

Giant UFO carries off

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A young science teacher claims to have been abducted by a UFO that was so big and sophisticated it made a Boeing 747 jetliner look like a dime-store balloon!

"All my wildest fantasies came true," Masao Sekoya, 31, told reporters in Kagoshima, Japan.

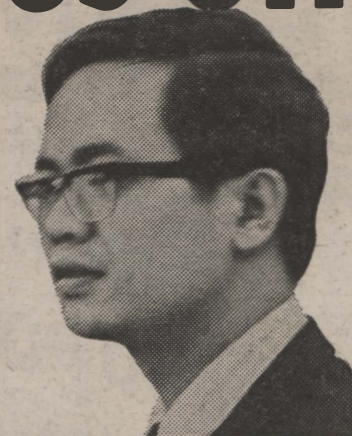
"I wasn't watching a science fiction movie. I was in space myself. I'm certain of that.

"I know a lot of people will think I'm some kind of a nut. But I don't care. I know what happened to me and I know where I went."

Authorities have discussed the alleged space trip with Sekoya but refuse to comment, pending the outcome of a full investigation, said newspapers.

The young man himself says he mysteriously blacked out while walking in a park — and woke up "aboard a starship 20 times bigger than a

science teacher!



ABDUCTED: Masao Sekoya.

... then brings him back unharmed

jetliner and very advanced. There wasn't a light or control board in it," he continued. "I don't pretend to understand how it worked, but it appeared that a single black stone no bigger than a bottle cap controlled everything.

"It sat on top of a silver pedestal in the middle of the main deck. The aliens were bald and had lidless eyes but otherwise looked like Europeans or Americans in shiny yellow suits.

"They spoke Japanese to me but communicated among themselves with clicking noises and grunts. I asked them where they came from

and they smiled among themselves. One of them said, 'Up there — the stars.' I told them I understood."

Sekoya said he stayed on the ship about three hours — "long enough to see Venus and Mercury and get a relatively close-up view of the sun."

"The aliens never told me why I was taken aboard and when they put me back on Earth I wasn't even aware of it," he continued.

"I woke up beside a large spot of crushed grass on the outskirts of town. I guess that's where a shuttlecraft of some kind landed and let me off."

ARTIST'S rendering of spacecraft 20 times bigger than a Boeing 747.