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ALIEN CRAFT LANDS IN WICHITA, KANSAS--A blinding silver-white alien craft hovered over Wichita, Kansas on September 14 and settled down into a field of sunflowers. This report was given to Wichita police by an 11-year-old boy, one of at least six persons who saw the craft. The alien craft, about the size of a car, appeared in the sky over a sand pit and sunflower field. Mike Farris reported that he and a group of friends were near the field when they saw what they thought was a falling star. "Then it stopped," Mike said, "and I thought it was a street light until it began falling again. It would get so bright you couldn't look at it, then it would fade, then become bright again," he said. The boy said the craft landed near trees across the sunflower field. "It started turning yellow, then green, then back to yellow and kept changing those colors back and forth," Mike said. There were windows, wide in the middle and tapering down on the ends, he added. The lights seemed to revolve through these windows, he said. "And there was a bubble on top." Mike told his story to J.E. Middleton, his school principal. Middleton asked what time the boys had spotted the craft, then said that he, too, had seen a strange light in the sky at 8:15 p.m. "I was getting ready to go bowling," Middleton said, "and I was in the pickup waiting on my wife to come out when I saw this white light in the sky. It kept wiggling back and forth. I lined it up with a spot of dirt on the windshield and it kept moving from one side of the spot to the other. I watched it for two or three minutes." After the boys had seen the craft, they ran into the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Woods. Mrs. Woods said that Mike and her sons, Randy, 13; Rusty, 9 and Mike's brother, Lyn, 10, came in "looking white as sheets and scared. They told me what they had seen and I looked and saw the yellow and green lights. I wouldn't let them climb over the fence and go look where it had landed," she said. "The boys were scared," she said again. "They wouldn't go to sleep without the lights on."

GIRLS SEE UFO GLOW; ODDLY-SHAPED BEINGS--September UFO sightings are getting thicker than August blackberries in Northwestern Connecticut. The latest is an elliptical glow and oddly-shaped beings that cowered by its light spotted near a Winstead barn on September 15. But they scattered like the wind when car headlights approached. Strangely too, the weird light on a nearby bluff went out as the car approached the rural barn and the dark figures took to fields as though running on earthly legs. The latest in a series of area UFO sightings got under way about 9 p.m. when two 14-year-old girls looked out a second story bedroom window of a country home. "We saw a bright light over that tall tree in the distance," said one, "it was bright, it looked as big as a Volkswagen." The light was several hundred yards away and "went from white to red and back to white, dancing up and down and about." In the house alone, the girls watched in awe as the light bobbed in a weird dance. Then, they heard noises in a barn about 50 feet from the house and a sound like a lawn mower engine trying to start. "Then it looked like they came out of the

barn," said the girl. There were three figures, about five feet tall, but the girls only saw two at first, "standing beside a mail box." The strange light still shimmered and glowed on the distant hill. The figures beside the mailbox were dark and "looked like the same shape all over." There were no distinguishing lines between top or bottom but they seemed to be straight from toes, if any, to head. What the beings were about to do by the mail box may never be known, because at that time a car approached around a nearby curve and the things made a wild dash for cover. "They went real quick," said a girl, "that's when we saw the third one. As they ran, the light on the hill went out." The trio hot-footed it through a field between the house and barn then into thick brush behind the barn and into oblivion. The girls watched and about 20 minutes later the distant light glowed again beside a tall tree. It dimmed to about the size of the moon by the time one girl's mother returned home. She watched the light for a time, but all went to bed before its glow stopped. A check of the hill showed no signs of a landing.

JET PURSUES ALIEN CRAFT--Two teenagers told of seeing a jet chase a red glowing craft across the skies of northwest Oklahoma City, Oklahoma on August 21. Kerry Liesch, 18, says he and a friend, Craig Flannigan, 16, were sleeping outdoors when they saw the incident. He said the sighting was at 1:45 a.m. Liesch said he first noticed the jet. After watching the plane a short time he then saw the alien craft move ahead of the jet. The craft remained a short distance in front of the jet for a few seconds and then in a burst of speed shot out of sight, leaving the plane behind.

ALIEN CRAFT TRAILS JET--At least three persons, including two news service officials, reported sighting an alien craft behind a big Air Force jet over Detroit, Michigan the night of August 31. Frank W. Beatty, business manager of United Press International's central division, and Robert Hendrick, Midwest division manager of Newspaper Enterprise Association, said they saw a "bright object" in the vapor trail of the plane. They thought it was a bright star or weather balloon until they noticed it kept up with the jet. "It appeared to slow down at one point, but then it caught up with the jet and continued following it out of sight," Beatty said. Carolyn Suttle also saw the craft, which she described as white "with lots of blinking lights." In view about three minutes, it stopped completely for a moment then sped away after the plane.

TEMPERATURE INCREASES AS ALIENS MAKE CLOSE APPROACH--"I knew it was above us by the way the solid shafts of its glow slanted down around my car. Perhaps 10 seconds passed before the heat (the temperature must have risen 30 to 40 degrees) forced me to pull away. My girl friend looked back and said it followed us for a few yards, stopped, and then just hovered there." Thus ran the account of LAC Joe Herbert, 20, of the Rivers Air Force Base, of his August 28 encounter with an alien craft in the Rivers, Manitoba, Canada gravel pits. The CFB Rivers administrative officer said that, in accordance with routine military procedure, Herbert's car was impounded pending examination by scientific personnel summoned from Winnipeg. Findings from this investigation indicated no evidence of either extreme heat or radiation on the car and a complete medical performed on its occupants found nothing abnormal. A number of events occurred in the Rivers vicinity at approximately the time of Mr. Herbert's experience, which base officials concede can neither be proven nor disproven. Mr. Herbert complained of having a 12-hour headache

following the incident. A violent aerial explosion was heard and felt by residents of the base shortly after LAC Herbert returned to headquarters with his story. According to witnesses the blast shook barracks and hangers. The Air Force had no explanation for this but did attribute certain radar disturbances of that night to what could have been a large meteor.

MAN CLAIMS TO BE ALIEN VISITOR--"I am not from your universe, I cannot read, but mention any book in any library and I will be able to tell you its contents," he said. This was just a portion of a conversation between a man judged to be about 35-years-old and Mrs. Charles Blundell, Alamosa, Colorado area resident at the Great Sand Dunes National Monument, near Alamosa. The man visited Mrs. Blundell in about mid-June at Pine Cove Inn at Chimney Rock, Colorado. He asked to see her painting of a UFO that appeared in the Valley Courier in Alamosa, May 18. Mrs. Blundell said she painted the picture from her sighting of a strange crescent-shaped light seen over the Great Sand Dunes last spring. A professional artist, her pictures are sold at Pine Cove Inn and at her home at the Sand Dunes, where her husband is a forest ranger. Mrs. Blundell said the man knew about the painting of the UFO and when she questioned him about where he had read about it, he reminded her that he could not read. He also told her that we humans were wasting much energy in all our pursuits of raising food and other pursuits in the daily struggle for life, when it could all be had so easily from the atmosphere! The man was not intoxicated, Mrs. Blundell said, but went on to add that he may have been on dope or not in his right mind, although he gave no indication of either and conducted himself in a gentlemanly manner. "I told him the UFO picture was not for sale but when I saw he really wanted it, I named a high price. He said he had no money with him but would be back some time in October to get the picture." The car in which he was traveling carried Arizona license plates. Mrs. Blundell obtained this and checking is being done to trace the license. Mrs. Blundell said also his language was that of an educated person and he talked of the UFO in scientific terms. How did he know where Mrs. Blundell was living? Why did he say he could not read but spoke in scientific terms to her? Why did he look ill????

EIGHT AT COAST GUARD STATION SEE ALIEN CRAFT--Eight British coastguardsmen watched a huge shining cone hovering over a coastal town for more than an hour. A plane flew around it, and one of the men made sketches of it. Then the strange-looking craft flew off and disappeared behind clouds. Coastguardman Brian Jenkins, 32, who made the sketches, said: "I don't know what it was, but it was unlike anything I had ever seen before--and I have been watching the coast for five years." And a spokesman for the Ministry of Defense said: "Our experts are examining the sketches, but we don't know what it was the coastguardsmen saw." Jenkins was on duty at the Coast Guard lookout point on a cliff just outside Brixham on April 28 when the cone was sighted. Down below in the Coast Guard Station were four of his colleagues, Station Commander Harry Johnson, 52; Charles Dunn, 58; Tom Sowerbutts, 45, and Max Cawse, 43. In addition, District Officer Ralph Rowland, 58, Area Inspector Arthur Shaw, 59, and the Deputy Chief Inspector of Britain's Coast Guard, Lieutenant Commander John Douglas, 48, were visiting the station on a routine inspection. All saw the cone, and all watched it through high-powered binoculars. Jenkins told how he kept watch on the cone: "I got a phone call at the lookout point at 11:25 a.m. It was from a man in the town who did not identify himself. He told me there was something in the sky and asked if I knew what it was.

I looked out of the window and saw something shining in the sky above Brixham. I had been reporting clouds at 20,000 feet, and this craft was about 5000 feet below that. The only clouds around were very sparse and scattered. None were near this craft, which stood out very clearly against a patch of blue sky. I took out the binoculars set on a tripod, which we keep at the lookout point to spot ships, and set them up outside. They're very powerful glasses that magnify an object up to 25 times its size. Through these I could see that the thing was shaped like a cone with the sharp end pointing upward. It was white and shining brightly. It seemed as if it were made of glass or highly polished metal. "Near the bottom there was a triangular-shaped opening or door with a white rim on the top that reflected a lot of sunlight. The bottom was crinkled, very white and seemed to consist of strips of metal hanging down. I phoned down to Mr. Johnson in the station and told him about it. He told me to phone the Royal Air Force headquarters at Plymouth and report it and said he would have a look at it himself. I told the RAF control room about it, describing it in detail. They said they would send a report about it to the Ministry of Defense in London. I went back to the binoculars and kept a watch on the cone--between ducking into the office to log wind direction and cloud formations.

"I took out a pad and made a sketch of the cone. It seemed to be revolving slowly, and my sketch showed how the door moved slowly around. At one time the underneath part seemed to change shape, but I think this was possibly because the cone tilted a little. With the binoculars I could see it very clearly. I have seen all sorts of weather balloons but I have never seen anything that looked like this. And the cone seemed to be of rigid construction, unlike balloons, which are gas-filled. There was a wind blowing from the northeast, but this did not affect the cone, which stayed in the same position. At about 12:30 I saw a plane--it must have been a jet, because it gave off a vapor trail--approaching the cone. The jet seemed to be an aircraft like the RAF Lightning, and from the size of this compared to the cone, I estimated the cone's size to be about 150 wide by 200 feet high. The jet circled the cone once, then flew off."

The odd cone was hovering above a point two miles from the coastguardsmen. The plane was so high that it was impossible to make out markings, but Jenkins said, "We had phoned the RAF not long before, so we assumed it was an RAF plane. I'm sure there are no private jets around that come close to looking like a modern fighter. Apart from revolving slowly the craft did not move. I watched it until 12:45 when it started moving slowly away to the northwest--at a right angle to the wind direction--and moved into a bank of clouds and disappeared. I did not see it again after this, although I kept looking out for a while. I would not hazard a guess as to what the cone was, but I definitely saw it exactly as I have described and sketched it." Johnson then said, "All of us looked at the cone through field glasses and saw the shape that Jenkins described. We have all been in the Coast Guard service for a long time--at least three years for each of us--and I have been in for 22 years. Not one of us had ever seen anything like that object before." Deputy Chief Inspector Douglas, second highest officer in Her Majesty's Coast Guard, said: "I can confirm that. At first we all thought it might be a balloon, but after watching it carefully, we decided that that was out of the question. But what it could have been, I don't know." An official log was made of the sighting. It was written as follows: "Cone-shaped object seen in sky above Brixham at 15,000 feet. Reported to RAF." Flight Lieutenant David Smith, senior RAF controller at Plymouth, who was on duty

DID ALIEN CRAFT KILL HORSE?--A three-year-old Appaloosa named Snippy met his death in a weird way recently, and the longer folks investigated, the bigger the mystery grew. Snippy was pastured at the Harry King ranch 20 miles northeast of Alamosa, in the foothills near Mt. Blanca. He came to the ranch house every evening for water and grain. Until September 7, that is. King didn't see the horse on September 8 so he went out looking for him September 9. Snippy was lying on his side in an open meadow a quarter-mile north of the ranch house. There were no marks on his body, but every shred of flesh was gone from the neck up. The skeleton of his neck and head was white, as if bleached by the sun. The rest of the carcass was intact. Rancher King went back to his house, then contacted his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Berle Lewis in Alamosa. On September 10, all three went to look at the carcass. It was the same, except a medicinal smell was present. Mrs. Lewis said the ground around the horse was damp, but there were no human or animal tracks around the animal except those made by the trio as they walked up. "We speculated that Snippy had been struck by lightning, but there were no burns or singe. The meat was pink and fresh, and wasn't dried over. Also, there was no blood running out of the carcass, and no blood on the ground nearby," Mrs. Lewis said. The flesh ended in a perfectly smooth cut around the neck. "It wasn't hacked off--it was very neat and that was what was so odd."

On September 11, the situation was explained to Alamosa County Sheriff Ben Phillips who said it must have been lightning, or else, the horse had been dead a long time to have the flesh eaten away like that. During the week, Mrs. Lewis, her curiosity aroused because this was only one of a growing number of strange incidents reported in San Luis Valley in recent months, consulted with several persons at Adams State College and with other persons and officials. A game warden said lightning, bears or lions must have killed the horse. When he was told there were no tracks in the area, he said someone must have placed an old skeleton there. Mrs. Lewis said that was not the answer, because the skeleton was still attached to the rest of Snippy. None of the persons she consulted went to see Snippy. Dr. James H. Craft, chairman of the Division of Science and Mathematics at Adams State College was one of those consulted. He advised Mrs. Lewis to take photographs of the carcass and of anything else unusual in the area.

On September 16, another group went out to the meadow on the King ranch. In the group were Mr. and Mrs. Lewis, Ernest Wellington, his daughter Miss Leona Wellington who teaches school in San Luis, and Creede school teacher Wayne Trokesky. "The horse was still lying the same way, except the bones had turned to pale pink and the smell was gone," Mrs. Lewis said. Coyotes had started eating on the rump and maggots were working in the neck area. "We investigated the surrounding area and about 100 yards southeast of the horse, we found black spots on the ground that looked like those a car exhaust would make. These were about 12 to 18 inches in diameter, and irregular in shape. About 15 of them were found in an area about 100 yards across and 50 yards wide," Mrs. Lewis said. About another 100 yards north of the carcass, in sage, chico and rabbit brush, Wellington found a spot and called us over, she said. "A three-foot-tall chico bush had been crushed to within three inches of the ground. For a 10-foot radius around the bush, the sandy ground appeared to have been smoothed out. There were no tracks." Mrs. Lewis said she picked up a "piece of flesh-colored material about the size and shape of a chicken liver" in the center of the crushed bush. "There was a small tuft of hair from the

mane or tail of the horse sticking to it. With the others standing around, I broke this glob open with a stick. A light green paste oozed out of it. There was no smell. I jerked the hair loose with my left hand, but the hair felt sticky so I dropped it immediately," she said. Lewis objected when his wife wanted to bring the fleshy glob home. He did allow her to scoop up some of the car-exhaustlike stuff into a plastic bag, and she took that home. As we started home, we found another broken bush in a three-foot circle with six to eight indentations about two inches across and several inches deep. None of us could explain why they were there," Mrs. Lewis said. As the group again walked around the carcass, they found Snippy's tracks about 20 feet southeast of the body, and it appeared the animal had jumped around in a circle. The tracks led from there to the carcass. "About 10 minutes after I dropped the horse hair tuft," Mrs. Lewis said, "the palm of my hand turned red and began burning. We drove about four miles to our cabin in the mountains, where I washed and washed with soap and water. In about an hour, the burning and the redness disappeared." Mrs. Lewis finally consulted Duane E. Martin who is a forestry aide with the U.S. Forest Service. He is qualified in radiological monitoring for Civil Defense, and had access to a new CD radiation monitoring device.

On September 23, Martin, his wife Vera and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis went out to where the carcass lay. The neck and head bones had turned black and there was "a black, oozing substance-like gelatin on the ground. It was tar black, and the bones are still this way," Mrs. Lewis reported. Martin tested for radioactivity immediately after getting out of the car, which was parked about two city blocks from the carcass. About 20 feet from the car, the needle on the device shot to the top of the scale. As he walked toward the horse the radiation level decreased. Then it increased again on the other side of the horse. By that time it was getting dark, and the group couldn't locate the three-foot crushed chico bush, so the group went to the King Ranch house. When Martin aimed the device at Mrs. Lewis' boots, he got a radiation reading. The substance in the plastic sack gave a reading of about 10. Martin said this is a moderate radiation level, but far more than should have been normally there. "Also, I tested the site about two weeks after the incident of the horse's death and undoubtedly there was considerable more radiation than I had tested sooner," Martin said. Mrs. Lewis said that Mrs. Agnes King, 87, who is sharp and alert but has poor eyesight, reported that on the afternoon Snippy probably was killed, something flew over the ranch house at rooftop level. She said she thought it probably was a plane.

Again on September 24, something flew over the King Ranch home, at about the same height. On the same day, Mr. and Mrs. O.B. Cooley said they saw a gray object emerge from the brush and shoot at terrific speed across the road, flying very low and toward the hills. This was on U.S. 160 about 15 miles east of Alamosa. Duane Martin also reported seeing very small jets zooming at terrific speed at altitudes of 75 feet or less in the area where Snippy was killed. "They didn't look like any jets I ever would expect to see. They're kind of a dark color, with maybe an olive-drab or green tint." On September 30, Frank and Sylvia Medina and their nephew went to look at Snippy's body. They reported there was a strong, medicine smell, but no decomposition odor. They found "a green, slimy substance" in two spots--one near the horse and one farther out. Mrs. Lewis said this substance had not been there when she and the others had inspected the site. On October 8 an autopsy on the 3-year-old horse revealed that its abdominal, brain and spinal cavities were empty.

Furthermore, the pathologist who performed the autopsy said, there were no signs of entrance of a cutting tool into the horse's body. The Denver pathologist and blood specialist, who wished to remain anonymous, said the absence of organs in the abdominal cavity was completely unexplainable. When the pathologist sawed into the horse's brain cavity he found it empty. "There definitely should have been a good bit of fluid in the brain cavity," the pathologist said. Most puzzling was the absence of any material in the center of the spinal column. The pathologist said he wasn't suprised by the absence of abdominal organs and brain because he had read of similar incidents in other countries. "This horse definitely was not killed by lightning," the pathologist said. The Denver pathologist remained at the Harry King Ranch the night of October 8. While there, the entire group stood on the ranch house porch and watched two alien craft pass over the house.

On October 9, Herb Roth of Denver, Colorado, a private UFO investigator on the scene in Alamosa, said, "To me the most significant thing about this whole incident is not the manner of the horse's death--mysterious as that is--but rather the large number of sightings in the valley over the past few months by so many persons." He added that people had "not been seeing just the usual moving lights in the sky. These were different." Roth said the same tar-like substance that was found under Snippy's head and neck was found under the head, neck and back of a second dead horse. The pinto's body was discovered on October 8 by a young man whose name is not known. The body was found about three miles southeast of the location where Snippy was found September 9. "Ranchers have never seen this substance in connection with a dead animal," Roth said. On October 11, more mystery was added to the Colorado case. Mrs. Lewis stated that eight men believed to be students of Adams State College, were at the site of Snippy's death early October 9 and saw a brightly lighted craft land near the horse's body. They did not investigate and their names could not be learned, although they talked to Mrs. Lewis' sister, Mrs. Howard McKinney.

On October 13, Dr. Robert O. Adams of Colorado State University's College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, said his investigation revealed nothing that could not be explained in natural terms. Dr. Adams, one of three investigators, said there was nothing extraterrestrial about Snippy's passing, He said his findings are speculative, but "there was some evidence that severe infection had been present in the right flank area. That can kill a horse in a short time." Dr. Adams also said there was evidence that the skin in front of the shoulder had been incised. This could mean, he said, that someone found Snippy down and suffering and cut the horse's throat to end the pain. Dr. Adams said the incision could have attracted birds and other predators which stripped away the flesh from the neck and head. Mrs. Berle Lewis, Snippy's owner, refused to be dissuaded. She said these findings did not explain the absence of blood on the ground, absence of tracks in the area and a strong medicinal odor in the area, which she said she noted when Snippy was found. Dr. Wallace Leary, an Alamosa veterinarian, said that Mrs. Lewis called him the morning she found the horse and described its appearance but did not ask him to come to the ranch in a professional capacity. "I have not seen the body of Snippy, but from the pictures I have seen and descriptions put forth, I do think the death is a bizarre one," Dr. Leary said. When asked if perhaps magpies--very numerous in the Valley--could have stripped the neck and head in two days or so, Dr. Leary said, "NO!" He stated that from his experience with dead animals,

he felt that it would have taken weeks to strip the bones in such a manner. He further added that magpies and other birds would not have concentrated their search for food in a circumscribed area, but would have picked different parts of the animal.

The mystery of the death of Snippy may never be solved. Whether it was caused by alien beings or earthmen probably will be debated for years to come. With what is known now scientists can only speculate. Had they known of the death sooner, before the animal was so badly decayed, well... (APRG has learned that five horses, three sheep and four cows have been reported found dead in the San Luis Valley under mysterious circumstances since the death of Snippy. Whether or not there is any connection with these and Snippy's death is not known.)

YOUTHS PHOTOGRAPH STRANGE LIGHT--What appears to be a significant UFO sighting has been photographed by two Pueblo, Colorado youths who traveled to the San Luis Valley for that purpose. Edward Boggs, 19, and Bill McFedries, 19, drove to the San Luis Valley on October 13. Complete with sleeping bags and \$8 for gas and food, they entered Alamosa about 9:30 p.m. Stopping at a local drive-in, they found it difficult to get a straight answer as to the location of the King Ranch, the site of numerous UFO sightings. People were reluctant to talk, or else made a joke of the whole UFO business, McFedries said. A carhop finally furnished the information, and the youths arrived at the ranch, 20 miles northeast of Alamosa, about 10:30 p.m. The ranch is located about a quarter mile west of the Sand Dunes road. Boggs and McFedries passed the ranch entrance by about three-quarters of a mile and turned east onto a road up the side of Mt. Blanca. From a vantage point about three-quarters of a mile up the mountain, everlooking the valley, they set their camera on a tripod and began their watch. McFedries' first entry in the log was 11 p.m. From then until 1:20 a.m. the entries reported "no sighting." At 1:20 a.m. Boggs said it was like someone turned on a light. There, out in the prairie was a brilliant, white diffused light, about the size of a penny, about 50 times larger than the dots of light made by cars. They took two photographs of it "to prove to ourselves the next day that we really saw something. The youths watched the light and its antics until 3:04 a.m. The picture was published in the Oct. 17 Pueblo Chieftain.

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