

The following is a review of James M. McCanney's *Planet X, Comets & Earth Changes*—a very important book, as you will see. This review appears as a chapter in my own book *Sacred Circle—The Purification of Earth & Reunion of Its Peoples*.

Planet X, Comets & Earth Changes

Planet X, Comets & Earth Changes—A Scientific Treatise on the Effects of a New Large Planet or Comet Arriving in our Solar System and Expected Earth Weather and Earth Changes, by James M. McCanney

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In the mid-1990s, the importance of the research and theory of astrophysicist-cosmologist James M. McCanney was recognized by Russian scientists who had measured but did not understand electro-dynamic effects around Earth and in the solar system. McCanney's papers were translated into Russian and today are being taught at the university level as the leading edge of research in the field.

In his own country, however, McCanney's work is largely unrecognized. Why? Without laboring the issue, let me say simply that McCanney is the proponent of a new paradigm in astrophysics, one that makes the old paradigm look downright Middle Ages. Thus Mr. McCanney has found himself a *persona non grata* in his field.

Add to this the fact that relevant governmental agencies (NASA, for instance) are staffed by old paradigms and guided by a mandate to disclose only non-alarming information to the panic-prone public, and you will readily understand why the name of McCanney is not a household word, even though it should be.

Mr. McCanney's paradigm is alarming. No doubt about it. In my view, alarms serve a very useful purpose. They save lives. If you have an aversion to alarms, then perhaps you shouldn't read the following brief overview of main points of McCanney's alarming theories.

The Solar System

Old paradigm astrophysicists maintain that our solar system was formed about 4.5 billion years ago, and no new planets or moons have appeared since. (This concept of the fixity of the solar system is a contemporary equivalent of the “fixity of species” doctrine of the old-time creationists.)

In reality, McCanney writes, “new members are constantly being added and may arrive at any time. Most of these new arrivals will be small but occasionally some may be large. Some may even be in extended orbits moving far out from the inner solar system area and returning every few thousand years. It is this class of object[s] that we see in the large comet Hale-Bopp ... or the object described by the ancient Egyptians [and called] Nibiru, which they claimed arrived every 3600 years to ravage the inner solar system.” (12)

Contrary to conventional opinion, McCanney states, “only Jupiter and the Sun were in the original solar system and all the other planets and moons were captured and adapted into the solar system one by one at a later time. Each new object formed under unique conditions and [was] a comet [originally] ... until [it] settled into the final resting orbit. As new members arrive they will encounter the currently existing planets and moons in a dynamic game of celestial billiards.” (51)

Old paradigmers: “Venus is an original planet of the solar system.” The extremely high temperature of Venus and extremely dense atmosphere (900 times as dense as that of Earth) are due to “the Greenhouse Effect.” (52)

McCanney: Venus is a new planet and is exactly what you’d expect given its origin as “a large violent comet.” “Since its orbit lies inside that of Earth, it had to have encountered Earth on multiple occasions as it nestled into its current orbit.” (53)

Old paradigmers: “The Sun is electrically neutral and is not affected by external conditions,” such as the appearance of a comet. Energetic

effects are strictly the result of magnetic effects, i.e., solar domestic violence.

McCanney: The Sun has a “net negative charge as it continually ejects large composite streamers of primarily protons in the solar wind. This builds up and sustains a ‘solar capacitor’ with the positive anode far beyond the orbit of Pluto, where there is a large ionized cloud of dust and gases. This capacitor is discharged by the asteroids and larger comet nuclei that enter the solar system. This capacitor is what powers and controls the electrical nature of the solar system. Magnetic effects are secondary effects of the electrical plasma currents that flow as a result of this power source.” (54)

Underline the following: “The Sun produces thousands of times more energy in the form of electrical energy as it does in the form of light energy, but Earth is buffered from this by its large magnetic field.” (54)

Comets

Earth is buffered by its large magnetic field. “We only notice changes here when the local electric field and current flows are altered either by solar flares or large comets passing near by.” (54)

Comets are no danger to Earth, according to conventional astrophysicists, who adhere to the theory (originated by Fred Whipple) that comets are just “large dirty snowballs.”

“These snowballs melt (sublimate) when near the Sun,” the *Whipple-ites* assure us, and “the solar wind sweeps their tails out away from the Sun.” “Comets are getting smaller and go away eventually or leave a small asteroid in its orbit. NASA states that only if one of these tiny [asteroidal] nuclei hits Earth directly can it harm Earth.” (52)

According to McCanney’s “Plasma Discharge Comet Model,” comets are “asteroidal or larger rocky objects, which ignite a complex electrical discharge of the Solar Capacitor when they enter the Sun’s electrical region

.... Comets are drawing in the tail material and therefore are getting larger as they move on their orbits in the solar system.” (52)

“Although most comets are small, some can be large or even of planetary size, and if so, can cause extreme damage to the existing planets and moons as they work their way into their eventual stable [solar] orbits. They do not have to directly hit an existing planet to cause damage, in fact extreme levels of danger can be caused by a myriad of effects by ‘action at a distance.’” (52)

What are some examples of extreme effects? The most probable effect of the passage of a very large comet through our solar system would be severe disruption of the Earth’s magnetic field/shield. “The key to understanding is that the Sun’s capacitor ... stores unimaginable amounts of static electric charge and energy. When a comet or series of planets, moons and comets become involved, then the level of power released from the capacitor increases and that power usually is passed along the paths that include these planetary objects.” (61)

“In addition to the electro-magnetic plasma effects, there are the physical or what we might call the Newtonian gravitational effects. These would involve the alterations of orbits due to gravity of one object working on another, or if two massive planetary sized objects interact at close range, the ‘tidal waves’ can be set up on the outer structures of these planetary mantles. These effects can range from small ocean tides such as our Moon causes every day, to massive major Earth altering effects such as mountain building, earthquakes or creation and eruption of volcanoes.” (61-62)

Close Encounters of the Comet Kind

A comet is a kind of “cosmic vacuum cleaner,” McCanney says, and if a comet is larger than a living planet it passes, it will suck up the planet’s atmosphere and surface water. Mars suffered this fate, McCanney suggests. “Its atmosphere and oceans were removed recently [about 3000 years ago]. The ancients are said to have witnessed this and described it as a giant

snake-like extension coming out of the huge comet that eventually became the planet Venus.” (63)

If the passing comet is smaller than the planet it passes, the reverse occurs. The comet dumps the materials it is dragging onto the planet, resulting in what McCanney calls a major “pollution event.” “Earth has experienced multiple such events in the past 10,000 years,” McCanney states. “Some were more devastating than others.” (63)

The “fire and brimstone” witnessed by Moses, McCanney suggests, was the result of “meteor streams and the influx of hydrocarbons from the huge comet tail that polluted the Earth and gave us the extensive oil fields that cover the Earth and line the bottom of the seas and oceans.” No need to war over oil, McCanney says. It can be found the world over in abundance. (63-64)

“When Moses witnessed the burning cyclone of fire extending into the sky, this was literally the electrical discharge from the passing ... comet ... with burning naphtha pouring in.” (64)

Among other potential effects: “There is only one process that has all the factors sufficient to cause a shift or rotation of the spin axis of Earth’s mantle, and that is a gravitational wave set up by a passing large comet....” (65)

The “King of Terror”

Those afraid of truth or offended by bad spelling (McCanney spells Moses “Mosses”) will not find the McCanney book to their liking. Those interested in personal/planetary security will find it an invaluable reference.

If we Earthfolk are going to be “blindsided” by a comet, that is only because we have allowed the astrophysics-governmental complex to remain blind to the real, electro-dynamic nature of our solar system.

Why would we allow such a thing? One important answer was provided by Velikovsky in his 1982 book *Mankind in Amnesia*: The

memory of past catastrophic consequences of close encounters with comets remains in mankind's collective unconscious, and this memory is so terrifying, we would do or give anything to keep it from surfacing. If this is so, then we might well suppose that a basic mission of man's religions, governments, and scientific establishments is to persuade us the people that our precarious Earth stage is in fact very stable. Nothin' to worry about, folks.

This deeply engrained memory, I would suggest, is the real "King of Terror" (a phrase of Nostradamus). Until we depose it, and get on with the business of seeing and describing the solar system as it actually is, and preparing for the next close encounter with a comet, our existence, as a species, on Earth, will remain very tenuous.

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