

WEIRD WONDERS
OF WALES*Those lights
in the sky*

Last week, I quoted from a letter from Mrs. R. of Lampeter. She and her husband saw an orange light, rectangular in shape with the outline of a cross at its centre. She continues:-

"On another night in late Spring this year at about 8 p.m. when it was almost dark and when there were no leaves on the trees, I saw an orange globe-shaped light float across the sky over our house and into the distance through the trees.

"It was much bigger than a star but not as big as the moon, or so it seemed. It went very much slower than a shooting star, so that I could follow it with my eye for five or ten seconds at least. This again travelled from south-east to north-west (approx.) and disappeared into the distance on the other side of Cefn Bryn towards Temple Bar".

Note that Mrs. R's globe floated and was slow moving. The colour of many objects about which readers have written is orange. I know Mars is similar in colour, but I don't think anyone could suggest that all such sightings can be of the planet. And planets or stars will not be seen to 'float'. Shooting stars can be put down to meteors or, as was mentioned last week, 'space debris' created by humankind.

Dafydd G. wrote from Tremadog about a sighting in the 1950's at Chwilog, Caernarfonshire:-

"The light was observed on 28 August, 1953. The whole affair is included by a Mrs. G. of Birmingham in a letter to the Rev. W. Rector of Llan... at the time. An orange light was seen at a quarter to three in the morning. Mrs. G. was travelling in a car. This light was travelling at the height of about four to five feet above ground level and was coming towards the car.

"It disappeared for a time before making a re-appearance. When the car reached Y Ffor (Fourcrosses) the light completely disappeared.

"The facts are contained in an article by Dyfed Evans ... and can be found ... in Y Cymro, 25th September, 1953.

"... this area ... consists of very old rock formations. From time to time photons are set free ... Such photons remain in the atmosphere for a time before disappearing.

by: Llowarch

"Our knowledge of such phenomena is scarce. Perhaps people's imagination results in giving form to such strange things as aliens, flying saucers and UFO's. ... when more evidence is gathered a clearer picture will result."

What if the object seen is not a light and, therefore, not a photon? Such a description came to me from Mr. P., Dolgellau:-

"What I saw," he writes, "was a black disc go across the sky. I was looking up at the stars when this thing drifted across blotting them out. It went from north to south steadily and was about the size of a new penny held at arms length.

"I watched it for about half a minute, though I can't be sure of the exact timing. It was soon after dark, about eleven o'clock on a June night".

Mr. P. didn't mention it to anyone until he read my "Light in the Sky" article. This natural fear of ridicule must mean that most odd sightings go unreported. There's also the fact that many of us take these things as normal. That Mr. P's disc did not emit light and had no colour shows it to be different from other sightings.

So what are these things? Having witnessed some of them personally and in all sorts of places, I feel that we need to investigate and correlate all such information. On a merry whim, my friend Pat wrote to me reminding me that I'd promised to organise some sort of UFO watch. This promise was made a long while back and she accuses me - tongue-in-check - of being "affeared".

Well, I'm anything but "affeared", Pat. Yet, because so much has come to light (no pun intended) since the "Light in the Sky" appeared in Cambrian News, perhaps a really well organised watch is necessary. Therefore, write to me if you're interested and we'll do it very soon.

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