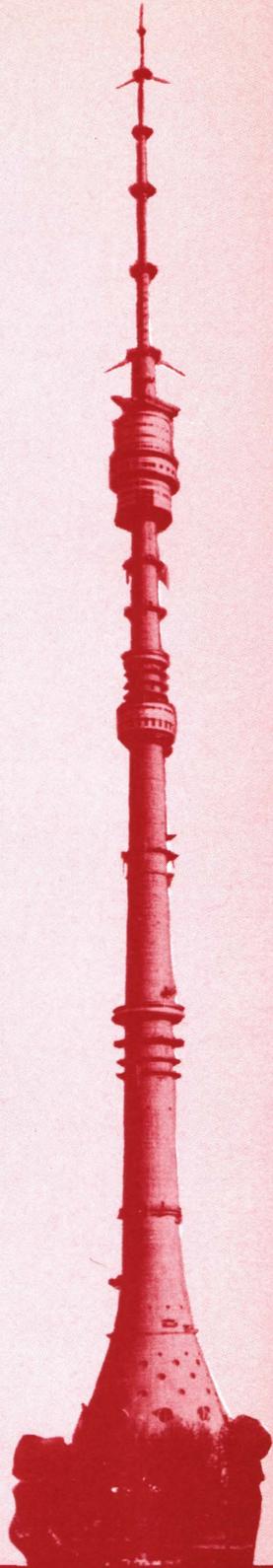
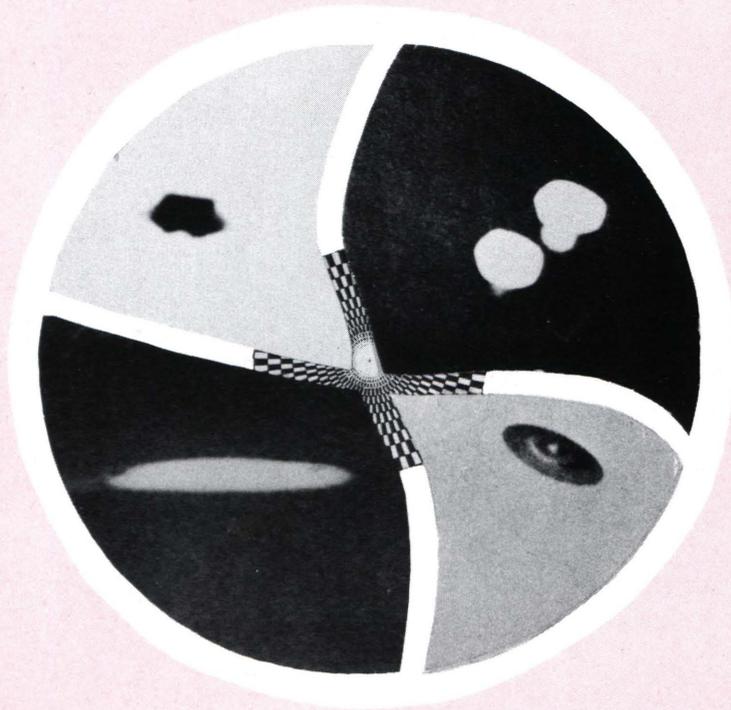


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ABOVE: Since October 1967, technicians operating the cosmic ray equipment at "El Infiernillo" Observatory in the Chilean Andes, have been observing a series of unexplained luminous phenomena. These appear like stars of magnitude 0 to 1, which move, then stop for a while. This photo was taken from the Observatory at 1.35 a.m. G.M.T. on 17th May, 1968, and is one of three taken in an hour of a "twinkling phenomenon". The smaller light above and to the left indicates "El Roble" Observatory, at 6,500 feet about 100 kilometres from El Infiernillo, which is situated at 14,255 feet, (4320 metres, Lat: 33.10 S. Long: 70.17 West). The photo was supplied to UFO CHILE by Professor Gabriel Alvial, Director of El Infiernillo (translates "Little Hell" - being a desolate region), who while apparently believing in flying saucers, prefers to label them, "F.P.E." - phenomena requiring explanation. PHOTO CREDIT: UFO CHILE (July 1968), Casilla 13202, Santiago, Chile.

RIGHT: Photo taken at the "Adhara" a private observatory at San Miguel in Argentina, by M. Luis Ferro, on 30th October 1967, shows the passage of two OVNI's, (UFOs) at 0.35 hours, with a time exposure of 6 seconds (hence the tails). In fact with magnification the plate showed a total of five objects. Luis Ferro built the telescopes and observatory himself, and is praised by foreign observers, including those at Mount Palomar, and his discovery of a new comet was confirmed outside Argentina. PHOTO CREDIT: René Fouéré and R.P.Reyna, Director of the Adhara Observatory.

## PHOTOGRAPHED by ASTRONOMERS



## PIGEON or UFO?

This object, shaped like a soup tureen, was photographed over Copenhagen on 8 July 1959 by two ornithologists, Ole Strandgaard and Joergen Ekvall. They were out early in the morning when they noticed the object. Strandgaard took one picture, but his camera jammed before he could take more. The UFO vanished at incredible speed.

Photo credit: UPI

Peter Johansen took this photograph of an object over Jutland (Denmark) with an old 1938 Brownie camera one June morning (1968? - report gives no date). 'The air was clear and the sky was only a bit cloudy. Suddenly I saw a dark object moving from south-east toward south in a slanting going down direction.....Close to the horizon the object turned around and disappeared quickly towards south-west. The whole thing lasted for only 10 seconds.' The film was examined in SUFOI's photo department: 'In fact this is the best which I have ever seen here from Denmark. You can see the thing photographed on the membrane-side of the film. The enlargement cannot be burned so hard through that you can see any details within the sphere of energy. Is there anything else to be said about that? - I don't think so.'

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# MATTERS ARISING FROM OUR PREVIOUS EDITION

## UFO OVER MADRID

The UFO over Madrid, which caused such confusion on 5th September 1968, was apparently a meteorological research balloon, launched from Aires-Sur L'Amour, in Les Landes near Bordeaux in France. Part of project NIMBUS, with the shape of a tetrahedron, these balloons reflect the sun's rays brilliantly, and days later, often fall in Spain, when they are returned to the 'Centre Nationale de Etudes Spatiaux' in France. Similar sightings took place 14-17 March 1968. Although the September sighting received international press coverage, it is surprising that various local authorities were ignorant of its mundane origin, emphasised by the Spanish Air Force sending up an F-104 jet interceptor! Credit: Vicente-Juan Ballester Olmos, President of Circulo de Estudios Sobre Objectos No Identificados, Erudito Orellana, 14.6a. Valencia-8, Spain.

## PROJECT SAINT

Stuart Nixon of NICAP says "on page 12 you mention Project SAINT as a possibly UFO-related programme. Such a relationship is doubtful. This was originally the name of a study to determine the feasibility of launching anti-satellite devices from space-borne platforms." Geoffrey Falworth, our new satellite consultant says, Project Saint is an acronym of Satellite INterceptor, a programme to determine the feasibility of intercepting hostile satellites. No spacecraft were actually built although onboard systems and experimental electronics and assemblies were fabricated. In May 1961 this programme was transferred to the Department of Defence from the U.S.A.F. and, under a DoD. directive, this project, along with all other DoD military satellite projects were classified. The name, Project Saint, was withdrawn from use and neither experiment results nor testing data was released. As most of the manoeuvring objectives of SAINT have been achieved in NASA's manned spacecraft programme, SAINT may no longer be required. Incidentally SAINT should not be confused with Project SATELLITE INSPECTOR, which is similar but never reached the operational stage. Although Geoffrey says that all experimental data on U.S.A.F. satellites is classified, I still don't feel this justifies the ambiguous phrasing of Col. Susskind's letter which we reproduced.

## THOSE GIANT MUSHROOMS

Special thanks go to Mr. J. A. Hodgkinson for his learned comments on Lycoperdaceae (puff-balls to you). From Ricardo Chiesa, President of AIDOVNI of Buenos Aires, Argentina, we learn more details:- These "hat" mushrooms are indigenous to Argentina and average 30-35 cms, being grey, cream or pinkish white. They asexually reproduce by their spores and sexually by their roots (hifas), living in colonies and forming circles 5-6 metres across. When dead they disintegrate and together with the nitrogenous material in the soil they kill the grass around them, which produces the "scorched" circles. No new mushrooms will grow on the spot until the soil is dug up. The mushrooms may be half-grown in three days from wind-blown spores, and it is not surprising that Mr. Damiani had not seen them before. However Mr. Damiani's statements were ambiguous and it does not follow that the mushrooms are connected with his alleged sighting of a UFO descending, even though sightings in this province are fairly common.

Mr. Chiesa also says that mushrooms found in Santa Fe and Necochea (north and south of Buenos Aires) were exactly the same as the others.

One incident that gave added interest was a story that a detachment of Marine and Air Intelligence personnel removed and destroyed all the mushrooms, and soldiers destroyed them with flame-throwers!

## SPACELINK UFO GUIDE

NICAP of Washington remark that they were not happy with all the drawings and "some of the cases illustrated are of a very dubious nature to begin with, if not outright hoaxes." Of the drawings, NICAP executive, Stuart Nixon comments as follows: No.1 - very doubtful; 3 - strong case, drawing dis-similar 4 - definite hoax; 6 - Stock pictures rejected; 7 - dubious; 11 - Villa photos rejected; 9 - dissimilar to Witness's sketch; 20 - drawing dis-similar; and 5 - confessed hoax.

David Thompson (our Art Editor) replies: "I agree the UFOs illustrated in some cases are indeed vulnerable to criticism. Those exposed as a hoax and of which I was unaware at the time are 4 and 5, and those of a dubious nature, but still unproved are 1,6,7,10,11 & 13. The idea of the UFO GUIDE is to illustrate different UFO types, and to find a case which will suit that particular illustration as in such cases 5,7,8,10,12,14,16,17,19,20, these do not attribute to a specific sighting, but contribute to many of a similar nature. I am no real believer in the contactees stories and photos, but these were included for comparison, and to show an unbiased approach in relation to other UFOs."

## WHAT'S NEW? - The "HERE AND NOW" Films

Stuart Nixon also said that NICAP was not happy about the activities of Frank Stranges in the UFO field. In fact NICAP expelled him seven years ago for several reasons, but mainly for publicly alleging that NICAP endorsed his contact claim with a man from Venus. Mr. Nixon also states that Stranges was arrested and convicted for selling a fraudulent "Doctor of Divinity" degree at \$30.00. Stranges admitted to the Municipal Court of Los Angeles, that he had issued about 50 degrees prior to the one that led to his arrest. On October 21, 1963, the court convicted Stranges and his organization, International Evangelism Crusades, Inc., for violating the Educational Code of the State of California. Frank Stranges prefixes his name with a "Dr." and also describes himself as Director of the National Investigations Committee on UFOs. SPACELINK points out that this name could easily be confused with NICAP, as the A.P. - "Aerial Phenomena" has merely been replaced by the word "UFOs". Sharp practice? As stated on page 14 of this issue, Frank Stranges acts as host on the **second** HERE AND NOW pilot film. SPACELINK would like to make it clear that it is not trying to discourage readers from seeing the **second** film as it has an interest value of its own,

1897 FLAP The editors acknowledge with thanks an article on this from Kenneth Lloyd Larson of Culver City, California, which is being studied carefully.

CORRECTION The Bristol Branch of Contact (UK) have kindly pointed out that ZENITH, their lively newsletter, is published monthly and not quarterly.

**Editorial**

Ufologists are a resilient breed; they have to be to withstand the constant ribbing and leg-pulling of their fellow citizens. Those few who have the strength of their convictions - and in this post-Condon Report era, the courage to engage in discussions and arguments, and thus try to enlighten the masses - have my full admiration and sympathy.

Normally, the policy of SPACELINK is not one of dishing up indigestible portions of polemics, but as I am getting a bit fed up with the British news media's habit of putting Ufologists among the cranks of this world, a few points to ponder will not come amiss.

The question of the extent of our Government's knowledge about the UFO enigma is often asked seriously by honest researchers, as opposed to those flippant questions asked and cheap gags made in the Houses of Parliament. One sure lead towards an answer on this point are the opinions of the 'men with the inside information', the expose writers, alias the science correspondents of Fleet Street. To the British readers this means the Chapman Pinchers, Robert Chapmans, etc, who have let many an embarrassing cat out of the Establishment's bag, and thus often divulge so-called secrets, causing confusion in the corridors of power.

One of these gentlemen (some would call them professional prodders) has obliged us recently, and published an intriguingly-titled expose - FLYING SAUCERS: ARE THE FACTS HUSHED-UP? This investigation ran for two weeks and covered two double-page spreads in the SUNDAY EXPRESS. The most surprising revelation in it was that to us Ufologists it revealed nothing new. I am not trying to belittle the quality of the contents, nor the excellent presentation, but only highlighting the fact that if such a well-produced and sponsored

investigation does not reveal anything new, indeed poses more intriguing questions than gives answers, then it is back to us amateurs. Throughout the history of scientific advancement and discovery, it has been left to the amateur with his apparently crazy ideas, to break new ground. Now as then, it is up to the amateurs to find the answer to the UFO enigma.

Therefore I have no regrets for putting a great deal of effort into organising an annual NATIONAL SKY-WATCH DAY. On this one day, all the scientific equipment in the possession of private Ufologists is deployed on strategically-positioned vantage points, a radio and telephone network between the observation posts is established, and recording and measuring instruments to secure verifiable data are kept at readiness. If we could sustain this effort continually for only a few months (which of course is completely out of the question), maybe the enigma of 'What are UFO sightings?' would be solved.

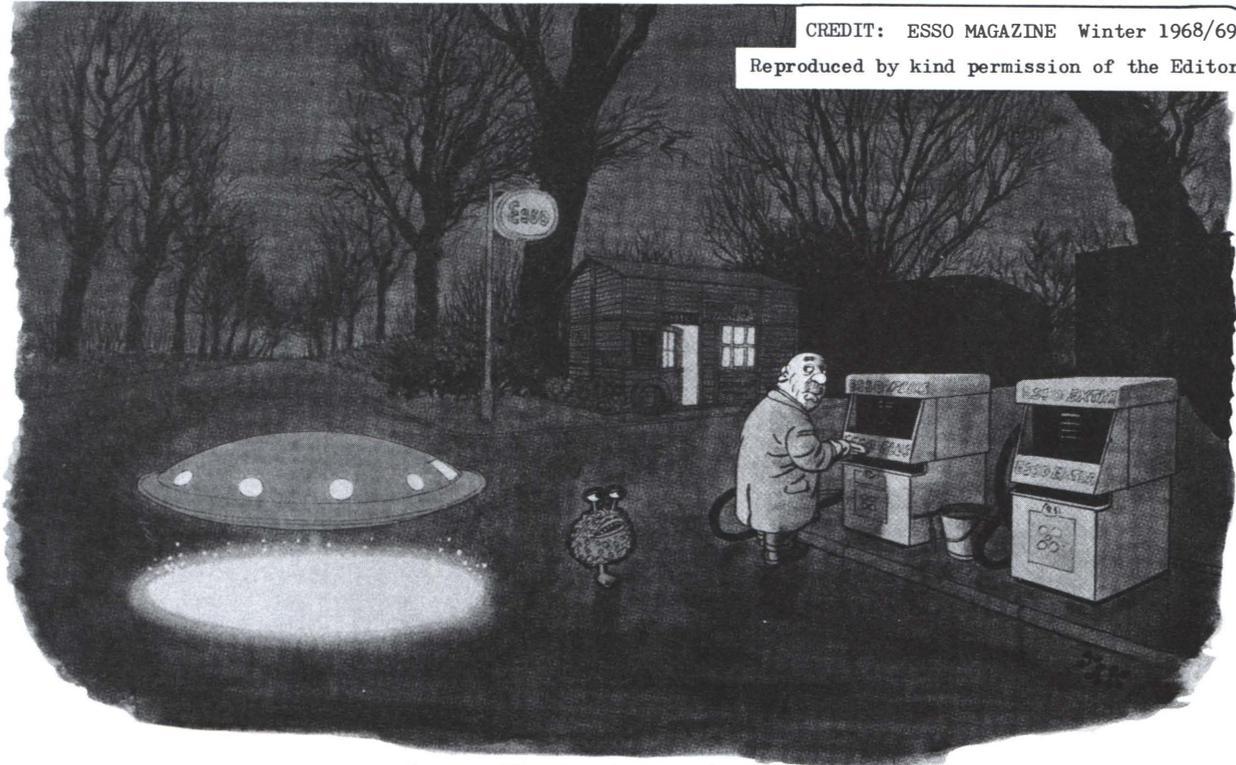
For every few months there is a sighting somewhere which is so apparently authentic, yet so inexplicable, so 'out of this world', that if substantiated it could prove the Extra-terrestrial Hypothesis. If only those who are destined to witness these future 'classic' sightings, were able to have the scientific resources of a National Sky-Watch Day to back them up. Alas, at the moment these individuals are completely unprepared for a celestial visit, and when confronted with it are, not unnaturally, completely bewildered. Because they cannot show any verifiable proof, the sceptical scientists refuse to believe them.

If only we could be fortunate enough to have one such 'unbelievable' sighting on 'our day'. As the years go by, that day must surely draw nearer.

Edgar Hatvany

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*What about the stamps, then ?*

# GREAT FIREBALLS

by  
Janet  
Gregory

## Some recent sightings.

During the evening of 20 November last year, a series of small coloured lights was seen crossing the skies of Britain by thousands of people.' The official explanation was 'the Russian rocket Cosmos 253 re-entering the atmosphere', though according to *FLYING SAUCER REVIEW* this was denied by the Russian Embassy and the Russian News Agency. Other explanations put forward were 'space debris burning up', and 'a meteorite cloud', but they seem rather inadequate when taken along with the unusual facts of some of the sightings, not the least strange being that the lights seemed to be flying low; 'no more than 1,000 ft', said Lieutenant Commander Chown. A full report of these sightings appears in the January/February 1969 issue of *FLYING SAUCER REVIEW*, as does a report of a landing (occupants were also seen) in Staffordshire, which also took place on 20 November - about 1½ hours before the nationwide sightings.

Now, almost six months later, the same thing seems to have happened again. On 25 April 1969, a variety of sightings at about 9.30 pm was reported all over Britain. The BUPORA number rang continuously for about two hours that evening, and the majority of witnesses described a green fireball, with a yellow tail according to some reports, travelling south-east to north-west. Other descriptions include, 'a violet light', 'a ball of fire moving across the sky very fast and coloured a phosphorous blue', 'a green light as big as the moon', 'a pinkish red glow in the sky, falling towards the ground and leaving a white beam behind it', 'a shining flying saucer', 'it was very, very bright and seemed to be dropping out of the sky', 'it started from about ground level then went higher and disappeared behind a bank of cloud', 'shaped like a tadpole', 'as it moved, the head pulsed', 'pear-shaped', 'The front portion was like a round ball about half the diameter of the moon, and was a reddish colour. Trailing behind was an enormous tail - vivid green with orange flames coming out all round it. I opened the window, but there was no noise at all. It just seemed to speed across the sky and vanish.', 'It was like a green arrow with a ball of fire at the back of it.....I thought it was an aeroplane on fire', 'it was bright mauve in colour and lit the whole sky up', 'It was like a big ice cream cornet on fire. It was orange and yellow, seemed to be very low, and was frightening!'

Author and UFOlogist Gavin Gibbons saw the object over Shrewsbury, and said, 'It was very large and bluey-green with a long wispy tail. It could not have been a meteorite because it was travelling parallel with the horizon and suddenly disappeared from sight...It is possible it was a scout ship from a large mother ship higher in the atmosphere and it could have been in trouble. With its sudden disappearance it is possible the ship was forced to make a landing and took off later. Many people claim it came down in Ulster.' His flying saucer theory received good coverage in several local papers.

Roger Houghton, who saw the object near Preston, was equally convinced that it was not a meteorite.

Main 16 lb. fragment  
of Ulster meteorite.  
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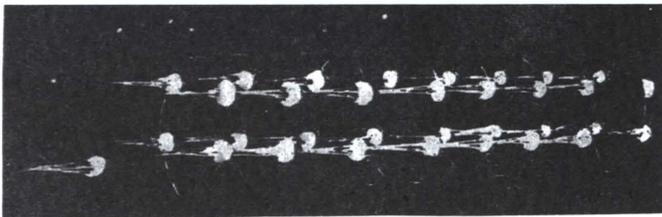


'It was travelling at only a moderate speed and appeared almost to hesitate as it passed directly in front of me. It then suddenly accelerated at a fantastic speed in a due N to NNW direction, finally disappearing over the horizon many miles to the north: it was certainly not heading for the Irish Sea....It was at all times travelling on a horizontal and level plane. At no time did it give any appearance of falling or losing height. When opposite to me, the object had a brilliant orange red head and a long vivid bluish-green tapering tail, perhaps 200 or more yards long. This tail appeared to be sparkling, but I saw no pieces falling. As the object sped north and away from me, the bluish-green colour was absent, and the object appeared as a bright orange ball....The object was seen a few minutes later over Carlisle. I cannot believe that a disintegrating meteor travels level and suddenly alters its speed, yet I can vouch that what I saw was no optical illusion.'

Sightings have been reported from Kent, Sussex, Hampshire, London, Middlesex, Buckinghamshire, Hertfordshire, Lincolnshire, Rutland, Leicestershire, Derbyshire, Sheffield, Yorkshire, Lancashire, Manchester, Aberdeen, Wick, Bristol, Shropshire, Caernarvonshire, Anglesey, Dublin and Belfast, and it would seem that to be seen in such a variety of places an object would have to be very large and very high: or else there was more than one object in our skies that night. This is supported by the great variation in the descriptions of what was seen, especially the colour. Alternatively, of course, the discrepancies in the descriptions could indicate how unreliable sighting reports can be.

As with the November sightings, explanations given were 'Russian satellite Cosmos 265 burning out and fragmenting in the atmosphere', (though it was elsewhere reported that the object could not have been Cosmos 265 as it was moving in the wrong direction), 'meteorite', 'a piece of hardware from outer space'. Most of the sightings lasted from 3-4 seconds, but some reports mention 10 seconds; meteorites are usually in sight only for about one second or less.

As for details of the fireball's landing-ground, the newspaper reports were very contradictory. There were reports that it had landed near Belfast, accompanied by an explosion which was thought then to be saboteurs blowing up water pipelines. According to RAF experts, several objects, believed to be meteorites or space debris, had fallen in Wales. It was also reported that authorities in Anglesey and Caernarvonshire had been flooded with reports of strange objects seen travelling low in the sky, and that two fire engines and two ambulances were rushed to a village in North Wales after a mystery object had crashed. Other sources claimed that a gorse fire in North Wales (presumably the same incident) had been started by a fragment from the mystery object, but it was later said that the blaze had started 15 minutes before the object was seen. The postmaster of a nearby village said, 'We felt a sort of shock wave in the village.'

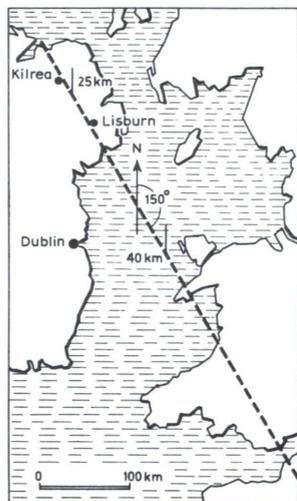


An artist's impression of the aerial display over Britain on 20 November 1968. Reproduced by kind permission of the *Wanstead Express* and *Independent*.

Another newspaper report claimed that no trace of the object had been found on land. 'Any fragments that may have survived its plunge are thought to have fallen into the Atlantic. Dr Henry Palmer, of the Jodrell Bank Radio Telescope, Cheshire, said

everything reported about the object pointed to a meteorite which broke the sound barrier at between 5,000 ft and 10,000 ft.' And ten days after the event, *THE SUNDAY TIMES* said, 'Harwell scientists will this week investigate a 16 lb fragment of a five-ton meteorite which exploded and scattered over Ulster 10 days ago. The Ulster Museum has offered rewards for pieces of the meteorite. Several objects, none of them meteoritic and some samples of best British coke, have been handed in.'

According to *NATURE*, 24 May 1969, the path of the meteorite has been plotted by astronomers at the Armagh and Dunsink observatories. It took a north-westerly course over southern England, Wales and the Irish Sea, breaking up into three parts as it passed over the Co. Down coast and then into further fragments. Its flight over the British Isles is estimated to have lasted only 20 seconds. The largest fragment which was recovered landed near Kilrea in Co. Londonderry, and a smaller piece pierced the roof of a police storeroom at Lisburn,



Left: approximate path of fragmenting meteorite on 25 April 1969.

Right: old print of meteorite shower, origin unknown.



# UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

## ROBERT CHAPMAN

The science correspondent of the *SUNDAY EXPRESS* examines the evidence put forward by scientists and laymen and reviews such cases as the flying cross seen on the edge of Dartmoor, the Moigne Downs 'craft', the Warminster sightings, the Stoke-on-Trent sightings, the Scoriton mystery, and Cedric Allingham. He also discusses where UFOs come from if they are extra-terrestrial and includes official views from the Ministry of Defence and the Colorado University report.

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30 miles away. Most of the material is thought to have landed in the sea north of Ireland. The main fragment, identified as a chondrite or stony meteorite, is being measured for radioactivity at the Atomic Energy Research Establishment, Harwell, and smaller fragments have gone to the Smithsonian Institution, Washington, USA.

The meteorite caused a sonic boom, heard and felt in many parts of the country. Surprisingly, very few sighting reports mention the sonic boom which, according to NEW SCIENTIST, was 'so intense in parts as to shake houses and cars, and to cause the troops guarding vital installations to be placed on alert pending a large scale attack.' The following is a dramatic description of the sonic boom. 'A young Dublin man said his car had been shaken like a leaf by an "explosion" seconds after it (the object) had passed overhead. "I thought the car was being rocked to and fro by an invisible hand," he said.'

Reports come from THE DAILY TELEGRAPH, THE TIMES, EVENING ECHO, LEICESTER MERCURY, SUNDAY EXPRESS, THE SUNDAY TIMES, SHREWSBURY CHRONICLE, BORDER COUNTIES ADVERTIZER, SHROPSHIRE STAR, STAMFORD MERCURY, NATURE, NEW SCIENTIST.

#### LANDINGS ?

19-year-old Stephen Lee claims that a bright green object landed in Dunscair, near Bolton, at just about the time the fireball was seen on 25 April 1969. 'It was travelling at a fantastic speed about thirty feet off the ground. I was so dumb-founded I couldn't move. When it got level with me it slowed down and then stopped. It shattered into about thirty or forty fragments and fell to the ground.'

Three days after the fireball sightings, on the evening of 28 April 1969, 13-year-old Elaine Hodgkinson claims to have seen a large buzzing object land on golf links in the Plodder Lane area of Farnworth, near Bolton. 'It came down from the sky slowly. It was grey in colour and had three red lights on the side and a green flashing one on the top. It was big enough to hold a man. My own dog went absolutely wild...No sooner had we walked away than another one came overhead. It wasn't the same one because it was too high and it wasn't making the buzzing noises.' Police searched the area, but found nothing. Reports from the BOLTON EVENING NEWS and still more...

The EVENING STANDARD of 10 May 1969 reported, 'A mysterious greenish white light in the sky was reported by several ships in the North Sea between North Foreland and the coast of Holland early today. At first it was thought to be an aircraft on fire, but later reports suggested a shooting star.'

Further details appear in the following report from the EVENING NEWS of the same date.

'Ministry of Defence experts are to analyse a report of unidentified objects flying along the Kent coast today. A lorry driver told police they were oval-shaped - an orange object and three smaller ones. He said searchlights from the smaller ovals were shining on the larger one. The driver, who reported his sighting about two miles from Herne Bay, said the group was moving towards Dover. Earlier, shipping in the North Sea had been alerted after reports that an aircraft might be on fire in the area. But the brilliant lights seen in the sky were later believed to have come from a satellite which burned itself out over the sea.'

#### SATELLITES

Details of satellite re-entries on the relevant dates are as follows.

It appears that despite denials by the Russian Embassy and the Russian News Agency, Cosmos 253 did re-enter on 20 November 1968, at 1828 GMT. Also the payload of OPS 5296.

No re-entries were recorded for 25 April 1969, and Cosmos 265, mentioned in some of the fireball reports, in fact re-entered on 1 May.

Two objects re-entered on 10 May 1969, but according to our satellite consultant, Geoffrey Falworth, one decayed at a different time to the sighting, and the other would not produce any visible evidence of its re-entry.

#### GLARE OVER THE CHANNEL

From the Channel Islands comes a report of a 'mystery glow' which lit up a wide area at about 0020 BST on Tuesday 11 March 1969. Cloud cover at the time was thick, with a ceiling of 200 to 500 feet, and the light which lit up St. Peter Port harbour 'like daylight' simultaneously with Jersey harbour, over 20 miles away, must have been very strong. To further emphasize the strength of the light, it was also seen by the master and bosun of the SS Winchester while they were passing Portland Bill, over 70 miles north of Guernsey. They described it as a 'flash in the southern sky, in the direction of Guernsey'.

Said by most witnesses to have lasted from 3 to 6 seconds, though 30 seconds and longer were mentioned, the light was described as - 'green all over', 'brilliant like a magnesium flash', 'greeny-white', 'powder blue', 'the whole sky went blue-green, starting faintly and quickly growing brighter before finally fading away'. It seems unlikely that anything on the surface of the sea could cause a glow bright enough to light up such a large area, so it looks as though whatever caused it was in the sky. This is also suggested by the fact that a seismograph in Jersey recorded no soil movement or earth tremor. The light was followed by two loud bangs, apparently heard better in Jersey than in Guernsey.

Two theories advanced to explain the mystery were that a meteorite had burned up in the atmosphere - and that Breton nationalists had sabotaged a major installation! French authorities consulted the morning after denied any knowledge of reports, which was strange since the glow had appeared to be in the south-west, but later LE MONDE reported that the glare was seen on the Brittany coast and by French ships, and that it was caused by a meteorite.

Although meteorites usually descend in silence, they have sometimes been known to produce sonic booms. Two examples of this are the famous Barwell meteorite of 24 December 1965, and the recent Ulster meteorite of 25 April 1969.

Reported in THE GUERNSEY EVENING PRESS and THE JERSEY WEEKLY POST

Research credit: Lt. Col. George Rogerson

# FEATURE REVIEW

## The CONDON REPORT

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(Ed:

I don't feel there is any reason for mature ufologists to feel bitter about the publication of this Report (see for example reviews by John Keel, who honestly admits his prejudice) and it includes much useful information and food for thought. However those who are concerned with scientific objectivity and those who would use the Report as an aid to dismissing the phenomena out of hand are recommended to read it in conjunction with "UFOs? YES!" by Dr. David Saunders (who was dismissed from the team by Dr. Condon for publicly criticising the project) and Roger Harkins, who followed the journalist's commandment "Tell it like it is." Perhaps the American Taxpayer is the one with most cause for complaint!

(L.B.)

### SCIENTIFIC STUDY OF UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

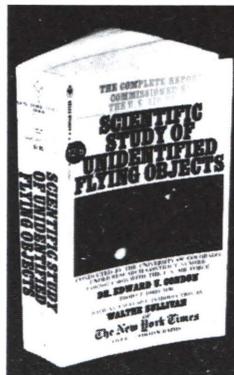
Project Director - Dr Edward U Condon

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Following the recommendation made in March 1966 by an ad hoc panel of the United States Air Force Scientific Advisory Board, Colonel Ivan C Atkinson, Deputy Executive Director of the Air Force Office of Scientific Research, requested the University of Colorado to undertake a scientific investigation of unidentified flying objects, which AFOSR believed, 'conducted wholly outside the jurisdiction of the Air Force, would be of unusual significance from the standpoint of both scientific interest in and public concern with the subject.'

After contemplating the controversial nature of the subject, and bearing this in mind, 'The University administration concluded that it had an obligation to the country to do what it could to clarify a tangled and confused issue while making entirely certain that the highest academic and scientific standards would be maintained.' By now most will be aware of the criticisms levelled from various quarters at methods of research employed in this scientific study, many of these questioning the validity of the academic and scientific standards applied. As far as attempting to 'clarify the tangled and confused issue' is concerned, some critics maintain that the University study group has steered clear of becoming entangled itself, and in doing so has added even more to the confusion.

The final report of this study, supported by AFOSR Office of Aerospace Research, USAF, under Contract F 44620-67-C-0035, and submitted to the National Academy of Sciences on November 15th, 1968 for its scientific review, was published in January 1969 as a 965 page paperback, with over 75 photographs. Walter Sullivan of THE NEW YORK TIMES provided the introduction to what is undoubtedly the most comprehensive work on the UFO phenomenon to date.



REPORT UFO & CONDON

The reader may be surprised to find the conclusions, written by the Director of the Study, Dr Edward U Condon, at the beginning, but perhaps this is to discourage the superficially-minded reader from attempting to delve any further into the formidable collection of tables, statistics and analyses. However, for the person who is prepared to study this bulky tome in depth, there is a wealth of fascinating scientific information to be found

throughout its pages. Every serious investigator and researcher should read it in an objective manner, and not dismiss it out of hand because it fails to confirm categorically the existence of 'visitors from outer space'.

There are many lessons to be learned from the Report's packed chapters. Are all UFO buffs so competent? There tends to be a wide variance in lay reports of aerial phenomena, exemplified by the well-observed re-entry of Cosmos 253 in November 1968 and the more recent passage of a bright fireball over the British Isles in April 1969. The conflicting reports of these events, plus the initial disagreement in the official explanations (primarily due to lack of precise information) are all too often seized upon by UFO enthusiasts to invoke the manifestation of a 'flying saucer'. The problems of conception and interpretation are clearly explained on pages 571 to 590 of the Report.

The Report does contain evidence suggesting that the UFO phenomenon should be studied further. Dr Condon in his conclusions and recommendations anticipates that the results of the study would produce controversy, and he states, 'Our hope is that the details of this report will help other scientists in seeing what the problems are and the difficulties of coping with them. If they (scientists) agree with our conclusions, they will turn their valuable attention and talents elsewhere. If they disagree, it will be because our Report has helped them to reach a clear picture of wherein existing studies are faulty or incomplete, and thereby will have stimulated ideas for more accurate studies.... we think such ideas for work should be supported.'

The Report is without doubt open to criticism on many counts, particularly in relation to the narrow selection of case studies and the confusing presentation, resulting in a swamping, under a flood of irrelevancies, of the few detailed cases which it confesses had no explanation.

The Report tends to sweep aside well-supported evidence rather perfunctorily... 'We place very little value for scientific purposes on the past

accumulation of anecdotal records, most of which have been explained as arising from sightings of ordinary objects.' This is a classic example of unscientific thinking which is disturbingly prevalent throughout the Report, as it reveals that anomalies and exceptions to the rule are either ignored or treated as without explanation owing to insufficient evidence. Presumably, it does not matter then whether we are dealing with a little-known natural phenomenon or extra-terrestrial visitation. Both do not fit known concepts and should therefore be dismissed?

The Report is most satisfying when dealing with the methods of scientific investigation of known phenomena, but occasionally there are glaring examples of statements which appear to be motivated by the arrogance of man, instead of the wisdom of the objective and logical thinker. An example of this is found on page 28, when Dr Condon states, 'In view of the foregoing, we consider that it is safe to assume that no intelligent life elsewhere outside our solar system has any possibility of visiting Earth in the next 10,000 years.' When we consider how little man knows about this environment and his past history and origin, it seems sheer folly for a scientist to prognosticate the future so dogmatically.

Section II contains a summary of the study and we are told the origin of the Colorado Project. Also the UFO is defined, and we are able to read something of the type of persons making reports, which in the experience of the study team were found in nearly all cases to be normal.

There is a prologue to the Project which begins where many others have begun, in June 1947 with the Kenneth Arnold sighting. This is followed by a description of the initial planning at the commencement of the study, and emphasizes 'a scientific approach to the UFO phenomenon embracing a wide range of disciplines', concerned with the physical sciences of physics, chemistry, aerodynamics and meteorology and those appertaining to the study of individuals using the psychology of perception, of defects of vision, mental states, and social psychology and psychiatry.

With field investigations the Project 'concluded there was little to be gained from the study of old cases, except perhaps to get ideas on mistakes to be avoided in studies of new cases.' A valid point, but to apply this 'logic' to all previous cases more than one year old, of which there have been a number of very well documented instances, seems unscientific.

Much is written on UFO explanations, and all manner of natural atmospheric and celestial phenomena are elaborated upon, together with manmade objects, which give rise to reports of UFOs. Much of the foregoing information is most useful in many respects, but overburdens the Report at the expense of actual case studies. The chapter on radar provides us with over sixty pages of factual information on the workings of these systems and points out its capabilities and weaknesses in dealing with targets which may appear to be UFOs. It may have been more useful to apply this knowledge to UFO cases in which radar had been the major factor in determining the true identity of an interloper.

The sources of UFO reports are discussed. 'Usually the first report of a UFO is made to a local police officer, or to a local news reporter. In some cases, members of UFO study organisations are sufficiently well-known in the community that reports are made directly to them.'

## FLYING SAUCER SIGHTINGS ARE DISCOUNTED

### AMERICAN STUDY

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT  
WASHINGTON, Wednesday.

After eight years study of the subject the United States Air Force has concluded that there are no such things as flying saucers.

Last night the Secretary of the Air Force, Mr. Quarles, made public a 316-page booklet based on the investigation of 5,000 reported sightings of flying saucers.

This showed that all but three per cent. of the reports proved to be balloons, aircraft, astronomical bodies, birds or mirages. In some cases other than the three per cent. there has not been enough information to say what gave rise to the reports.

Mr. Quarles at the same time disclosed that the United States Air Force, in co-operation with Avro Ltd. of Canada, is building a disc-shaped aircraft with jet engines that will look rather like the public conception of a flying saucer.

On the basis of the drawing of the model which the Air Force has released, the new plane will look like a round, rather than a flat disc with the pilot's compartment and controls housed in a "bubble" at the centre and with jet engines mounted on the rim. But it is not a real saucer design.

#### ERA OF THE UNUSUAL

Mr. Quarles said: "Vertical rising aircraft capable of transition to supersonic horizontal flight will be a new phenomenon in our skies, and under certain conditions could give the illusion of the so-called flying saucer."

He noted that the United States was now entering the era when aircraft of unusual configuration and flight characteristics would start appearing. But there would be nothing "supernatural or mysterious" about them.

Mr. Quarles also stated that there is no evidence that any objects mistaken for flying saucers had been of foreign origin. For his part he was sure that, even the three per cent. of the unexplained objects were, in fact, conventional phenomena or illusions.

#### COSTS OF RESEARCH

As was reported in THE DAILY TELEGRAPH on Aug. 24 from Ottawa, the United States negotiated with Avro Canada to assume the costs of research and construction of this disc plane after the Canadian Government had withdrawn its financial support.

History tends to repeat itself. The above article appeared in the DAILY TELEGRAPH, probably December 1955, and appears to refer to the PROJECT BLUE BOOK SPECIAL REPORT No.14, produced by the U.S. Air Force in October of that year.

The Report comments that a large percentage of the public in the United States, including policemen and newspaper reporters, still do not know of the official Air Force interest in UFOs. Under AFR 80-17, each Air Base must employ a UFO officer to whom all apparently unusual aerial events should be reported. Statistical analysis of UFO reports geographically and in time is described as fruitless in the opinion of the study. They admit, however, that no quantitative study of UFO 'flaps' was available to them, and suggest that the clustering of reports from a particular area is partly due to an increase in attention paid to them. This is probably true, but there seems little doubt from past records of flaps that these are real.

The extra-terrestrial hypothesis for the origin of UFOs, as postulated by Dr McDonald and others, meets with a firm 'no!' We may have no tangible evidence to present in support of this theory, but how can a small team of scientists, who admit that only one of the cases studied involved a contact claim, conclude on the basis of the sole experience of that case that there is no convincing evidence 'that any UFOs represent spacecraft visiting Earth from another civilization.'? This is preposterous.

Light propagation and visual perception are dealt with at length and in studying photographic evidence. The emphasis was placed on examination of the negatives which were more difficult to alter than prints.

In their examination of direct and indirect physical evidence of UFOs, the reported effects on vehicle engines and ignitions are methodically explained away as due to normal causes, such as quasi-permanent magnetization produced in car bodies during manufacture. These conclusions and others suffer from the same treatment as alleged contact claims in that they are based on one single case which came to the notice of the group during

the period of the study. Obviously these scientists require current cases of this nature in order to perform direct examination of vehicles themselves; but not to take into consideration the very similar circumstances of well-investigated past cases of this type, of which there have been many from different parts of the globe, seems completely inadequate in a study of importance. The Project concluded that it had 'found no physical evidence which in itself clearly indicates the existence in the atmosphere of vehicles of extraordinary nature. Belief in the existence of such vehicles, if such belief is held, must rest on other arguments.'

The attitude of astronomers to the UFO phenomena is worthy of mention (page 516). According to Blue Book Report No 8, dated December 1952, of more than forty astronomers interviewed, five had made sightings which they could not readily explain. This was a higher percentage than the general public at that time.

Generally speaking, the majority of astronomers were neither hostile nor over-interested. Apparently their lethargy stemmed from a lack of information. There were three factors why astronomers had not wished to become involved in UFO research. One was the inevitable adverse publicity. Another was the great concern with their own immediate scientific problems. The third came from the fact that the available data seemed tenuous and unreliable.

Returning to sightings by astronomers, it is interesting to note in passing that William Moser of UFOIC in Australia has supplied us with information relating to approximately sixty UFO sightings by astronomers, made over the last three hundred years. It is not claimed that they were observations of 'flying saucers', but the objects seen could not be explained within the concepts of astronomical knowledge of that period.

Three sightings by astronauts, described in detail in the Report, 'remain quite unidentified, and are a challenge to the analyst.' One of these, made by McDivitt and described as cylindrical-shaped with an antenna-like extension, could not be accounted for as a conventional space object by NORAD.

To conclude, it must be admitted that more or different cases could have been used, for the outcome of any study must surely depend largely upon the information used in that study. Perhaps it is not the facts which should be criticised but their treatment and interpretation. Perhaps we were expecting far too much from the Colorado Project, when we consider the universal nature of the UFO phenomenon. If in fact we are dealing with 'advanced technologies', a conclusion reached by many UFO researchers, then it surely follows that much of what is observed is beyond our present understanding. In the light of these considerations we honestly feel that it is not totally fair to condemn a small team of scientists, with limited resources, undertaking an eighteen-month study at one university in the USA, when they fail to arrive at the true answer to one of the most fundamental problems of our time.

Roger H Stanway      Anthony R Pace

A blinding blue-white fireball, believed to be a meteor, turned night into day across Mexico and the southwestern United States 8 February 1969, before apparently crashing into the rugged Sierra Madre mountains in Mexico.

'The light was so bright we had to shade our eyes,' reported a newsmen in Chihuahua. In some Mexican towns citizens ran screaming into the streets. The newspaper EL HERALDO (Chihuahua) said the fireball crashed to earth and the impact created 'a tremendous tremor' that shook the ground for hundreds of miles so hard that some windows were broken.

But Dr. Ronald Schors, an astronomer with the Jet Propulsion Lab. at Pasadena, California, visiting in Texas, said the fireball might have broken up and never landed. He said the tremors felt might have been caused by a sonic boom created by the fireball streaking through the sky. Dr. Robert Cintron of the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory says it was probably a meteor, but could have been a polar-orbiting satellite.

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#### FUTURE OF PLASMA ENGINES

Professor Georgi Petrovich believes that plasma electric engines hold great promise for space rocketry. 'It will be difficult to do without such engines during flights toward distant planets,' he said in a press interview in Moscow on May 13 on the occasion of the 40th anniversary of work to develop rocket engines in the Soviet Union.

Engines of this type were first tested on the Vostok orbital spacecraft in 1964 and on the Zond-2 station which was launched in the direction of Mars. They were used as organs for controlling the orientation system.

'That a plasma engine can function in the conditions of space flight has been fully proved,' Professor Petrovich said.

In the electro-jet engines the plasma is heated by electricity, and electro-magnetic forces accelerate it. The 'coldest' plasma has a temperature of over 8,000-10,000°C. The plasma can be made to move in a definite direction and to create thrust. Plasma particles can be accelerated to a speed of tens and hundreds of kilometres a second. Such a speed cannot be attained in engines working on a chemical fuel or compressed gas. The electric power for the plasma engines is taken in outer space directly from the solar batteries.

Professor Petrovich stressed that electro-jet engines have another advantage as well: they can operate for a longer period. He noted, however, that rocket systems of the future may well consist of a complex of engines- liquid, nuclear and plasma.

Forty years ago, on May 15, 1929, a group of young engineers of a gas dynamics laboratory in Leningrad began developing engines of a new type. The first liquid-fuel rocket engines were designed in 1930-31. An experimental engine had a thrust of up to 20 kilograms whereas present-day engines used in Vostok carrier rockets have a thrust of over a hundred tons. The world's first electro-jet engine was developed by this laboratory.

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# Readers Letters

## SKY-WATCH CO-OPERATION

During August and September, 1968, the French group "Lumieres dans la nuit", headed by Raymond Veillith, arranged national sky-watches each Saturday night from 8.30 p.m. to 2 a.m.

In the U.K., BUFORA organised one national sky-watch on June 15th. I suggest a more positive approach - let us pool our resources and have Franco-British sky-watches during one or two of the summer months.

"Lumieres dans la nuit" groups some 2000 members and there are 350 magnetic detection posts around France. Together we could cover at least 260,000 square miles and a radio link would ensure prolonged observation of any craft flying north or south over the two countries. The subsequent exchange of information could only lead to stronger ties with our French colleagues and, who knows, it may lead to a European network whose efforts could hardly go unnoticed.

Francis Beechono, 21 Ingelow House,  
Kensington Church Walk, London W.8.

(Ed: SK fully appreciates the desirability of international co-operation, but as Mr. Beechono has himself experienced, there seems to be a lack of response to his and our overtures to the French ufologists. Fortunately our links with other European groups and sky-watching organisers are more fruitful.)

## ARTHUR SHUTTLEWOOD ON PATRICK MOORE

I, too, was disappointed yet not entirely surprised by the BBC2 TV hotch-potch. They did several hours of filming here at Warminster, but only used a few minutes: it was therefore a waste of time and completely distorted. Where Moore admitted he was mystified by two or three UFOs he saw (he claimed, reasonably, the first was a satellite) within two minutes; all this was cut out entirely. Never mind truth will out when 'they' decide: it's not up to us to educate or enlighten the masses. But Moore was meant to see, believe me!

Arthur Shuttlewood, 17 Portway, Warminster, Wilts.

17% of the members of MENSA, the "high intelligence" society, believe in flying saucers - DAILY MAIL.

## UFOS AND THE MOON

There have been reports and theories in the past that UFOs may have a direct link with Earthquakes. Astronomers in several countries are at this moment working on a theory that the strange red flares which are emitted from Lunar craters are coinciding with Earthquakes also. The flares are thought to

be gas of some sort, but at the moment they have no way of telling what they are as the flares do not last long.

Amateur astronomers throughout the world have been urged to watch for this lunar phenomena whilst the Apollo 10 spacecraft is in the area; the aim being to perhaps get a photograph taken by one of the Astronauts. Apparently space officials are concerned over these flares and also areas of Lunar surface which give stronger gravitational pull than others.

Speaking personally I would believe the gas flare theory rather than bring UFOs into play, but these movements of the Moon behave in peculiar fashions. At a discussion on this subject at my local Astronomical Society, several members claimed to have seen the objects drift from one crater to another, and there was one which grew in size until it covered half of a lunar sea. On the whole, astronomers do not enjoy discussing strange or unexplainable phenomena, especially UFOs, some believe but will not commit themselves for fear of ridicule. The bridge which appeared on the Mare Crisium and was seen by many well known astronomers was written off as a bad observation - a mistake.

On summing up I would like to say that the general feeling amongst astronomers I have met, is that the Moon is going to spring some surprises on future Lunarnauts.

D. Rodway, 217 Norwood Road, London S.E.24.

## REQUEST

I would like to appeal in your magazine to UFO witnesses and societies for information I hope to use in my book, which I hope to have published at the end of this year. Any reliable information on dates, time, written evidence etc, would be greatly appreciated.

Michael Taylor, 7 Knob Hill,  
Stretton-on-Dunsmore, Rugby, Warwickshire.  
(Ed: Once again we recommend UFOLOG (10/- p.a.) as a useful source of sighting data. Write to: Mrs. Kathleen Smith, Ringlemere, Colwell Road, Colwell Bay, Isle of Wight, England.)

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LOCAL CLUB NEWS

I have been elected editor of the South Herts UFO Investigation Group's Journal, upon the resignation of Miss Janet Gregory, whose services as past editor have been greatly appreciated. The new editor's address is: 28 Southsea Avenue, Watford, Herts, to whom all editorial items and reports of sightings for this district should be sent.

Fred Gardner F.R.G.S.

(Ed: We are pleased to hear that SHUFOIG have been holding successful and well attended meetings in Watford (see meetings list). Janet is now editor of SPACELINK, but this was not the reason for her resignation as SHUFOIG editor.)

Your readers may be interested to know that a new UFO society has been started in Torbay, Devon, and the details may give some helpful ideas to ufologists already running societies. Whilst helping to run a society in Torbay, it was found that the type of programme required to keep both younger and senior members interested was so different that we had to separate the two and hold their meetings on separate days to reduce the loss of membership. Recently I was offered large private premises which could be decorated and used as we wished for a UFO society. I then formed this society for the under 35 age group and hope to make it a really active society in order to gain a large membership. The other society still operates in Torbay, mainly for the over 35 age group. In addition to the usual UFO society lectures and investigations, I am arranging film shows, sky-watches, party/dances, trips to astronomical observatories, radar stations etc. It is hoped eventually to form member societies throughout the Southwest. If any readers would be interested in joining or discussing possible projects, I would be pleased to hear from them.

Richard Farrow, South Western UFO Society,  
95 Winner Street, Paignton, South Devon.

(Ed: Richard has demonstrated his capabilities by his work for BUFORA. Also he and Stephen Smith organised a high standard symposium for investigators, at Cambridge University last April. If only BUFORA could hold London meetings of a similar standard to those of the symposium and the 1968 BUFORA Bristol Conference! But wait, Richard says he is considering arranging a similar seminar in London in the Autumn.)

MORE PRAISE!

I would like to congratulate you on the latest issue of SPACELINK. It is well done, timely, and obviously one of the better publications available. The UFO field needs more of this level-headed, responsible type reporting. Keep up the good fight.

John Schuessler, Editor UFO POTPOURRI, P.O. Box 9,  
O'Fallon, Missouri 63366, U.S.A.

I should like to congratulate you for the fine magazine you are producing, it is very interesting and extremely informative, personally, I think English UFO magazines, yours in particular, are of a higher standard than those of say, the U.S.A. Keep up the good work.

Miss Pamela Smith, Liverpool, N.S.W., Australia.

# Readers Letters

SPACELINK'S LAYOUT AND PRINTING

Received your October issue a few days ago and wish to compliment you on your method (the darkened print) of publishing the Dorset incident, it is a great aid in finding the components of a report.

Donald Johnson, Editor - FLYING SAUCER OBSERVER,  
Sand Hill Road, Portland, Connecticut 06480, U.S.A.

I must congratulate you and all the staff of SK on the fantastic advances in the production of the magazine during the past year. I was extremely surprised when I received volume 5 number 4, but I would agree with you that it was worth waiting for, and I would think well worth all your efforts.

On the whole, there is no doubt that a serious magazine with a technical bent, should have most of its type justified on both margins. The appearance and ease of reading, the latter being extremely important, are both improved with justification. At the moment your print is too small; it is extremely difficult to read except under very good lighting. Letterpress could help here in overcoming problems that you obviously experience with typescript, as typescript spacing is extremely limited. In other words, letterpress for my money.

Norman Hardy, Luton, Bedfordshire.

(Ed: Readers, Christopher Rose, editor of Flying Saucers Are Fact, Philip Parkinson of the Surrey group, A.P.I.R.G. and Stephen Barney amongst others have said we should keep the format as it is, pointing out that letterpress would increase costs, and limit the amount of art-work that could be included.

Until SPACELINK enjoys a larger circulation, or acquires the services of another editorial typist, it is regretted that publication will continue to be irregular.)



WILLIAM E. MOSER B.A. J.P.

Bill Moser is SPACELINK's Australian distributor and also an editorial contributor. He has lectured on Astronomy since 1923, and is a past secretary of the Astronomical Society of N.S.W. His interest in UFOs started at the beginning of the UFO era and he gives frequent lectures, boasting no less than 57 in 1967. He is also a prolific letter-writer and has corresponded with up to 150 UFO groups around the world on behalf of the UFO INVESTIGATION CENTRE Sydney of which he is the honorary secretary. We hope he will be able to continue to give a little of his valuable time to SK for a long time to come.

## TWO LONDON MEETINGS

SIR VICTOR GODDARD AT CAXTON HALL

CONTACT (UK) meeting, Saturday, 3rd May 1969.

### The "FLYING SAUCERS, HERE AND NOW" Films

On Thursday 6th March, an opportunity presented itself to see two American TV pilot films, the latter produced by Cy Newman in Chicago. About 400 people crammed into a drab hall in Denison House, near Victoria Station, London. The occasion was a revival meeting run by Peter Scothern.

Apart from flying saucer "fans", the meeting was mainly supported by (dare one say it?) lower-middle and working-class people, some of whom punctuated the proceedings with "Amen"s and "Praise be The Lord"s. This religious meeting also found Michael Parry, President of the Interplanetary Space Travel Research Club and younger colleagues distributing duplicated leaflets on the "UFO and Space Convention" at Woburn Abbey.

The 'crusade' started at about 7.30 with hymns and revivalistic propaganda. During the meeting Mr. Scothern read out notes about Patrick Moore and a BBC TV film team visiting Arthur Shuttlewood in Warminster, and going to Cradle Hill with him, where they saw "A bright orange glow"....."Travelling at a leisurely pace only seven feet above the ground." The results of the filming appeared on the TV programme "One Pair of Eyes" on May 10th, and dealt with the views of several 'amiable eccentrics', including a Bernard Byron (?) who demonstrated his ability to 'speak' and 'write' some 'space' languages.

Mr. Scothern introduced the first film using New Testament 'prophesies' with emphasis on the resurrection of the State of Israel as an example. The film overlapped the portable screen and so some UFOs became even more elusive!

It lasted about 35 minutes and showed Frank Edwards hammering out well-known UFO stories, backed by stills, in a very commercial, typically American manner. He appeared to be doing a "hard-sell" for what would have appeared in later episodes.

After the first film Mr. Scothern said he was going to talk for three-quarters of an hour. During the following hour and a quarter he gave us a devious sermon on "Lucifer", "Pre-Adamic Society" and quoted from the Book of Enoch. The Old Testament was interpreted liberally, to support his views on beings coming from outer space, and sounded like extracts from Brinsley Le Poer Trench's SKY PEOPLE, and similar books. He went on to predict "a rapid increase in sky phenomenon."

By 10.15, when the second film started I admit to being weary. The 'host' was Frank Stranges, with guest stars, Colonel Howard Strand, Brad Steiger and Joan Whritenour. Also in colour, the film included some material of doubtful authenticity, and it appeared that Col. Strand had mainly been included to impress the watching public, as he admitted that although interested in UFOs, he was not an expert. Brad and Joan both gave the film an air of respectability with their sensible down to earth comments.

L.B.

Sir Victor declined an invitation from David Bellamy to appear on Southern ITV, and also declined ITN, stating he had no information to give news media; nor did he have any special secrets.

S.S.

As a result of a dramatic EVENING NEWS story, over 300 people, including several well-known UFO editors and authors, packed into the York Hall and gallery. The chairman, the Hon. Brinsley Le Poer Trench, International, and acting U.K. Chairman of CONTACT, told us that Air Marshall Sir Victor Goddard had joined the Navy in 1910 and started flying in 1915. He has been head of several aeronautical organisations and head of the Technical Services Department of the Royal Air Force. He claims to have invented the first bomb-sight computer, which at the time was said to be of "No practical use."

Sir Victor started by apologising for the lack of press handouts but wasn't sure what he would be talking about. He had been one of those to see the fireball over England on April 25th. A preamble about unorthodox scientists and scientific short-sightedness followed, and he cited the ridicule attached to Galileo's discoveries, early reports of sun-spots and meteorite falls. For those who do not want to know "Ridicule is a safe shut-off of information." He discussed the speed of light and said that evidence was coming in to show that this may not be the ultimate velocity. E.S.P. transmissions or waves might well travel faster than light.

During his R.A.F. career he came into possession of a small 'flying saucer' which later turned out to be a hoax made by a naval officer, and included a dustbin lid in its construction.

Commenting on U.K. Defence policy "Over all these years no hostile act has been committed by these UFOs." Therefore no money or staff were available for serious examination of the evidence as there was no Defence responsibility (see last issue of SK for comment on the Ministry of Defence). Sir Victor said there was no Defence policy of secrecy. Also Dr. Allen Hynek (civilian consultant to the U.S. Air Force) and whom he has met, had written to say that there was no Defence "cover-up" of UFOs in the USA.

A strange experience happened to him during the second World War. He was flying through some bad weather when the clouds broke and he entered some fine weather. Below he saw an aerodrome with airmen in bright blue overalls working on a yellow trainer aircraft (which he knew must be a trainer). New hangers were evident in this scene of activity. As he flew over, the men continued with their work and did not look up. Soon his aircraft re-entered the bad weather. The previous day he had inspected the same place on foot and found it to be derelict with rough meadows divided up with rusty barbed-wire fences. Sir Victor said that what he had seen from the air was as real as his aircraft, although it was not to come true until four years later. His talk also covered other aspects of E.S.P. and psychic research.

He suggested that a technologist, much concerned with machines and material things when alive, might spend his 'after-life' designing perfect flying machines, for example, ethereal flying saucers. But not all UFOs were necessarily psychic phenomena. He ended his talk by emphasising that "The Ministry of Defence knows nothing about UFOs."

From the question period that followed it became clear that some of the audience were dissatisfied on several points and a space vehicle design engineer, sitting in the gallery asked several questions which were 'passed over'. Certainly Sir Victor reached no firm conclusions and no "special secrets" came out.

L.B.

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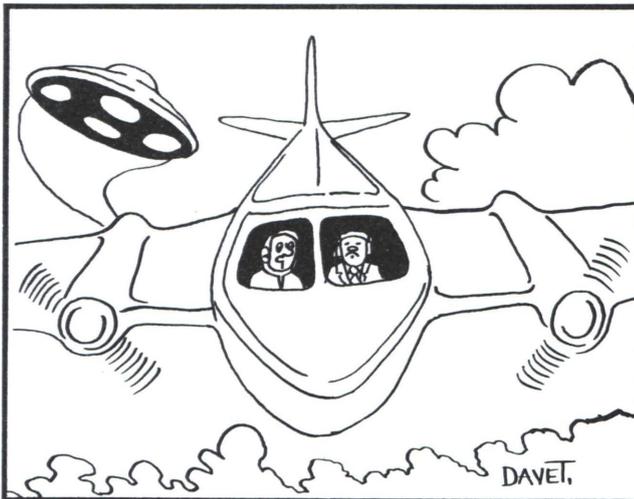
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Item 44. Unidentified Flying Objects.

Sir John Langford-Holt asked the Secretary of State for Defence what details have been given to his Department of the report made by the two police officers at Spelsbury, Oxfordshire, of unidentified flying objects on or about 25th October, 1967; what study he has made of these reports; and what action he has taken.

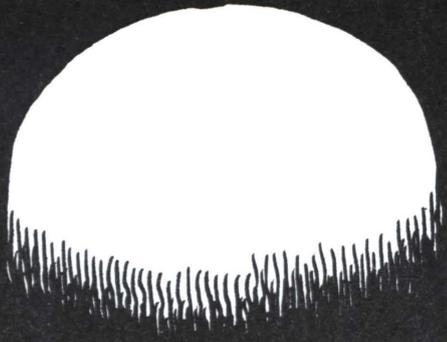
Mr. Reynolds: Sufficient information was available for an examination by the Ministry of Defence staff to establish that the report had no implications for the air defence of the United Kingdom. Therefore no further action was taken.

- (1) This type of UFO usually takes this shape when in a stationary position. Described in one report as 'reddish when stationary and changed colour when they accelerate'. On 20 July 1964 numerous witnesses, including policemen, observed for several hours the antics of a number of these UFOs flying over Madras, Oregon. Sometimes they would remain motionless, only to accelerate away at incredible speeds within seconds. There are very few details, if any, to this type of UFO.
- (2) At 11.30 a.m., 3 August 1965, Rex Heflin, who works for the Orange County Highway Department, California, sat in his truck trying to get the two-way radio to work, which had suddenly gone completely dead. It was then that Heflin caught a glimpse of an aerial object, which was moving slowly from his left towards the road in front of him. When the silent object hovered momentarily, he saw that it was a disc with a domed top. He grabbed his Polaroid camera (Model 101) from the seat at the side, and took four clear pictures. After the object had gone, the two-way radio worked again.
- (3) It was 28 March 1966 at approximately 8.30 pm. when Stephen Pratt and his mother were returning home from a fish and chip shop. They were in Leslie Avenue, Conisborough, when they noticed a single bright light in the twilight. The light seemed to be throbbing as it moved at slow speed towards the west. Stephen went indoors to get his camera, and then took a snap of the strange sight in the sky. There were four witnesses - Stephen, his mother, father and brother. Stephen's brother claimed to have heard a 'whurring sound'. When the photo was developed, three saucers were seen.
- (4) On the evening of Tuesday 17 October 1967, at 6.00 p.m., Mr Stotter was driving his lorry on the M6 motorway and was approaching the turn-off to Holmeschapel, when he was astonished to see this strange craft moving in the same direction. Mr Stotter, being extremely curious about the strange object, stopped the lorry and got out of the cab for a clearer view. From when he first sighted the UFO to when he stopped the lorry, he had travelled  $5\frac{1}{2}$  miles, at between 35 to 40 m.p.h. The UFO later disappeared in a few seconds, making a noise like that of escaping air.
- (5) Between 3.15 and 3.30 p.m. on Sunday 26 December 1965, Lisbet Mortensen and Jacqueline Wingfield were driving near Cappoquin (County Waterford, Ireland). The weather was very fine. Suddenly they spotted a strange object and got out of the car to watch the UFO, which made no sound, fly steadily across the sky. They managed to take one photograph with Miss Mortensen's camera (Agfa Click II), but Miss Wingfield had unfortunately not loaded her camera.
- (6) On 16 January 1958, at 12.15 p.m., there was sighted from the ship Almirante Saldanha, anchored off the island of Trinidade, a Saturn-shaped UFO, about 120 feet in diameter and about 24 feet tall. The object was dark grey in colour, and appeared to be surrounded by a kind of condensation or greenish phosphorescent vapour or mist. The UFO made no sound as it speeded towards the island at 600 to 700 m.p.h. Over a hundred individuals witnessed the sighting, one of these being Almiro Barauna who was able to photograph the UFO successfully.
- (7) This is an aerial view of the craft which landed near Sao Francisco de Sales, State of Minas Gerais, Brazil, on 15 October 1957. 23-year-old Antonio Villas Boas was abducted by four beings dressed in rough grey one-piece garments, who took him aboard the space craft, where he had sexual relations with a female member of the crew. The craft was about 35 feet long and 23 feet wide, and was fitted with a tripod-like landing gear. The cupola on top of the craft was revolving anti-clockwise, and there was a catwalk on the outer edge.
- (8) On Friday 17 June 1966, at 9.50 p.m. in Abingdon, Berkshire, two nuclear scientists from Harwell, P D Wroath and Dr R S Gilmore, observed this UFO through 10 x 60 binoculars. Its appearance resembled the shape of a bell with the mouth inclined towards the observer, with a central dome-like structure. The UFO was estimated to have an altitude of at least  $7\frac{1}{2}$  miles.
- (9) On 19 July 1965, at 5.30 p.m. on a rainy evening in Sydney, Australia, Mr Denis Crowe was walking along a small harbour beach near his Vaucluse home. He became aware of a glow on the beach ahead of him. On approaching it, he saw a huge disc resting on the sand. He estimated the diameter to be about 20 feet, and its height about 9 feet. As the craft took off, it gave an orange glow from underneath and disappeared into cloud. The Air Force explanation for this sighting was a tornado.
- (10) On 20 May 1967, Steve Michalak of Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, was prospecting near Falcon Lake. He saw two glowing red elliptical-shaped objects approaching at low altitude. The first UFO landed in a clearing, but the second hovered for a few seconds, then left in the direction from which it had come. The landed UFO was approximately 35 feet in diameter and 8 feet high, and gave out a constant whistling sound. After some thirty minutes, a door slid open on the lower portion, exposing a violet light. Michalak approached the UFO and touched it, whereupon the rubber glove he was wearing melted. He thought he heard voices, so he tried to converse with the occupants, but got no answer. Soon the door closed, and the UFO began to move in a counter-clockwise direction, before taking off.

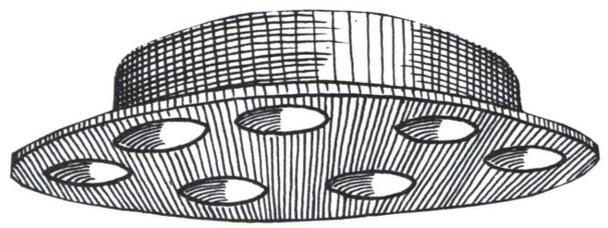


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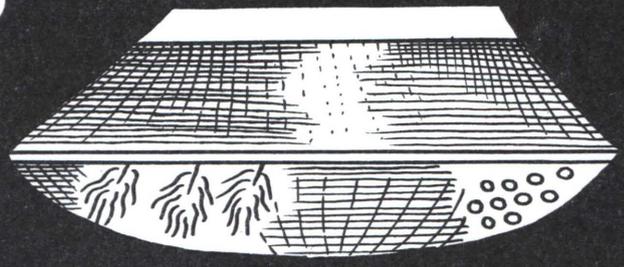
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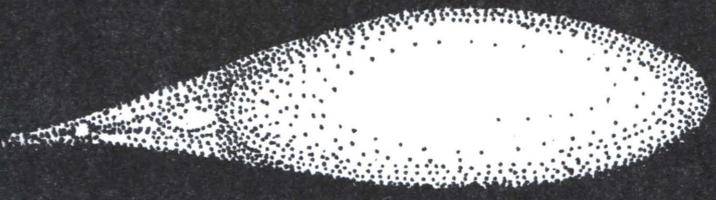
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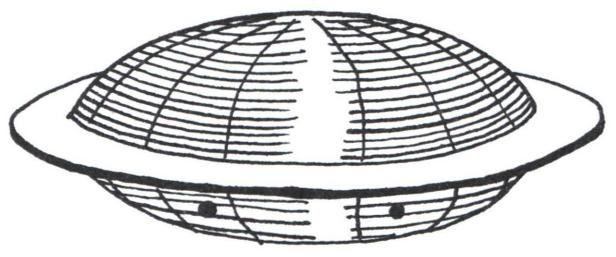
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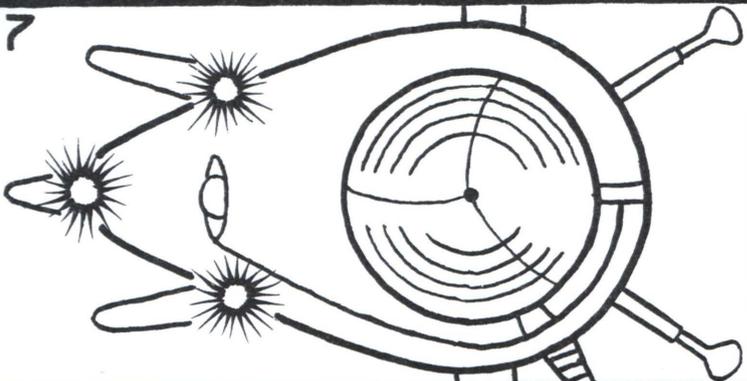
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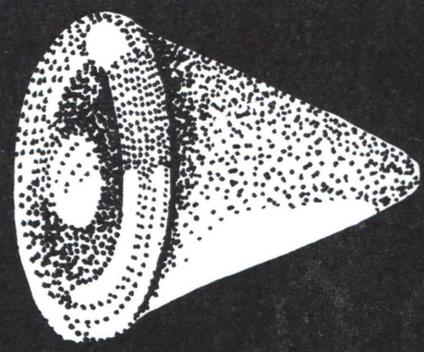
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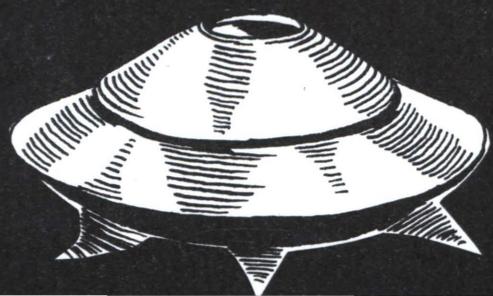
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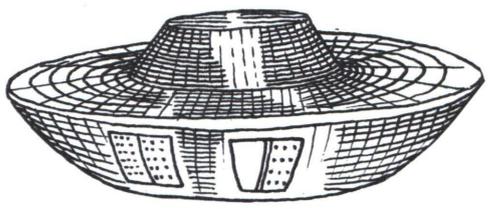
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## Contact Section

# COS-MOS aims to COntact Space-Men Or Saucers

'...Ufologists, in my experience, fall firstly into two categories:- those who believe contacts have taken place, and those to whom the idea of space-people and contactees is as much anathema as a sighting report is to the Astronomer Royal....' So ran an extract from the talk I gave to the BUFORA Northern Convention last autumn, and therein lies at least part of the answer to the question many have asked, - 'Why did you form COS-MOS?'

Let me answer it this way. For some reason, a fair proportion of those who accept that saucer sightings have taken place are loath to admit there have been landings or contacts; it seems they are quite happy, so to speak, keeping saucers at arm's length and one wonders why; could the reason be quite simply fear, fear of the unknown? The desire to 'toy' with UFOs but not to touch? Possibly, but whatever the reason it does mean that in many UFO groups it is extremely difficult to satisfy members' opposing viewpoints. One is left with an unsatisfactory 'sitting on the fence' feeling.

For my own part it seems to me to be illogical to acknowledge that UFOs are darting around in our atmosphere having come from heaven knows how far away, then to say that on arrival from other planets maybe many light-years distant, from other dimensions or other times, they're all just going to complete an orbit or two, make a couple of right-angled turns so we can record another UFO sighting, and then zip straight off home to .....

Landings? There would seem to me to be sufficient evidence of craft on the ground collecting plants, soil samples and the like, for us to say quite unequivocally, - yes, landings have taken place. Contacts? Why not? When saucers do land, other considerations aside, it is against the laws of chance to expect that every time this occurs there will be no one about, and when someone is around, that person will normally do one of two things, - get the hell out of it or be curious enough to see what happens next. In the latter case all the conditions are right for a contact to occur.

This of course does not allow for cases where the person concerned has either felt 'impelled' to go to a particular spot, or has been singled out or 'chased' by extra-terrestrials with a resultant contact. Allowing for the truthfulness of those concerned, contacts of this kind have also taken place. The difficulty is, as we all know, how to tell which stories are true, and the short answer is - you can't tell. Just think how many sighting reports and photographs are argued over by all and sundry without any general agreement as to their authenticity and the problem of what to believe contact-wise is immediately apparent; to say though, that all those alleging such contacts are either liars or cranks is to me symptomatic of a closed mind, just as the acceptance of all contact stories without question indicates a credulous one.

What saucer occupants are alleged to have related is another source of confusion as so frequently it seems to be contradictory; but, supposing craft are coming to Earth (possibly as but one of many planets to visit) from a number of different sources all at differing stages of development;

concepts of the universe would then be presented which varied according to the occupants' current beliefs and ideas. It follows not one iota that because he is an extra-terrestrial, a UFO-naut is omniscient.

Many cases are reported too where the contact is of purely a mental or telepathic nature; cases also where there definitely appears to be a psychic element involved and cases of apparent or actual hostility either from humanoids or beings with alien characteristics.

It was to record ALL types of contact claims, and to explore all avenues of possible communication with extra-terrestrials - (preferably the more friendly variety!) that I established COS-MOS at the beginning of this year. The great thing seemed to me to be that no variety of report whether physical, mental, telepathic, mediumistic or with religious connotations should be dismissed. They should, and so far as COS-MOS is concerned, will, be reported for all to judge, as who can tell when one may find a lead or leads to the answer or answers, even in what some might consider the most unlikely places.

COS-MOS is recording and reporting, - NOT investigating, any report or claim where the person involved appears sincere. By publishing or reporting claims we neither present them as truth absolute nor denigrate them; we do believe they should go on record, and any subsequent happenings, for or against, will also be reported in an unbiased manner.

To carry forward its second aim, - of making contact, COS-MOS is setting up study groups on different aspects of Ufology, - Astronomy, Hypnosis, Leys, Radio-Communication, Telepathy, Spiritualism and Saucers, Historical and Religious Associations etc. etc., yes, and even Sex as mentioned in Space-link's last issue.

Whilst we have a large and growing membership however, it will be appreciated how difficult it is for a nation-wide organisation to have sufficient numbers in any one part of the country, particularly interested mainly in one facet of Ufology to make it easy for such groups to be quickly formed. This is where I would appeal to all ardent Ufologists to join us in endeavouring to solve in a practical manner the twentieth century's greatest enigma. Letters concerning sightings, contacts or other personal experiences are welcomed and will be acknowledged either by myself or others in the organisation. Where permission is given, such reports may be included in future editions of the bi-monthly COS-MOS Journal. COS-MOS membership is one guinea p.a., and our only stipulation is that whoever joins must be genuinely interested in the furtherance of Ufology.

One final point: COS-MOS has no wish to compete with other UFO organisations but will co-operate with them at any time possible. As an organisation we have no definite beliefs regarding saucers, their occupants and origins, but respect those who do have such beliefs.

Norman Oliver - Director of COS-MOS,  
95 Taunton Road London S.E.12.

(see also personal column on page 15.)

## Contact Section

DO WE BELIEVE DINO KRASPEDON AFTER ALL?

In FLYING SAUCER REVIEW (Jan/Feb 1969) were printed extracts from a letter from Nigel Rimes in South America, saying that in August 1968 'Dino Kraspedon', author of MY CONTACT WITH FLYING SAUCERS, had stated publicly that his book was 'sheer invention'. Later the same month, he was arrested for being involved in terrorist activities, and was described as 'extremely unbalanced', claiming that the Venusians will soon attack Earth in order to free him and his friends.

Now, in SEARCHLIGHT Vol 3 No 10 (1969) edited in America by Timothy Green Beckley, appears an article claiming that a cure for cancer given in Kraspedon's book has been confirmed by American scientists. The article's author compares information supposedly given to Kraspedon by a spaceman, with a news despatch in THE SEATTLE DAILY TIMES of 29 June 1968 entitled 'Liver may produce anticancer aide', and concludes that Kraspedon beat the scientists by eleven years.

### STRANGE HAPPENINGS IN AUSTRALIA

Rumanian migrant George Vas, repairman, his wife Milanka, and their daughters Olga, 14, and Maria, 13, claim to have seen three giant purple and yellow spacemen near Childers, about 200 miles north of Brisbane.

Mr Vas and his family, asleep in their caravan by the side of the road, were awakened about 4.30 a.m. by their dog barking. They heard a loud buzzing noise like a big swarm of bees or wasps, and saw a spaceship between 25 and 30 yards in diameter and looking like a Mexican sombrero. It gave off a brilliant colour, and other colours running through the air gave it an opalised effect.

Three spacemen, about three times larger than humans, descended from the craft. They had blocky arms and legs and shapeless bodies, and gave off a purple-yellow glow. After gathering sugar cane and other plant specimens for about 10 minutes, the spacemen re-entered the spaceship which took off. The craft went straight up, travelling very quickly, and 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 when a child in Roumania in 1918, and another near Belgrade in 1946. The current sighting presumably took place in 1968, though the report gives no date.

Details from the BRISBANE NEWS and PANORAMA (Jan/Feb. 1969) 22 Northcote St., Kilburn, S. Australia.

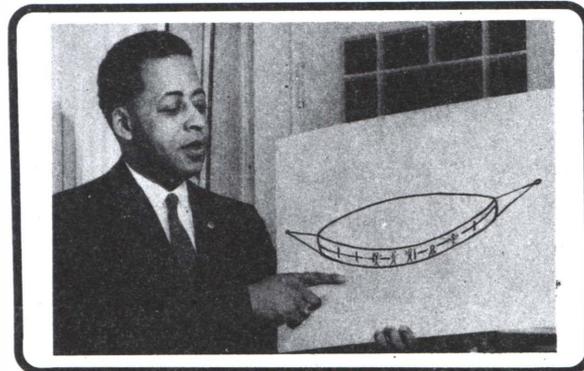
### CRACKLING CLOUDS

On 3 February 1969, hundreds of people reported strange sounds coming from two clouds over Jacksonville Beach, Florida, USA. Descriptions of the sounds include 'someone rattling cellophane' and 'someone walking on pebbles'. Capt. Harold Bryan was ordered by Police Chief James Alford to follow the cloud, which dissipated when it reached the edge of the Atlantic. The whole performance was repeated by a second cloud, and officials at Mayport Naval Air Station could offer no explanation.

Miami, Florida, was the scene of similar occurrences on 10 February. 'It sounds like a big bird flapping its wings and trying to get off the ground,' said one witness. 'Like huge sheets of wax paper being crumpled,' said another.

On 11 February the U.S. Weather Bureau explained that the crackling noises were probably caused by the sounds of surf reflected from above.

On 25 February 1969, BARNEY HILL died of a cerebral haemorrhage in Portsmouth, USA. He and his wife Betty became famous names in the UFO world in 1965 when the details of their capture by the occupants of a UFO were published. While driving home through the White Mountains one night in 1961, the Hills saw a UFO....and remembered nothing more until two hours later. Under hypnosis, they revealed that they had been taken aboard the craft and subjected to medical examinations. Their story, generally regarded as genuine, is told in detail in John G. Fuller's book THE INTERRUPTED JOURNEY.



Barney, a local postman and active social worker for his community, was only 46 when he died. He left two sons and two step-children. Mrs. Hill is said to be ill with a growth in her throat, added to which Barney's dog Delsey died recently.

## Opinion

### UFOs ON RADAR?

The case of the theft of a US Air Force Hercules military aircraft by a ground crew sergeant on 23 May 1969 raises some interesting points in regard to the 'official' detection of UFOs. We are led to believe that no craft can fly over Britain without being detected by radar, and this is often used as an argument against the presence of UFOs in our skies. But a report on the theft of the aircraft which appeared in THE TIMES of 24 May 1969 shows that this argument is surely invalid.

'Another question being asked last night was, why was the unauthorized departure not spotted sooner so that fighters could have been sent off more swiftly in chase? Both the RAF and United States Air Force keep interceptors on constant alert to investigate intruders into British airspace, and these often go up to escort Soviet bombers which stray too close to the coast. It appears that military radar did, in fact, see the Hercules on the screens, heading in a south-westerly direction. It is understood that by the time it was realized what the true nature of the flight was, the 'blip' had disappeared off the screens. Once again, an inquiry will have to be told that UNIDENTIFIED SIGHTINGS ON RADAR WILL BE QUERIED FAR MORE CLOSELY IN FUTURE.' (Editor's caps) Does this mean that up till now, unidentified sightings on radar have NOT been closely queried?

J.G.

The U.S. Air Force has changed its mind about chaining aircraft to the ground to prevent flights. An order has been issued at its base at Mildenhall, Suffolk, stopping the practise there.

# VISITORS FROM OUTER SPACE

Science versus Fiction

by Vyacheslav Zaitsev

Condensed from the magazine «Zvezda» (Leningrad) at No. 1

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Expanding knowledge about the Universe usually means more puzzles than discoveries. As man unravels each new mystery, he is assailed by fresh doubts and torments, for he has caught a glimpse of another mystery lying ahead. For the explorer - in any field - it is probably this yet undiscovered territory vaguely seen in the distance that sparks the search for knowledge.

A report by a Chinese archaeologist startled the world when it was published in 1965, for he had out of old bits of knowledge pieced together an amazing theory of space-ships on a visit to the earth 12,000 years ago. The German magazine, *Das Vegetarische Universum*, wrote of his research:

'For a quarter of a century archaeologists exploring caves in the Bayan-Kara-Ula Mountains, on the border of China and Tibet, have been finding odd-looking stone discs covered with unreadable patterns and hieroglyphs. A total of 716 such discs have been discovered, apparently dating back several thousand years.

'Like a gramophone record, each disc has a hole in its centre from which a double groove spirals its way to the circumference. The grooves are not sound-tracks, but the oddest writing in China and indeed the rest of the world.'

Archaeologists and decipherers of ancient writing racked their brains for two decades trying to solve the secret of the spirals. The result of the research by the Chinese archaeologist was so shattering that the Peking Academy of Pre-History banned publication of his work. Eventually permission was obtained and the professor and his four colleagues published their collective effort under the intriguing title Groove Writing Relating to Spaceships, which, as Recorded on the Discs, Existed 12,000 Years Ago.

The caves high up in the Bayan-Kara-Ula Mountains are inhabited by the Ham and Dropa tribes - frail, stunted men averaging four feet two inches in height. So far they have defied ethnic classification. In fact, any detailed information about the tribes is extremely scarce.

When deciphered, one of the hieroglyphs presumably set down by an ancient member of the Ham tribe read: 'The Dropas came down from the clouds in their gliders. Our men, women and children hid in the caves ten times before the sunrise. When at last they understood the sign language of the Dropas, they realized that the newcomers had peaceful intentions...'

Another Ham hieroglyph expresses regret over the loss of the tribe's own spaceships during a dangerous landing in high mountains, and the failure to build new ones.

In the opinion of Chinese archaeologists, the Bayan-Kara-Ula hieroglyphs are so mysterious that their interpretation and use for scientific research require the utmost care.

To obtain further information, the discs were scraped free of adhering rock particles and sent to

The author spent 30 years collecting evidence to back up his thesis that intelligent beings from outer space have had contact with our Earth. He has written two books, «Cosmic Reminiscences in Written Relics of the Past» and «The Evolution of the Universe and Intelligent Beings».



Moscow for study. Scientists there made two important discoveries. The discs were found to contain a large amount of cobalt and other metals - a shaking discovery. Further investigation revealed that the discs vibrate in an unusual rhythm, as if they carried an electric charge or were part of an electric circuit. The 12,000-year-old discs remain a challenge to science.

Legends of ancient China say that small, gaunt, yellow-faced men came down from the clouds. But earthly tribesmen felt a revulsion for the visitors, whose enormous heads and extremely thin, weak bodies made them look ugly, and 'some people on fast horses' beat them.

Reality seems to confirm the legends. In some of the Bayan-Kara-Ula caves archaeologists and speleologists have found 12,000-year-old vestiges of graves and skeletons. The remains belong to human beings with huge craniums and underdeveloped skeletons. The Chinese expeditions which discovered the burial grounds reported they had found 'an extinct species of ape'. But so far as is known apes do not bury each other in graves or write hieroglyphic symbols on stone discs.

What makes the issue doubly involved is that the inner walls of the caves are covered in many places with pictures of the rising sun, the moon, and the stars, spaced by a multitude of pea-sized dots (possibly tiny pictures) which seem to be approaching the Earth in a mountain area.

## CELESTIAL EGGS

Peruvian legend has it that the ancient inhabitants of Peru were born from bronze, gold and silver eggs which had fallen from heaven. The tale is cited but left without comment in Jean Elise Reclus' famous book *La Terre*.

A variant of the egg legend is featured in the famous Tassili frescoes, which were found in the heart of the Sahara by a French lieutenant named Brenand. Shortly afterwards the place was examined by a French expedition led by Henri Lotte, who later wrote *The Search for the Frescoes of Tassili*. In addition to pictures of animals and hunting scenes, the frescoes depict strange figures dressed

# HISTORICAL SECTION

● Tibet is apparently not the only place where strange stone discs have been found. A report in the Cleveland Press of 8 July 1968 tells of a Johannesburg man, William H Cable, who found hundreds of the discs 45 years ago while doing archaeological work near Koffiefontein, about 75 miles south-east of Kimberley in the Orange Free State of South Africa. 'I found several of these thin stone discs up to seven inches across with a central hole up to two inches in diameter while digging...' The hills contained rock engravings of animals and workshops for primitive tools and weapons. Near them were burial places of many small people in graves 3 to 4 feet deep... 'They are dateable from about 10,000 years ago,' he said.

● Source: SAUCER SCOOP.



Ancient wall painting found at Tassili in the Sahara of the great God Ramas, is one of several "helmeted men" there.



4,000 years ago, this floating figure of a helmeted man was drawn on the bare rock up in the Italian Alps.

in what looks like space-suits and spherical helmets. The helmets are definitely attached to the suits, which evoke no associations with ritual headdress or hunting gear. Nor is there any association with the hunters who, as some scholars assume, used ostrich egg-shells for helmets. Lotte called the enigmatic figures Martians.

Describing the ancient drawings on the cave walls, the French explorer says that one of them depicts 'a man appearing from an egg-shaped object covered with concentric circles. The object resembles an egg, or possibly a snail.'

So the Peruvian legend and the Tassili frescoes seem to have much in common. But the parallel does not end there. At a later date, in yet another part of the world, the same subject was treated by ancient Greek sculptors, certain of whom portrayed Castor and Pollux of Dioscuria, as well as Helen and Nemesis, with remnants of egg-shells on their

heads, for according to Greek mythology they arose from celestial eggs.

How did the odd idea of man's birth from an egg take shape? Perhaps by analogy with birds or fish? But why falling from the sky? One Latin American legend says that eggs dropped down from the sky on dandelions! The absence of any existing interpretation of this art leaves the door open for what must seem a fantastic assumption: that the legend of the celestial eggs, like any other myth or legend, could have originated from bonafide impressions of an actual event. An ancient man may once have seen a container with a human being in it

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descend from the sky, and imagined that the visitor was emerging from a celestial egg.

#### "VISITING CARDS" OF SPACE TRAVELLERS

During excavations at different times in Japan archaeologists found figurines (*dogu*) depicting a kind of human or anthropoid in odd-looking 'space-suits' and with helmets wholly covering their heads. On the helmets were visible marks of something like slit-type glasses, breath-filters, antennae, hearing aids and even night-sight devices.

Reviewing the latest Soviet space achievements, the German magazine *Freie Welt* in issue No. 12, 1966, printed a selection of rock drawings and photographs of *dogu* under the humorous title 'Visiting Cards?', declaring that such drawings and figurines might be construed as proof that the Earth was once visited by space beings.

Many similar rock pictures have been discovered throughout the world. There are pictures of space-men on cave walls in the Val Comonique, the Swiss Alps, in Australia, close to Fergana and near the city of Navoi, in Soviet Central Asia.

Puzzles that may have started with a space visit are contained in legends and myths. Legends of Australia, the Near East, South and Central America and the Far East all tell of the descent of gods from the sky. They offer food for thought.

This complex article will be continued in our next issue.



Above: Rock drawing found near the town of Fergana in Uzbekistan.

Left: Dogu figurines, from Japan, suggest tiny astronauts' space suits.

#### HENRY FORD II SEES UFO

Henry Ford II was one of a planeload of Ford Executives who saw a UFO on a trip home to Detroit from the HemisFair in Texas a few months ago.

'We saw something round and white,' Ford said. 'I don't know what it was, but it definitely wasn't a plane.' The Ford company's Jetstar was traveling about 550 m.p.h. at close to 40,000 feet. 'All of a sudden this big object appeared,' Ford said. 'It looked like a dish. It stayed with us, but some distance away. I asked our pilot to radio the Air Force to send a fighter plane up for a look. He didn't want to because he was afraid they would think he was a kook.'

Ford didn't make a press announcement at the time, but was willing to talk about it later. 'I really saw this,' he said. 'It was quite a thing.' Others on the plane confirmed Ford's story. 'We all saw it. It's a true story,' one said.

Report from DETROIT NEWS, 2 October 1968, reprinted in SKYLOOK (No. 15, February 1969), Box 129, Stover, Mo. 65078, U.S.A.

#### UFO RESEARCH AWARD

To encourage research into the UFO mystery, APRO has created the Olavo T. Fontes Memorial Fund (the foremost Brazilian UFO researcher, Dr Fontes died in May 1968, aged 43). As its first project, the Fund will sponsor the Scientific UFO Research Award, a cash prize to be presented to that individual or group of individuals who, in the majority opinion of an independent Board of Judges, has produced the most significant contribution to the solution of the UFO phenomenon. Among the judges are Dr Thornton Page, a Professor of Astronomy at Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn., and Dr J. Allen Hynek, Chairman of the Department of Astronomy at Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill. The first Award will be made in April 1970, and projects can be on any subject related to UFOs. Reports submitted must be in the form of a standard scientific paper with appropriate supporting documentation. The Award is international and details can be obtained from the Aerial Phenomena Research Organisation, 3910 E. Kleindale Road, Tucson, Arizona, U.S.A.

#### UFO sightings prove a meteorite anomaly

A large number of extra-terrestrial bodies—meteorites—collide with the Earth every day. A clue to their origin is obtained by keeping a careful record of sightings over long periods, and then computing from this the orbits followed by majorities. A new analysis of a large amount of data on meteorite-Earth collisions by D. E. Fisher and M. F. Swanson of the University of Miami (*Journal of Geophysical Research*, vol. 73, no.20) has shown that, by neglecting social effects, previous workers have probably produced fallacious results.

For example, twice as many stony meteorites (chondrites) have been seen falling during the afternoon hours, 1200 to 1800, as in the equivalent morning hours 0600 to 1200. These observations, taken at face value, indicate that a majority of meteors would be

moving in the same direction as the Earth and over-taking it; they are incompatible with either a lunar or an asteroidal origin for the meteorites.

It is difficult, however, to be sure that people are not more likely to see objects which fall in the afternoon than in the morning, for a large number of reasons, all purely social. Fisher and Swanson first attempted to disentangle the social and astronomical factors by considering only those falls which were associated with excessive visual and audible phenomena. They assumed that meteorites which arrived dramatically were unlikely to be missed whenever they fell. Such observations turned out to be almost equally divided between morning and afternoon, with only a small bias towards the afternoon.

In search of support for this result they then looked at data on "flying saucer" or UFO sightings as a function of time of day. Whatever events provoke these are presumably

randomly distributed in time; therefore the distribution of observations is a clear indication of the effect of social factors. The observations were divided into two classes: hoaxes and lunacy; and true atmospheric phenomena. The former included all sightings that involved accounts of people or things entering or leaving saucers, conversations with occupants, and "religious" experiences; these were discarded. The other consisted of all other possibilities including clouds, birds, aircraft and "real" UFOs of undetermined origin—that is, all atmospheric phenomena of the kind which attract attention and are likely to be reported.

Fisher and Swanson found that nearly twice as many sightings were made in the afternoon as in the morning—the same as for chondrites. The implication is that chondrites arrive uniformly from all directions, so that previous theories of their origin based on the apparent anomaly will have to be revised.

UNITED STATES PUBLICATIONS SPECIALISING IN UFO INFORMATION

**Reference Section**

The following list is by no means complete, but includes most well-established magazines primarily devoted to UFO news, and those recently received in exchange.

Notes: Quarto = US. quarto: 11 x 8½". Duplicated = mimeographed. pa. = yearly. \$1.00 = 8/4d approximately. Est. = estimated figure.  
Special note: **Frequency and circulation details are only intended as a guide.**

<u>Section 1</u>	<u>PUBLICATION</u>	<u>FREQUENCY AND CIRCULATION</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
Name:	APRO BULLETIN	Bi-monthly	Quarto	Members:	Off-set litho; justi-
Editor:	Coral Lorenzen	4,000	8 pages	\$5.00 pa.	fied columns. Illust'd.
Publisher:	Aerial Phenomena Research Organization			Subscribers:	Membership newsletter.
Address:	3910 East Kleindale Road, Tucson, Arizona 85716.			\$7.00 pa.	Established 1952. Good.
Name:	FLYING SAUCERS	Bi-monthly	Quarto	US: \$3.00	Colour glossy cover.
Editor:	Ray Palmer	11,000	48 pages	Overseas:	Justified cols. Fully
Publisher:	Palmer Publications Inc.			\$3.50 pa.	illustrated. Lithogr'd.
Address:	Amherst, Wisconsin 54406.			Copy: 50¢	Many ads. Good value.
Name:	FLYING SAUCERS INTERNATIONAL	Quarterly	Quarto	6 issues:	Off-set litho; Photos
Editor:	Gabriel Green	(Est: 2000)	16 pages	\$3.00.	and drawings. Emphasis
Publisher:	Amalgamated Flying Saucer Clubs of America.			Mem: \$1.00	on contactee material.
Address:	2004 N.Hoover Street, Los Angeles, California 90027.			Copy: 50¢.	"World Union of Clubs."
Name:	SAUCER NEWS	Quarterly	Quarto	\$4.00 pa.	Off-set litho. Justi-
Editor:	James Mosely/Gray Barker	(Est: 5000)	32 pages	Copy: \$1.	fied columns. Photos,
Publisher:	Saucerian Publications				generously illustrated.
Address:	Box 2228, Clarksburg, West Virginia 26301.				Contactee orientated.
Name:	UFO ANALYSIS REPORT	Bi-monthly	Quarto	\$3.00 pa.	Off-set litho, - large
Editor:	Christian Cooper	1,100	14 pages		typing. Illustrated
Publisher:	International UFO Bureau				by original drawings.
Address:	P.O. Box 12405, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73112.				Factual. Interesting.
Name:	UFO INVESTIGATOR	Bi-monthly	Quarto	US: \$8.00	Off-set litho; justi-
Editor:	Major Donald Keyhoe	9,000	8 pages	Can./Mex:	fied columns. Illust'd.
Publisher:	National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena			\$9.00 pa.	Membership newsletter.
Address:	1536 Connecticut Avenue, Washington D.C. 20036.			Ovs: \$10.	Conservative. Good.

**Section 2**

Name:	FLYING SAUCER DIGEST	Quarterly	Quarto	US: \$2.50	Off-set litho. Photos
Editor:	Alan Manak and Ronald Pelger	650	22 pages	Foreign:	and drawings. Somewhat
Publisher:	United Aerial Phenomena Agency			\$3.50 pa.	disjointed presentation
Address:	P.O. Box 9811, Cleveland, Ohio 44142.			Copy: 75¢	but interesting.
Name:	SAUCER SCOOP	Monthly	Quarto	US: \$4.00	Duplicated pages.
Editor:	Joan Whritenour	(Est: 250)	22 pages	Overseas:	Interesting material but
Publisher:	Joan Whritenour			\$6.00 pa.	sometimes with tongue
Address:	6464 34th Avenue North, St.Petersburg, Florida 33710.				in cheek. Good variety.
Name:	SEARCHLIGHT	Monthly (?)	Foolscap	\$2.00 for	Duplicated bulletin.
Editor:	Timothy Green Beckley	800	4 pages	12 issues.	Emphasis on contactee
Publisher:	Interplanetary News Service				material. Also "News
Address:	3 Courtland Street, New Brunswick, New Jersey 08901.				Shorts."
Name:	SKYLOOK	Monthly	Quarto	US: \$3.00	Duplicated pages (fair)
Editor:	Norma E. Short	Figure refused	20 pages	Overseas:	Interesting material.
Publisher:	Norma E. Short			\$4.00 pa.	Sensible. Newsy.
Address:	Box 129, Stover, Missouri 65078.			Copy: 25¢	Local sighting details.

SPACELINK will be pleased to receive amendments to the above table (and apologises if there is an inaccuracy)

**Section 3** SPACELINK acknowledges with thanks details and the following publications:-

EYEWITNESS	Editor: Bill Moore, Box 34, Mount Perry, Ohio 43760.	(duplicated club newsletter)
FLYING SAUCER OBSERVER	Editor: Donald Johnson, Sand Hill Road, Portland, Conn. 06480.	(duplicated; 11 ps; 200)
PORTLAND P.S.CLUB	Editor: Edward Palmer, 1646 S.E. Elliott Street, Portland, Oregon 97214.	(newsletter etc.)
SAUCER MAGAZINE	Editor: Mark Bouge, 1911 Main Street, Bellevue, Nebraska 68005.	(duplicated foolscap)
UFO A.AND R.BULLETIN	Editor: Patrick Huyghe, 72 Jefferys Drive, Newport News, Virginia 23601.	(duplicated)
UFO-INFO	G. L. Bernier, P.O. Box 654, Seattle, Washington 98111.	(for useful material and ideas)
UFO INFORMER	Editor: Angelo Capparella III, 307-B Pine Street, Carrboro, N.Carolina 27510.	(not seen-SK)
UFO MAGAZINE	Editor: Rick Hilberg, P.O. Box 2708, Cleveland, Ohio 44111.	(off-set litho, 8 pgs. 8x6", 200)
UFO PHENOMENON	Editor: Kevin Collins, 636 West Camborne Avenue, Ferndale, Michigan 48220.	(dup'd. 22ps. 100)
UFORC BULLETIN	Editor: Rod Dyke, 3521 S.W. 104th Street, Seattle, Washington 98146.	(for exchange - 100)

**Ceased publication:** Joseph Ferriere's PROBE and Rod Dyke's UFORC JOURNAL (replaced by UFORC BULLETIN)  
John Sherwood of Marshall and his "Michigan Investigators" disbanded in June 1968.

## IDENTIFIED FLYING SAUCERS

Robert Loftin

David McKay Company, Inc., 750 Third Avenue, New York 10017, U.S.A. 1968. Case-bound. Price: \$5.95

For 15 years Robert Loftin studied the UFO phenomenon. He was a member of several organisations, and was appointed Early Warning Network coordinator for the University of Colorado UFO project, so the subject was by no means new to him.

Following the question "Where do they come from" he mentions the possibility of life on other planets giving a brief description of conditions on Venus, Mars, Jupiter and Mercury.

By selecting certain chapters from the book, one has on hand a history of the UFO, from a short account of flying saucers in ancient times to a 48-page chronology of inter-continental UFO reports from the mid-19th century to 1963, and a list of sightings in the more recent 1965 flap.

Reference is made to two alleged UFO crashes, one in Spitsbergen in 1953, and the other in Heligoland Germany in 1957. The dangers of UFO contact are noted, as well as the hoaxes and hallucinations, and a small number of good sightings or contact claims, are singled out and given full coverage, some with an accompanying official Air Force report.

There is an area south of Joplin, Missouri, dubbed "Spooksville" by the Press because of the "goings-on" in those parts, which may call to mind our own Warminster. It is here, where the author had his first encounter with a flying saucer but unlike most writers of this subject Mr. Loftin only devotes a few paragraphs to his experience.

Mr. Loftin probably coined a new word, that of ufo-bia, which is defined as the fear and hysteria raised in people after seeing a UFO, or coming into close contact with scientific proof of the phenomenon. He states that despite our advanced scientific knowledge, we still look upon the strange objects appearing in the sky with the same bewilderment as those in Biblical times.

Credit must be given for excellently reproduced photographs, not only of UFOs, but also some of the author with well-known personalities in the field of ufology.

One cannot ignore the fact that this book is expensive, particularly when compared with other similar works, but it contains a good variety of material which most UFO enthusiasts ought to find interesting.

Doreen Whitaker

**Get This BIBLIOGRAPHY !**

The Library of Congress's ANNOTATED UFO BIBLIOGRAPHY produced for the Air Force Office of Scientific Research is a real reference masterpiece. Its 400 pages are reference packed and the author index has nearly 900 people listed! The acknowledgements include the names of 12 well-known British ufologists, including your managing editor, and about 75 other well-known UFO names. I rarely give my whole-hearted enthusiasm to any new book, but this tome certainly seems to make up for some of the shortcomings of the University of Colorado UFO project for which it was prepared too late. I am obtaining copies, in due course, to offer for sale in the U.K.

Lionel Beer.

## UFOS OVER THE AMERICAS

Jim &amp; Coral Lorenzen

New American Library Inc., 1301 Avenue of the Americas, New York, N.Y. 10019, U.S.A. May 1968. Paperback. Price: 75¢.

Once again Coral and Jim Lorenzen have put a substantial amount of work and time into tracking down sighting reports, this time some of the best over North and South America during 1967, and their book mainly consists of the knowledge so gathered.

The authors charge that the CIA have been largely responsible for much of the suppression of UFO information and the threatening of witnesses, and a whole chapter is devoted to discussing the reasons for their accusations. The arguments are quite convincing, and throw new light on to an old controversial subject.

There are some quite sensational chapter headings, for example 'Nights of Terror', 'The Unbelievables', and 'The Flesh Crawlers'. Although in one chapter, 'The Unbelievables', there are some rather weird incidents related, these headings would seem more in keeping with science fiction than serious research on which the book is based.

The lengthy appendix gives full details of the Robertson Committee meetings of January 1953, and some notes on the setting-up of the Condon Committee. Also included are a few announcements and reports from USA Air Defence.

There are occasional brief references to past well-known incidents and for this reason it is felt that the reader should have some previous knowledge of ufology to really appreciate the book.

Half a dozen photographs are included, four of these being the Heflin photographs. The authors state the others to be two of the best UFO photographs available, but the poor reproduction in this book wouldn't persuade anybody.

The final chapter suggests a few theories as to why the earth is being visited and the concluding words are as follows:

'....it should be very evident before the end of 1968 just what the UFOs are. And, very possibly, we may have more than just a notion then about why they are here.' Well have we?

Doreen Whitaker

FLYING SAUCERS: AN ANALYSIS OF THE AIR FORCE PROJECT BLUE BOOK SPECIAL REPORT No.14. Dr. Leon Davidson.

Ramsley-Wallace Corporation, 88 West Main St., New Jersey 07446, USA. Revised 3rd edition, July 1966. U.S. quarto, offset-litho, paperbnd. Price: \$4.00.

This third edition is an enlarged version of the Blue Book Special Report No.14 first published in 1956.

It contains many early press releases and other rare documents of which even the Air Force itself no longer claims to have copies. Besides relating much interesting factual information, the author adds his comments as an introduction to each section. His analysis of Report No.14 is particularly penetrating, revealing as it does many instances of illogicality on the part of the U.S.A.F. Dr. Davidson writes in an authoritative manner, as befits someone of his standing, and who has had such a close association with the secret Project GRUDGE Report.

This edition is an important contribution to the history of the UFO enigma and should form an essential part of any collection of serious UFO literature.

Anthony Pace F.R.A.S. and Roger Stanway F.R.A.S.

Arthur Barker Limited, 5 Winsley Street, London, W1N-7AQ. April 1969. Case-bound. Price: 30/Od.

This book provides a practical introduction to the subject of UFO investigation. The author who is not committed either to the belief or the disbelief that flying saucers are craft controlled by intelligent beings, presents his material in a clear concise manner, and, as anyone who has made a close study of UFO reports will realise, with meticulous accuracy. Mr. Chapman has obviously devoted much time and effort in collecting accounts of these events which mainly occurred in this country.

The first chapters deal with some well-known sightings. The Devon Flying Cross of 1967 and the Moigne Down "craft" among them. The author then reviews the claims made in several UFO books, FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED, THE SCORITON MYSTERY, and FLYING SAUCERS FROM MARS. The last named book he describes as the biggest UFO leg-pull ever perpetrated in Britain.

The latter part of the book examines the various attempts made to explain away UFO sightings. Then the hypothesis of extra-terrestrial spacecraft being correct, the possible places of origin. The UFO cult, the serious researchers, the imaginative approach. The last chapters are devoted to official views and ends with a very brief account of the Colorado University Report.

This book does not offer anything that is new to ufologists, although I personally enjoyed it and it is certainly to be recommended for all those new to the subject, and will be a valuable addition to any UFO library.

Kathleen Smith, Editor, UFOLOG.

(Ed: It contains a fair amount of recent material which appears in book form for the first time and is supported by thirteen photographs.)

IS ANYONE THERE?

Dr. Isaac Asimov

Rapp and Whiting Limited, 76 New Oxford Street, London W.C.1. 1968. Case-bound. Price: 35/Od

This is a collection of essays taken from magazine articles which have appeared over the past ten years, so that some of the data is a little out of date. The subject matter is mainly biological and astronomical, and written in Asimov's usual lucid manner.

Of particular interest to UFO students are the five chapters on "Other Life" such as "Anatomy of a Martian," "A Science in search of a Subject" (exobiology), "Is Anyone There?" (interstellar communication). Dr. Asimov devotes over a page to Flying Saucers with the view that the whole subject is filled with hoaxes, frauds and errors, and he won't believe in them until he can see one "exhibited in the metal and flesh."

Apart from this one page, the only other thing I would argue with is chapter 18, "Time-Travel One-Way" in which Dr. Asimov comes out with all the usual nonsense about the clock paradox and spacemen arriving back on earth much younger than their counterparts. This is not true as anyone who really understands relativity (H. Dingle et al) knows.

On the whole a very interesting book, although I think 35/Od is a little dear.

Arthur Tomlinson BSc., MIEE., (DIGAP Co-ordinator).

## Book Reviews *Reference Section*

SPACE

Patrick Moore

Lutterworth Press, 4 Bouverie Street, London E.C.4. November 1968. 11" x 8" case-bound. Price: 65/Od.

Space! The title of this recent work from the 'pen' of Patrick Moore neatly sums up the reviewer's problem, so comprehensive is his coverage of man's conceptions of the universe from the Ancient Greeks to the present day, with the accent very heavily on space exploration and rocketry.

Theories ancient and modern, balloons, science fiction ideas, early uses for rockets, astronautics pioneers in the field; these and many other facets of the subject are dealt with; often with a wealth of detail. The author speculates on the possibilities of extra-terrestrial life, and basing his reasoning on the premise that such life must of necessity be either carbon or silicon based, he concludes that roughly only in a belt between Venus and Mars could any such life exist in our own Solar System, or in comparable conditions elsewhere. Nonetheless, he is quite prepared for the possibility that life-forms on other worlds may have completely different outward appearances, and he tells us that he is "quite prepared to believe in an alien astronomer with four heads and eight legs."

Flying saucers receive scant mention and are apparently viewed in the same light as Richard Locke's newspaper hoax of 1835, when he purported to describe inhabitants of the Moon, allegedly seen through Sir John Herschell's new telescope. Laputa the flying island of Gulliver's Travels is referred to as "An Original Flying Saucer," and the accompanying illustration certainly appears to justify the description!



One of numerous smaller illustrations to be found in SPACE

**AN ORIGINAL FLYING SAUCER!** The flying island of Laputa, from the classic book *Gulliver's Travels*, by Jonathan Swift. Dr. Gulliver observes the flying island as it prepares to land on Earth.

Illustrations, many in full colour, abound throughout the book, and my only criticism is that some are almost too colourful. For the expert on constellation study, I recommend a close look at the innumerable 'white dots' in the background of the rocket illustration on the inside front cover. He will be amazed at the accuracy portrayed. This makes it the more appalling however, that an elementary error should have been passed over on page 11 where a diagram of the planetary orbits has reversed their order from the Sun, naming Mars as the nearest.

This one blemish apart, SPACE is an excellent work, and this large volume will give its readers full value and more for their money.

Norman Oliver, Director of COS-MOS.

BOOK AND MAGAZINE NEWS

UFO MANUAL for investigators and researchers, being edited by Roger Stanway and Anthony Pace is unlikely to be published before 1970. Already about forty distinguished ufologists and scientists from twelve countries have contributed material. It may include a feature on what use could be made of a research grant of say £5,000 or £10,000. Given professional handling, international distribution and published in paperback with a good 'punchy' title, this work might even out-sell the "Condon Report"!

A UK. edition of UNINVITED VISITORS by Ivan Sanderson is scheduled for publication in July by Neville Spearman Ltd. An up-dated edition of FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED from the same publisher is unlikely to appear before late 1969.

Brinsley Le Poer Trench, an early editor of FLYING SAUCER REVIEW, is preparing yet another book, entitled OPERATION EARTH, which looks at the implications of some 2,000-odd documented saucer-landing reports. Spearman are also to publish a hard-cover edition of FLYING SAUCER REVIEW's successful report entitled THE HUMANIDS (12/Od) at a price of 30/Od.

The Library of Congress's UFO Bibliography compiled by Miss Lynn Catoe, was delayed by the U.S. Air Force. Final preparation of the manuscript was carried out by Dan Taylor, a staff information officer, at the Air Force Office of Scientific Research (OAR), Arlington. It will probably be published in July by the U.S. Government.

UFOS? YES! is now available in the U.K. for the first time and may be obtained direct from the Managing Editor (see book list). This paperback gives the inside story behind the Condon Report by one of its key members, Dr. David R. Saunders, who presents some disturbing facts. Recommended by Dr. James McDonald of the University of Arizona.

Fawcett Publications have produced a third magazine in the U.S. entitled TRUE REPORT ON FLYING SAUCERS, 1969, which should be on sale in the UK. in August.

CHARIOTS OF THE GODS? by 34-year-old Swiss archaeologist Erich von Daniken, a best-seller in Europe, is to be published here in October by the Souvenir Press. It was serialised in the popular UK. SUNDAY MIRROR paper starting on 1st June. Similar material can be found in the books of Le Poer Trench, Drake, Hunt Williamson, Velikovsky and others.

Extracts from UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS by Robert Chapman, science correspondent of the SUNDAY EXPRESS appeared in this paper on 13th and 20th April 1969. Despite the price of 30/Od the book sold out of its first binding in a few weeks. (see book reviews)

F.S.R.'s special "BEYOND CONDON" NORTH AMERICAN REPORT delayed publication of the May-June 1969 issue of the REVIEW, much to the annoyance of the editor, Charles Bowen, as both were being type-set by the same printing works.

A U.K. edition of MYSTERIES OF THE SKIES, UFOS IN PERSPECTIVE by Gordon Lore, assistant director of NICAP, Washington, is scheduled for publication by Robert Hale Limited in the autumn this year.

T. M. Wright, U.S. author of THE INTELLIGENT MAN'S GUIDE TO FLYING SAUCERS has been commissioned by A.S.Barnes and Company of New Jersey to prepare THE COMPLETE PHOTOGRAPHIC HISTORY OF FLYING SAUCERS.

PUBLICATIONS CARRYING ARTICLES OF INTEREST

- FATE (USA) February 1969 "UFOs over Ithica, N.Y!"
- FATE (USA) March 1969 A look at physical evidence.
- FATE (UK) April 1969 No.174. "What the Paper's Say" by Curtis Fuller. Editorial inc. UFO news, (Loch) Nessie, a sasquatch sighting, and The Society for the Investigation of the Unexplained - Ivan Sanderson, director, etc. "Scientists Speak Out on UFOs," 11-page report on the Congressional Symposium on UFOs held on 29 July 1968, by Curtis Fuller.
- FATE (UK) May 1969 No.175. "Scientists Speak Out on UFOs," 11-page report on the Congressional Symposium, continued from previous issue, compiled by Richard Saunders and Curtis Fuller.
- FATE (UK) June 1969 No.176. "UFOs Over Ithaca" by T. M. Wright, 7-page article on the flap in New York state, including Rita Malley's strange experience.
- Harvard Lampoon 1968 Vol.158 No.4, Special Parody Parody of LIFE Issue. 4-page colour photographic parody on flying saucers.
- ILLUSTRATED LONDON NEWS 8 February 1969 No.6758. "Martyrs Of The Sixties". Four articles by Leonie Grayeff on The Flat Earth Society, The British UFO Research Association, The Theosophical Society and The Spiritu- list Association. BUFORA appears to have come off best with a favourable write-up, and mentions SK's M'g. Editor.
- JE SAIS TOUT April 1969 No.2. (French general know- ledge cartoons in colour) "Soucoupes Volantes: Mythe ou Realite?" Two pages on Arnold, Mantell, Arnhem UFO in 1967 and flying cross over Devon 1967, etc.
- MEN (USA) January 1969 Vol.18 No.1. "Have UFOs Declared War On Us?" by David Lloyd, 3-pages with sensational-type photos.
- MALE (USA) March 1969. "Mysterious Meteors."
- MALE (USA) April 1969. Article on CIA and UFOs.
- SAGA (USA) February 1969. The physical evidence.
- SCIENCE JOURNAL May 1969. "The Last Word on Flying Saucers" by Dr. Christopher Evans of the National Physical Laboratory, Ted- dington, 2-p. review of Condon Report.
- TIME 17 January 1969, Vol.3 No.3. Science Section: one-page review of the Condon Report with sample photographs.
- FATE (UK) July 1969 No.177. An out of date editorial by Curtis Fuller discusses the Condon Report. "UFO in California" 4-page story of a multiple sighting by APRO Director, Coral Lorenzen.
- SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN April 1969 Vol.220 No.4. One-page review of the Condon Report by Philip Morrison. (a trifle naive perhaps?)

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Meeting organisers are invited to submit details of firm dates for inclusion in SPACELINK. SK would particularly like to have details of major conferences or conventions in any country, and especially Australia, Europe and the North-American Continent, where circulation is strong.

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# Reference Section

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| GUILDFORD          | Tuesday                                                                                                                                                                                           | 22 July 1969 | 8 pm.  | SIGAP.                 | Investigators Training Evening. Canteen, Plastics Coating Company, The By-pass, Guildford, Surrey.                                                                                |
| LONDON             | Tuesday                                                                                                                                                                                           | 29 July      | 7 pm.  | CONTACT (APUFORC)      | Talk by Carol Halford-Watkins, editor of Canada's TOPSIDE. Caxton Hall, Caxton Street, London S.W.1. (Supported by SK)                                                            |
| TORBAY             | Monday                                                                                                                                                                                            | 4 August     | 8 pm.  | SWUFOS.                | Lecture. (Details from: Richard Farrow, 95 Winner Street, Paignton, South Devon.)                                                                                                 |
| WATFORD            | Tuesday                                                                                                                                                                                           | 12 August    | 8 pm.  | SHUFOIS.               | Meeting. British Railwaymens Welfare Centre, St. Albans Road, Watford, Hertfordshire.                                                                                             |
| WOBURN ABBEY       | Sunday                                                                                                                                                                                            | 17 August    | 11 am. | ISTRG.                 | National Space and UFO Convention, Woburn Abbey, Bedfordshire. (Details from: Mike Parry, 149 Stewart Road, London E.15.)                                                         |
| TORBAY             | Thursday                                                                                                                                                                                          | 21 August    | 8 pm.  | SWUFOS.                | Brains Trust. (Details from Richard Farrow - as above.)                                                                                                                           |
| WAKEFIELD          | Saturday                                                                                                                                                                                          | 6 September  | 2 pm.  | BUFORA HALIFAX BRANCH. | Northern Region Conference, Cesars Wakefield Hotel, Queen Street, Wakefield, Yorkshire. (Details from: Trevor Whitaker, 253 Huddersfield Road, Halifax.) Guest speaker: C.M.Cade. |
| LONDON             | Saturday                                                                                                                                                                                          | 6 September  | 7 pm.  | CONTACT                | Meeting. Caxton Hall, Caxton Street, London, S.W.1.                                                                                                                               |
| TORBAY             | Saturday                                                                                                                                                                                          | 6 September  | 7.45   | SWUFOS.                | Sky-Watch. (Details from Richard Farrow - as above.)                                                                                                                              |
| TORBAY             | Monday                                                                                                                                                                                            | 8 September  | 8 pm.  | SWUFOS.                | Lecture. (Details from Richard Farrow - as above.)                                                                                                                                |
| WATFORD            | Tuesday                                                                                                                                                                                           | 9 September  | 8 pm.  | SHUFOIS.               | Meeting. British Railwaymens Welfare Centre - as above.                                                                                                                           |
| GUILDFORD          | Tuesday                                                                                                                                                                                           | 9 September  | 8 pm.  | SIGAP.                 | "Moon News" by Ron Toft. Plastics Coating Company-as above                                                                                                                        |
| MANCHESTER         | Friday                                                                                                                                                                                            | 12 September | 7.30   | DIGAP.                 | Meeting. Friends Meeting House, Mount Street, Manchester.                                                                                                                         |
| LONDON             | Saturday                                                                                                                                                                                          | 13 September | 7 pm.  | BUFORA.                | Lecture. Kensington Central Library, Campden Hill Rd, W8.                                                                                                                         |
| TORBAY             | Thursday                                                                                                                                                                                          | 18 September | 8 pm.  | SWUFOS.                | Party/Dance. (Details from Richard Farrow - as above.)                                                                                                                            |
| LONDON             | Saturday                                                                                                                                                                                          | 27 September | 7 pm.  | COSMOS.                | Inaugural meeting-members only. Kensington Central Library                                                                                                                        |
| SHEFFIELD          |                                                                                                                                                                                                   | October      |        | FSFIS.                 | "Guest speaker, tapes, slides etc." (Details from: Christopher Rose, 8 Findon Place, Wisewood, Sheffield 6.)                                                                      |
| LONDON             | Saturday                                                                                                                                                                                          | 4 October    | 6 pm.  | BUFORA.                | A.G.M. (Members only) followed by open meeting at 8 p.m. Kensington Central Library, Campden Hill Road, London W.8.                                                               |
| LONDON             | Saturday                                                                                                                                                                                          | 4 October    | 7 pm.  | CONTACT                | Meeting. Caxton Hall, Caxton Street, London S.W.1.                                                                                                                                |
| GUILDFORD          | Tuesday                                                                                                                                                                                           | 7 October    | 8 pm.  | SIGAP.                 | Film evening. Plastics Coating Company - as above.                                                                                                                                |
| MANCHESTER         | Friday                                                                                                                                                                                            | 10 October   | 7.30   | DIGAP.                 | Meeting. Friends Meeting House, Mount Street, Manchester.                                                                                                                         |
| WATFORD            | Tuesday                                                                                                                                                                                           | 14 October   | 8 pm.  | SHUFOIS.               | Meeting. British Railwaymens Welfare Centre - as above.                                                                                                                           |
| LONDON             | Saturday                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1 November   | 7 pm.  | COSMOS.                | Meeting. Kensington Central Library, Campden Hill Road.                                                                                                                           |
| LONDON             | Saturday                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1 November   | 7 pm.  | CONTACT                | Meeting. Caxton Hall, Caxton Street, London, S.W.1.                                                                                                                               |
| LONDON             | Saturday                                                                                                                                                                                          | 8 November   | 7 pm.  | BUFORA.                | Meeting. Kensington Central Library, Campden Hill Road.                                                                                                                           |
| WATFORD            | Tuesday                                                                                                                                                                                           | 11 November  | 8 pm.  | SHUFOIS.               | Meeting. British Railwaymens Welfare Centre - as above.                                                                                                                           |
| MANCHESTER         | Friday                                                                                                                                                                                            | 14 November  | 7.30   | DIGAP.                 | Meeting. Friends Meeting House, Mount Street, Manchester.                                                                                                                         |
| LONDON             | Saturday                                                                                                                                                                                          | 29 November  | 7 pm.  | COSMOS.                | Meeting. Kensington Central Library, Campden Hill Road.                                                                                                                           |
| LONDON             | Saturday                                                                                                                                                                                          | 6 December   | 7 pm.  | BUFORA.                | Meeting. Kensington Central Library, Campden Hill Road.                                                                                                                           |
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| WATFORD            | Tuesday                                                                                                                                                                                           | 9 December   | 8 pm.  | SHUFOIS.               | Meeting. British Railwaymens Welfare Centre - as above.                                                                                                                           |
| MANCHESTER         | Friday                                                                                                                                                                                            | 12 December  | 7.30   | DIGAP.                 | A.G.M. Friends Meeting House, Mount Street, Manchester.                                                                                                                           |
| LONDON             | Thursday                                                                                                                                                                                          | 25 December  | 1969   | SPACELINK              | wishes readers a Happy Christmas away from those UFOs.                                                                                                                            |
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| LONDON             | Saturday                                                                                                                                                                                          | 3 January    | 7 pm.  | COSMOS.                | Lecture by Philip Rogers. Kensington Central Library, W.8.                                                                                                                        |
| LONDON             | Saturday                                                                                                                                                                                          | 10 January   | 7 pm.  | BUFORA.                | Meeting. Kensington Central Library, Campden Hill Road.                                                                                                                           |
| LONDON             | Saturday                                                                                                                                                                                          | 31 January   | 7 pm.  | COSMOS.                | Meeting. Kensington Central Library, Campden Hill Road.                                                                                                                           |
| LONDON             | Saturday                                                                                                                                                                                          | 7 February   | 7 pm.  | BUFORA.                | Meeting. Kensington Central Library, Campden Hill Road.                                                                                                                           |
| LONDON             | Saturday                                                                                                                                                                                          | 28 February  | 7 pm.  | COSMOS.                | Talk by Arthur Shuttlewood. Kensington Central Library.                                                                                                                           |
| LONDON             | Saturday                                                                                                                                                                                          | 7 March      | 7 pm.  | BUFORA.                | Meeting. Kensington Central Library, Campden Hill Road.                                                                                                                           |
| LONDON             | Saturday                                                                                                                                                                                          | 21 March     | 7 pm.  | COSMOS.                | Meeting. Kensington Central Library, Campden Hill Road.                                                                                                                           |
| LONDON             | Saturday                                                                                                                                                                                          | 4 April      | 7 pm.  | BUFORA.                | Meeting. Kensington Central Library, Campden Hill Road.                                                                                                                           |
| LONDON             | Saturday                                                                                                                                                                                          | 25 April     | 7 pm.  | COSMOS.                | Lecture by Raymond Drake. Kensington Central Library.                                                                                                                             |
|                    | Saturday/Sunday                                                                                                                                                                                   | 27/28 June   | 1970.  | BUFORA.                | National Sky-Watch Day. (Overseas co-operation invited.)                                                                                                                          |
| <u>SCOTLAND</u>    | For details of meetings write to: Duncan Hogg (GUFORS), 13 Barnflat Street, Rutherglen, Glasgow. (and enclose an S.A.E.) and: Miss Sheila Walker (SUFORS), 69 Northumberland Street, Edinburgh 3. |              |        |                        |                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <u>SYDNEY 1969</u> | Tuesday                                                                                                                                                                                           | 5 August     | 8 pm.  | UFOIC.                 | Meeting. Adyar Hall.                                                                                                                                                              |
| <u>Australia</u>   | Tuesday                                                                                                                                                                                           | 7 October    | 8 pm.  | UFOIC.                 | Meeting. Adyar Hall.                                                                                                                                                              |
|                    | Friday                                                                                                                                                                                            | 7 November   | 7.45   | UFOIC.                 | Social at Dr. and Mrs. Lindtner's residence.                                                                                                                                      |
|                    | Tuesday                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2 December   | 8 pm.  | UFOIC.                 | A.G.M. Adyar Hall.                                                                                                                                                                |
|                    | Saturday                                                                                                                                                                                          | 20 December  | 7.45   | UFOIC.                 | Party and Barbecue at Dr. and Mrs. Lindtner's residence.                                                                                                                          |

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**JULY AND AUGUST** For 'business' reasons Julius Caesar decided to remove a few excess feast days from the Roman calendar and introduced the 365 day Julian calendar in 46 B.C., for which he was rewarded posthumously by having the seventh month renamed after him. A few years later the Emperor Augustus felt the need to be trendy, so the eighth month was named after him. Unfortunately July had one more day than August, so he stole a day from February to even up the length.

**ANNE ALLEN** writing in the SUNDAY MIRROR newspaper tells of a 3-year-old child in the U.S.A. who began to grow breasts and menstruate. The terrified parents took her to the family doctor. He discovered with difficulty that the little girl had been eating "fingers-full" of her granny's wrinkle-removing hormone cream. Once stopped her body returned to the normal shape for a three-year-old. (And what one wonders would an overdose of hormone cream do for a 40-year-old girl?) But did Anne Allen know that the Roman writer Gaius Plinius Secundus (Pliny the Elder) (circa 23-79 AD.) tells of a child called Eutimenius who was sexually mature at the age of three years, presumably without the help of hormone cream?

**BABOON-MAN** In Mozambique a child was carried off after his mother died when he was born. He spent 18 years in the jungle and became as agile as the baboons, swinging rapidly from tree to tree. When caught he fought back viciously, but now villagers are teaching him to speak, so he will be able to tell the story of his strange life.

**ECHO 2** the second giant balloon satellite, 135 feet in diameter, launched in January 1964 for 'bouncing' radio waves across continents, re-entered the atmosphere at about 18.20 universal time on 7th June, north of the Sea of Okhotsk, Siberia. No visual reports of the re-entry are available. ECHO 1 re-entered on 24th May 1968 over the Pacific Ocean, and these two enormous balloons were responsible for numerous UFO sightings amongst inexperienced observers.

**NAKED MEN** An A.P. story in May from Trujillo, Peru, tells of burglars working without clothes. While nearly every home in Peru has a dog, thieves found that the dogs were so surprised when confronted with a naked man that they could not even bring themselves to bark.

**NEANDERTHAL MAN LIVES?** Biologist Ivan Sanderson and famous anthropologists have been investigating a strange ape-like creature frozen in a block of ice which has been trundled around the U.S.A. by a showman called Frank Hansen. Mr. Hansen claimed it had been found floating in a block of ice in the Bering Straits and was purchased in Hong Kong. The creature was 6 feet tall, with a wax-like white skin, which was covered all over with brown hair. It has a short neck, barrel-shaped torso, huge hands 7 inches across and long arms. Its big toe appeared fixed like a human toe, unlike an ape toe which moves like a thumb, but the feet were not those of modern man. A gaping hole in the left eye suggested the creature had been recently shot with a high calibre rifle and the back of its head was shattered, Mr. Hansen confirmed. The F.B.I. was notified. Could it be a fake or human freak? Dr. Bernard Heuvelmans, the Belgian zoologist thinks not, due to its unusual combination of characteristics. This leaves the possibility that it is one of a race of neanderthal-type men still living today in some remote region, perhaps the Caucasus or even the remoter areas of Northern California. The real owner of the creature (not Hansen) is alleged to have gone to great lengths to ascertain what it was, and even greater lengths to hide all trace of its origin, when scientists made enquiries. Did he have something to hide, or was he merely titillating curiosity prior to naming the sale price?

**NESSIE** Like you we are following closely the much publicised arrival of Dan Taylor and his yellow submarine at Loch Ness. The 20 foot sub. holds two and will be equipped with sonic devices, radio-cameras and searchlights, plus a special humane harpoon for slicing off a tiny piece of the monster's flesh. The sub. can dive to 1,000 feet but the Loch is only 750 feet. The project is sponsored by the World Book Encyclopaedia of Chicago.

**PRINCE PHILIP** apparently retains his interest in UFOs, and has acquired a copy of the Condon Report (reported in The SUN 26.3.69.) This detail was related by Reginald Jones, who used to be Director of Intelligence at the Air Ministry and although an appendix by him appears in the Report, he is still "not convinced." We also learn that Lord Mountbatten of Burma retains his interest in UFOs.

**RED RAIN** Catherine Stevenson of the British Meteorological Office estimates that about a million tons of Sahara sand fell on England and Wales on July 1st, 1968, the day that people came out in the morning to find their cars had become pink overnight. The cause of the coloured rain was a sandstorm (seen by one of the weather satellites) in the flood plains of the river Niger, which lifted sand to 10,000 - 17,000 feet and carried it to Britain. A violent storm which accompanied the rain produced hailstones the size of cobblestones in places.

**SKY-WATCH DAY PUBLICITY** Edgar Hatvany had a spot on the BBC. sound radio "Late-night Extra" programme on Friday 27th June, in time for the BUFORA National Sky-Watch Day the following night, 28/29th June.

## Books For Sale LIST FOR AUGUST/SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER, 1969

### Books by Scientists

- ANATOMY OF A PHENOMENON by Jacques Vallee. Using factual data, an astronomer and mathematician thoroughly scrutinises all aspects of flying saucers. (Recommended) 26/6d
- CHALLENGE TO SCIENCE by Jacques and Janine Vallee; Foreward by Dr. J. Allen Hynek. Formidable evidence of the global nature of the UFO manifestation. (Recommended) 26/6d
- OTHER WORLDS THAN OURS by Cecil Maxwell Cade. Cosmic evolution, space probes, interstellar conversations, robot races, folklore & flying saucers. (Recommended) (33.85) 31/6d
- PIECE FOR A JIG-SAW by Leonard G. Cramp. The author looks at new evidence, while providing a sequel to, SPACE, GRAVITY AND THE FLYING SAUCER. Well illustrated. (33.55) 29/0d
- SCIENTIFIC STUDY OF UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS The Colorado University Study led by Dr. Edward Condon. 990 pages plus 32 pages of photographs. Essential data. \*14/0d
- UFOs? YES! by David Saunders & Roger Harkins. Where the Condon Report went wrong. \*9/0d
- UNINVITED VISITORS by Ivan T. Sanderson. A biologist looks at UFOs. (Recommended) 31/6d

### Recommended Paperbacks

\*Paperbacks

- FLYING SAUCER OCCUPANTS by Coral Lorenzen. Down-to-earth survey of contact reports. 8/0d
- FLYING SAUCER READER Edited by Jay David. A good handy reference for most aspects. 8/0d
- FLYING SAUCERS ARE HOSTILE by Brad Steiger & Joan Whritenour. Good material. Illus'd. 5/6d
- FLYING SAUCERS, HERE AND NOW by Frank Edwards. His final book with new data. Photos. 5/6d
- FLYING SAUCERS, HOAX OR REALITY? by Jerome Stanton. Good, non-sensational material. 5/6d
- FLYING SAUCERS ON THE ATTACK by Harold T. Wilkins. 1954. Up-dated for 1967. Excellent. 8/0d
- FLYING SAUCERS OVER AUSTRALIA by James Hollidge. 1965. (slightly creased) Illus'd. 5/0d
- FLYING SAUCERS, SERIOUS BUSINESS by Frank Alan Edwards. The hard facts about UFOs. 5/6d
- F.S. STARTLING EVIDENCE OF THE INVASION Etc. (GREAT F.S. HOAX) by Coral Lorenzen. Good! 8/0d
- FLYING SAUCERS, WHERE DO THEY COME FROM? by Richard Tambling. Australian. Illus'd. 6/6d
- SCIENCE THE PUBLIC AND THE UFO by Arthur Bray. A philosophical study. Canadian. Good. 25/0d
- STRANGERS FROM THE SKIES by Brad Steiger. Varied world-wide introductory material. 4/3d
- UFO REPORT by Irving A. Greenfield. 1967. Mainly U.S. material. Sensible, interesting. 3/6d
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- WHAT WE REALLY KNOW ABOUT FLYING SAUCERS by Otto Binder. (Science writer) 24 photos. 8/0d

### Other Paperbacks

- COMING OF THE SAUCERS by Kenneth Arnold and Ray Palmer. 40+ photos. Early book-1952. 23/0d
- FLYING SAUCERS OVER THE WEST by A.W. Bearn. 24-page booklet; U.K. sightings 1950-55. 3/9d
- FLYING SAUCERS, PHYSICAL & SPIRITUAL ASPECTS by Georg Unger. UFOs and Rudolf Steiner. 6/6d
- INSIDE THE FLYING SAUCERS (INSIDE SPACE SHIPS) by G. Adamski. No Photos. His 2nd book. 5/6d
- BEHIND THE FLYING SAUCER MYSTERY (F.S. FAREWELL) by George Adamski. His 3rd book. 5/6d
- NEW UFO BREAKTHROUGH - ALLENDE LETTERS by B. Steiger & J. Whritenour. Serious fringe? 4/3d

### General Background Reading (Casebound editions)

- BIBLE AND FLYING SAUCERS by Barry H. Downing. Space age approach to past material. 36/6d
- FLYING SAUCERS AND THE U.S.A.F. by Lt. Col. L. J. Tacker. Official story and documents. 65/0d
- FLYING SAUCER STORY by Brinsley Le Poer Trench. A popular introduction; illustrated. 26/6d
- FLYING SAUCERS THROUGH THE AGES by Paul Thomas. UFOs in the Bible and in history. 26/6d
- FLYING SAUCER VISION by John Michell. Saucers in relation to history and mythology. 22/6d
- IDENTIFIED FLYING SAUCERS by Robert Loftin. 1860 to present with new material. Illus. 52/0d
- INCIDENT AT EXETER by John G. Fuller. In-depth study of US. flap plus other material. 52/0d
- INTELLIGENT MAN'S GUIDE TO FLYING SAUCERS by T. M. Wright. Introductory material. 43/6d
- RIDDLE OF THE FLYING SAUCERS by Gerald Heard. The first UK. flying saucer book-1950. 14/0d
- SPACEMEN IN THE ANCIENT EAST W. Raymond Drake. UFOs in mythology. Unillustrated. 31/6d
- UFOs FOR THE MILLIONS by Howard Chambers. 158ps. Wide-ranging introductory material. 16/0d
- WARMINSTER MYSTERY by Arthur Shuttlewood. U.K. saucer activity in the West Country. 26/6d
- WARNINGS FROM FLYING FRIENDS by Arthur Shuttlewood. Fringe material from Warminster. 28/6d

- For Children** FLYING SAUCERS AND OUTER SPACE by Mollie Bowen. 45 pages, colour drawings. 7/6d

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- FLYING SAUCERS AND THE THREE MEN by Albert K. Bender. "Those three men in black." 22/0d
- FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED by D. Leslie and G. Adamski. Up-dated edition due end 1969 (26/6d)
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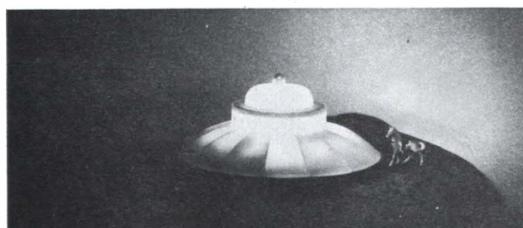
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Enlargement of Saturn-shaped image. While acknowledging grateful thanks to SKANDINAVISK UFO INFORMATION for supplying prints, we humbly remark that their photographic research department seems a little short of sighting dates, which we consider important.

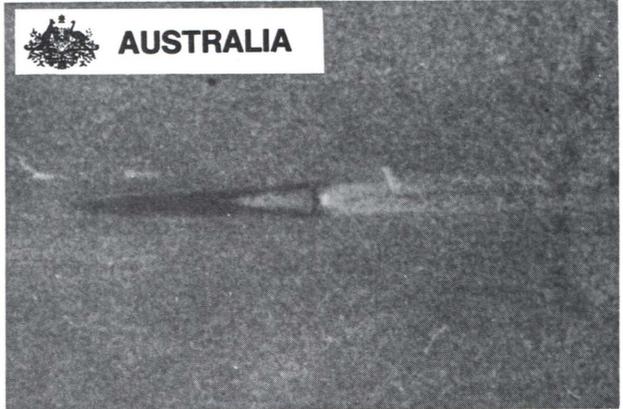


NORWAY



This photograph of a Saturn-shaped UFO was taken some time ago in Norway. The photographer didn't notice the object when taking the picture. Although SUFOI feel that this is a photograph of a genuine UFO, we are not so sure, and think that it may be some kind of lens flare, caused by the position of the sun in relation to the photographer. Some clues may be obtained from the facial and other shadows. Readers' comments would be welcomed. The original photo is in colour.

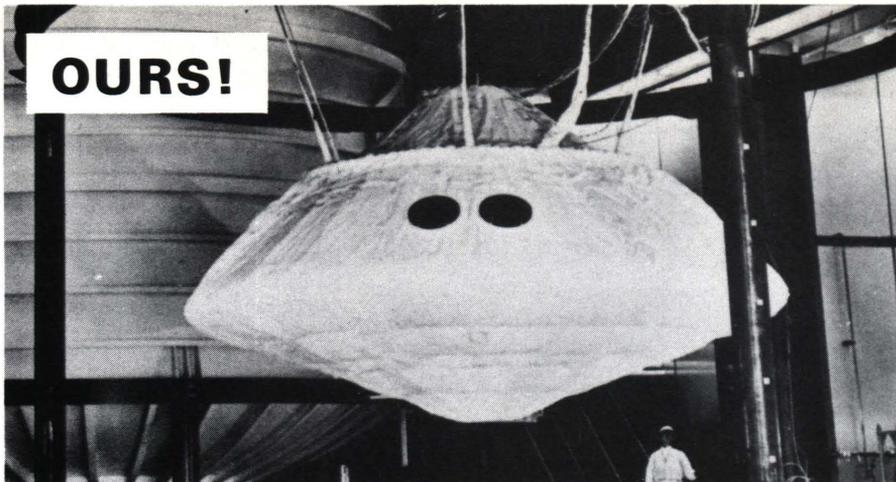
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During a dark September night a saucer peregrinates over California with its beryl holophote transmitting pantographic and seismic data back to its trans-solar carrier. Then it hovers and descends slowly and susurrantly on to the mesa floor below, with its bio-cabin illuminated internally, and a visage is visable behind a round fenestella. Finally it alights on a low butte. Nearby, an appaloosa gelding is seized with neurasthenia as its pupils dilate with terror. Slowly a circuitous pulsing glow builds up around the main flange of the craft. The gelding becomes mesmerised and somnambulates towards the saucer. THEY are doing something to the animal.... Alleviation...the miasmal illusion gradually dissipates. In its place remains a glowing model, made by our proof-reader, Charles Elrick. Although earth-bound, his saucer has a unique symphony of scintillating and revolving colours which have fascinated all who have seen it.

This rocket-like object was photographed in Australia by K. S. McKern at 5 p.m. on 10th May 1968. The object rose out of the water off Coogee Beach, (New South Wales) rotated 360 degrees, inclined and shot off to the north. The photograph was taken with a cheap camera (Click - Japanese), Panchromatic 11 mm. film, exposure 25th second maximum. The negative has been examined by the photographers of several newspapers, who say that there is probably something there. The object has been enlarged many times, and the background is sky.

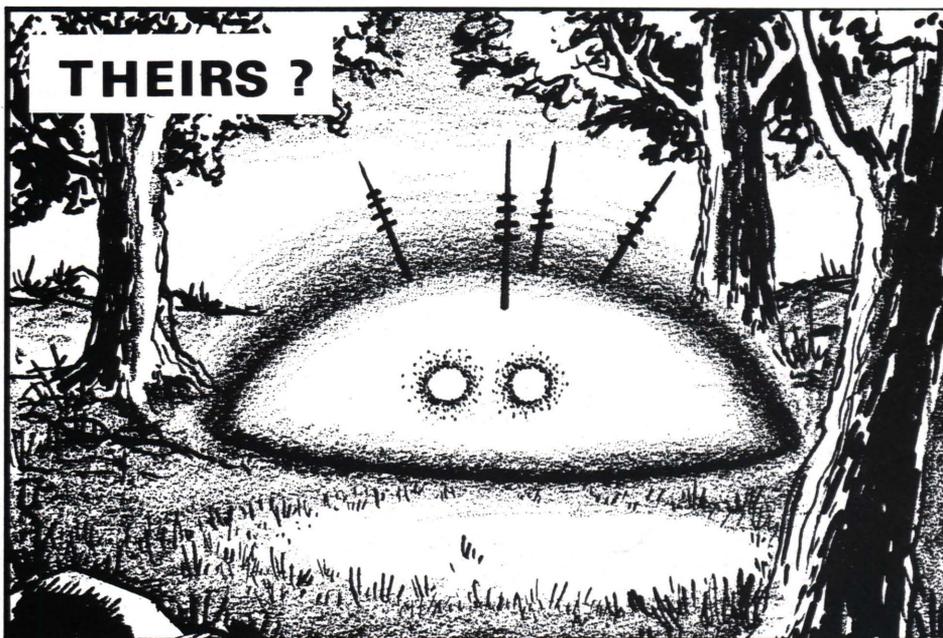
Photo Credit: K. S. McKern of A.P.I.C., Australia.



**OURS!**

The above shows a prototype of a spacecraft that may one day land on the surface of Mars, being prepared for testing at Martin Marietta's space simulation laboratory in Colorado. Also made by Martin Marietta was the test vehicle for NASA's Mars landing Voyager Programme, featured in the last issue of SPACELINK. This capsule (called Specs) is designed to carry an instrumented laboratory to search for life forms and gather information on the Martian surface. The two portholes resembling eyes are bio-vents to help maintain a sterile atmosphere inside, while avoiding pressure differentials. The white covering is a thermal blanket, designed to help insulate the interior from the temperature extremes encountered in interplanetary travel. **MARS PROBE**  
Photo credit: U.S. Information Service

The drawing below is of a UFO which landed in Argentina on 22 September 1967. At 9.30 pm, Mrs Catalina Salvarezza de Calamante, of El Colorado Villa Constitucion, and two field workers sighted a strange object which lit up the surrounding land as though it were daylight. It was described as sphere-shaped with four antennae protruding from it. Although the light from the UFO was very bright, the witness could see two orange lights in the middle of the object. A strong sulphur smell was also noticed, and a transistor radio stopped playing when in the vicinity of the object. Investigators found evidence of great heat where the object had settled, indicated by several burnt areas. The Argentine Army has not released any information on their search for radioactivity. Drawing by Hal Crawford reproduced from UFO ANALYSIS REPORT, by kind permission of the International UFO Bureau, 4305 N. Miller Blvd., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73112, U.S.A. Research credit: Guillermo Aldunati, A.O.A. International, Argentina.



**THEIRS ?**