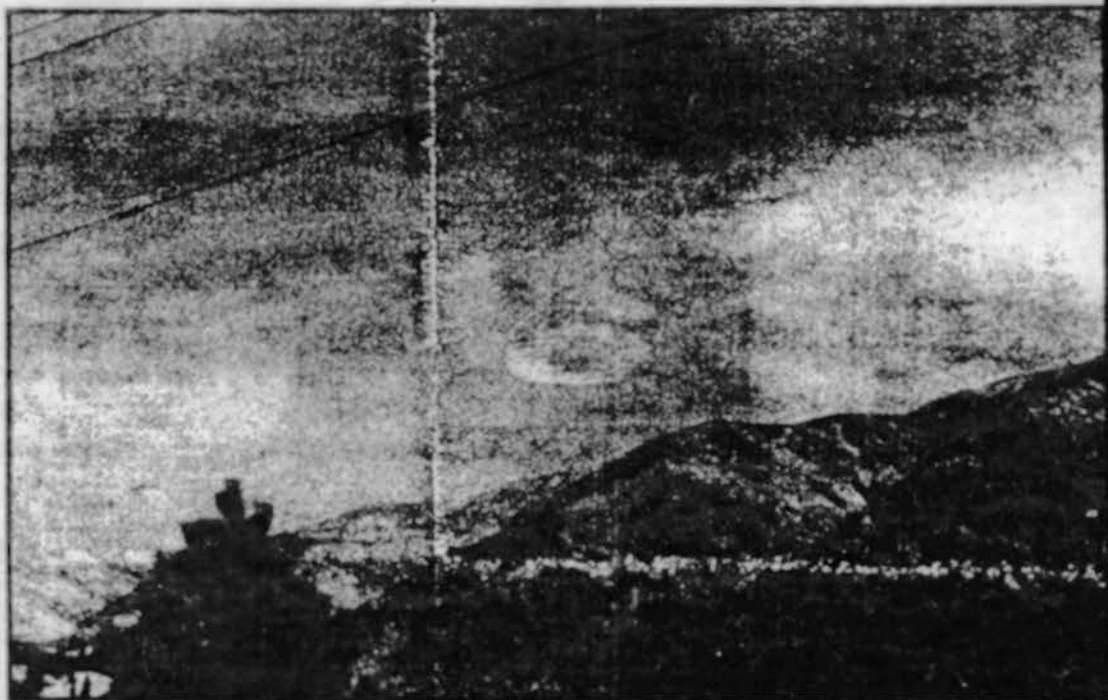


ARE UFOs PIE IN THE SKY? NOT TO GRASSINGTON'S SOBER EX-POLICEMAN



TONY DODD: Looking for answers



Detective Dodd's lights fantastic

RETIRED policeman Tony Dodd handed me the scoop of the century.

Long-lived aliens from outer space who feed on the bodily fluids of humans and cattle are holed up in a New Mexican underground bunker and have wiped out soldiers sent to dislodge them.

The alien life form, known as AIF, are described as hairless, three to five feet high, with large tear-shaped eyes, thin lips and four-fingered, claw-like hands and toes, grey reptile-like skin and arms which reach their knees. They are particularly partial to strawberry ice-cream. Science fiction? Utter fantasy? Not according to 54-year-old Tony.

His bizarre claim, he said, comes from a bemedalled American air force and naval intelligence officer Milton William Cooper, who had access to secret documents, and claims to have seen a huge UFO rising from the sea next to his submarine.

Cooper has challenged the White House by charging the Government with treason against the American people.

His story is that the aliens have temporarily abducted and medically probed thousands of people. The American top military have known about them for years and have given them several remote underground bases in exchange of the kind of technology which enabled them to build the Stealth bomber.

But since then the aliens have shown their true, malevolent colours.

"It is the biggest cover up of all time," said Mr Dodd. "And my information is that something dramatic about UFOs is going to happen in 1992."

Tony, director of research and investigations for the Yorkshire UFO Society, is co-director of



ALIENS are here, living in America and with a taste for strawberry ice-cream, says former policeman Tony Dodd. And he means it! JOHN HEWITT wasn't sure what to believe.

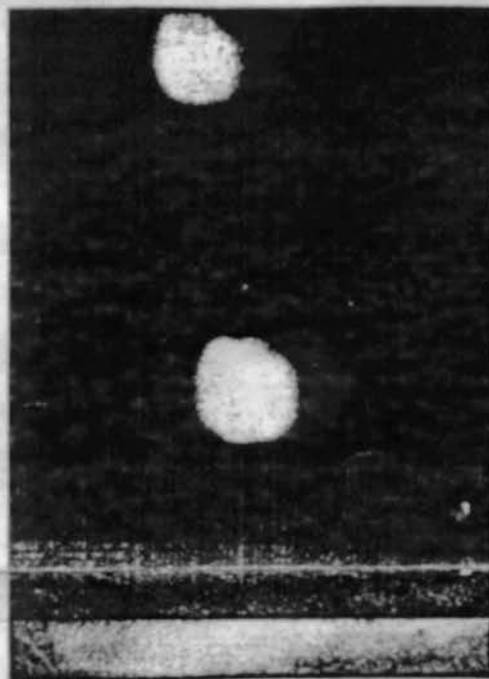


OBJECT LESSON: Tony's drawing of a UFO seen at Cononley

their magazine, the smartly-produced Quest International, which goes out to 300 members worldwide.

What comes as a jolt is that Mr Dodd, who lives at Hardy Meadows, a backwater in the tourist town of Grassington, is eminently sane.

He will admit to being somewhat obsessed by UFOs. "But I want to find out what it is all about. I am searching for the truth, just as I



MYSTERY SIGHTS: A UFO (or cloud?) over a California lake (top) and Tony Dodd's photo of unexplained lights above Carleton Moors (above)

was when I was on the force," he said. He does not mean the Stars Wars variety. He is talking about the North Yorkshire Police, where he served for 25 years, based at Skipton.

He was out with a colleague on night patrol in a country lane at Cononley in January 1978 when a 100ft UFO floated across the road in front of their car.

"It had three great spheres underneath and there were coloured lights flashing and rotating. The whole thing was giving out an incandescent glow.

Since then he had been out with binoculars and geiger counter on the Carleton Moors, near Skipton, which he claims is prime UFO-spotting territory. He reckons he has seen about 60 UFOs.

"It was as though it was signalling, and it was so close I could see the dimpled glass windows," he said.

The authorities ridicule UFOs, but they are interested in them, Mr Dodd asserts.