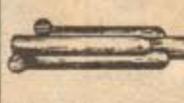
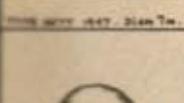
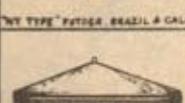
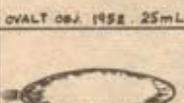
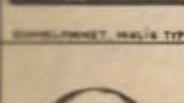
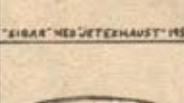
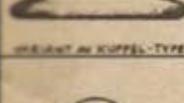
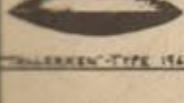


Last week four Staffordshire policemen on Z-car patrol saw and photographed what they described as "a bright, squarish-shaped light, drifting about 300 feet up". The Home Office has their film and is refusing to release it. Here JOHN STEAD examines the UFO mystery and talks to a man who has taken it seriously for 25 years.

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This Swedish table shows the commonest UFOs — all have been seen at least ten times, and the one in the top left-hand corner more often than any of them. The photograph on the far left was taken at Cainsborough, Yorkshire, by Stephen Pratt (15), on March 28, 1966. The other photograph was taken in June 1962 near Sheffield by a 14-year-old boy.

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escalate their degree of contact with us. But this view denies that very basic human characteristic, curiosity, in which one Antoni Szachnowski is especially well blessed. Mr. Szachnowski lives in one of South London's seedier backwaters, a treble-chinned pudding of a man reminiscent of half a dozen different comedians rolled into one. By day he is senior export clerk for Chrysler cars, but by night he assumes the mantle he clearly prefers: Global Co-ordinator of Project International UFO Petition to the United Nations.



His first contact with the unknown came during the war. "I was an artillery Lieutenant in the Second Polish Corps stationed in Italy — near Loreto. It was 11 o'clock one morning when suddenly I saw our soldiers looking up and pointing and I looked there and saw an egg-shaped glittering thing, metallic glittering. "It made no movement or sound. A few minutes later our anti-aircraft batteries opened up and you could see the pop-pop-pop of the shells bursting. But they couldn't reach it. "After a while our guns stopped, but we could still see shells bursting and so the Germans must also have been firing on it. "So that precluded it being German; but not entirely, I suppose. It was after the Monte Casino break and there was a lot of movement, so it was possible that one section of the front didn't know what the other was doing. "But I don't think it was normal: there were no balloons that could fly above the barrages

without bursting, and also a balloon would have moved in the air currents created by the shelling and this was motionless. "Suddenly it turned at an angle of 45 degrees and disappeared upwards; in a matter of seconds it was gone, vanished." He forgot about it until after the war, when he and many other Poles were demobbed to transit camps in England. It transpired that many had also seen inexplicable flying objects (so had the Germans: they called them "foofighters"). Anyway, to cut a long but undeniably interesting story short, Mr. Szachnowski's fascination with unidentifiable aerial phenomena grew to the point it has now reached: the small back room of his flat just below the Crystal Palace sports centre is virtually the hub of international ufology. His concern is in the preparation of a 30,000-name petition to the UN, calling on them to take the UFO question seriously by setting up a world-wide network of observers and a special UFO research centre. So far he has half his total, but until the target is reached no politician can be persuaded to present the petition. "Of course UFOs need not be spacecraft; they could be perfectly natural phenomena, perhaps associated with magnetic storms. Or they could be explained by mass hallucination. "That's the phenomena described by one Italian psychologist as 'agregoria' in which people believe so strongly in the existence of a particular object that it actually materialises. "I don't know; but I do know that governments can't explain all the sightings, and surely that is good enough reason for them to be investigated properly."