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I'm rather excited tonight to tell you the truth because I've been following up something.

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The most of you will remember the report which we gave you last week about four teenagers

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in Green Castle, Indiana, who said that they were buzzed by flying saucers.

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Now that story interested me very much and after going over the thing I decided that

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it would stand a little bit of checking.

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For one thing I didn't exactly believe all of it, so I must confess now that I believe

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a great deal more of it after checking the authenticity of this story.

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And here's how I went about it.

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First of all though, maybe I'd better just go over briefly this finding which I put on

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the air last week for those of you who didn't hear it.

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This report concerned 14-aged boys.

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Their names were Jerry Burkane and George Bennett, 17 years old.

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Bob Coleman, 18, and Jackie Glover also aged.

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Now according to this report, the boys were returning to Green Castle, which is a small

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town in Indiana, from Rattleville when they saw a red light over their car.

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Now being very curious, they stopped their car and the thing hovered over their car about

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200 feet they said.

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Then they flashed their spotlight on the object to see just what it was and then the very

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strange thing happened.

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It descended rapidly towards them and threw something in the car evidently which exploded

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sounding very much like a firecracker.

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Now that was the story as we gave it last week.

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We'll admit it sounded very fantastic and that was what we wanted to check it further.

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So here's what I did.

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First of all, I called the Indianapolis News, in which the story appeared, and learned that

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the story had been sent into them by Mr. Kenneth Bennett of a weekly paper, a county newspaper

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in Green Castle called a Putnam County Graphic.

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Now that's not Putnam County, West Virginia, but in Indiana, in the town of Green Castle,

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which is a small weekly newspaper.

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The next thing I did was to get in touch with Mr. Kenneth Bennett, who I learned was the

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owner of the paper and the publisher of it, and who also I learned was the father of one

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of the boys who had reported this study.

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Evidently that is how he got the story.

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Well, Mr. Bennett reviewed the story to me and it was very much like his original report,

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although he did show in a few more details.

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The report was, as I said, very similar to that one.

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In the paper, the boys parked their car when they saw an object hovering over the car and

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showed their light on it, whereupon a large object descended out of the sky.

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They said it was kidney shaped and lighted up with all colors of light.

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Well, the thing covered there for a moment closer car.

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Then there was an explosion inside the car and something like a firecracker obviously

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went off.

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After the thing was over, they found fragments of something that had made the explosion, which

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were purple and yellow and green, although Mr. Bennett said that he looked at the fragments

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and they certainly were not like the paper fragments left over when a firecracker, a

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regular July 4th firecracker, explodes.

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He also said, and added another detail, which was not in the original report, that the objects

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which hovered over these boys' car and made a very odd noise.

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They said that it wasn't loud, it was an airplane motor, but it made what they called a real

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soft noise.

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I would presume myself a kind of hum.

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Anyway, the boys were very frightened about it all, and Mr. Bennett said that he had never

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seen a bunch of more excited boys than the kids were when they came to his house.

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Here going through this unusual experience.

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Evidently, Mr. Bennett had not thought too much about the fragments, but I told Mr. Bennett

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that I thought they were very important because here is one instance where there is some real

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physical proof left behind in a flying saucer's sighting, a kind of proof that could be checked

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by scientists.

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He said that one of the boys told him that they had taken it to a chemistry professor

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at a local college, that he hadn't heard anything more about it.

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He did add that he would try to get hold of some of the fragments and send them to me

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so that I also could have them analyzed, and that he would look into any analysis that

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had been made.

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So I'm looking forward to having that done.

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Maybe we'll find out that it wasn't a flying saucer after all, I don't know, but yet again

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maybe we'll find out something really interesting from this.

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Now the main reason that I believe this story is that Mr. Bennett sounded very sincere, and

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Mr. Bennett evidently is a very responsible man.

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He owns the Putnam County Graphics, which is a small newspaper.

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He's been in the newspaper business for 11 years, and I assume is a most careful reporter.

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He is also the editor of a house organ, a publication put out by the Architect Ceramic

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Corporation, which is a large ceramic company.

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He edits their paper and it appears to me to be a quite responsible individual.

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I asked him, Mr. Bennett, what do you think?

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You think the boys could have been making this all up?

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And he said, I really don't.

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They look very frightened, and then I've been feeding and clothing and sending my boy to

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school all these years, and I don't think that he would do a thing like that to me.

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I asked him what he thought about flying saucers.

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He said he didn't know, but he tended to believe that there must be something from all of these

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reports that had been coming out.

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He also said that the sheriff thought that something unusual was going on in that area,

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which I understand is on 234.

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The sheriff has ordered the teenagers not to get back to the spot again because a lot

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of other local people have seen the same thing around that area, a large kidney-shaped object

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in the air.

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This object is inside it only at night, and these objects have been eliminated by very

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brilliant light.

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Now, evidently, the boys did not indicate how they felt that an object hovering over

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the car could discard some sort of bomb and throw it inside the car.

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They haven't said how they thought they could be done, and that is a quite puzzling thing,

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perhaps when we get a little further along on this investigation, we will know all the

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details.

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I just wanted you to know these additional details, which I was able to obtain from the

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father of one of the boys who saw the object.

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There are a lot of other sightings coming in daily to our office here in Clarksburg.

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However, I see that our time is growing very short.

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To you, Hugh McPherson, to your engineer, Mr. Barker, who doesn't claim any relationship

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with me, and to all the good people listening who are interested in flying saucer reports,

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this is Gray Barker in Clarksburg saying good night to you all.