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From Bob Gray (bobg@cstvax.UUCP):
> There is a book (by E.C. TUBB, I think his name was, I can't remember
> the title) which tells a story made up of two episodes from the
> series and a story claimed to be a possible "Final episode".
> This was written after the series had ended and explains what
> actually happened in the explosion.
> ...
> As I remember the moon was squeezed by the explosion and forced
> into a strange fourth-dimensional orbit. This is how it got out
> of the solar system so fast.
> The moon eventually ends up back in it's original (present) orbit
> with a convenient explanation for all the large number of planets
> they encountered.

and from Alan Greig :

> Although the TV series never really did give a credible explanation for
> the speed with which they seemed to wander all over the universe, there
> was an associated book which told a complete story from the moons blasting
> out of orbit right through to an eventual return to earth many tens of years
> later. I can't recall the author but the atmosphere created by the book and
> the far better scientific accuracy was way above anything the TV series ever
> managed. I won't spoil the ending though for those who may want to read it.

I don't know what these guys have been reading, but I don't think it was
Space: 1999, unless it was a British publication that never made it over
here. I don't think that's likely because I have gotten things directly from
British dealers at conventions. If such a book does exist, I'd love to find it.
The show was novelized and some extra tie-in novels were written between the
two seasons. I have all of the following books and I checked them over last
weekend, none have the plot described above.

The Making of Space: 1999 by Tim Heald

Series 1 novelizations: (all episodes except Earthbound, these weren't
done as short stories, like the Star Trek

episode novelizations, but add connections
from one episode to the next)

1. Breakaway - E. C. Tubb

Breakaway

A Matter of Life and Death

A Ring Around the Moon

The Black Sun

2. Moon Odyssey - John Rankine

Alpha Child

The Last Sunset

Voyager's Return

Another Time, Another Place

3. The Space Guardians - Brain Ball

Missing Link

Force of Life

Guardian of Piri

4. Collision Course - E. C. Tubb

Collision Course

Full Circle

End of Eternity

Death's Other Dominion

5. Lunar Attack - John Rankine

War Games

The Troubled Spirit

The Last Enemy

Space Brain

6. Astral Quest - John Rankine

The Infernal Machine

Mission of the Darrians

Dragon's Domain

The Testament of Arkadia

Original novels, all end with the moon continueing through space

7. Alien Seep - E. C. Tubb

8. Android Planet - John Rankine

9. Rogue Planet - E. C. Tubb

10. Phoenix of Megaron - John Rankine

Series 2 novelizations: (all episodes except The Taybor)

all written by Michael Butterworth

1. Planets of Peril

The Metamorph

The AB Chrysalis

The Rules of Luton

New Adam, New Eve

2. Mind-Breaks of Space

Brian the Brain

The Mark of Archanon

The Catacombs of the Moon

One Moment of Humanity

3. The Space-Jackers

Seed of Destruction

A Matter of Balance

The Exiles

The Beta Cloud

4. The Psychomorph

The Lambda Factor

The Bringers of Wonder

5. The Time Fighters

Space Warp

Dorzak

Devil's Planet

The Seance Spector

6. The Edge of the Infinite

All that Glisters

Journey to Where

The Dorcons

The Immunity Syndrome - ended with the possibility that the Alphans
stayed to settle this planet

Mary Anne Espenshade

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