, FROM MIAMI 091600

DEVICE. NOT FURTHER DESCRIBED. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ONLY BY INDIVIDUALS PURCHASING DEVICE WHO MUST BE PRESENT AT TIME IT IS MADE. STATED HE HAS BUILDING ON HIS OWN PROPERTY WHERE MACHINE AND FACTORY LOCATED. SAID SOME PEOPLE HAVE BEEN WATCHING AND PHOTOGRAPHING THIS BUILDING. VAN TASSEL STATES HE HAS BEEN WORKING WITH HIS SON AND SON'S WIFE, WHO WORKS AS THEIR SECRETARY. SAID HE WILL BE TRAVELING THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY FROM MAY 1 TO JUNE 19, NEXT BUT WOULD BE HOME ON WEEKENDS.

ADVISED HE FURNISHED DETAILS OF CALL TO IMMEDIATELY AFTER VAN TASSEL'S CALL. CONTEMPLATED WRITING VAN TASSEL A LETTER.

DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, BORN [REDACTED] DESCRIBES [REDACTED] AS ULTRA RIGHTIST WITH TENDENCY TOWARD VIOLENCE. [REDACTED] IS KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH [REDACTED]

KNOWN TO BE ANTI-JEWISH AND ANTI-INTEGRATIONIST, AND BELIEVES IN WHITE CHRISTIAN SUPREMACY.

[REDACTED] WILL BE IN A POSITION TO FURNISH INFO RE

LOS ANGELES AT YUCCA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA. IDENTIFY SUBSCRIBERS TO ABOVE TELEPHONE NUMBERS AND ATTEMPT TO CORROBORATE INFORMATION FURNISHED BY [REDACTED] IMMEDIATELY

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R. [REDACTED]

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PAGE THREE, FROM MIAMI 091600

ADVISE THE BUREAU AND MIAMI IF THE ALLEGED SECRET DEVICE  
AS DESCRIBED BY [REDACTED] HAS BEEN DEVELOPED. LHM FOLLOWS.  
WITH EXTRA COPIES FOR LA.

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JAN 15 1967  
Re [REDACTED] WKS

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

## Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 5/4/60

FROM : SAC, DENVER (62-0)

SUBJECT:

*FLYING DISC?*  
~~UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS,~~  
~~INVESTIGATIVE SOCIETY,~~  
 GEORGE W. VAN TASSEL *6/10/60*  
 MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION  
 CONCERNING

Enclosed is a letterhead memorandum regarding a speech given by Mr. VAN TASSEL. One copy of this memorandum has been made available to the Office of Special Investigations (OSI), Lowry Air Force Base, Denver.

The enclosed memorandum is being furnished for the information of the Bureau and the Los Angeles, San Diego, and San Francisco Offices, as VAN TASSEL is alleged to be from Giant Rock, California, which town is not located by Denver in the Postal Guide or available maps.

SA [REDACTED] attended this lecture on Sunday, 4/17/60, after hearing of its impending presentation over the radio. He recognized no one at this meeting and was known to no one at the meeting.

On 4/19/60 Phipps Auditorium, Denver, was telephonically contacted and they advised that arrangements for the speech of Mr. VAN TASSEL had been made with LLOYD ARNOLD, telephone BELmont 7-5775. The 1959 Lakewood, Colorado City Directory reflects LLOYD L. ARNOLD, Arnold Engineering Associates, 1940 Sims, telephone BELmont 7-5775.

- ② - Bureau (Encls.-5)  
 1 - Los Angeles (Encl.-1) (Info.) *EX-10*  
 1 - San Diego (Encl.-1) (Info.)  
 1 - San Francisco (Encl.-1) (Info.)  
 1 - Denver

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AGENCY *OSI*  
 DATE FORW. *5-8-60*  
 BY *JFW/any*

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Denver, Colorado  
April 26, 1960

Re: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS,  
INVESTIGATIVE SOCIETY;  
GEORGE W. VAN TASSEL

On April 17, 1960, a lecture was given by GEORGE W. VAN TASSEL at Phipps Auditorium, City Park, Denver, Colorado, which was advertised to be a lecture, movie film, and discussion of unidentified flying objects. The audience was comprised of a majority of older individuals and also a majority of the audience was female. There were few young people, although some family groups.

The program was sponsored by the Denver Unidentified Flying Objects Investigative Societies, one of which meets monthly at the Jefferson County Bank, Lakewood, Colorado, whose executive officer was the Master of Ceremonies. The program consisted of a 45 minute movie which included several shots of things purported to be flying saucers, and then a number of interviews with people from all walks of life regarding sightings they had made of such unidentified flying objects. After the movie GEORGE W. VAN TASSEL gave a lecture which was more of a religious-economics lecture rather than one of unidentified flying objects.

VAN TASSEL stated that he had been in the "flying game" for over 30 years and currently operates a private Civil Aeronautics Authority approved airfield in California. He said he has personally observed a good many sightings and has talked to hundreds of people who have also seen flying saucers. He said that he has also been visited by the people from outer space and has taken up the cause of bringing the facts of these people to the American people. He said it is a crusade which he has undertaken because he is more or less retired, his family is grown and gone from home, and he feels he might be doing some good by this work.

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RE: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS,  
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The major part of his lecture was devoted to explaining the occurrences in the Bible as they related to the space people. He said that the only mention of God in the Bible is in the beginning when the universe was being made. He said that after that all references are to "out of the sky" or "out of heaven." He said that this is due to the fact that man, space people, was made by God and that in the beginning of the world the space people came to the earth and left animals here. These were the pre-historic animals which existed at a body temperature of 105 degrees; however, a polar tilt occurred whereby the poles shifted and the tropical climates became covered with ice and vice versa. He said that then the space people again put animals on the earth and this is depicted in the Bible as Noah's Ark. He said that after the polar tilt the temperature to sustain life was 98.6 degrees, which was suitable for space people, so they established a colony and left only males here, intending to bring females at a later date on supply ships. This is reflected in ADAM's not having a wife. He said that ADAM was not an individual but a race of men. He said that this race then inter-married with "intelligent, upright walking animals," which race was EVE. Then when the space people came back in the supply ships they saw what had happened and did not land but ever since due to the origin of ADAM, they have watched over the people on earth. He said that this is recorded in the Bible many times, such as MOSES receiving the Ten Commandments. He said the Ten Commandments are the laws of the space people and men on earth only give them lip service. Also, the manna from heaven was bread supplied by the space people. He also stated that this can be seen from the native stories such as the Indians in America saying that corn and potatoes, unknown in Europe, were brought here by a "flaming canoe." He said this refers to a space ship and the Indians' highest form of transportation was the canoe, so they likened it unto that. He said this can be shown also by the old stories of Winged Chariots and Winged White Horses, which came from out of the sky. He said that JESUS was born of MARY, who was a space person sent here already pregnant in order to show the earth people the proper way to live. He said the space people have watched over us through the years and have tried to help us. He said they have sent their agents to the earth and they appear just as we do; however,



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they have the power to know your thoughts just as JESUS did. He said this is their means of communication and many of the space people are mute, but they train a certain number of them to speak earth languages.

He said that the space people here on earth are equipped with a "crystal battery" which generates a magnetic field about them which bends light waves so that they, the space people, appear invisible. He said this has resulted in ghost stories such as footsteps, doors opening, and other such phenomena.

He stated that the space people are now gravely concerned with our atom bombs. He said that the explosions of these bombs have upset the earth's rotation and, as in the instance of the French bomb explosion in North Africa, have actually caused earthquakes. He said that the officials on earth are aware of this and this was the reason for the recent Geophysical Year in order to try to determine just what can be done. He said these explosions are forcing the earth toward another polar tilt, which will endanger all mankind. He said that the space people are prepared to evacuate those earth people who have abided by the "Golden Rule" when the polar tilt occurs, but will leave the rest to perish.

He advised that the space people have contacted the officials on earth and have advised them of their concern but this has not been made public. He also said that the radioactive fallout has become extremely dangerous and officials are worried but each power is so greedy of their own power they will not agree to make peace.

VAN TASSEL also spent some time saying that the U. S. Air Force, who are responsible for investigations on unidentified flying objects, has suppressed information; and as they are responsible only to the Administration, not to the public, as elected officials are, they can get away with this. He said that also the Air Force is afraid that they will be outmoded and disbanded if such information gets out.

He said that the Administration's main concern is not making public any information is that the economy will be



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ruined, not because of any fear that would be engendered in the public. He said this is due to the number of scientific discoveries already made and that will be made which are labor saving and of almost permanency so that replacements would not be needed.

In summation, VAN TASSEL's speech was on these subjects:

- (1) Space people related to occurrences in Bible.
- (2) Atom Bomb detrimental to earth and universe.
- (3) Economy is poor and would collapse under ideas brought by space people.

Throughout his lecture, VAN TASSEL mentioned only the U. S. economy and Government and the U. S. Air Force. He did refer to the human race numerous times but all references to Government and economy could only be taken as meaning the U. S. One question put to him was whether sightings had been made in Russia or China. He answered this by saying sightings had been reported all over the world, but then specifically mentioned only the U. S., Australia, New Zealand, and New Guinea.

He also mentioned that he was not advocating or asking for any action on the part of the audience because he said evil has a way of destroying itself. He did say that he felt that the audience, of about 250 persons, were the only intelligent people in Denver and he knew they had not come out of curiosity but because they wanted to do the right thing. He said that they were above the average in intelligence and when the critical time came, the world would need people such as this to think and guide.

An application blank was distributed at the time for membership in the Denver society of this organization.



# Scientist Tells of Space Visitors

Story and Photo

By ED RITTER

SPACE SHIP LANDING STRIP NEAR JOSHUA TREE — "The crew of a scout ship from a carrier out of Venus stopped in here just the other night," my host opened casually after gesturing me to a comfortable chair. "One of the Venutians sat down right there in the chair you're occupying."

It's natural enough for George Van Tassel to assume that his guests want the conversation to turn to things extra-terrestrial.

Now that his fame as a "flying saucer" authority has been spread through his book, a television appearance, a San Bernardino service club address and publications of his College of Universal Wisdom, scores of Southlanders invite themselves to the giant rock in the desert under which Van Tassel makes his part time home.

"It's lucky you didn't come on a weekend," he told me. "I have to talk to folks in groups here on Saturdays and Sundays."

## Saucer Convention

The largest group — a crowd of several thousand — showed up for a couple of days last April when Van Tassel hosted a "flying saucer convention."

Callers who make the trip without advantage of airplane or spaceship get a good shaking up on the 28 miles of washboard desert road from Joshua Tree to the rock.

Under the rock, which is about as tall as a three-story building, Van Tassel has a comfortable living room where he studies and entertains guests. A wall is lined with books, most of which deal with interplanetary matters, philosophy or aircraft. (Van Tassel was a flight test engineer before coming to the rock seven years ago.)

A thick guest book on the table bears thousands of names and farung addresses. Desert scene paintings lend graciousness to the rockbound room.

## Other Quarters

Elsewhere on the 2,600-acre ranch, Van Tassel and his family have more commodious living quarters.

A tall man with thin sandy hair, Van Tassel has a deep, pleasantly modulated voice and a versatile vocabulary. He apparently has read widely on religion, aircraft, psychology and philosophy. Genial and well mannered, he is solicitous of his guests' comfort and is a thoroughly courteous conversationalist.

Though the personal experiences he describes are spectacular, his manner of telling them is in no way boastful. He renders his account of being singled out to travel with a Venutian in a spaceship as blandly as if he were telling about a ride in a neighbor's new car.

## Unexpected Involvement

He got involved in extra-terrestrial communication in an entirely unexpected way, Van Tassel told me.

He and a group of twenty or so scientifically-minded associates had been doing a few simple demonstrations of psycho-kinesis. They were moving an ash tray across the room by thought power one night when suddenly every member of the group got a thought wave that brought him up short. Van Tassel said it turned out to be a message from some Venutians who'd tuned in on the thought and became interested in these earthlings' effort.

Knowing a great deal about these matters, the Venutians reportedly said they'd be glad to give some help. While they were at it, they passed on a few tips about rejuvenation. Achieving ages of from 800 to 1,300 years themselves, the people on Venus — and everywhere else in the Interplanetary Confederation — are in

a position to lift our geriatrics' eyebrows, Van Tassel allows.

## Experiment Well On

He's already well on with perfection of a light energy ray instrument that will equip him to administer life-prolonging treatments in his lab, he said, but admitted that only time will tell whether or not he'll be able to duplicate what's being done on other planets.

I asked my host if the folks down in Joshua Tree might not be a bit dubious of these goings on.

He lit a cigaret and smiled tolerantly.

"There are always some who are ready to ridicule that which they don't understand," he said, "but ridicule doesn't make a bit of difference to me. By and large, the people out here are friendly."

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George W. Van Tassel



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It wasn't long after his first communication from the Venutians that Van Tassel was awakened at 2:30 one morning by a handsome young man who appeared to be about 28 years old and who had a voice like Roanld Colman's. "At first I thought it was just a fellow whose car had broken down on the desert, but it didn't take me long to discover that he was no ordinary man," my informant recalled.

"You can consider this visitation as sort of a reward," the Venutian was quoted as telling Van Tassel. "I had a little time to spare and knew you'd be interested in the ship."

"Then I looked over there," Van Tassel recalled, gesturing toward his landing field near the rock, "and, sure enough, his ship was hovering just a little way off the ground."

On accepting an invitation to ride the craft, Van Tassel said he verified his expectation that the Venutians have developed aircraft so far in advance of our best efforts that it will long be impossible for our engineers to understand the principles involved.

The Venutians' ships are powered by light energy and hardly ever wear out. Even the 3,000-year-old obsolete ones make out very well.

#### Speak Any Language

Venutians commune among themselves by thought transfer instead of spoken language, but they can speak any language as an accommodation. Van Tassel said the fellow who gave him a ride in the spaceship spoke the most perfect English he'd ever heard.

"He'd answer my questions almost before the questions were framed in my mind — let alone waiting for me to ask them. Sometimes when he would give me an answer I'd find myself almost wondering if I'd even thought the question yet."

The Venutian was accompanied by his dog. "He looked more like a rabbit than a dog, though," Van Tassel observed.

He said one of his acquaintances, Jack Morehouse of Pasadena had the good luck to ride with a beautiful girl in a spaceship clear to

#### Space Romance

"A woman was in charge of the journey and Jack says she was of such radiant beauty that he fell in love with her immediately," Van Tassel reported. "She had flaming golden-red hair reaching nearly to her waist."

The delicious steak dinner that Morehouse was served in the spaceship reminded Van Tassel of the highly developed system of commerce that buzzes within the Interplanetary Confederation. Mars is the industrial center and the planet of Neptune supplies practically all the meat. Neptune's "kaylaks" closely resemble our cows. However, they have longer ears and shorter horns.

Earth is the only planet in this solar system that hasn't been admitted to the Confederation. I was informed. The Confederation has laws preventing forcible interference with Earth unless and until earth men — with their destructive weapons — begin to seriously threaten the safety of the entire system.

#### Could Take Over

In the case of an atomic war, according to Van Tassel's information, the Confederation will take over. He estimates that it'll take about 15 minutes. "They'll accomplish it through thought control," he predicted, citing an instance during the Korean conflict when space men allegedly demonstrated the power by ordering a two-hour cease-fire which was effective and which military authorities on both sides had difficulty explaining.

Confederation members use no offensive weapons, but their defensive devices are impregnable, Van Tassel says, noting force fields that space men set up around Earth-grounded craft. Space pilots walk freely through the force fields, but earthlings find them to be invisible impenetrable walls. Van Tassel has a way of hurrying through much of this information almost apologetically as if it were such commonplace knowledge that his repetition of it might insult the bearer's intelligence.

Confederation beings use but single names designated by a central agency, he said. Whenever a person dies, his name is moved to the top of the list and assigned to the next person born.

#### No Martians Yet

No Martians had yet called on Van Tassel at the time of my interview but a woman from Mars was expected momentarily. She'd been communicating with Van Tassel through thought transfer from a Santa Monica hospital where she

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"Venutians have visited us several times in this room," says George Van Tassel.

was being amused by the earth doctors' bafflement at her blood count and temperature.

"How'd you happen to get in the hospital?" Van Tassel inquired of her.

"I was hit by a damned earthling who was driving a car," she reportedly answered good-naturedly.

"It's amusing to hear them use our slang and vernacular," Van Tassel chuckled.

Some are Tall

He was commenting on the 15-

foot height of residents on some planets' moons and on the way Martians' ears roll in a manner to make them seem pointed when I suddenly picked up a thought wave — doubtlessly beamed by my wife — warning me that I'd probably get lost trying to find my way back to the highway.

So the conversation turned to San Bernardino and Riverside County roads.

Van Tassel's information on the roads proved to be entirely correct.

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123 Genesee Street  
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Mr. Belmont	✓
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GEORGE W. VAN TASSEL

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover  
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I want to thank you for your letter of November  
18, with enclosed memorandum. (Re: George W. Van Tassel)

It was very nice of you to do this for me.

Very sincerely yours,

John Taber

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Honorable John Taber  
House of Representatives  
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BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

My dear Mr. Chairman:

With reference to our conversation of last Friday concerning George F. Van Yessel, of Giant Rock, California, I am attaching a memorandum concerning this individual which I believe will cover the background of the situation which you mentioned to me.

If there is anything further that I can do to be of assistance in this matter I hope you will not hesitate to call upon me.

With expressions of my high esteem and kind personal regards,

Sincerely,

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GEORGE WELLINGTON VAN TASSELL, GIANT ROCK AIRPORT, YUCCA VALLEY, CALIF., INFORMATION CONCERNING. RE TELEPHONE CALL INSPECTOR SIZOO NOV. TWELVE LAST. A REVIEW OF LA FILES REFLECT VAN TASSELL IS DIRECTOR OF THE COLLEGE OF UNIVERSAL WISDOM, ADDRESS P.O. BOX FOUR FIVE, JOSHUA TREE, CALIF., WHICH IS DESCRIBED IN A PAMPHLET USED BY VAN TASSEL ENTITLED ~~QUOTE~~ "PROCEEDINGS" ~~UNQUOTE~~ AS AN ~~QUOTE~~ INDEPENDENT, NON-SECTARIAN, AND NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION OF AGUARIAN PIONEERS IN CALIFORNIA ~~UNQUOTE~~. SA [REDACTED] ON NOVEMBER THIRTEEN, (61712)

ASCERTAINED THE COLLEGE IS NOTHING BUT A CAVE DUG OUT FROM BENEATH A GIANT ROCK OVERLOOKING THE AIRPORT. THE ABOVE AIRPORT WAS A SURPLUS AIRPORT AND HAS BEEN RENTED BY VAN TASSEL SINCE NINETEEN FIFTYONE.

BOTH VAN TASSELS AND THEIR TWO DAUGHTERS LIVE IN THE VICINITY IN VERY PRIMITIVE CONDITIONS SLEEPING IN A TRUCK OR ON THE GROUND OR IN THE CAVE CALLED THE COLLEGE OF UNIVERSAL WISDOM. MRS. VAN TASSEL WAS INTERVIEWED AND ADVISED HER HUSBAND WAS IN LA, ADDRESS UNKNOWN, CONTACTING A PRINTER, HAVING MORE PAMPHLETS ENTITLED ~~QUOTE~~ "PROCEEDINGS" ~~UNQUOTE~~ PRINTED AND HAD NO ADDRESS IN LA AS HE SLEPT IN HIS HALF TON TRUCK. MRS. VAN TASSEL STATED SHE AND HER HUSBAND PRACTICE A

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METAPHYSICAL RELIGION BASED ON AN OCULT PRINCIPLE OF THOUGHT CONTROL TRANSFERRED FROM ONE PERSON TO ANOTHER. THROUGH THIS TYPE OF THOUGHT CONTROL HER HUSBAND HAS PHOPHESIED WORLD WAR III AND A GIANT EXPLOSION ON THE EAST COAST OF THE UNITED STATES. MRS. VAN TASSEL FURTHER STATED HER HUSBAND IS IN THE PROCESS OF CONTACTING PROFESSORS, STUDENTS AND COLLEGES THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES IN ORDER TO ACTUALLY BUILD A COLLEGE OF UNIVERSAL WIDSOM AT THIS AIRPORT WHOSE PURPOSE IS TO PROMOTE AND CARRY OUT INTERPLANETARY COMMUNICATION AND DISSEMINATION OF UNIVERSAL WISDOM GAINED THROUGH THE MEDIA OF SPACE BEINGS. ON NOV. FIFTEEN, NINETEEN FIFTYTHREE, VAN TASSEL, WRITING IN QUOTE "PROCEEDINGS UNQUOTE, STATED THAT JESUS CHRIST WAS BORN OF SPACEMEN. THAT THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM WAS SPACE CRAFT THAT STOOD BY WHILE JESUS WAS BORN OF SPACEMEN. MRS. VAN TASSEL ADVISED ON AUGUST TWENTYFOUR, LAST, AT TWO A.M. HER HUSBAND WAS VISITED BY A PERSON FROM OUTER SPACE IN A FLYING SAUCER AND THEY TALKED TOGETHER FOR ABOUT TWENTY MINUTES BEFORE THE SPACEMAN WENT BACK INTO OUTER SPACE. SHE QUICKLY POINTED OUT THAT SHE SLEPT THROUGH THE ENTIRE VISIT AND DID NOT SEE THE SPACEMAN. AS THE BUREAU IS AWARE, THERE ARE NUMEROUS INDIVIDUALS OPERATING IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA UNDER THE GUISE OF RELIGION OR RELIGIOUS CULTS WITH

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A PROPHET OR DIRECTOR WHO HAVE A CERTAIN EMOTIONAL APPEAL. A FURTHER REVIEW OF THE WRITINGS OF VAN TASSEL IN POSSESSION OF THE LA OFFICE REFLECTS HE IS APPARENTLY WORKING UP A NEW RELIGION BASED ON FLYING SAUCERS, SPACEMEN, THOUGHT CONTROL, AND METAPHYSICS ALL COMBINED IN HIS COLLEGE OF UNIVERSAL WISDOM. THE RECRDS OF THIS OFFICE REFLECT VAN TASSEL WAS BORN MARCH TWELVE, NINETEEN TEN AT JEFFERSON, OHIO, AND DID NOT FINISH HIGH SCHOOL ACCORDING TO HIS WIFE. HE CAME TO THE LA AREA IN APPROXIMATELY NINETEEN THIRTYTHREE WHEN HE AS EMPLOYED AS A GARAGE MECHANIC AND IN THE SPRING OF NINETEEN THIRTYFOUR WAS EMPLOYED BY THE DOUGLAS AIRCRAFT CORPORATION. HE WAS FORMERLY PRESIDENT OF THE C.I.O. LOCAL UNION AT THE DOUGLAS PLANT.

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[REDACTED] VAN TASSEL WILL BE INTERVIEWED IMMEDIATELY UPON HIS RETURN TO GIANT ROCK, CALIF.

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CC: Inspector Sizoo

Called Mr. Sizoo 10pm.: yj



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TO : MR. L. V. BOARDMAN

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FROM : MR. A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] (b)(7)(c)  
GEORGE W. VAN TASSEL  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

*George Willington Van Tassel*

Pursuant to Mr. Tolson's request today, Bureau files have been checked for information contained therein concerning [REDACTED] described as being in electronics and rockets, and George W. Van Tassel, Giant Rock, Yucca Valley, California.

The Bureau has conducted no investigation concerning [REDACTED] or Van Tassel and our files contain no information identifiable with either of these individuals.

ACTION:

None. For your information.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (62-4080)

DATE: November 16, 1954

SUBJECT: GEORGE WELLINGTON VAN TASSEL  
Giant Rock Airport  
Yucca Valley, California  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

ATTENTION: INSPECTOR JOSEPH SIZOO

Re telephone calls from Inspector SIZOO November 12 and November 16, 1954; Los Angeles teletype to Bureau November 13, 1954.

The above-captioned individual was interviewed on November 16, 1954 by SA [redacted] and SA [redacted] (b)(7)(c)

VAN TASSEL declared that he moved from Los Angeles to Giant Rock seven years ago and purchased a ranch near this area and subsequently leased land near Giant Rock from the Government. He stated that this newly acquired land is known as Giant Rock Airport. He pointed out that the airport was acquired under the "Airport Act" and is a certified CAA emergency landing strip.

Relative to space men and space craft, VAN TASSEL declared that a year ago last August, while sleeping out of doors with his wife in the Giant Rock area, and at about 2:00 a.m. he was awakened by a man from space. This individual spoke English and was dressed in a grey one piece suit similar to a sweat suit in that it did not have any buttons, pockets, and noticeable seams. This person, according to VAN TASSEL, invited him to inspect a space craft or flying saucer, which had landed on Giant Rock air strip. VAN TASSEL claimed the craft was bell shaped resembling a saucer. He further described the ship as approximately 35 feet in diameter and is now known as the scout type craft. Aboard this craft was located three other male individuals wearing the same type of dress and identical in every respect with earth people.

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VAN TASSEL claims that the three individuals aboard the craft were mutes in that they could not talk. He claimed they conversed through thought transfers, and also operated the flight of the craft through thought control. He stated that the spokesman for the group claimed he could talk because he was trained by his family to speak. The spokesman stated that earth men are using too much metal in their everyday work and are fowling up radio frequencies and thought transfers because of this over use of metal. According to VAN TASSEL, these individuals came from Venus and are by no means hostile nor do they intend to harm this country or inhabitants in any manner. He declared they did not carry weapons, and the space craft was not armed. He mentioned that a field of force was located around the space craft which would prohibit anything known to earth men to penetrate. VAN TASSEL claims this craft departed from the earth after 20 minutes and has not been back since.

VAN TASSEL furnished the following background which he claimed might help to understand his dealings with space men.

He mentioned that he advocates and follows a metaphysical religion or research. This religion or research is based on thought transfers. VAN TASSEL claimed that he had been contacted by men from space prior to their landing on earth in August, 1953 through thought transfers. He again pointed out that space men used this medium to communicate with one another.

He mentioned that through thought transfers with space men, he has been able to ascertain that there will be a third world war and a large destructive atom explosion as a result of this war. He stated that these "facts" can be verified through the Bible; however, he did not relate the book or passage in which these facts could be located. He was quick to point out that the war would not be universal, and that space people would not be involved. He stated that space people are peace loving and under no circumstances would enter or provoke a war.

He claims that space people have imparted to him a means of rejuvenating earth peoples' life expectancy from what it is today to 300 - 1500 years. He claimed this is done through a principle of light energy rejuvenation. This principle was not developed by VAN TASSEL.

In connection with his metaphysical religion and research, he publishes bi-monthly a publication in the form of a booklet called "PROCEEDINGS OF THE COLLEGE OF UNIVERSAL WISDOM, YUCCA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA." He declared this publication is free and has grown from an original mailing list of 250 to 1,000 copies. VAN TASSEL stated that he sends this



publication to various individuals, Universities, and Governmental Agencies throughout the world. He declared this publication is forwarded to the Federal Bureau of Investigation at Washington, D. C.

The College of Universal Wisdom, according to VAN TASSEL, will be devoted to inter-planetary communications and a diffusion of universal wisdom gained through the medium of space beings.

He stated that he has donated 10 acres of his ranch holdings to the college. He mentioned that many of the buildings will be made free of metal, which will be keeping within the request of the space men.

He declared that for the most part he secures money for his needs of life, for the furtherance of his religion, research, and college through the generosity of certain individuals, number about 100. He failed to identify any of these people. He also mentioned that he derives income from his air strip and a very small restaurant which is located at Giant Rock.

It should be noted that Giant Rock is located approximately 18 miles north of the nearest highway which was noticed not to be frequently travelled. This road leading to Giant Rock on the 29 Palms Highway is dirt for the most part and very rough. While SA [REDACTED] was at Giant Rock, which was on two occasions, no visitors were noted in the area. (b)(7)(c)

Concerning himself, VAN TASSEL readily stated that he came to California from Cleveland, Ohio in 1929 where he worked as a mechanic for Universal Airlines, which is now known as American Airlines. After arriving in California, he claimed he worked for Douglas Aircraft, Hughes Aircraft, and Lockheed Aircraft as a mechanic. He declared he left Lockheed in about 1947 and moved to Giant Rock with his wife and daughter, [REDACTED] (b)(7)(c)

VAN TASSEL claimed he was acquainted with SA WALTER BOTT (deceased) and helped him on many cases at Lockheed. VAN TASSEL was not aware of SA BOTT's demise.

VAN TASSEL voluntarily stated that he is not hiding anything nor is he doing anything against the laws of this country in his research at Giant Rock. He voluntarily mentioned that he is a loyal American and would be available at any time to assist the Bureau.

VAN TASSEL did not volunteer the names of any individuals whom he was soliciting for funds except his statement above that he sent his publications to various individuals, universities and Government agencies and also the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Washington, D. C. nor was he asked per Inspector SIZOO's instructions.



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In connection with the "PROCEEDINGS OF THE COLLEGE OF UNIVERSAL WISDOM", Yucca Valley, California, which has been mentioned by captioned individual in his interview, the following issues of this publication are being transmitted herewith to the Bureau in order that the particular philosophy, which is advocated by the "College of Universal Wisdom," might be more clearly described. These "PROCEEDINGS" were received October 19, 1954, personally from CHET LEMKE, Box 94, Yucca Valley, California, by SA GEORGE M. GIBSON and have been maintained in Los Angeles File 62-4080-1A. These issues are dated as follows:

October 15, 1953; November 1, 1953; November 15, 1953; December 1, 1953; December 15, 1953; January 1, 1954; January 15, 1954; February 1, 1954; February 15, 1954; March 15, 1954; May 15, 1954, April 1, 1954; April 15, 1954; June 1, 1954.

It is to be noted that the November 1, 1953 issue sets forth under article captioned "Our Cosmic Communicators" on page 2, the particular religious hierarchy of the "College of Universal Wisdom." The particular philosophy of the "College of Universal Wisdom" is reflected in Volume 1 #3, November 15, 1953, issue of "PROCEEDINGS," which reflects as follows:

"Space Craft and Space People, by GEORGE M. VAN TASSEL

"Our experience, in developing thought transference, has made it possible to carry on an interchange of information with the people who are operating space craft. These very highly intelligent beings are all in human form. There are no 'monsters', 'brains', or 'ants' operating the space craft from other spheres. The people and the ships differ in many ways depending on the sector and location from where they come. Some of them are from our solar system but many are from other systems.

"The space people were the first human forms of life to occupy the Earth. Their descendants built the great pyramid and compiled the records in it. Their basic information about truth is partially recorded in most of the sacred literature



"of to-day and is also preserved in the ancient records of other civilizations. These people from other celestial bodies are the same ones, as mentioned in the Bible - before the apple was eaten - the race of Adam.

"They maintain a space station that has been orbiting around Mars for thousands of years. It is ten miles in diameter, some 1500 miles from the surface of Mars, spherical in shape and recorded by our astronomers as the inner moon of Mars.

"The 'little people' of Frank Scully's book, 'Behind the Flying Saucers' and of the Brush Creek, California, incident, are from our Moon. Their civilization is an advanced one and they are living under the surface of the Moon. Their sciences are 25,000 years ahead of ours.

"Some people from Venus have landed on our earth and moved among us without being recognized as such, because they look like us. Many of them are still here; Professor George Adamski talked with one of them recently.

"Space people from other, more distant places, have also been landing on our Earth for the last hundred years. Many of them and descendants of them are our topmost scientists, architects, inventors, teachers, and public and governmental officials. The proof of this is evidenced by the fact that our advancements have been greater in the last 75 years than they have been for the last 10,000 years. Most of these accepted experts do not even know their true identity as their minds were 'blanked' to the past by the birth. However, their memories will be restored when the space people begin to land here in large numbers. These space people literally have the powers of 'sons of God.' Jesus was born by one of them and is one of their foremost leaders. The star of Bethlehem was a space craft that 'stood by' at the birth. At his resurrection he was bodily



"retrieved on their transitor beam." He will return soon in one of their greatest ships. This 'transitor beam' has been used to remove others of their people from our Earth. This accounts for many of the strange disappearances of people today.

"The strange powers known to the space people are used rightly, and in conformity with the infinite laws of the Universal. Employing magnetic vortices they can stop all production, transportation and communication in our cities in a moment. Their laws do not sanction the slaughter of any human form; consequently they are not to be feared by earthlings."

The April 15, 1954, Volume 1 #13 issue of "PROCEEDINGS", which has been photostated and transmitted herewith, contains "An Easter Message From Esu".

Other particular references to the religion of this organization is set out under article entitled "The Birth Of A Master - excerpts from the forthcoming book 'INTO THIS WORLD AND OUT AGAIN' by G. W. VAN TASSEL". These particular excerpts occur on pages 4, 5, 6, and 7 of the April 1, 1954, issue of "PROCEEDINGS", which is enclosed herewith.

A review of this literature reflects that it attempts to connect passages from the Bible with the philosophy of the organization, which is headed by VAN TASSEL.

A review of the Los Angeles files concerning VAN TASSEL reflects the following:

67-OA-911, dated August 16, 1940. Captioned individual offered his services to the Federal Bureau of Investigation in any way to uncover sabotage or espionage at the Douglas Plant where he was then employed. VAN TASSEL made this offer to SA WALTER M. BOTT.

100-2676-1, dated December 18, 1940. Is a miscellaneous complaint by VAN TASSEL regarding a fellow employee at the Douglas Aircraft Company.



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100-5344-4, line 6, dated July 16, 1941.  
VAN TASSEL furnished information re an alleged pro-Nazi.  
Los Angeles Police Department report reflects alleged  
pro-Nazi was 100 per cent American.

100-14873-105, dated August, 1944. G. W. VAN  
TASSEL was listed as president of a UAW local in the Los  
Angeles area.

100-9477-49, line 50, dated December 17, 1951.  
Is a letter from VAN TASSEL to the Federal Bureau of Investi-  
gation, requesting information on an organization operating  
near his residence. VAN TASSEL was advised the files of  
this Bureau are confidential, and their information may  
not be disclosed.

105-445-39, dated July 31, 1952, re individuals  
and G. W. VAN TASSEL, reflects that the Detachment Commander  
of OSI, March Air Force Base, California, received a letter  
from captioned individual entitled, "Brotherhood of Cosmic  
Christ", which attempts to explain flying saucers and  
indicates contacts had been received by captioned individual  
from the beings of another world, who operate them.

100-0-60313B dated October 19, 1953, is  
information received from [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] who advised  
that she and a group of friends went to Giant Rock, California,  
to hear GEORGE W. VAN TASSEL reveal his message from  
"8000 miles up". [REDACTED] stated that VAN TASSEL  
is a mystic who appears to be somewhat religious, and that  
he forbids any conversation among visitors at Giant Rock  
unless it deals with the message from the spirits.  
[REDACTED] exhibited a book entitled "I RODE A FLYING  
SAUCER", which was written by subject and was published  
by the NEW AGE PUBLISHING COMPANY, 1542 Glendale Boulevard,  
Los Angeles. [REDACTED] stated that several of her  
friends claimed a flying saucer visited Giant Rock on the  
day before Labor Day, 1953, and that VAN TASSEL has an  
interest in "College of Universal Wisdom, Joshua Tree,  
California".

100-16833-498, dated March 13, 1953, contains  
information from [REDACTED]



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to be noted that [REDACTED] furnished the documents which are being transmitted herewith. [REDACTED] displayed the book "I RODE A FLYING SAUCER" and stated that VAN TASSEL claims to be receiving messages from various flying saucers through body vibrations.

62-4080-8, dated August 5, 1954, is a complaint received from [REDACTED] 61711

[REDACTED] advised that the College of Universal Wisdom located at Giant Rock Airport is a meeting place of persons who are interested in the study of flying saucers, and that she believes from its literature that it might be advancing Communist philosophy.

100-0-60313, dated July 2, 1951, is a letter written by VAN TASSEL to the Los Angeles Office. This letter reflects as follows:

"June 26, 1951  
"Giant Rock Airport  
"P.O. Box 45  
"Joshua Tree, Calif.

"During the last war, a party up here in the desert, made charges, of one deceased Frank Critzer, being a German spy.

"I'm operating this airport under lease from the Government. My wife and three daughters and myself are now being accused of being Communist spys by this same party. This man and his wife with their spy complex have caused me no end of trouble as, I of course, am the last one of the public, to hear of this trumped up charge. I would be obliged if your office would investigate may record, my family, or anything else and send me a letter stating your findings.

"I belong to the San Bernardino County Sheriffs reserve. I am licensed under the Civil Aironautics, License #380123, I have worked for Douglas, Hughes, and Lockheed Aircraft.



"I bought the property on the maps known as 'Reche's Wells' from [REDACTED]."

"The people who are making these phoney charges to the public expected to inherit this property."

"They are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]."

"I refer you to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]."

"I am in business and this propaganda is responsible for a lot of people not patronizing us. If it isn't stopped it will cause your office an untold amount of work."

"/s/ George W. Van Tassel"

With regard to Frank Critzer, above-mentioned, this individual was mentioned in Bureau letter to Los Angeles dated June 5, 1946, case entitled "FRANK CRITZER, wa., Frank Kritzer; IS - G", Bufile 100-37156. This letter sets forth that the Bureau does not have available facts supporting the allegations of espionage and subversive activities on the part of CRITZER.

Information concerning GEORGE WELLINGTON VAN TASSEL was forwarded to the Bureau on June 4, 1941, [REDACTED]

At that time, considerable background information reflected no unfavorable information regarding VAN TASSEL. [REDACTED]



29 Palms, California, which covers the area of Giant Rock where VAN TASSEL resides, advised SAS [REDACTED] and [REDACTED], on November 16, 1954, that VAN TASSEL actually does operate in the name of religion, and that he has attended a meeting or so at which 15 or 20 people were present when VAN TASSEL would read from Bible, preach a sermon, and then go into a trance or seance, and VAN TASSEL advised he was getting messages from space men. He formerly called his religion Brotherhood of Cosmic Christ, according to [REDACTED] and then some time later started the College of Universal Wisdom. [REDACTED] advised that VAN TASSEL actually operates as a prophet in the vicinity, carries a Bible with him, and does actually hold meetings in the name of religion. [REDACTED] stated that he could not state that VAN TASSEL was a con man because he was actually operating in the name of religion.

According to [REDACTED], VAN TASSEL openly solicits money in California and throughout the United States from unknown persons and actually tries to convert people to become part of his flock and to give him financial support for this religion.

[REDACTED] stated that he has watched the maneuvers of VAN TASSEL for some time and so far the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Office have ascertained VAN TASSEL has never violated any California Statutes due to the fact that he actually does, as heretofore stated, operate in the name of religion; namely, Metaphysics, Cosmic Brotherhood of Christ, etc. [REDACTED] advised that VAN TASSEL was apparently in his estimation a self-ordained minister in the religion he is promoting at the present time. (b)(7)(C)

[REDACTED] advised that the general consensus of opinion, and this includes himself, in the area where subject resides is that VAN TASSEL is eccentric and is apparently a mental case.

[REDACTED] San Bernardino County Sheriff's Office, advised above Agents that to his knowledge VAN TASSEL is eccentric, has a limited following,



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and claims to contact men from out of space through trances or seances. [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] at 29 Palms has a better knowledge of this than he. [REDACTED] stated to his knowledge VAN TASSEL has never violated any laws of the State of California. (b)(7)(c)

According to [REDACTED] VAN TASSEL has openly solicited money from anyone he could talk to or write to for his metaphysical religion.

Unless advised to the contrary by the Bureau, no further action is being taken by the Los Angeles Office.

The following is a description of VAN TASSEL as obtained through observation:

Race:	White
Age:	40-45
Height:	5' 9"
Weight:	170
Eyes:	Blue
Hair:	Blond, balding
Build:	Medium
Complexion:	Ruddy
Characteristics:	Dirty and unkempt; discolored teeth
Occupation:	Owner and operator Giant Rock Airport and Giant Rock Restaurant

Wife:

Daughter:

Address:

[REDACTED] (b)(7)(c)  
Post Office Box 419,  
Yucca Valley, California.



George W. Van Tassel - Yucca Valley  
of. nne - (Finland)  
Daniel W. Fry (Electronics & Rockets)

(1) OCEANOGRAPHIC SOUNDINGS OF U.S. NAVY: reported rate of rise of following areas:-Pacific Floor rising in Central Pacific Area. Atlantic Floor rising between Dakar, West Africa and Brazil. To substantiate theory of Continental Movement, Space People's redictions of rising again of the ancient continents of Atlantis and Lemuria.

(2) Any adverse attitude towards George W. Van Tassel of Giant Rock, Calif., relative to information contained in his "PROCEEDINGS" which have been mailed regularly to the Air Force Intelligence. Record of Buzzing of Washington by Flying Saucers on July 26, 27 & 28th, 1952.

(3) SPACE PREDICTIONS:- Is there evidence of plans by the Military to explode an A-Bomb of any kind under water in the Pacific, during the month of September. Space folk say it is so and will result in serious Tidal Waves on all bordering Coasts, and several serious Earth Quakes.

(4) TEMPERATURE DROPS AFTER A-BOMB BLAST: Space People say very serious drops of Temperature follow these, that 30 A-Bombs sufficient to cause serious Temp. reductions and dangerous harm.

(5) DANGERS FROM STOCK PILES: Van Tassel has written the Air Force Intelligence warning them of the danger of accumulating too many A-Bombs in storage in one place, serious danger of spontaneous detonation. Important advice from Space People.

(6) FLYING SAUCERS IN AIR FORCE POSSESSION: Van Tassel has information that the Air Force has several Flying Saucers in their possession to inspect and study. Is this so?

(7) NEW TYPE OF RADIATION NULLIFYER: Small balloon-like transparent bybbyly sort of thing, being released by the Saucers to nullify the dangerous radiation from our A & H-Bombs.

(8) COSMIC RAY BOMBARDMENT: See of any record of increase of this action, because we are in this new Fourth Density. This has caused a reduction in the Nitrogen Fixation Bacteria Countx in various parts of the world.

(9) FREE ENERGY MACHINE: Has the Air Force been able to get their Free Energy Machine to work yet. And have they figured out a way to charge for Free Energy.

#### PREDICTIONS OF SPACE PEOPLE

(1) WORLD WAR 3 WILL OCCUR: exact time not certain, a human factor, but A-Bombs will be used. The number used will have a critical affect in the derangement of the earth's rotational stability.

(2) CHANGE OF MAGNETIC DECLINATION: during the last 20 years. A-Bombs have increased the instability of the Planet, and further shifted the Axis of Rotation beyond its normal progression.



(3) CHANGE SHOWN IN UNUSUAL MELTING OF THE POLAR ICE-CAPS:

(4) CATACLISMIC CHANGES: End of the Pyramid Prophecies. Space People say there will be Earth Quakes, Fires, wind storms, tidal waves, caused by the earth trying to seek a new stable Axis of rotation. Shifting of Land Masses, sinking of part of the USA., Atlantic Seaboard, Florida, Gulf States, and Mississippi Valley, and area around the Great Lakes, sinking of lower part of California towards the sea and sliding southward. Rising of old Lemurish Continent in the Pacific. Sinking of Japan. Melting of the North Pole Ice Cap, and part of the South Pole Ice Cap. Sinking of good deal of Mediterranean Area, so Mediterranean Sea will occupy 3 times the present size. Earth's Orbit changing from Elyptical to a true circle. This will result in a lack of changing seasons. The new North Pole to be somewhere South of Japan now.

GIANT ROCK area is now 34 Deg. North Lat. and will end up at 30 Deg. North Lat. in the new Rotation Pattern. This will result in very little strain in that area. A new Pyramid will be constructed near the Giant Rock Area. (A Pyramid is a device for the concentration and Utilization of Light Energy.)

REASONS FOR MOTHER GOING TO CALIFORNIA: High Altitude 3000 Ft. Desert Environs. Giant Rock is only 40 miles from PALM SPRINGS and 29 PALMS area, world famous health resorts. Wonderful Clear Dry Ari.

(2) Get her away from N.Y.C. Quake and Tidal Wave dangers, and A-Bomb attacks in the event of War, which will be a surprise attack.

(3) To revive her interest in my work, in which she could take a very active part, with her excellent Scientific Mind.

(4) ECONOMY: The absurdly low cost of Desert Life in the Rough, No Doctors, No Drug Stores and Charge Accounts handy, needed physical activity working in the garden, hosing lawns, and research work for me.

(5) SMALL MOVING COSTS: Mother has few possessions to move, just hop a plane with a few trunks coming by freight.

REASONS FOR GOING TO GIANT ROCK

(1) RESEARCH ON LIGHT with 2 ends in mind. Light used in healing and Light used for Free Energy. The Data in the PROCEEDINGS is constantly being received two or three times a week with Van's contacts with the Space People. A type of information vital to all humanity.

(2) This Light Research is very similar to Grandfather's and Uncle's research work.



(3) SPIRITUAL ASPECT, and their concept of God completely satisfies me, in that they teach Science and Religion to be one and the same.

(4) MY STRATEGIC POSITION THERE: Van has taken a decided and companion-like interest in me, wanting me to work in closest contact with him at all times, assisting in the development of the entire Educational Center, and building and experimenting in the equipment designed and planned for the college by the Space People and Van.

(5) This college is the last Center on earth having a direct and free contact with the Space People. The only other two both now disbanded, were in Tibet and England.

(6) Information coming thru now is of a nature to aid Humanity in our future life and adjustments in the New Age. The Fundamental knowledge of UNIVERSAL WISDOM, the Wisdom of the Infinite Universe.

METHOD OF LEAVING PRESENT HOSPITAL JOB AT CORNELL:

Take a temporary Leave of Absence to investigate this new field and keep them advised of my progress. I hope to make a few startling discoveries in Light Healing before I leave, from some of the amazing data I now have in these 18 copies of Van's PROCEEDINGS, which would tempter their possible feelings that I was making an unwise move.

FINANCES: (The God of War)

I plan to live at Giant Rock, in the Desert Area planned for this COLLEGE OF UNIVERSAL WISDOM. They have about 40 acres of land there, rich chemically and needing only water to raise any and all forms of vegetables and fruits. They have a new big well just drilled which blasts up water at the rate of 1000 gallons per minute, via an air jet modern pump. Sufficient water to supply the whole college community endlessly. Water supply comes from a big vein way down thru from Mt. Shasta, nearly 500 miles to the north. Rich soil needs only water to grow anything. No fertilizers. Electric Light lines are coming thru definitely the coming November. I must have living quarters. One of two alternatives. Either to build a small desert home for about \$4,000 with about \$2,000 to furnish it, or preferably to buy a small Mobile House Trailer for about \$5,000. completely equipped and perfectly O.K. for a home indefinitely.

Van and the Space Folk stress the vital need of being prepared to store food and plan a life there in emergency which would go on entirely independent of Modern power and public Utilities which may be destroyed via War or Catastrophy. They say equip with all reasonable tools and equipment and fundamental raw materials, metals parts of pumps etc. Hand pumping equipment, Wind Mills, etc. Plan a life like that of our ancestors in early Colonial days.

Most of this construction of Cold Cellars, etc to be done with your own labor (Hobby work) during the progress of the College work with a minimum of cost for technical work.



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 5/12/65

SAC, SAVANNAH (157-703) (RUC)

GEORGE W. VAN TASSEL,  
JOINTROCK,  
YUCCA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA;  
UNKNOWN SECRET DEVICE  
RACIAL MATTERS

Re Miami airtel to Director, 4/9/65.

The files of the Savannah Office contain no information concerning subjects re airtel.

- 2 - Bureau (RM)
- 1 - Los Angeles (RM) (info.)
- 1 - Miami (info.) (RM)
- 1 - Savannah

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

## Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (63-1566)

DATE: 5/4/65

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (62-4080) (C)

SUBJECT: GEORGE W. VAN TASSEL;  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re Los Angeles airtel, with enclosed letterhead memorandum, to Bureau and Miami dated 4/12/65 and Bureau letter to Miami and Los Angeles dated 4/14/65.

Los Angeles files contain no information subsequent to the inquiry of the Denver Office in 1960. A summary of all prior information contained in the Los Angeles files was set forth in referenced Los Angeles airtel and letterhead memorandum.

A review of the Los Angeles files regarding VAN TASSEL failed to reveal any propensity towards violence and the most recent address indicated for VAN TASSEL is Giant Rock Airport, Yucca Valley, California.

Per referenced Bureau letter, no further investigation is contemplated in the Los Angeles Division regarding this matter, UACB.

- 2 - Bureau
- 3 - Miami (157-New)
- 1 - Los Angeles

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO :

DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 4/29/65

FROM :

SAC, JACKSONVILLE (157-1031) (RUC)

SUBJECT:

GEORGE W. VAN TASSEL,  
JOINTROCK,  
YUCCA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA;  
UNKNOWN SECRET DEVICE  
RACIAL MATTERS

Indices of the Jacksonville office are  
negative regarding captioned subject.

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- ② - Bureau  
1 - Los Angeles (info)  
2 - Miami  
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# Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 4/16/65

FROM : *RFE* SAC, Knoxville (157-380) (RUC)

SUBJECT: GEORGE W. VAN TASSEL,  
JOINTROCK,  
YUCCA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA;  
UNKNOWN SECRET DEVICE  
RACIAL MATTERS

Re MM tel to Bureau 4/9/65.

A review of indices of the Knoxville Office re captioned matter contains no identifiable information.

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- 1 - Los Angeles
- 1 - Miami
- 1 - Knoxville

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI


DATE:

FROM : SAC, CHARLOTTE (157-751)(RUC)

SUBJECT: GEORGE W. VAN TASSEL,  
JOINT ROCK,  
YUCCA VALLEY, CALIF.;  
UNKNOWN SECRET DEVICE  
RACIAL MATTERS

Re Miami airtel and LHM, 4/9/65.

Charlotte is unable to locate any record for  
GEORGE W. VAN TASSEL in its indices.

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  - 2 - Miami
  - 2 - Los Angeles
  - 1 - Charlotte

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Date: 4/9/65

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Via AIRTEL

REGISTERED MAIL

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (157-New)

SUBJECT: GEORGE W. VAN TASSEL,  
JOINTROCK,  
YUCCA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA;  
UNKNOWN SECRET DEVICE  
RACIAL MATTERS

Re Miami teletype to Director and Los Angeles

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Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of a LHM dated and captioned as above, with two copies of FD 376 for dissemination to US Secret Service, Washington.

Six copies of the LHM are being furnished to Los Angeles for local dissemination.

Two copies each of the LHM are furnished to listed offices.

All offices are requested to review their indices re captioned matter and advise the Bureau, Los Angeles and Miami of any identifiable information.

Source used in LHM is [REDACTED] (b)(7)(D)

Miami will follow and report any pertinent developments.

LHM being disseminated to G-2, Ft. McPherson, Georgia; OSI, Robins Air Force Base, Georgia; and ONI, 6th ND, Charleston, South Carolina. LHM is also being disseminated locally to US Secret Service and 111th INTC, Miami, Florida.



