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EDITORIAL.

"NIL DESPARADUM "

This edition celebrates the 16 th year of publication by your Editor of the magazines started for the societies with which he was connected.

The First magazine being the Australian Saucer Record. which reached nine volumes of quarterly editions with a few extra editions thrown in as we progressed. Finally when the break became inevitable with the original Society which he founded and for which he started the above magazine for its use. The Australian Flying Saucer Research Society, with many heartaches and griefs which occurred at the time. and with indications that the magazine would fold up under the great pressure of ill feeling and bad faith at the time, he felt strongly led to never despair and to fight on. and win through .

The years which followed with the change of name for the Magazine to Panorama, and the gradual increased subscriptions from readers and great encouragement from so many of them, he knew he had made the right decision .

True the magazine has never been a first class production , we have never boasted that it was, it has had many faults and errors which from those who were so ready to criticize it that although in some cases justified, yet nevertheless did the same folk stretch out a hand to help and improve it. , but again and again the Editor was left single handed to amass the material type the stencils with many errors due to being a poor typist and no one else to do it for him, and print the magazine . assemble it . post it away etc.

I hope you have not got your handkerchiefs out at the above sob story. for in fact as he looks back on it all he has a good laugh much like the old tortoise did at the hare. for he has lived to see quite a few much more superior magazines fold up entirely. others published with spasmodic starts and fits Some stooping to all sorts of trickery to get sales and notice of other clubs and all the while the old fat tortoise has plodded on . Looking back we recall many who predicted our downfall again and again. Many who even went so far as to try and sabotage our efforts. by promises which were never kept yet somehow always at the most critical stage , someone. somehow. somewhere. the aid has come to keep us afloat and going.

To the many staunch ones who have stood by so readily over those years and some of those of the latter periods we can never repay the great service they have rendered in so many ways. but most of all by their faith and encouragement to the Editor by just " sticking to him ". such types are true friends indeed.

We must add our Praise to God for His help and aid. for there were the times when human aid was beyond assisting , those dark days of health etc. yet somehow strength was always there to do the job which one felt called to do.

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In this edition therefor in which we celebrate another year of progress, we desire to reaffirm our faith in all the things we have stood for, many of our views indeed have broadened but in essence never changed.

Our FAITH remains fixed, for we strive to believe that we must never despair but BELIEVE that GOOD will come from all our upsets.

To our readers we would enjoin them to follow our maxim.

Have FAITH in all that is GOOD. Choosing wisely and discriminatingly. for all that appears to be good is not always so. Hence Wisdom .

Somewhere recently your Editor read these words Love Wisely. Oh how true and necessary that is. We get so much sickening sloppy sentimental brotherly LOVE stuff dished up to us. just as though love is some sloppy dish you can serve up on a plate at any bid and call.

One is reminded of the story of the mother who claimed to love her son, and when the father endeavored to discipline him to help him gain his character would defend him and slobber over him. No wonder that son found himself before the Judge for many offences in his early teens. Such is not love, for by so doing any person does more harm to the other than if he had no feeling for him whatever. Love must come with wisdom .

Now what's all this to do with Saucers. Well folks... if anything your Editor has learnt from his many years now in saucedom it is this. that we are going to have to learn some of these lessons in the hard way as peoples if we do not start trying to practice them as individuals. and all this stems from the inspirations which he feels has come to him from the higher sources of wisdom which he at least calls the Space Brothers.

One thing is sure, we are in for many shocks this year in many ways. which will MAKE US reorientate our thinking, and throw aside a lot of the slops dished up to us by those who would gain the control of our minds and make us think as Big Brother would have us think and NOT THINK FOR OURSELVES. Don't be surprised to see a revolution on the thinking patterns of mens minds taking place. slow at first but big enough to overthrow many of the old established ideas. that have purposely been instilled into us for centuries

Even the hippies and the flower people are waking up that they have been USED and are turning in their desperation to find a path of TRUTH. Not all will find it, But there are those who will. and God help the instigators when they turn and rend them Peoples everywhere have been played for suckers. food poisoning, mind poisoning per radio. T.V. Education. have played their part in seducing the masses. BUT THE GREAT AWAKENING IS AT HAND.

The grand old man of the USA said " You can fool some of the people some of the time etc etc " . and this is going to be demonstrated before our eyes.

Maybe you don't believe in the benevolent Space Brothers. at all. Too bad for you. " As you think in your heart so you will reap " .

But for those who do believe that greater minds from Space are here to assist us through our dark days. well they will find as so many others have found that they can and do ASSIST when we play our part .

So all this has to do with Space and Saucers etc . for it is high time we started concentrating on the people of the saucers rather than what sort of craft it is?. What makes it tick. All of which is most interesting. but pure

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kindergarten stuff, when compared to the great study of those who come in them and control them and above their PURPOSE for being here.

In fact whether you think they are good or bad all hinges on this great point of study. who and what they are and their purpose.

Find that out and the rest will fall into place.

Your Editor does not claim to have found the sum total of the answers by no means. but at least he has found some of them and what few gems he has discovered have proved that he is on the right path, and most rewarding in helping him and above all to assist others.

Despite all this, you the readers know by what has been printed in these pages from time to time that the material has maintained a balanced presentation.

We desire to help all seekers, and whilst we feel the main issue as we have stated above, we dare not discourage those who seek to find answers in another path to our own, knowing that the paths must verge eventually into one. The only thing being we feel that the one we have chosen is the more direct route to the ultimate aim. and saves a darn lot of mucking about trying to find it on so many by paths.

By next issue we hope to present some forecasts for the year ahead when time permits us to amass the evidence and the knowledge. Meantime keep the motto in mind. NEVER DESPAIR. LOOK UP. TO THE CLOUDS ABOVE. FOR EVEN IF THEY ARE DARK AND FOREBODING THIS YEAR. THERE IS ALWAYS THE SILVER LINING.

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THEY BELIEVE IN SAUCERS

DR, STANTON T. FRIEDMAN, an Astronuclear Physicist from the Westinghouse Astro-nuclear Laboratories at Pittsburgh Penn/ USA. On July 29th, 1968, presented a paper at the Hearings before the Committee of Science and Astronautics. U.S. House of Representatives, in which he stated.

" I have concluded that the earth is being visited by intelligently controlled vehicles whose origin is extraterrestrial. This doesn't mean that I know where they come from, why they are here, or how they operate. "

" Ewewitnesses and photographic and radar reports from all over the world by competent witnesses of definite objects whose characteristics such as man-couverability, high speed, and hovering, along with definite shapes, texture and surface features, rule out terrestrial explanation s. "

In an earlier report contained in the .U.S.A. National Enquirer(1/10.67). this great Scientist said.

" There are Flying Saucers They come from other planets. Advanced beings man the controls. Millions of people have seen them. And our Air Force-- charged with proving their existance-- has spent 20 years ducking its responsibilities."

This Edition carried four photographs of U.F.O.s and also quotes U.S.A. scientist. Prof. James E. Mc Donald, as saying at a Seattle . Washington r meeting of Amer. Inst. Aeronautics and Astronautics. " that there is no alternative to believe that UFOs. are visitors from outer space and sent by highly intelligent civilizations. "

(For added list of Scientist as above see last Edition)

STRANGE EVENTS AROUND ADELAIDE.

WERE UFOs. RESPONSIBLE.?

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We begin with the record in the order of sequence of events then follow with a summary of the total and possible conclusions.

Actually since the month of November 1968, the whole area of Adelaide and the close rural areas have been subject to many sightings, some of more than the usual spot or round object in the sky. In fact many much more closer experiences such as buzzed motor cars etc etc.

These however have been well defined reported objects seen and witnessed and whether UFO or not, at least very readily admitted as very visible experiences and accounts.

However on the late evening of Monday the 18th Jan. 1969. there started what appeared to be some unusual types of incidents which could not be classified in the usual terms of sightings.

Early on Thursday morning about 8.30 a.m. the Editor had a call from a young man, who stated that his home had been visited by loud strange noises by some strange unusual object "making a perfect din" during the early hours of the morning. Realising his home was very near to the West Beach aerodrome, the Editor asked could it have been some of the very heavy jets passing over. His reply was that they are so used to them that they are very easily identified by small effects in the house as they pass over or nearby. He was emphatic they were not jets etc. but that the volume of sound could be about the same. But he added, that when his parents rose that morning all of whom had heard the noise, including his grandmother. his father had found very strange markings on the back lawn which he only cut the previous day. They were in strange geometrical patterns he said. His father thought the noise was something to do with Flying Saucers. and the lawn markings some after effect. "Please would I come down and have a look."

I asked. Did anyone see anything at the time of the noise,"

"NO" was his reply. "No one went outside to look it was terrific."

"What made you think it was a Saucer then?"

"My father said he could not think of anything which could leave such exact geometrical patterns as were there on the lawn. and associating the noise thought it was some sort of machine at least. hence his idea of a Saucer."

This seemed reasonable enough to at least investigate the case.

When arriving at the house he was met by the wife of the man A Mr. J Stephens a contractor, the address being Brooklyn Park and very near to the above mentioned Airport. for incoming and departing aircraft for all parts of the Commonwealth. etc.

This fact must not be overlooked as planes would be coming and going all night. also it proved the fact the folk were used of such noises of jets over their house. and would easily identify them as against any other.

Mrs. Stevens explained.

"We were awakened at about 3.20 a.m. by a strange terribly loud noise as loud as any jet which passes over the house from the airport."

We are used to them as they rattle a small table and a window in the house as they pass overhead. (This fact was noted by the Editor when planes later passed over the house during the interview.

"It was this fact that there was no rattle or shaking when the noise was heard that made us wonder. and also an unusual feeling of being "pressed down"

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or drawn up as in a lift well or mine shaft. that caused my husband to wonder what had caused the noise. It was frightening to me and also to my mother who sleeps in the flat above .

It was not until my husband arose in the morning and went out to the backporch which faces the lawn that he noticed the strange black marks.

Upon examination they appeared and felt like black sludge oil and sticky, but what was more amazing they were formed into geometrical designs in an arc which was exactly duplicated 15 feet across as though by something circular.

He came in and drew our attention to them and we all went out to see them. He remarked ' This must have something to do with that terrible noise we heard last night ' /

We all wondered too. for the noise was till fresh in our minds, but what would make a noise like that and leave marks like these?.

My husband was convinced there was some relationship to the two.

" There were no marks here last night before we retired " he said .

With Mrs Stephens I then went and made a close scrutiny of the lawn.

The substance by now was beginning to change its colour and consistency. the geometrical designs were there. but the oily effect was changing to a very soft oily³/₄ chalky soft substance more like very fine chalky but black and now changing from this color to dark brown or reddish .

I took rubbings of the matter and felt it. it had no ill effect on my skin. in fact wiped off easily enough and washed off perfectly . later

I suggested we ring the newspaper and Mrs Stephens consented.

By the time they arrived the substance had again altered from the brown to very fine grey³/₄mauve tiny globules on the top of the lawn leaves.

However I had selected some of the lawn earlier in a jar and thus maintained most of the original substance effect for some days after .

Obviously air had an effect on the substance.

The samples were thus preserved for analysis later .

The whole lay out of the large lawn was such that nothing could have in of an aerial nature from the sides as there were too many obstructions (See diagram 1.) If anything aerial had left the patterns it must have come straight down, but from the general sense of all the surroundings was that nothing actually landed . There were no indentations on the lawn. no depressions or indication of anything heavy landing there and leaving the marks. If any object had left them UFO or otherwise it had hovered. However one could not ignore the perfect geometrical designs. which measured exactly by the investigator to be One square 15 in and four round markings 12 in. See Dia (2). in the form of an arc. and as stated exactly duplicated 15 feet away in circular form from each other .

The press after much discussion were baffled by the geometrical formations and whilst most of them considered it was some form of fungi. could offer no explanation for such . Fungi does not make precise formations like that.

After the investigation was over the Editor took the samples immediately to the Adelaide University, and after some trouble found a Doctor of Chemistry (due to the Seasonal Holiday break , few were on duty).

This doctor was very co-operative and at first thought it was fungi, but decided to analyse the substance on the lawn material by several tests.

After a good test with several substances he said " the nearest I can find of

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anything in these tests , is that there is a certain amount of carbon and graphite. but this is of a very fine nature. " I would advise you to have it tested further . "

We are grateful to the doctor whose identity we have kept confidential as requested.

Here ends the first part of the pattern/ . The T.V. ran a news item of the incident with the markings on the lawn and an interview with Mr. Stephens. This brought further results. for others rang up and told of ,arkings on their lawns. but added to this were a larger number of people who testified they had heard the noise in that vicinity.

Following up firstly the lawn markings. A Mr. Warner whose house was about 5 miles away from the Stephens but in a direct line was visited.

Here the strange patterns turned up again. but with one difference.

The squares were there 15 in. and the circles. 12 in. but not grouped as in arcs like the Stephen case. but clustered together . but strangely these same clusters were exactly 15 feet apart in the form of a triangle .

The Stephens patterns were 15 ft. apart in a circle . but here they were repeated 3 times in a triangle.

When questioned re any noises. Mr Warner stated that he had heard a very similar noise as described by Mr Stephens. but this was at a little after 12 p.m. Three and a half hours BEFORE . Again there was no evidence whatever of a landing. in fact a little tree about 3 ft high in the centre of the triangle proved such had not been made.

A further report received from a lady in the hills area. proved still more puzzling when trying to form some pattern of occurrence.

The lawn in this case was just covered in blobs of the stuff without shape or form of any actual design but in a large formed circle of again FIFTEEN FEET in diameter

In all cases the area disproved any actual landing. but could have been done by a hovering object , if such was the cause.

So far we have had no evidence of any visible object being seen .

Many reports of the noise which all tallied in description as to intensity. and effect .

Let us examine a few of these .

At 3.15 a/m/ A Mrs I . Thomas of Flinders Park. heard the noise as though it came in from the North West and went around her house a couple of times then went South. which would be in a direct line of course toward the home of Mr Stephens. She had heard it stop. and thought it had landed on an adjacent market garden property/ Then she heard it start up again and go still further south and away.

At 3.20 a.m. The same noise is heard by a Mr and Mrs K.B. Stone at Brooklyn Park, about a quarter of a mile away from the Stevens home. A pilot and his wife living near the airodrome, also rang and described the noise. This was at the same time. (Name withheld).

At 12.p.m. previous to the above a woman at Marion in line with the Warner's home hears the noise. Mr. Warner hears the noise at about 12.p.m.

There is a difference of about 3 hours between the two noise sequences.

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Dia. No 3 shows the pattern of sounds.

The next phase was to re-analyse the matter of the lawn deposits.

So far we only had the Doctor of Chemistry's undogmatic opinion from the Adelaide University of it containing Graphite and Carbon of a very fine nature, and his strong recommendation to take it for a much deeper analysis.

The Press by this time were hammering the Editor for the name of the Doctor and in keeping with our strict policy we refused to divulge his name. We however in turn challenged them to have the material examined themselves. In the meantime we had rung the private concern recommended by the doctor for a price to have the stuff analysed. To our amazement they wanted \$100 at least. This placed us out of the question of having it done as a Society, our funds would not permit such an outlay, even if we were guaranteed a truthful finding which we were not sure of anyway.

Then the Press came out with the usual boner. The next morning they carried an article by Prof. Emeritus Sir John Cleland that in his opinion the stuff MAY be a fungus. (note the may) He compared the written description of it to stuff he had found in his own garden some months prior.

To make a long story short he named it, "fuligo Septica"

However, we asked that he take some of the material from the Stevens home and have it analysed, but somehow this was never done, and the public were lulled as usual that some scientist had said it was fungus, so it was so. We still ask that to clear the matter entirely the material should have been taken for analysis. For if they were so sure it was fungus what had they to lose? And, above, the Professor had truly covered himself well by merely saying it "may" have been fungus. It could have been, but your Editor still wants to know what form of fungus forms perfect geometric patterns and sets them out in perfect direction of 15 feet apart in two places.

Perhaps they can get someone to let us know "May be it was so and so"

So far this Society has not claimed that the stuff was anything more than what the Doctor said in his analysis.

Let us return to the noise association.

It cannot be denied that the same night the noise was heard by many reliable witnesses.

So far to date we have had no report of any one SELLING anything., except a very hazy report from a source which refused to divulge the name of the people and without being able to investigate it ourselves or question them we are not able or prepared to give much credence to same except to merely give the brief details as given, and insisting that it should be treated very cautiously as connected. This report as given is that at the same time of the morning i.e. about 3.30 a.m. a person or persons saw a huge light beaming down on the area from a globe of light which descended first as a ray, then concentrated then again into a ray onto the very area where the Stevens house is.

More than this we cannot add.

But there was that night a power failure for a short time from the power house at Osborne which lies in the North West direction of the scene of the noises

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at 3.30 a.m. Now the widening evidence is that Mrs. Thomas heard the thing come in from the North West and then proceed to the South.

We can only ask our readers what we have been asking ourselves. Was there any connection in all the incidents recorded and the possibility that if the light incident was true then it would all still further to no small amount of facts which seemed conclusively to prove that at least:

1. An unusual aerial object was about that night.
2. It was heard by many reliable witnesses. All of them declared it was not a jet or known usual aircraft...and all of whom are used to such, as they live close the the airport and thus easily able to identify and distinguish a normal noise known to them.
3. The morning following strange geometrical patterns are found on at least two peoples lawns accompanied by similar measurements apart., from each other and the same measurements of figures coinciding.
4. An analysis of the material proved to be Graphite and Carbon as far as is known.
5. Attempts by the Society to have it further analysed by themselves or the Press, unsuccessful.
6. The A.B.C. who interviewed Case no 3. took the substance to the CSIRO who refused to handle it.
- 7/ Power failure is associated with the noise.
8. A dubious report of a "light" being seen at the time of the noises may or may not be associated with the case.
9. No finality reached as to its being connected with U.F.O.

This brings this series to a close, however the following Thursday night brought about an even more inexplicable happening which leaves one, more than dumfounded and again puzzled for objective answers.

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THE CASE OF THE STRANGE MARKS.
FOOTPRINTS OR WHAT?

THURSDAY Jan 16th.

At approx 9.45 p.m. we received a call from a friend of the Editor whose message ran as follows.

"I hope you don't think I'm crackers, and it may or not be anything to do with your subject, but something most unusual had happened down here I think you should come and look at it."

"What is the circumstance?"

"My neighbour called me to her place just after tea, and asked my opinion. She had been out all day in town and had come home and noticed some strange marks all down her driveway."

"What sort of marks?"

"Well, that's it they are indentations made by something heavy on her driveway which is very very hard shell grit and sand mixture hardened over the years, Only a thing of great pressure or heavy weight could impress the soils so.

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They are not exactly like any footprints I can identify." Your Editor admits he was amazed and if he had not known the caller for a long term of years he would have thought he was pulling his leg. But, he sensed a sort of concern in the voice of his friend and told him he would come down. Fortunately there were two young associates with him who had called to talk "saucers" with him and so they jumped in their car and were soon on the scene.

The lady of the house whose husband was a traveller and away, verified the story as given by Mr. Phil Winton, the Editor's friend.

Upon examination it was undeniably seen that something had made heavy indentations along the driveway on the right side of it, for about ten feet, and then the markings ceased.

There was no set pattern such as feet would make.

The marks varied in size from about 4 to 5 inches in diameter, to about 9 to 10 inches. They were not exactly round, nearly so, but inclined to be a blunted void shape.

Inquiries re horses etc. in the district proved nil.

In any case it was obvious no known animal had caused these marks.

There were not any toe marks. No hoof markings, which suggested more like a machine with two sizes of legs or landing gear, but there the closeness of the prints seemed to nullify this theory.

Measurements of the prints (each individually) were taken and the distances etc. Then plaster casts also were taken, of the prints. One of the smaller, one of the medium and one of the largest.

Attempts were made by jumping on the soil to make marks or indentations. Your Editor, a very heavy man, made no impression.

A large hammer, merely scratched it. Frankly that stuff was darned hard, which went to prove, whatever had done it was darned heavy and no light weight.

The prints ran for ten feet into the driveway and then suddenly stopped. There was no sign of crossing or return from that point. The large end of the prints were facing inward of the drive and the smaller end at the rear to the road.

The next thing was the time it could have occurred which caused some query as the lady had gone from her home at about 9 a.m. that morning and not used the driveway, merely hopped over a low wall to catch a bus opposite. The prints could have been made already then. She did not discover them till about 6.30 p.m. when she called her neighbour, Mr. Phil Winton, who later called me.

However there was more to it than this. Mr. Winton after the lady had gone inside confided to us that he had a clue as to the time factor, but had not mentioned it in front of the lady, not desiring to scare her, as she was on her own. He said that at about 3 a.m. that morning (Thurs.) he and a boarder another man about 30. who also testified to this, they had heard a very strange loud noise like a loud plane or motor, but there was no noise such as changing of gears or revs. Just a loud noisy start up and a swoosh and then up and away. This noise came from somewhere up the street so it seemed, and past his house and out to the sea, all in a matter of seconds so fast was the take off.

Mr. Winton had been associated with all sorts of craft in the last World War and is emphatic it was not any known craft or motor.

He was adamant also that the prints were not any known animal or beings. His impression was that some very heavy object had made them.

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Judging by the nearness of the marks to the dividing of the houses which was made by a row of rose bushes about two and a half feet, to three feet high it seems hardly likely of anything actually landing again, and was the impression given by the incidents of the lawns.

The distance of the marks from the rose bushes would only be two feet at the most leaving the drive clear for cars which may have obliterated them otherwise. This was fortunate as had cars driven over them they would have muddied the disturbed soil at the edges probably back into the impressions made.

The depth of the indentations varied from about an inch to an inch and three-quarters, and on one or two of the largest nearly two inches.

We admit we are stumped for an answer. Some have posed the question was there any connection to the other incidents. The evidence was too hazy to be dogmatic.

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FURTHER NEWS OF LAWNS AFFECTED.

SINCE THE ARTICLE GIVEN PREVIOUS.

Many reports have come in from all areas around Adelaide and not exactly associated with the area previously mentioned which all lay in a line of direct course as shown in the diagram which follows on next page. Oddly enough too, there have been no geometric designs in those that followed which have been at least a fortnight apart from the previous reports. The only significant thing is that the substance is identically the same, and the only relationship to the former is that in each case they have been near fruit trees, vines etc. The size like ordinary human footprints or round blobs. and if related to anything other than fungi appeared as though someone had walked around the fruit trees to sample the luscious peaches or plums etc. on them. The whole evidence rather tends to prove the fungi explanation as genuine. but we are still left puzzled by the original designs left in the first place. and the noises. PLUS the unusual fact that the marked difference between ORGANIC AND INORGANIC SUBSTANCE. Surely fungi and graphite and carbon are of opposite chemical substance. Being a lay man I could be wrong. One odd fact in two cases of the later lawn incidents was thought to be worth noting. Whilst no noises were heard in two cases the dogs of the house on the night in question became very disturbed and ran and cowered under the bed in the arms of the owner. Which was most unusual according to them. They would not venture out even when ordered and again displaying unusual fear and habitual obedience to command.

These incidents of course may have no relationship to the lawn trouble. But we felt should be noted for reference. May be some elsewhere has the answer and we would gratefully welcome any explanation either way in support of the fungi or other causes. as long as honestly given without desire to mislead.

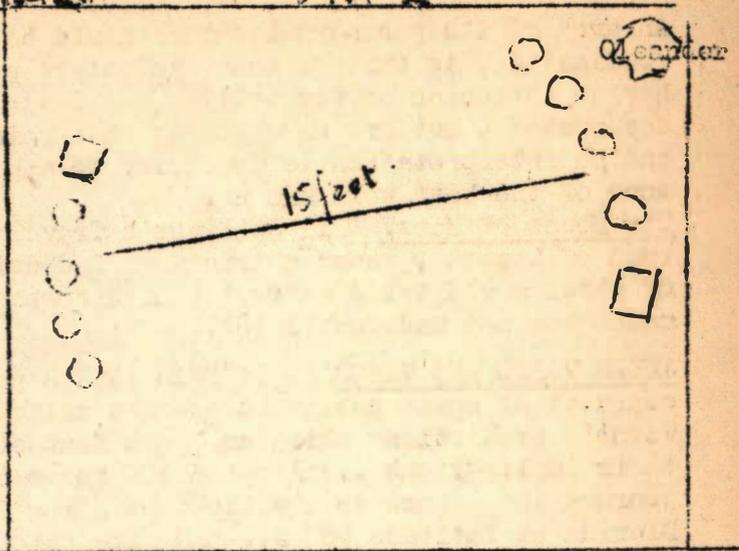
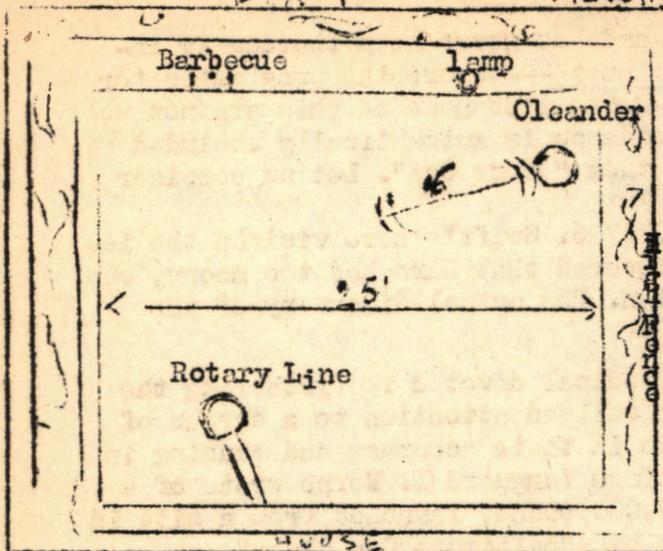
Under the circumstances no one dares to go any further than to say that at present the whole matter is not definitely fully and satisfactorily cleared up.

I know the fairies used to dance around the fungi etc in their fairy rings but when I looked at those squares so well defined I wondered if maybe they had gone modern and started SQUARE DANCING. instead.

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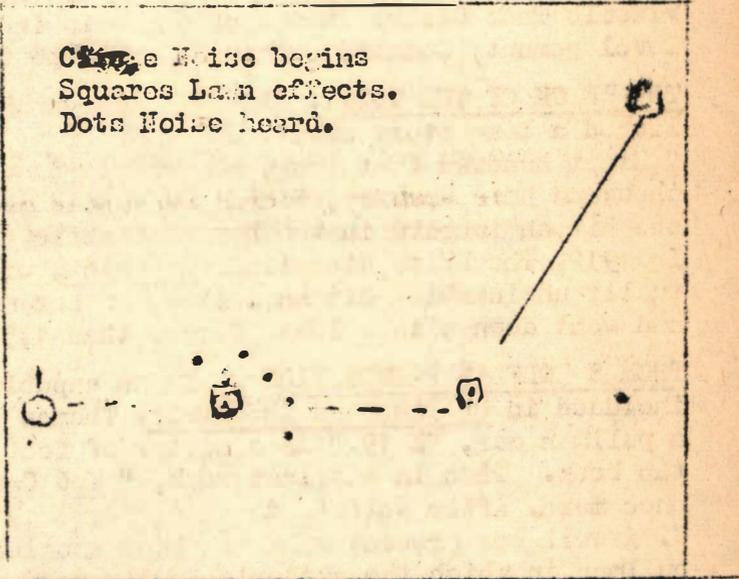
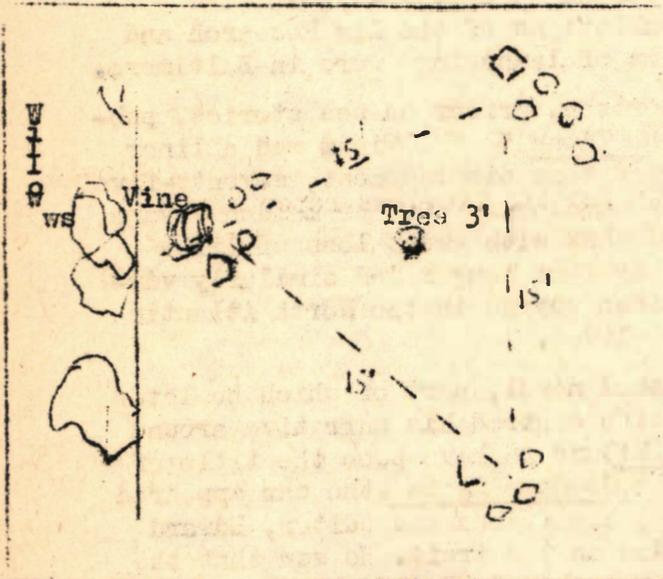
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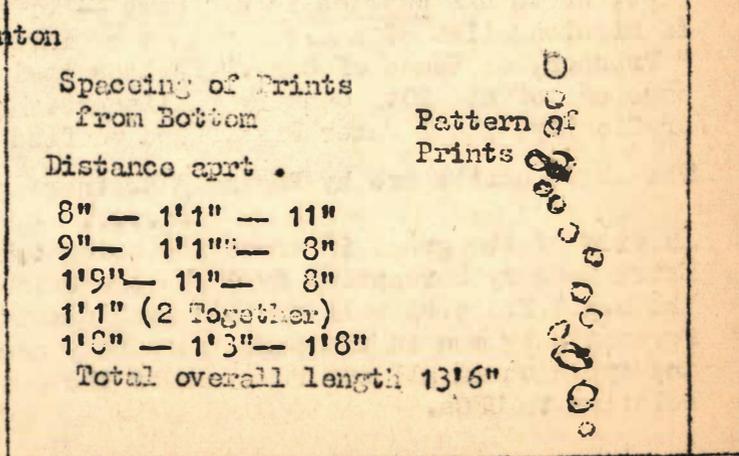
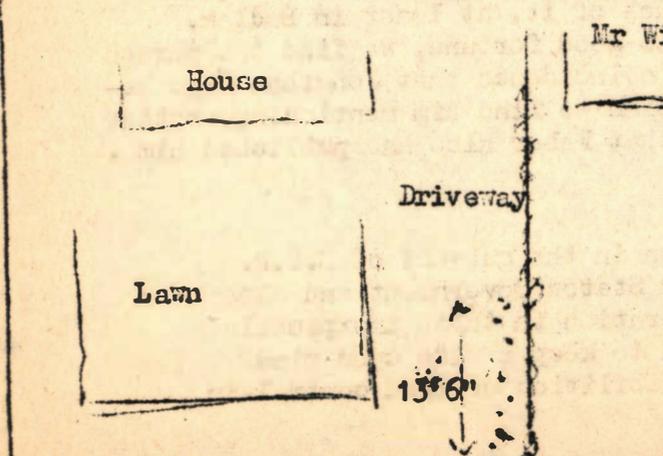


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STRANGE IMPRINTS PATTERN



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An area of the paranormal which should be, and has never been thoroughly investigated, is that of the involuntary prophecy — where the prognosticator has no intention of foretelling the future. Some instances of this are not well documented, but are so detailed that coincidence is automatically excluded and no interpretation is necessary to make them "come out". Let us consider some of the best well known.

The Moons of Mars. In Gulliver's Travels. 1726. Swift's hero visited the island of Laputa, whose astronomers had discovered that Mars had two moons, one of which moved twice as fast as its companion. The actual discovery of the moons was not made until 1877.

JULIUS VERNE AND VANGUARD I. " In 1957 a periodical devoted to furthering the conquest of space published a short article called attention to a series of Verne's predictions which are both fantastic in their accuracy and amusing in their implications .. Almost a 100 years before Vanguard I. Verne wrote of a journey into space in a vehicle weighing 20,000 pounds, launched from a site in Florida at latitude 28° N.. and fired aloft by a "Baltimore Gun Club " Vanguard I, in 1957, was planned to weigh 24,000 pounds and would be launched from the Air Force Missile Test Centre in Florida at Lat. 28-1/2 N. The Missile Test Centre is one of the main installations of the Air Research and Development Command, whose H.Q. at the time of launching were in Baltimore.

THE WRECK OF THE TITAN. In 1898, Morgan Roertson, writer of sea stories, published a long story entitled The Wreck of the Titan " The Titan was a liner " Eight hundred feet long, of seventy thousand tons displacement, seventy-five thousand horse-power, " and was considered unsinkable." On her maiden voyage she hit an iceberg in the North Atlantic and sank with great loss of life. In 1912, The White Star liner Titanic, eighty feet longer and similarly virtually unsinkable, hit an iceberg on her maiden voyage in the North Atlantic and went down with a loss of more than 1,500 lives.

THOMAS WOLFE'S PREMONITION . In an unpublished novel, part of which he later included in Of Time and the River. Thomas Wolfe centred his narrative around a pullman car, "K 19." As a matter of fact, K19 was to have been the title of the book. Then in his last work, You Can't Go Home Again .the car appeared once more. After Wolfe's death in Sept. 1938, his friend and editor, Edward C. Aswell was present when his body was loaded on the train. He saw that the pullman in which the author's family road was numbered "K 19".

There are other instances. Christopher Smart, the mad 18th-century English poet, wrote his Rejoice in the Lamb — or much of it, at least in Bedlam. In his long list of names for whom he invokes good fortune, we find the phrase " Prosper, oh House of Cape." Perhaps it is coincidence that Jonathan Cape became one of his 20th Century publishers. Again we find him mentioning, rather cryptically, the " Faber Fish," and we find that Faber also has published him .

The above quotes are by Reginald Bretnor

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IN View of the great interest now being taken in the subject of E.S.P. Extra Sensory Perception by both the United States Government and also the U.S.S.R. it is well worth giving consideration to these inexplicable forecasts by men in the past. We surely need to keep a wide open mind and approach in all our research of the possibilities of mind control in relation to UFOs.

From the Daily Times (Otago. New Zealand.)dated July 23rd 1968.

" The Great Airship mystery of sixty years ago. "

The great Airship mystery of 1909 filled newspaper columns for weeks and gave rise to wild speculations. Was it a fact ? Was it a wonderful hoax? Or was it the start of the flying saucers from outer space theory ?.

The first sighting , mid-July, 1909, concerned mysterious lights in the sky thought to have been attached to an airship, over the Wangalon Hills, near Kaitangata. However at the time, airships hardly existed outside the pages of Jules Verne.

The story was received with some credulity but as the witnesses were of unimpeachable character and integrity, the Otago Daily times sent its Kelso reporter to check eye-witness accounts. The correspondent reported " There is not the slightest doubt that the airship was seen at Kelso... It is cigar shaped or boat shaped and is pointed at each end.

It did not appear to be very long in build but was very broad...It flew over and past the school grounds, turned around and went back the way it came. It was flying along very easily and had no trouble in turning. It came from the direction of the Blue Mountains and over the wooded area near Kelso. It was seen by at least five persons whose statements are in accord,

The following day came reports that the " thing" had been sighted by people on the other side of the Blue Mountains and later, by people again on the Kelso side. The consistent stories told of a bright light in the sky. By the next night the light had been seen further south , and near Auckland.

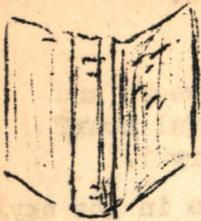
Sighting reports continued even as inventors related their experiments and youths told of practical jokes with balloons. Suggestions to solve the mystery were varied— a spy machine, an Australian smuggler ship. local secret airship trials; cosmic luminous dust of meteoric or cometary origin, The meteor theory was the most popular though the behaviour of the lights , as attested to be the reliable witnesses and citizens, did not fit the pattern .

August 7th, the airship again was seen near Kelso by 10 hitherto skeptical workmen , who described it as a cigar shaped balloon with a carriage suspended below. It had a powerful white headlight and changed altitude several times .. Other reports continued for a time until the news was pushed aside " by the wreck of the Maori off Capetown and the greater mystery surrounding the loss of the liner Waratah . "

Long afterwards came story that a collection of rusty machine tools had been found in the deep brush of the Blue Mountains. Questions continued, "Where had they come from? Were they actually from the mystery ship? Was it all a gigantic hoax? if so, how did its perpetrators keep it so secret? Or was it some sort of mass Hallucination, possibly induced by some meteorological phenomena?."

There still is no easy answer to these and other questions. Sixty years ago the thought of airships in Otago was a far wilder idea than the current speculations that flying saucers are really from other planets, " The Kelso mystery ship may indeed have been a colonial forerunner of today's UFOs.

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Compare the explanations of those given above to those of today



Book Review.

"HARMONIC 33"

By
Bruce Cathie

Here is a book which must be classed as unusual from the general trend of UFO literature. for it is written not mainly filled up with sightings , although it contains these , some of which are personal of the author. But the rather unique thing about the book it is proving many theories and odd ideas which have been floating around in the mind of quite a number of UFO researchers and writers for some time and very ably places them together like fitting the jig saw pieces which others have had but a few of and lacked the rest.

The initial idea of course is not original , for the able French writer has already written a book on how he discovered the lines etc etc. and gave in his book "The Straight Line Mystery" an outline of his discoveries in the European area.

Bruce Cathie takes the whole subject vastly ahead and expands it so well , that he proves beyond doubt the ideas of Michele were true. but here we have a world view of the same ideas. expanded.

Further Cathie, an experienced airman himself and still doing air work, shows in precise mathematical calculations that there can be no doubt of a definite PATTERN being worked out. , but it is here he makes the whole thing so interesting to the deeper research workers. for he explains the keen relationship of these patterns to the mysterious monoliths and vast structures of the ancient past. such as The Great Pyramid. Stonehenge, etc etc. and explains why he considers the PATTERN is being worked because of a past relationship to these structures.

TO the reader who may not be able to understand fully the mathematical equations given. which after all are only a few chapters. the book is still one which should be read , for it contains a vast amount of data which so far has not been known , plus the fact it helps any serious student to understand a little clearer what so many of us have been saying for so long.

THAT is, that they are coming here on a definite mission. and that mission is NOT just a contemporary one. but one tied up with the whole of the world's past history. and indeed its future. It further suggests that the present mission is a very urgent one , lest maybe without their mission being completed or fulfilled we could be in for a nasty time ahead. The author shows to the scientific minded ones too. that there is a good reason indeed to be studying the UFO, and he gives them good sound basic scientific principles to begin on. All round the book is an excellent one. and one that must be on the shelf of every UFO library or student. ...

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There was only one thing the Editor though in his humble opinion Bruce Cathie overlooked. The two great monoliths. Ayers Rock in Australia. and Pedra Pintada in Peru . for he feels they too have some great connection. in the magnetic lines of force. We would be interested to hear his comments on this. There are other places in Australia too that he might be interested in, which have shown some unusual factors about them to indicate their relationship to past visitations of UFO.

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN SIGHTINGS.

(Nov - Dec 1968)

The period from November up to Christmas , has proved most eventful regarding sightings in South Australia.

Most of the reports can be classified as of fairly minor importance, but a couple proved more than worth a cursory examination . which are as follows.

20 /11/68

An 18 year old student teacher of Glenelg. (Name in Files) was walking to the Primary School at which he practices, when turning into the school yard at approx. 9.10 a.m. he happened to notice a group of young children gazing up into the South western sky and talking excitedly.

Joining them , he too looked skywards and noticed several unusual objects hovering in the near vicinity of the Oil Refinery. and approximately six miles south of the school area.

The objects, six in number, consisted of two bright white ones, and four of a dull metallic grey. They all appeared to be about the size of a ten cent piece when held at arms length ; and were discoid in shape with a "hump" or "dome" on top giving them a slightly "Belled" appearance.

Five of them remained hovering whilst one of the white objects, according to the teacher, went into a slow dive and appeared to land in front of some rolling hills in the distance.

At 12.30. p.m. when the teacher came out of the midday recess, two of the darker discs had disappeared, the other two were still hovering, accompanied by a solitary white object which seemed to be spinning on its own axis.

The other white disc was still on the ground in the are, which is devoid of trees and human habitation .

The reporter asserts that he saw alternate red and blue lights appear on the air born objects, but I am rather inclined to discount this, as any colored lights would be difficult to see at a few miles distance in broad daylight.

At 2.30. p.m. when the children came out for the afternoon recess, the whole group of objects had completely disappeared. leaving no trace.

Duration of sighting approx. 4 hours. Witnesses 20 school children and teacher.

No doubt many would treat the above with reservations . particularly as the informant and his witnesses are of tender age. but the following sighting which occurred on the same day may help you to give reconsideration .

20 Nov 1968. 7.50. p.m.

A young Hillcrest lad, 11 years old , Barry Mercer reports that at approx. 7.50.p.m. he was relaxing in the back garden , when he observed five bright white circular lights in the sky, travelling from west to east .

The lights appeared to be self luminous, yet did not seem to have a reflective surface ,. They were all double the size of satellites and followed the same undeviating course across the sky, suddenly disappearing from sight for no apparent reason. Duration 30 secs. No other witnesses.

Here again the witness is a younger citizen, but I feel it merits more than a cursory glance. It is also a report that raised a query, for example.

S. Aust. Sightings Cont .

Were the five white lights connected with the five objects seen earlier in the day ? Or was it the mere imaginative mind of a school boy, who saw stars in the sky appearing between the moving objects and with clouds moving around them to be moving .

It is to be remembered that the lad lived at an extreme opposite direction from the school children of the incident earlier in the day, so there was no connection between the first and second observation as far as witnesses were concerned.

he lad is well known to the Investigator as a bright intelligent young fellow and not given to fanciful emotion .

Call it co-incident. But it appears to me there was a strong case of the two incidents being connected. .

A.E. BRAN. Reports Officer
U.F.O. I.A.

SIGHTING FROM HERE AND THERE.

SPACEMEN COLLECTED SUGAR CANE¹

QUEENSLAND. (Brisbane News)

A Rumanian migrant claims he saw three giant purple and yellow spacemen near Childers, about 200 miles north of Brisbane.

Mr. George Vas, a repairman , his wife Milanka, and daughters Olga 14 and Maria. 13 all sat they watched the spacemen for about 10 minutes.

The spacemen gathered sugar cane and other plant specimens.

Mr Vas said he and his family were asleep in their caravan at the edge of the road . About 4.30 a.m. they were awakened by the barking of their dog Ica.

He heard a loud buzzing noise like a big swarm of bees or wasps, and said he saw a spaceship. It was between 25 and 39 yards in diameter and looked like a Mexican sombrero .

It gave off a brilliant color. Other colors running through the air gave it an opalised effect .

Mr Vas said he and his family watched as the 3 spacemen --- about three times larger than humans ---descended from the craft.

They had blocky arms and legs and shapeless bodies. They gave off a purple: yellow glow.

After gathering specimens for about 10 minutes, the spacemen re entered the spaceship and took off.

The craft went straight up, travelling very quickly . As it took off the hair on the family's bodies stood up as if affected by a form of magnetism .

Mr. Vas said that this was his third sighting of spacemen . He saw one as a child in Roumania in 1918, and another near Belgrade in 1946.

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Comments. We have none to make except that until further facts are produced by our associates in Queensland. who we believe are delving into the case it would be wiser to wait their findings. However it is not the first time specimen gatherers have been seen associated with UFO but the height of the apparent Tobots is puzzling, for they could hardly be humanoid. Editor.

SIGHTING FROM HERE AND THERE CONT. (2)

EXPERTS CHECK ON SATURNIAN .

SYDNEY NSW.

Two top Sydney Flying Saucer Experts are in Goulburn (southern NSW) investigating a claim by a Sydney man that he saw and spoke to a being from the planet Saturn four weeks ago .

They are Dr. Miran Lindtner, Pres. of the UFO Investigation Centre and Dr D. Herbison- Evans an astronomer from the physics department of the Sydney Univeristy.

Dr. Lindtner is a research scientist with the CSIRO.

The two men will take photographs and measure the area in which the meeting was supposed to have taken place on Dec. 28.

They will be accompanied by the man who says he made the sighting while on a hunting trip near Goulburn .

The UFOIC will not release the name of the man , a 45-year old carpenter, until they have fully investigated the circumstances of the supposed sighting.

Dr. Lindtner said this man had a similar experience 10 years ago in exactly the same spot while fox hunting .

" He says he shot at and hit something--- we don't know what-- burnt through the arm of his coat and left a small mark on his arm .

" The mark took a year to heal , but before it healed it grew in size and now measures 3 in. by 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.

It is exactly the same shape as the planet Saturn-- a globe with a ring around it .

" The man still has the coat with the burn mark on it.

Just after last Christmas , the man went back to try to find out more.

" He was there for four days, on the first day, he saw nothing, but on the second day the man saw the craft, of about 40 ft. in diameter and 10 ft high.

" he approached the craft and a being walked around from around the other side of it.

" The being had human characteristics , was about 5 ft. 6 in. tall, and had long hair and youngish features and wore silver colored shoes.

" He spoke to the being for about three minutes: it spoke English, but it seemed in a hurry to get away.

" The man asked the being where it came from and it said 'Saturn'

The saucer rose about 15 ft. off the ground and hovered, then it moved away and disappeared over a hill.

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 Comments:: We have had no further details of this case as yet but are in touch with our UFOIC associates and awaiting their findings. One thing is sure . we have the greatest of confidence in Dr. Lindtner whom we know, and are confident that a thorough test will be made of all details, before any final decision is reached, and certainly if a hoax he will find it out.

LATE NEWS ITEM. Sydney UFOIC REPORTS THE ABOVE TO BE A HOAX. 25.2/69.
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VICTORIA HAS ITS UFO PUZZLES TOO.

LARGE GROUPS OBSERVE
 OBJECTS.

SEE NEXT PAGE FOR FULL DETAILS OF THESE SIGHTINGS .

SIGHTING HERE AND THERE CONT.

VICTORIAN FIAP.

DEC 30 1968. " The SUN "

Thousands of Melbourne residents are mystified by objects seen in the sky after midnight yesterday . Reports of fire-like objects travelling in formation were received from many suburbs and country centres, The weather Bureau, Air Traffic Control, police, newspaper offices and radio and T.V. stations were flooded with reports.

The objects were described as red-orange rockets with tails, and travelling in a cluster of six to eight.

A RAAF official said last night a report on the sightings was being prepared. The report would be given to the Dept. of Air, which would decide on any further investigations .

Some officials of the weather Bureau and RAAF said the UFOs may have been a shower of meteorites.

Many motorists stopped their cars and watched the UFO , as they streaked : across the sky from south to north at about 12.10 a.m.

Here are some of the reports.....

Mr. George Byrne... There were about six bunched together and when they got above the car they seemed to fade.

Mr. P.J. Bloome... The objects were large and bright with a tail , and travelled slowly upwards in formation

Mr. T.S. Robinson ... Six of them flew over from the west to east in perfect formation at about the height of an aircraft on a landing approach .

He added... " Sparks trailed from the back of each object. They had lights on and seemed about the size of a tram "

Mr Derek Harris... said about 1000 people returning from a dance in Sorrento's main street stopped and watched the objects moving.

He said " They were very bright--- like stars-- and seemed fairly large.

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 ANOTHER VICTORIAN UFO SIGHTING

A Group of Beaufort residents reported seeing a large, bright, UFO at regular times on five nights in the past two weeks.

The Weather Bureau and RAAF officers refused to comment on the sightings.

Mrs Alan Tourney, of Beaufort , said the object was first seen about 9.15 p/m. on Dec. 20 and was low on the sky southwest of Beaufort .

Since then it had appeared for hour long periods between 9.15 p.m. and 10.50 p/m/ on four other nights .

The second sighting was on Christmas Eve. and others were last Friday , Saturday and Sunday nights .

Mrs Tourney said her family and her neighbours had all watched the object. They were all sure it was not a star . It was much larger than the evening star , and appeared to be much closer.

It glowed bright-gold , hove red for long periods in the same place, and suddenly would diminish in size and change to a red glow before disappearing.

The object did not fly across the sky, but may have receded as it diminished.

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Comment... With all due respect, we suspect the object to be one of the planets we have had many cases here in Adelaide of very similar reports which we have investigated. and found to be the planet Venus setting . However without further details we prefer to remain a little biased. to this explanation .

LATE NEWS ITEMS OF SIGHTINGS.

There has been so many reports within the last two weeks of February that we can but ment on the primary details of the most outstanding and add other comments in the next Edition .

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West Aust. Driver REPORTS UFO CHASED HIM AT 80 M.P.H.
Feb 21st . Kalgoorlie. cigar shaped object chased the car for two miles he stopped and UFO went away. Civil Aviation reports No air craft in that area at the time .

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Feb. 16th Large Lighted object reported over Adelaide. by several obser-
vers. Much larger than any star and moving across the sky .

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Mon 27th. Large red cigar shaped object seen to follow aircraft into
landinf field the return to the surrouding hills . Many witnesses.

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Feb 28th Housewife reports being awkeened by strange whir ing noise,
thought it was the egrigerator gone hay-wire. Got up and found it okeh
then heard the hoise coming from outside. Went to front door and saw a
large object hovering about 50 feet away in a large vacant paddock.
It had lights all around it. (white) and a man in white overalls was
going around it. who occassionally stooped to the ground. She was not sure
if he was picking up something or repairing the xraft.
Regaining her composure she ran to neighbour opposite then when they were
aroused they heard noise but the craft had gone . Also sky behind the hous
was lit up very bright . Time about 3.15 a.m.

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Feb 19th.. Large red object observed hovering in western sky. then moves
to the north. lost to vision for a while of observer. Few minutes later
sees it moving to southwest. It was no being observed by many folk who
rang H.Q. It disappeared in the south.
Later reports however seem to indicate that it re-appeared for three large
dark objects (or so it seemed to observers) were seen coming from south
west and moving across the sea towqrd the north west. Suddenly however
their appearance changed from what they thought were 3 huge birds, to a
well lit up object moving fastly into the north west lights all around it
and spinning as it went.

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Reports then flowed n confirming many of those of the above sightings
plus many others on the 20th and 21st . Sat22nd brought a report of a large
object. but it went to fast to be identified. Sunday 23rd. A large object
seen in Western Sky reddish. which hovered then moved fastly away.
The Editor rushed out to catch a view as the phone report came in. but
only caught the tail end. which was immediately followed by two very large
objects moving across the sky in opposite directions and crossing each
others path. They could have been satellites. but if so were the largest
the Editor had seen. time about 9.15p.m. and duration of sighting about
3 minutes to cross from north to south and vice versa. immediately after the
other large object had disappeared.

I N D E X ..

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NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.

Our readers will note the change in size and format of the magazine with its new designed cover. and the alteration to the standard British quarto size of 10 x 8.

We hope they will approve of this new venture. and we strive to at least

keep the standard up, but above all ~~keep going~~ , in spite of rising costs of paper supplys and postage which has risen considerably in the past twelve months.

We are de ply grateful to the many who have remained loyal all through the years since we first strated . originally as the Australian Saucer Record. and later merged it into the present PANORAMA. with a ider scope of views. Thank you all and we trust you will help us keep going by your coninued support . THE EDITOR.

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TWO MORE GREAT DISPLAY WEEKS MADE AVAILABLE TO
U.F.O.P.I.A.

The Arndale Shopping Centre at Kilkenny have again approached us to give another weeks display there (This being the thir year in succesion) This will commence before you recieve this edition. on March 3rd to8th and will again give us the great opportunity to get into close contact with the thousands of people who pass through the huge Mall daily.

On June 23rd to 28th we will commence a greater display at the New MARION Shopping Centre. Thiss huge combination of shops is even much vaster than the Arndale. Slide lectures will also be given during each day as well as the large display of material throughout the large Malls. Free literature will be given away and it is hope to top this latter venture with a large public meeting in the City witha guest speaker if possible If you live locally in either of these areas don't fail to attend and see much material tha cannot be displayed in an ordinary hall for lack of space which these two great opportunities afford in these large combined areas.

.... VOICES FROM SPACE ??? : ...

A Problem has plagued the Nat. Aeronautics and Space Administration. During his fourth pass over Hawaii in MA-9, Faith 7. May 15 1963. Astronaut Gordon Cooper's voice was suddenly interrupted and drowned out by an "unin³/₄elligible foreign language transmission" on the channel reserved for space flights only. A VHF frequency which few, ir any HAM amateurs are equipped to broadcast on. . If rom earth it had to come from Hawaii. but no HAM radio from there was arrested for its interference IF it was a hoax?. NASA recorded the message, a voice grunting and speaking in an UNIDENTIFIED LANGUAGE.