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EDITORIAL: "They're all aircraft!"

Following the publication of a small newspaper article which summarised local UFO sightings, a gentleman telephoned me to say that every case mentioned was definitely an aircraft!

Apparently he was an aircraft spotter of 30 years plus experience, and he had never seen anything that could be considered unidentifiable, and neither had his friends, who were also ardent spotters! He was quite upset, therefore, by all the "idiots" who were going around believing that real UFOs actually existed, and he thought it was about time that someone in this UFO business listened to a sane, experienced observer!

Well, listen I did, for it was difficult to get a word in edgeways, so wrought-up was he to have a go at a believer! However, he made some bad mistakes in his arguments. Firstly, he assumed that the newspaper report was accurate and complete: it wasn't! As the reports stood, they could be interpreted as aircraft. Secondly, just because he and his friends hadn't seen any real UFOs, that doesn't mean to say that they don't exist. Thirdly, he didn't believe that anyone in our sort of organisation could differentiate between reports of aircraft and anything else! This isn't so. Just because we're interested in UFOs, this doesn't mean to say that we're mentally deficient or crackers, which is what he was really implying. Many of us can identify what is an aircraft and what isn't. In any case, what about the UFOs seen by aircraft pilots, etc? Well, he didn't know about this side of the coin and rambled on about some other aspect of aircraft identification. Close encounters? This was met with grunts of disbelief.

Obviously I couldn't change his views regarding UFOs, but at least he promised to let me know if he saw one in the future!

In this situation, of course, the man had never read any literature on the subject, and so most of the facts put forward by myself for UFOs were completely new to him, and could be taken as either the truth, lies or unfounded facts.

Still, everyone should have their say regarding the existence of UFOs, for it is a very flimsy subject - despite world-wide evidence - which has yet to gain the open, general acceptance of governments and scientists!

NEXT GROUP MEETING

The EUFOSG will be holding their next Meeting on Friday, 28th October 1977, at 8.00 p.m. The Meeting will be held at Harts Lane Hall, Cowbridge Lane, Barking, Essex.

There will be a commentary on various types of UFO detection equipment, and some interesting local UFO cases will be presented. 25p members, 40p non-members (includes coffee).

RON MARKWICK ON T.V.

The EUFOSG's very own Technical Advisor, Mr. Ron Markwick, had the privilege of taking part in a UFO based programme broadcast by BBC T.V. Norwich on Monday, 22nd August 1977.

Ron's part in the programme - 'Look East' - was filmed on location in Arkesdon, North Essex, where a police officer spied a white cigar shaped object early one morning in July 1977. Although Ron's appearance was not lengthy, this was nevertheless an important event as it was a much needed step forward for the Group. Although we have had a few short 'programmes' broadcast over Radio London, this was the first time that anyone representing the Group had appeared on T.V. (Ron was also allocated a little time on Norwich Radio the day following his T.V. appearance.)

We can only hope this is just the beginning!

Editor.

INVESTIGATIONS

Since the publication of the July 1977 Journal, there has been a steady flow of UFO reports coming in. May, June and July have been the best months for activity, but things have been rather quiet since early August, with only a few reports emanating from the Barking and Dagenham areas.

The big UFO wave expected for this year has yet to take place, and we feel October could well see the start of this. Our readers abroad may well experience the wave before we do - it depends on what governs UFO activity (News of UFO activity in your country would be much appreciated.)

Editor.

Report No. 1 (Case No's 1977-6-5 and 6) Level A

Suspected landing at Hainault, Essex.

Following the incredible landing of a UFO in Hainault, Essex, on 3rd May 1977, which was observed by the police*, comes this new report of what was probably another landing, not far from the first.

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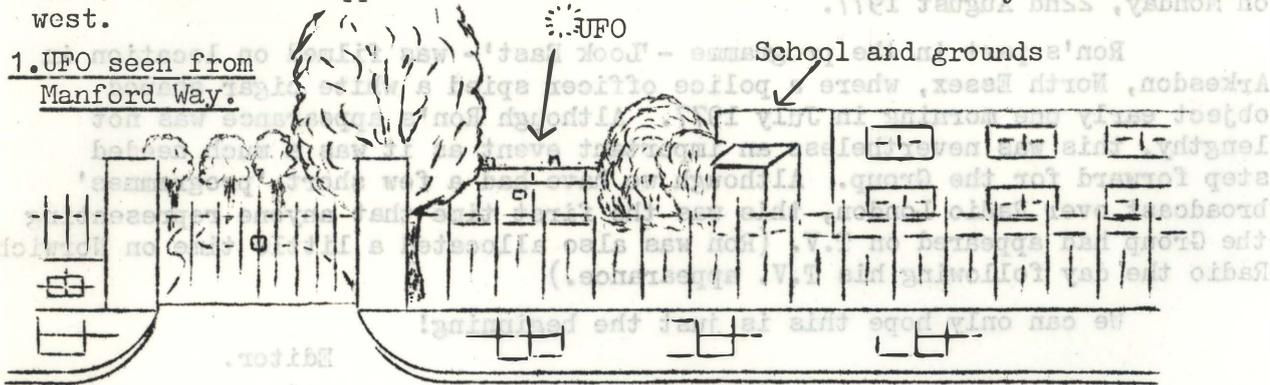
It was 11.40 p.m. on Sunday, 26th June 1977, when Mrs. Green (pseudonym - real name on file) and her family, who were returning home from a party in their car, spied a strange object in the sky.

The car was travelling north-north-east along Mossford Lane, a minor road in Barkingside, Ilford, Essex, when Mrs. Green, who was sitting on the nearside rear seat, noticed a large pinkish-red ball of light in the sky above the roof-tops of the houses on the left hand side of the road. The light, visible first of all from the side window, quickly moved across from left to right and in a downward direction, therefore being visible through the car's windscreen.

Although Mossford Lane winds a little, and the car was moving all the time at about 25 to 30 m.p.h. (40 to 48 Km/hr.), the object's apparent direction of movement was not due to these two factors. The object was seen by all the witnesses - seven in all - to pass silently across the road and drop below the level of the roof-tops, the whole sighting lasting from five to ten seconds.

Unbeknown to Mrs. Green and her family, only 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ miles (2.8 Km.) away four other people had noticed the same object, the witnesses this time being four boys: Steven, Dean and Alan - all 15 years of age - and Chris, 16. Chris and his friends had been walking home along Manford Way, another minor road, when Chris happened to notice a reddish star in the sky to the north-west.

1. UFO seen from Manford Way.



"And I said to the others, 'See that red star up there; that is Mars,'" Chris related.

No more than $\frac{1}{2}$ minute had passed when 'Mars' began to rapidly descend, growing very large and appearing as a fiercely glowing pinkish-red object. From this moment onwards individual accounts of the object's descent vary, Alan and Dean's stories agreeing well, and Steven's only varying a little. Chris' story, however, varies considerably, but basically, though, the stories are similar in that the object slowed down, hovered, varied its light sources and finally dropped below the roof-tops of the houses in Burrow Road, without making the slightest sound.

Steven (2a)	Alan & Dean (2b)	Chris (2c)	Key(Chris)
1 ○ ↓ Slow descent.	1 ○ ↓ Fast descent.	1 ↓ ○	2 1. Fast descent. 2. Slow descent. 3. Slow ascent. 4. Slow descent. 5. Slow ascent. 6. Slow descent.
2 ○ Still.	2 ○ ↓ Slow descent.	○ ↓	
3 ○ ○ Still.	3 ○ ↓ Slow descent.	3 ↑ ○ ○	
4 ○ Still.	4 ○ ○ Still?	○ ○ ↓	
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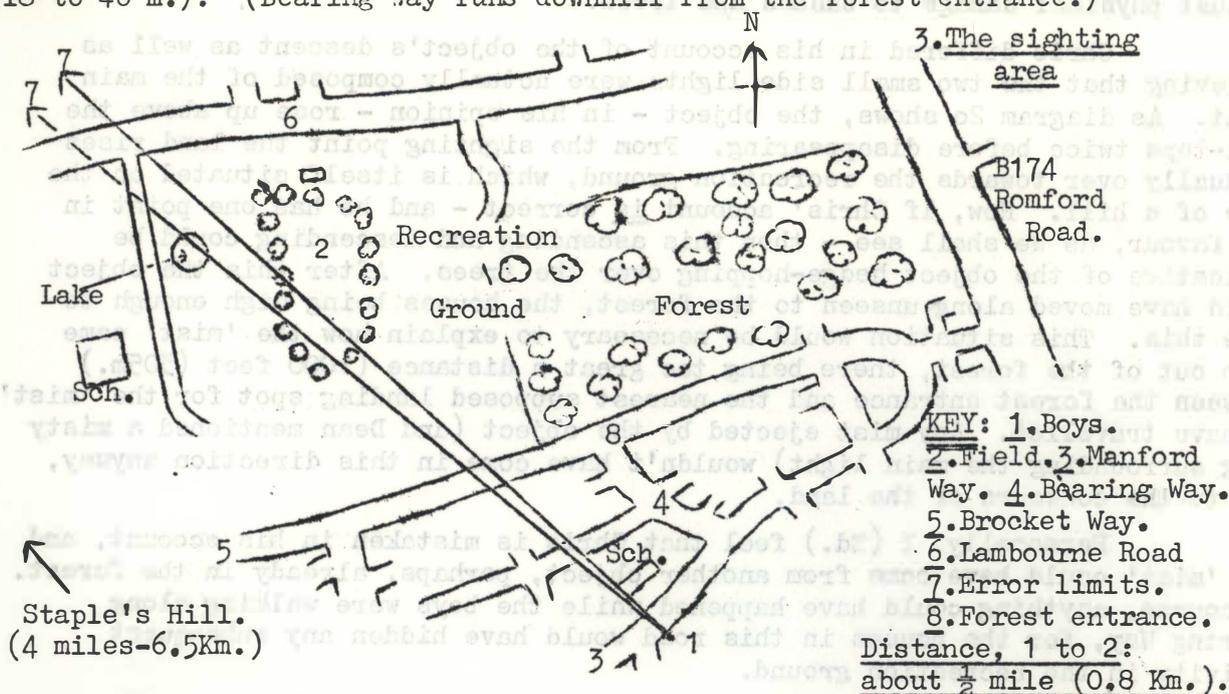
2. The UFOs descent, showing witnesses' variations.

Now, this object was very close - the boys were sure - and it had apparently landed (and they all stated this) $\frac{1}{2}$ mile (0.8 Km.) away in the recreation ground in the forest section, or a little to the left.

So, with the possibility of there being something to be seen on the ground, the boys walked down Bearing Way and up to the entrance of the forest, which makes up part of the recreation ground. (To walk this distance would have taken in excess of five minutes - an important fact to note.) The entrance actually lies in Brockett Way, being just a wide gap in between the houses which line the road on both sides.

The boys approached the forest - which was pitch black and very foreboding - but this was as far as they got, for seeping out through the trees was a flat grey mist, which was in a layer several feet thick, the underside lying about 10 feet (3m.) above the ground. The 'mist' also had

a burning or scorched smell about it, which Chris described as being like "burning hair." The 'mist', which seemed to 'hold together', slowly moved off down Bearing Way, covering the width of the road for 20 to 50 yards (18 to 46 m.). (Bearing Way runs downhill from the forest entrance.)



The boys admitted that they were rather scared when they saw the mist and smelt the burning, and decided that to have entered the forest would have been unwise, so they came away and went home - fortunate, perhaps, for them, but unfortunate for us!

What time was it?

None of the boys had been wearing wrist-watches that night and so they were a little unsure of the time. Two of the boys live near the initial observation point, however, and upon arriving home they noticed that their house clocks gave a time of about 11.55 p.m. So allowing for the time taken to walk to the forest and back, etc., 11.40 p.m. - the time given by Mrs. Green, who checked with her watch - for the event seems about right. There is little doubt, therefore, that we are discussing the same object.

The boys subsequently contacted their local newspaper, the "Ilford Recorder", which printed their story. Mrs. Green, though, only contacted the local police - who did nothing except smile, perhaps - and would have forgotten about her sighting if she hadn't seen the boys' story in the newspaper. Now believing that there was something to her sighting, she 'phoned the same newspaper, from which the EUFOSG received this report.

Discrepancies

When the object's compass bearing from the boys' vantage point was plotted on the appropriate Ordnance Survey map, the line of sight indeed passes through the recreation ground, but not through the forest section (see map). The line of sight, which is accurate to a few degrees either side of 313° magnetic, due to the trees having a limited gap in between (see diagram 1), passes over open grassland, through a field completely surrounded with trees, through another field, over (or next to) a small boating lake - very interesting - and on over Lambourne Way.

The field surrounded by the trees and the boating lake were thought to be the perfect places for the object to have come down, but after an intensive search of these areas we could find no evidence to suggest a landing had been made, the tell-tale signs being a burnt area and/or landing gear marks, or just physical damage to bushes and trees.

Chris differed in his account of the object's descent as well as believing that the two small side lights were actually composed of the main light. As diagram 2c shows, the object - in his opinion - rose up above the *tree-tops twice before disappearing. From the sighting point the land rises gradually over towards the recreation ground, which is itself situated on the side of a hill. Now, if Chris' account is correct - and he has one point in his favour, as we shall see - then this ascending and descending could be indicative of the object hedge-hopping over the trees. After this the object could have moved along unseen to the forest, the houses being high enough to hide this. This situation would be necessary to explain how the 'mist' came down out of the forest, there being too great a distance (1000 feet (305m.) between the forest entrance and the nearest supposed landing spot for the 'mist' to have travelled. Any mist ejected by the object (and Dean mentioned a misty ring surrounding the main light) wouldn't have come in this direction anyway, due to the contours of the land.

Personally, I (Ed.) feel that Chris is mistaken in his account, and the 'mist' could have come from another object, perhaps, already in the forest. Of course, anything could have happened while the boys were walking along Bearing Way, for the houses in this road would have hidden any subsequent activity in the recreation ground.

Weather:

The Meteorological Office in London gave the following conditions for 26th June, 1977 at midnight.

Temp. 14.5°C. Wind. 7 knots, west to north-westerly.

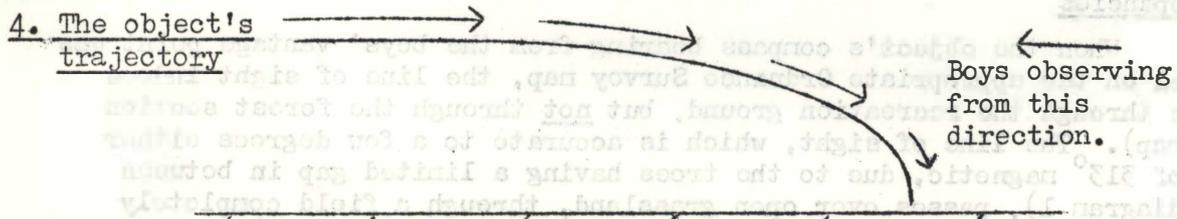
Cloud. 1/8 at 5000ft. Visibility. 30 Km. Humidity. 54%.

It was very interesting to learn that under the above conditions there was no possibility of mist or fog forming. This means that the 'mist' the boys saw was not due to weather conditions.

This is all that can be said, really, on this particular aspect of the case, for further evidence is required from other witnesses in order to continue with investigations.

Flight Path:

Another interesting point to this case is the object's flight path. Mrs. Green and her family saw the object very nearly side-on, and the four boys from nearly head-on. The object came in to land (or hover) on a long shallow trajectory, and reminds one of an Apollo Lunar Module landing on the Moon - even to the point of slowing down and hovering, as if looking for a clear space to touch down.



*Chris and his friends mention both tree-tops and roof-tops in their accounts, but only the latter can be seen from the initial observation point.

Also, if one plots the direction the boys saw the object appear from on an Ordnance Survey map, the approach path will be found to be virtually in line with the UFO "window" or entry point at Staple's Hill, Loughton, which is mentioned in the July 1977 Journal, p.6. You might well say, though, that this line-up may just be coincidental with what is, after all, only a believed UFO entry point. This may be so, but Staple's Hill will certainly be worth keeping an eye on in the future.

UFO windows

Many UFO "windows" are believed to exist throughout the world, and it may be that they are relatives of areas such as the Bermuda Triangle. It will be interesting to see if any other UFO's can be traced back to a common point of origin. (See John Keel's book, "Operation Trojan Horse", p.157, for a short but interesting account of these "windows".)

Inv's. P. Spink, J. Saville, S. Chuter,
D. Goring.

*See "Flying Saucer Review", Vol. 23, No. 2, 1977, p.8.

SASQUATCH ACTIVITY

'.....Canadian radio and press reports were filled with an unusual report of a Sasquatch being seen and chased by a bus driver east of Mission, B.C., on May 15th. The seven foot tall creature covered with hair crossed Highway 7 in front of the Pacific Stage Lines coach and was seen by the driver and at least four other passengers. The driver got out of the bus and gave chase to the creature coming within 12 feet of it at one point. The driver got out of the bus and gave chase to the creature coming within 12 feet of it at one point. The driver and two of the passengers thought it was someone dressed in a gorilla suit; and it was the intention of the driver, also a reserve police constable, to teach the joker a lesson when he caught him. However, and maybe for the better, the creature got away in the bush. After the sighting was reported to the RCMP at Mission, constables reported to the scene and took photographs of footprints 14 inches long and 55 inches apart, (an early report gave the stride as over 8 feet which may have been the length between two strides); and, it was estimated the weight of the creature was about 300 pounds. Claims of a hoax were considered by one couple aboard the coach, and one person has claimed to have managed an elaborate hoax. Yet the driver has challenged them to re-enact or show the fake Sasquatch again. We could only wonder what hoaxer would be foolish enough to dress up in a gorilla suit in that area and could make their way thru the woods ahead of an excited bus driver and not expect to be clobbered or shot.'

"Res Bureaux Bulletin" No.18,
June 2nd, 1977.

(It appears from R.B.B. No. 19, that the above case was a hoax after all! - Ed.)

CHELMSFORD, Essex, Annexe.

Anyone sighting a UFO in the Chelmsford and surrounding areas can contact Mr. Bill Eden, Tel. No. Chelmsford 52476.

UFO STRIKES POLICEMAN

(A 1976 report from the USA)

'A UFO being watched by a veteran police officer suddenly shot out a blue flash at his squad car and knocked him unconscious, he says.

Almost simultaneously, other bizarre events took place:

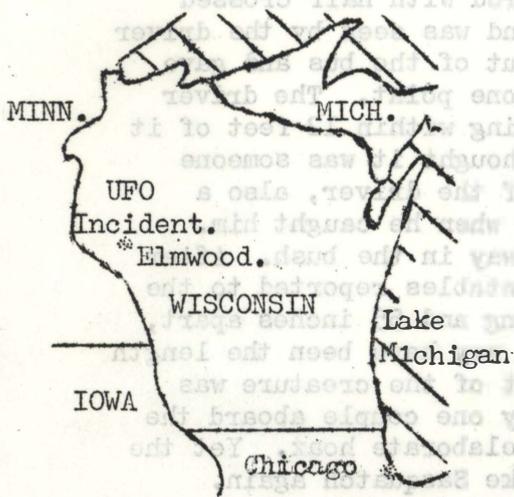
- * The car lights and radio went dead.
- * Its spark plugs and points were burned out.
- * Television sets in nearby homes went blank.
- * Two people at different points nearby saw a mysterious glowing object in the sky.

The terrifying blue ray attack on the officer occurred in Elmwood, Wis., shortly after 11 p.m. on April 22. The weather was fairly clear and there was no storm or lightning that night.

"As I was on the police radio describing the UFO, it rose at very high speed and a bluish flash of light, like lightning, shot out from it," said George W. Wheeler, former Police Chief of Elmwood and now a relief officer there.

"At this time, the car's lights and radio went dead. I don't remember any more until somebody was asking me if I needed help." But after the blue ray attack, Wheeler spent 14 days in Memorial Hospital at Menomonie, Wis., recovering from its effects.

Wheeler, 71, a 30-year police veteran and a combat fighter pilot during World War 2, recounted the details of his experience to The Enquirer:



Location of UFO incident

"On the night of April 22, I noticed an orange glow at the top of Tuttle Hill, I thought it was a fire, reported it on the radio and drove there.

"When I arrived, I saw this huge object, as high as a two-story house and about 250 feet across. It was silver-coloured and had an extremely bright orange light at the top, so bright I couldn't look straight at it. Suddenly, the craft rose and the blue flash of light shot out."

Wheeler was found four minutes later by David Moots, 36, a dairy farmer who had been taking a baby-sitter home and saw the squad car stopped partially on the highway with its lights out.

"He was trying to get out of the car and was kind of dazed," Moots said. "I asked him what was wrong and he said he'd been hit. I asked, 'Hit by a car?' and he answered, 'No, by one of those UFOs'"

Meanwhile, Police Dispatcher Gail Miley had received Wheeler's radio report and 'phoned Paul Frederickson, a nursing home administrator who lives east of Tuttle Hill. Miley asked him what he could see from his window.

"I saw a bright orange glow," Frederickson told The Enquirer. "It resembled a bright orange half-moon. I went back to the 'phone and by the time I returned to the window, the object had gone."

At about the same time, Mrs. Miles Wergland saw a bright orange object from her home south of the hill. "It was shaped like the moon, but was much brighter and coloured differently," she declared.

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That night, reported the Milwaukee Journal, three people living near Tuttle Hill said their television sets suddenly went off about 11 p.m., and went on again as mysteriously some 10 minutes later.

Wheeler was taken to Dr. Frank Springer, who has treated him for 25 years. "He was deeply disturbed and highly nervous," Dr. Springer said. "I gave him a shot, but it didn't relieve his anxiety, so I sent him to the hospital."

Wheeler spent three days there and went home - only to return complaining of nightmares and headaches. He was treated there for 11 days more before returning home. "I've been through all sorts of tests, but I seem to be 100 percent OK now," Wheeler told The Enquirer.

As for the car Wheeler had been driving, Police Chief Gene Helmer said: "It's spark plugs and points were burned right out. It had been tuned up and checked out only about two months before. The plugs and points should have been good for five or six months." (The Enquirer's Reporter: Bob Pratt).

and in another newspaper.....

'COP BURNED BY HOT LIGHT FIRED FROM FLYING SAUCER'

'A police officer who says he encountered creatures from outer space told MIDNIGHT how a ray knocked him out for several hours.

The bluish flash stunned him into unconsciousness, Officer George Wheeler of Elmwood, Wisconsin, reported. "If they intensified that ray it would kill anyone in range. It would be suicidal for humans to shoot at these creatures. They'd wipe us out."

Wheeler, 71, was hospitalized for three days after the episode and again for 14 days when he experienced tortured dreams and headaches. He says we should be fearful of these creatures.

"Their silver flying ship had tremendous maneuverability. They're using some energy we don't have. I think they're concerned about us setting off H-bombs.

"They came down to see if we're throwing the earth off its axis and upsetting the solar system. What we do affects them."

The veteran cop thinks the government is too "hush-hush" about UFOs. "Why don't they tell us what they know?" he asks. "Maybe they're afraid to." Wheeler's UFO encounter took place on a clear April night at 11.10 when he was on police duty. He was investigating an orange glare over a quarry, the same spot where he saw a UFO a year ago when he was with others who also saw it.

This year he was alone and he saw the UFO's occupants and was injured by their mysterious ray.

"A bluish-green light shone over their ship as they started to take off. I heard a whish sound. Then, this flash of light came at me and I was stunned into an unconscious state.

"At the time I was trying to radio the sherriff's office to get help. I don't remember anything after that until I came to at noon the next day."

During Wheeler's three days in the hospital, doctors found no outward sign of injury. He returned home but went back in several days later after experiencing headaches.

Again, he was declared "in good health," Wheeler told MIDNIGHT, but he doesn't ever want to be zonked by that powerful ray again.'

Credit First report: "The National Enquirer", 29th June 1976.

Second report: "Midnight", 12th July, 1976.

Credit for both reports to "Viewpoint Aquarius".

UFOs OVER ITALY AND MEXICO

'Squadrons of flying saucers in the sky over Lombardy'

Every evening for several days, squadrons of "flying saucers" invade the sky over Sesto San Giovanni, a small town of Lombardy, near Milan.

The phenomenon, reported wittily by the Italian press with ironic headlines such as "Now the UFOs are exaggerating" or "The Milanese are away, the Martians are arriving", would only have remained one of the many apparitions of "flying saucers" reported every summer, had not the mysterious UFOs been repeatedly photographed by a professional photographer of Sesto San Giovanni.

The photographs, which were published by the press, show a series of luminous spots in a row and immobile in the night sky.

Another, a close-up of one of the spots taken by a 600mm teleobjective consists of two white balls on a black background each surmounted by a luminous shaft.

"With the naked eye, it could not be seen" declared the photographer, Erminio Ferrati. "It is only in developing the photograph Saturday evening that I perceived that the object was topped by a sort of antenna".

The photographer recounted how, at one time, one of the "saucers" began to approach the ground "casting a vivid light". "The dogs began barking and two of them passed running through my legs" he added.

"At another time" he also said, "as a plane passed over Milan all the "objects" went out and lit up again a minute later."

The Italian photographer, who has spent these last nights watching the UFOs with his wife, his son, and a friend, the latter having filmed the phenomenon, intends in the next few days, enlarging his collection of snaps of this mysterious squadron which seems to meet every evening above Sesto San Giovanni.

'UFO Battle in Mexico'

A UFO exploded in the sky of Mexico after having been pursued by two other unidentified flying machines, reports the newspaper "The Sun of Mexico" in its Monday evening edition.

The explosion took place at Zihuatanejo in the presence of several witnesses. According to the witnesses, the flying object was moving in a straight line and was flanked by two smaller objects which were trying to intercept it.

At the end of a very short lapse of time, the UFO exploded "like a great brilliant and round mass which transformed itself into four smaller objects that got lost in space."

Taken from "Le Soir" (Belgium)

10th August 1977.

Credit Mr. Walter Ager, (EUFOSG member).
Belgium.

U.F.O. CREATES HAVOC (A report from France)

'A cat goes berserk - the T.V. stops - strange phenomenon over St. Marcellin

Our local reporter and investigator, Andre Revol, is in contact with police stations and all the newspapers in the region of St. Marcellin (Isere, France).

It is thanks to these friendly contacts that our friend has got to hear about an observation over St. Marcellin. It was the local police who brought it to our investigator's attention.

20th September, 1976 - The telephone rings at Mr. Andre Revol's house. A policeman, Mr. Edmond Carrere, reports a sighting having taken place on the 15th* September. Below is the factual report:

Date of sighting: 15th September, 1976.
Time of sighting: 22:50 hrs. (10.50 pm.)
Number of witnesses: 3.
Weather conditions: Cloudy, overcast and stormy.
Number of objects sighted: 1.
Colour of object: Glowing white light.
Movements: Very slow vertical descent.
Disappearance: Like someone turning off a light.

SOURCE OF OBSERVATION

The Ginouvres family of St. Marcellin are the subject of this report. They did not speak to anyone about it at first, but in the course of a conversation with Mrs. Viglietti, a colleague at work, she advised them to go to the police and report what had happened. On the 15th September, about 9.30 pm, Mrs. Ginouvres telephoned the local police at St. Marcellin.

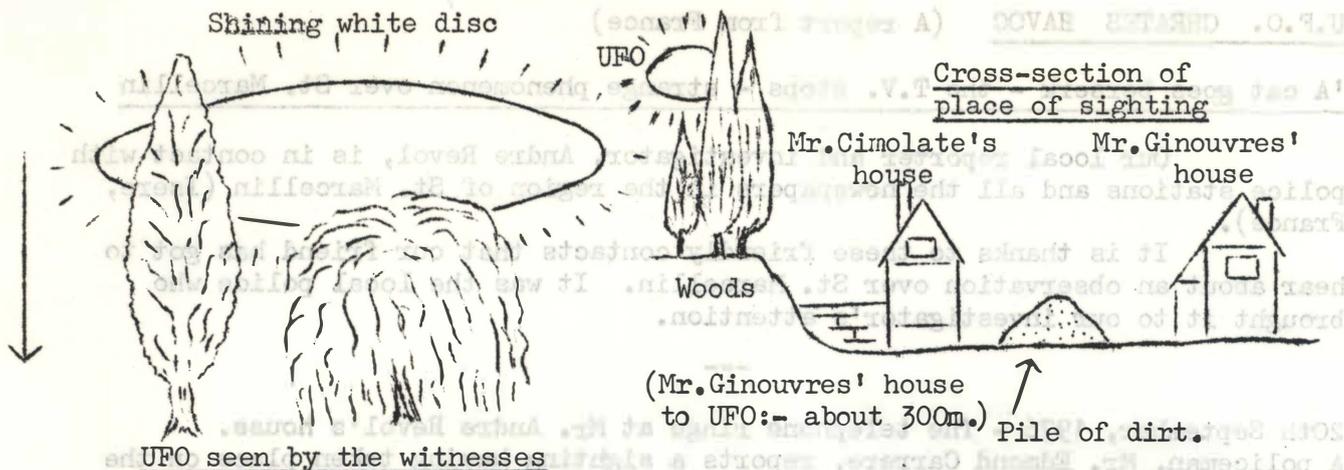
THE FACTS

Strange happenings preceded and even made possible this sighting. We have already observed these peculiarities with other sightings, but rarely in such great number.

First of all the television was affected. The screen went black, with an irregular series of horizontal lines. Then the cat, who was asleep on the lap of the Ginouvres' 11 year old son, suddenly woke up terrified. It jumped off and on to the lap of Mrs. Viviane Ginouvres, 31 years old, scratching the two witnesses in its haste.

Mr. Ginouvres' son, anxious then about his other cat who was outside, asked his mother to call it in. In the general panic that followed, Mrs. Viviane Ginouvres rushed to the door. On opening it she was literally stifled by an intense heat outside and around the house. Immediately her attention was drawn to a luminous elliptical shaped mass, of a very strong intensity. She was blinded by a white glow.

The strange object was about 300 metres away from the house. It seemed to descend very slowly towards the ground, behind a thicket of trees which overlook the allotment where their neighbours' house is situated. Mrs. Ginouvres' son, who had himself gone outside, went to fetch his father who was in the summer house. He, himself, was afterwards able to describe and confirm the strange vision. The luminous "thing" was near to the ground now, and seemed to be hovering there. They could see very clearly now, the luminous mass behind the trees, which blinded them "as large as 200 cars' headlights," Mr. Ginouvres said afterwards.



After about three minutes, the time now being about 10.03 pm., the thing vanished, as if someone had turned off a light. After it had disappeared a small light remained in the area for a few minutes. Half-an-hour later a violent storm erupted.

A neighbour of the Ginouvres family, a Mr. Antonio Dubolo, had heard at the same time a "supersonic" bang like a clap of thunder. He was in bed at the time and got up to open the window as it was very hot (it must be remembered that the heat coming from the object had heated up the atmosphere in the area). Unfortunately, the window was on the opposite side to where the object was, and so he didn't see anything. It should be noted that when Mr. Dubolo got up he went to turn on the light, but it was not working. But a few minutes later it came on again.

Mr. Bernard Ginouvres, 35 years old, estimates the atmospheric temperature at the time of the phenomena to have been about 30°C. He corroborates all the facts and he, too, saw the object extinguish itself and fade out without rising. The following morning he went up and had a look around the presumed landing place, but he found no trace on the ground.

Andre Revol carried out an investigation on these facts, and, thanks to the Press, he found witnesses of a sighting which had taken place the same evening.

It concerned a Mrs. Helene Menon, from St. Marcellin, who was returning that evening from Grenoble, accompanied by a Mr. Daniel Rosier and a Mr. & Mrs. Parisi. Mr. Rosier was driving the car, while Mr. & Mrs. Parisi were asleep on the back seat. It was 00:30 hrs. (12.30 am.), the car was travelling on the Route Nationale 531 and arrived at Cognin. She noticed in the direction of Saint-Varand a white disc in the distance. She was not concerned about the phenomena at the time and it was only when she read about it in the newspapers that she connected it.

Inv. Mr. Andre Revol'
"Les Extraterrestres", Juillet 77, No. 3.

*There appears to be a little confusion as to the exact date of this sighting, our translator noting that the 15th was the date on which the sighting was reported. The true date of this sighting was probably 12th September, as this date is given at the foot of one of the drawings - Ed.

- Many thanks to EUFOSG member Mrs. C. Le Neindre
for translating this report from the French.

C. SUI (Coadesione per Le Studio Unito dell' Insolito)

Part I

The following article was written and translated into English by Mr. Ferraris Enrico, President of the Italian UFO group A.C.O.M. (Associazione Controllo Oggetti Misteriosi).

A private Association has arisen in Italy in order to study more effectively all unusual happenings. There are now (Spring 1977) more than 60 groups and individuals belonging to this association - C.SUI - some of them in other European countries.

Brief history

In May 1976 Mr. Giuliano Mariotti, a serious student of ufology and psychology, outlined the aims of an association that would unite UFO and occult private groups.

ACOM soon became involved and spread the news to other Italian groups, and in the summer of 1976 Mr. Mariotti and other researchers met them for the first time. September saw C.SUI become a reality.

The first organised meetings took place in Alessandria with representatives from all interested groups. A complete programme was drafted together with a list of all united groups.

Spring 1977 has seen this new association - C.SUI - assume an important position as a central and competent organising body, with Mr. Mariotti serving as administrator, and the Aosta group, SIRIO, under Mr. Marco Consolati, as the central headquarters.

The aims of the C.SUI

C.SUI aims to amplify communication and collaboration between groups and individual researchers, and to extend the knowledge available to these collaborators. C.SUI isn't confined to one fixed idea, but deals with the facts. C.SUI will not be a profitable enterprise because "reality can't be sold". There is no political intervention and everyone is free to express their ideas.

All the above was expounded in a special issue of "Circolare Trimestrale", published June 1976. A particularly important part of this announcement was that C.SUI couldn't become a good association with only formal adhesions, but required secure collaboration and financial contributions.

C.SUI caters for collaborators who would individually - or even as a group - achieve either little or nothing.

The Organisation

Initially, C.SUI lacked the means to form a good association, so after some discussion this situation was rectified.

In their first circular, "Circolare della C.SUI", an account of C.SUI's complete organisation was presented. Summing up, in C.SUI there are no appointments or investitures because all groups and their members are considered to be equal. Work exists for every group, those groups possessing the requisites for specific tasks having those particular tasks allocated to them.

Method of Organisation

A particular group in a precise region will be allotted the task of managing the Secretary's Office, which represents a communication centre

for C.SUI in that particular region. One or more groups will manage one or more publication printing centres; the Secretary's Office for each region eventually publishing their own private bulletin.

A Central Seat for the national region of C.SUI will be managed by a national group, while another group will manage the Administration.

For the many envisaged research programmes and other such work, each group will form a committee to be responsible for each separate section.

In general:

- A.1. Every collaborating group or individual must pay - more as a contribution - to the administration about 5,000 lira/yr.
2. Discover in a rational manner the public's opinion re. the matters studied by C.SUI.
3. Develop a minimum of personal research and research in collaboration with the work study committee.
4. Be in close contact with the secretary's offices.
- B. Secretarys' offices must:
 1. Organise their regions' groups and conduct organised investigations.
 2. Be in contact with Administration and the Central Seat.
 3. Send their groups' contributions to Administration.
 4. Send material received from Administration and the Central Seat to their regions' groups.
 5. Print (if possible) a regional bulletin.
 6. Organise their groups' research, investigations and meetings.
- C. Administration must:
 1. Be in close contact with the Secretarys' offices and the Central Seat.
 2. Gather contributions and deploy them to where they are most urgently needed.
 3. Run an information centre for questions re. C.SUI.
 4. Publish the magazine "Circolare" to the collaborators.
 5. Be the main address for all correspondence.
- D. Central Seat must:
 1. Be in contact with Administration and the Secretarys' offices.
 2. Inform Administration about the progress of the association.
 3. Publish the magazine "Vimana" and dossiers of C.SUI.
- E. Work Study Committees are 'groups' which develop a particular investigation or inquiry into the projects undertaken by collaborators. These W.S.C's must:
 1. Organise the type of study required.
 2. Be in contact with the Central Seat re. documentation, etc.
 3. Conduct and co-ordinate research.
 4. Send detailed material to the Central Seat for publishing and placing in the archives. Research material will be published under the "dossiers".

To be continued.

For further information on the C.SUI, write to:

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BOOK REVIEW

'DIARY OF AN ALIEN' by Richard Spencer

pp. 56, incl. bibliography & index.

Price: 50p plus 15p p & p (Overseas: \$2 post paid, or equivalent).

This modest little book gallantly endeavours to unravel the mystery that enshrouds the man we call Moses. Initially, though, this work was intended to be a " cursory examination of the plagues of Egypt," which in themselves are a thorough mystery, but it was not feasible to do so without including this man Moses, who certainly had some forewarning of their arrival.

We are told that Moses slew an Egyptian for the sake of an Israelite, and was forced to flee Egypt and seek refuge in the land of Midian, where he lived the life of a shepherd. Then, on Mount Sinai, God spoke to Moses from a burning bush, and this is where the mystery really begins. It appears, though, that Moses himself was a little bit of a mystery before this, for various references reveal him to have been a priest, a general in the Egyptian army and a man very well versed in the sciences!

When Moses returned to Egypt he asked Pharaoh to release the Israelites from bondage, but Pharaoh refused and as we all know ten successive plagues were released over Egypt. Richard Spencer delves into the possible real causes for these plagues and considers the possibility that a cloud of radioactive dust, formed as a by-product of the (planned) destruction of a world that was once composed of the present day asteroids, could have caused all ten.

Exodus, Richard Spencer relates, tells us that Moses was informed by God of what was to happen during each plague. Who was this 'God', though? Was he an alien intelligence? Why did Pharaoh refuse to free the Israelites? Did he know something of what was really going on? These are just some of the questions that demand - if not acceptable answers - a great deal of attention, which they don't appear to have had in the past.

With the above in mind, Richard Spencer has written a thoroughly interesting and inexpensive volume, which I found even more enjoyable after having already seen the television series: "Moses the Law-giver".

Daniel J. Goring.

(The above book was submitted to the EUFOSG for review by MERCURY PUBLISHERS (A6), 53 ROSE AVENUE, WORCESTER, WR4 9PX, to whom all orders should be addressed.)

LETTERS :

25th May, 1977.

'Sir,

Everyone who is interested in solving the UFO enigma must have been let down by the recent BBC1 programme on UFOs. If the television had more channels (as in America) we would have a greater chance of a wide coverage. You can have T.V. 'phone-in' programmes for politics, etc., so why not for UFOs?

I think that if we had a nationwide UFO Organisation we might do better, and I'm all for that. Only a few sightings - like the Betty and Barney Hill case - have got worldwide coverage, while others probably lack good evidence.

Some sightings only last a minute or less and are more spectacular. Just like a road accident, witnesses don't get time to think about the exact details of the event.

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-15-(Sept'77)

UFO witnesses the world over are frustrated because they can't explain it correctly: "It happened so quickly", they say, "I can't remember it clearly". So if you could have action replay, Ah, ha! We would get somewhere.

What UFO spotters do with their cameras they do well, considering the time they have and also the chances of even having a camera!

Come on! The Government want one to land on the House of Commons before they will believe us, but I don't let this dishearten me. Over the years the UFO experts have done great work without the help of the worlds' Governments.

I believe the Government's attitude must change towards men and women striving to solve the UFO puzzle. Perhaps they don't trust our friends out in space, like the Russians don't trust the U.S.A. and vice versa.

Bob Brace, Scunthorpe,
South Humberside.
Scunthorpe UFO Study Group.

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If you have something to say about any aspect of ufology, write to the Editor c/o. Head Office.

SKYWATCHES

The Group's skywatch of 20th August, 1977, at the recreation ground in Hainault, Essex, was a great success, despite an overcast sky and occasional rain! Many people attended, and we were very pleased to see Ian Ridpath*, the noted scientist and author, present. He also attended our next skywatch held on 17th September at Dog Kennel Hill, a mile or so S.E. of August's skywatch point. (These skywatch points were chosen for definite reasons, as our "Investigations" section shows.) On both occasions nothing was seen out of the ordinary.

Our next two skywatches will be held as follows:

1. Saturday, 15th October, 1977. 8.30 p.m. Skywatch point at the rear of Roding Avenue (on the waste ground), Barking, Essex.
2. Saturday, 19th November, 1977. 8.30 p.m. Skywatch point in the middle of Parsloes Park, Dagenham, Essex. Access via footpath from Terrace Walk.

*The American magazine, "Official UFO", carries an article: "Visitors from the Stars", by Ian Ridpath, in its September 1977 issue. The November 1977 issue of the Group's Journal will carry another article by Ian Ridpath.

MISCELLANEOUS

National UFO Research (NUFOR) of Brighton, Sussex, will be holding a skywatch on Saturday, 29th October, 1977, at Box Hill, Nr. Dorking, Surrey, from 9 pm., onwards (all night). Everyone is welcome. Enquiries to: Mr. Dave Kay, Tel. No. Brighton 23010.

Read: "Cosmology Newslink" magazine. 30p plus 10p p & p. Write: Mr. E.Harris, 37 The Close, Dunmow, Essex CM61EW, England.

Adamski Venusian Scout UFO photo's. s.a.e. for details to: Mr. Laurence, 47 Belsize Sq., London, N.W.3., England.

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Foreign groups wishing to exchange and make contact:

"ODISELLA" magazine (Slavonian written). Write: UFO-MLP društvo Zveza, ŠOLT, Milčinskega 6 (Headquarters), Ljubljana 61000 Slovenija, Yugoslavia.

"NOTIZIARIO UFOLOGICO" magazine (Italian written). Write: Mr. Ferraris Enrioo Via Montello, 23, 15100 Alessandria, Italy. (See "C.SUI" - this issue).

"UFO information" magazine (Swedish written). Write to: UFO-SVERIGE, Box 16, 59601 Skänninge, Sweden.

"AFU" Arbetsgruppen för ufologi (Swedish written). Write: AFU, Box 5046, 15105 Södertälje 5, Sweden.

"FORTEANA" newspaper style publication (Danish written). Write: Scanfo, Classensgade 17A, 4.th., DK-2100. København Ø, Denmark.

COMMEMORATIVE STAMPS

October 4th, 1977, marks the 20th anniversary of the launching of the first artificial satellite - Sputnik 1.

To commemorate this event, cosmonaut Alexei Leonov and artist Rim Strelnikov have prepared drawings for envelopes and a series of six postage stamps. Part of this stamp edition will be purchased by the U.S.A. to be sold with the souvenir envelopes.

The first stamp represents Yuri Gagarin and his spaceship Vostok; the second, Alexei Leonov's first space walk, while the next three stamps are of Soviet orbital and interplanetary research stations. The last stamp shows a Soviet rocket and the linking of Soyuz and Apollo.

Taken from "Novosti Press Agency" Press Release No. 7821.
1st September, 1977, p.7. (3 Rosary Gardens, London, SW74NW.)

(It is to be hoped that these stamps will be available in the U.K. - Ed.)

EAST ANGLIAN UFO CATALOGUE

The EUFOSG is currently engaged in the task of recording details of all UFO sightings (from earliest times) in the East Anglian counties, which includes the northernmost parts of Essex. All relevant information from cases up to the end of 1975 is being entered on to record cards, this information being used to prepare regional maps, case breakdowns into specific groups, (i.e. Electromagnetic cases, animal reaction cases, landings, etc.), and bibliographic lists.

Following the above work, a complete catalogue* containing all this information will be published and made available to everyone, researchers benefiting especially.

Before the East Anglian catalogue is completed, though, two others - the Northern UFO Catalogue and the much smaller Channel Islands UFO Catalogue - will have been published. Eventually, of course, most of the U.K. will receive such treatment.

*Contact (UK) has overall control of the UFO catalogues.

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