

One point that is usually brought up by globs to "prove" the earth is round is the notion that ships disappear over the horizon. According to Captain Raymond Fraser, a seaman, some of them do, and they don't come back again either.

Captain Fraser has been studying this alleged phenomenon and here is what he's noticed:

"All boats once a reasonable distance out on the water appear to be on the horizon.

"Those that are farthest away look smaller than those that are nearer. The farther a boat recedes from the eye of the viewer the smaller it gets, until it seems eventually to disappear. Never have I seen a boat "sink over the horizon." "

"This phenomenon of an object disappearing when it gets far enough away from the human eye is readily explained by a simple experiment.

"You need only take a tiny pebble or a pea and place it on an airport runway, then have someone remove it further from you at intervals, and I can assure you it will not be long before you can no longer see the pebble or pea.

"Would your conclusion then be that the pebble (or pea) disappeared over the edge of a globular runway?"

In school we are taught that Columbus proved the earth to be a globe when he set sail West to reach the East -- meaning India and China.

Columbus sailed West and thereby proved that the World to be round -- or so the globs say.

Yet Columbus never reached the East and so obviously his voyage disproved rather than proved his theories.

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He, himself, realized his failure and was so conscious of his defeat that he tried to cover it by a lie so "blatant as to be pitiful". He said that the Caribbean Islands were the Indies and called their inhabitants, Indians.

Later this confidence man and adventurer was "disgraced and imprisoned, as he deserved to be -- but his lies continue to haunt us"

The globs "are indeed a brazen crew". They celebrate Magellan as the first man to circumnavigate the globe, despite the fact substantiated by any encyclopedia that he never came back from his voyage!

He left Europe with five vessels in August, 1519, and was never seen there again.

The Flat Earth Society does not profess to know his fate, but the most obvious explanation is that he and his followers plunged over the edge of the earth into the abysmal chasm -- as so many hapless or deluded beings had done before and have done since.

The members of the Flat Earth Society certainly have not been the only ones in recent years to state their beliefs that the earth is indeed flat.

Author George Bernard Shaw has been quoted saying: "We are more gullible and superstitious today than we were in the Middle Ages, and an example of modern credulity is the widespread belief that the earth is round. The average man can advance not a single reason for thinking that the earth is round. He merely swallows this theory because there is something about it that appeals to the twentieth century mentality."

Another famous author, W. Somerset Maugham, states: "I am aware that the

earth is round, but I know that it is flat."

Dr. Leo Ferrari commented on one aspect of the theory that the earth is a globe. "If a person were to take time to mathematically figure out at what speed the earth was spinning, he-she would find that we are travelling at an average of 1,000 miles an hour, when we are standing still on the earth. To go even further, the earth is travelling at a speed of approximately 67,000 miles an hour around the sun. And the galaxy of which we are a part is travelling at a speed of about 600,000 miles an hour." All in all this speculation of the "globs", is as absurd as all their other ideas.

According to the Flat Earth Society the earth has been going through Ages. First there was the Age of Earth with Copernicus' theory of the spinning spherical earth. Next came the Age of Water with the attempts of circumnavigation. Then came the Age of Air with the Wright brothers invention of the flying machines. Now we are in the Space Age with the attempt to escape to other planets to get away from Mother Earth. Next, and finally will come the Age of Fire with us running into a hell of high explosives (George Bernard Shaw).

THE VISIT TO THE EDGE

June 13, 1971 marked the Visit to the Edge.

Dr. Ferrari would not go into any detail on the Visit as he said it was too terrifying to talk about. He did state however, that they have or had an official observer, one Alphonsus J. Pittman, who lived on Fogo Island, which is 9 miles off the coast of Newfoundland.

It seems that being the official observer was such a disturbing occupation that Mr. Pittman indulged himself with screech quite frequently, and according to Ferrari, had to leave, because the Society found they could not afford to keep him (As everyone knows, the Liquor Control Board has a nifty way of raising prices every time you turn around.)

AIMS OF THE FLAT EARTH SOCIETY

1. To restore man's faith in Common Sense. Seeing is believing. For more than fifteen hundred years western man has been blinded by metaphysics, brainwashed by popular fallacies and bullied into denying the evidence of his very own senses! The Flat Earth Society stands for a renewed faith in the basic truth of sense experience. Seeing is believing!

2. To combat the fallacious deification of the sphere, which ever since the sly deceptions of Eudoxus has thwarted western thought.

3. To spearhead man's escape from his metaphysical and geometrical prison by asserting unequivocally that all science, like all philosophy and all religion is essentially sacramental and therefore that all reality, as we verbalize it, is ultimately metaphorical.

4. "Give back to the human race a human Earth in a human Universe in which we can once more live as human beings."

So you see, in the beginning the earth was flat; it is flat today and it will continue to be flat tomorrow.

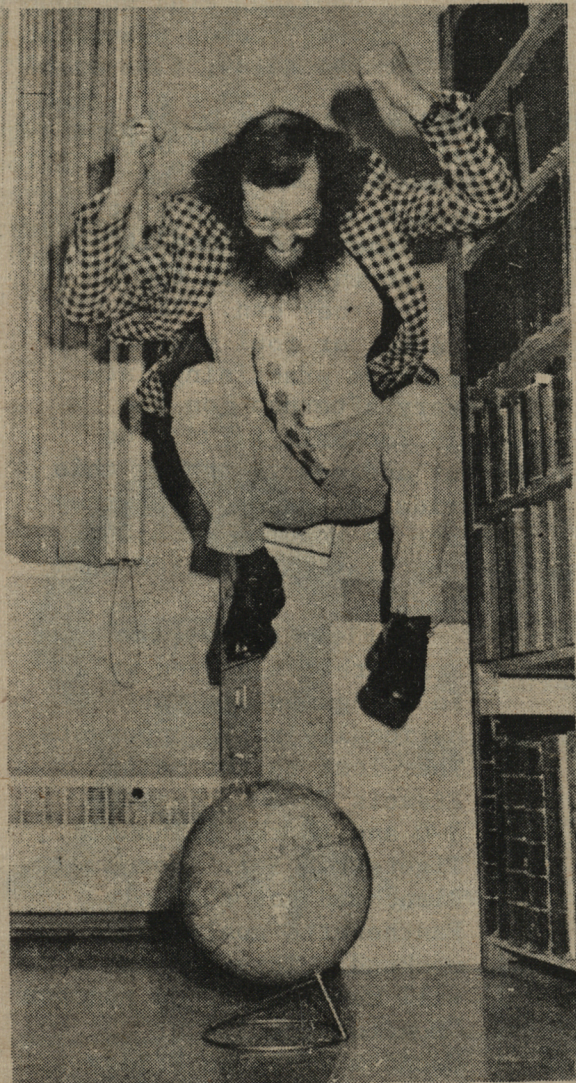


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anyone can see that!

(or what do you say to a man who thinks the earth is flat!)