

Riddle of Greg's flying saucer

THIS is the photograph lorry driver Greg Marchant says he took when he spotted a strange object speeding across the sky over a seaside town.

Mr. Marchant says he saw a moving light from his bedroom window, grabbed his Polaroid camera and rushed outside. He had time for just one picture.

Now, a full investigation is being made into his story.

An organisation which researches unexplained phenomena says there is no doubt that an unidentified flying object has been sighted over Bournemouth.

Sceptical

Investigator Mr. Ron McClure of Scan International says: "This is no fake. There can be no doubt about this one and no 'official' explanation could dismiss this picture."

"It must be the best ever taken."

"It shows the conventional lines of a UFO, but in amazing detail. It should go a long way towards con-

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vincing people of their existence."

Mr. McClure said the picture backed up claims by an American, George Adamski, that he photographed a flying saucer that landed in the Californian Desert in November, 1952.

"For years ufologists have thought the famous Adamski pictures of a similar type were fakes," said McClure. "Until now we have been sceptical, but as a result of this Marchant sighting there's no doubt in our minds that Adamski craft did exist."

Mr. McClure added: "Mr. Marchant underwent a very rigorous interview. A lot of people like to think they've spotted a UFO and we also get used to finding hoaxes."

Mr. Marchant, aged 21, was at home in Highlands

Crescent, Bournemouth, on Oct. 21 when he saw what he describes as a greeny blue light moving fast across the sky.

He said: "I had time for only one picture. The strange thing was there was no sound—just the traffic noise outside our house."

"I've never believed in these things before, but I do now. It was so real. I knew I couldn't have imagined it."

Mystified

"I'm terrified of what I saw and I never want to see anything like it again."

His father, Mr. Albert Marchant, said: "I know this is genuine. My wife and I were watching television when Greg rushed downstairs with his camera shooting that he had

The flying object Greg saw from his bedroom window. It had an eerie greenish light and made no noise, he says.

spotted something in the sky.

"He came back in and developed the print in front of our eyes. There's no way it could be a hoax."

The Marchant home is on the direct flight path of nearby Hurn airport. But a check revealed that no aircraft were flying.

Airport director Mr. Harry Longhurst said, of the picture: "It's like

nothing I've seen before. I just can't explain it."

Airport staff and radar operators said they were equally mystified. Nothing was picked up on the radar screens.

The airport's meteorological office said there were no unusual atmospherics that evening.

Bournemouth police said they had no other reports of strange objects in the sky.

