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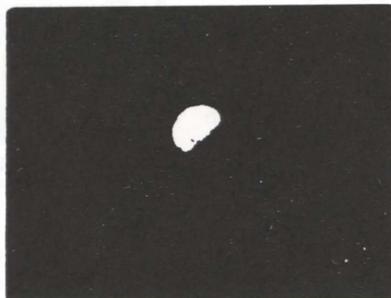
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**MYSTERY OBJECT** — By super enlarging, Lockheed's photo department salvaged this picture from tiny movie camera print. Film was taken from T-33 at extremely high altitude, but object was too distant for good picture.

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EDITORIAL

We have been overwhelmed by the praiseful response of our members regarding the June issue. We are pleased that you are satisfied with the new multilithed IAPA NEWSLETTER, but something else affecting the future of the IAPA has come into being.

It has long been noted that UFO magazines and clubs in general are plagued with financial problems. Regrettably, as a result of this many UFO groups and magazines discontinue operation after a relatively short period of existence. As a result of producing a professional looking publication, the IAPA has come precariously close to a financial disaster.

We want to have a high quality publication for our members. We want to conduct deep research into the UFO subject. But it costs money.

The total fee to have the June issue printed was enough to wipe out our entire treasury, but fortunately we will not have to pay the entire amount. The printing fee per issue came out to about 67¢ per copy. Add the postal charges and envelope cost and each copy would cost 78¢. At this rate, we would still be in debt even if we only published the Newsletter twice a year!

Because of this we are forced to make some changes in our publication schedule and in its length.

Originally we had planned to release the Newsletter monthly, then 9 times a year. Now it will appear on a bi-monthly schedule, the next issue to be released in early September. The Newsletter's length will be cut down also, as evidenced from this issue. Length will vary from 8-16 pages, with certain exceptions (for instance an anniversary edition).

As a result of this, we are also forced to be more diligent in what we publish in the IAPA NEWSLETTER. Committee reports will have preference over all other items. We continue to believe that a large number of sightings plus photographs make a good UFO magazine, so these will also be published. Next, articles. From this issue onward, only top-rate articles shall be published. Articles which cover a new facet of the UFO subject will, of course, have preference over others. Now, while these changes may seem drastic, they will actually add up to a much finer publication.

In order to offset our increased costs, a raise in the membership fee is mandantory. As of August 15, 1963, the fee will be raised from \$1.50 to \$2.00. Those members who paid \$2.00 to join earlier this year may renew in 1964 for \$1.75. We hope these changes will not distract or prevent any members from giving their support.

IAPA has absorbed CORAP, incorporating CORAP members into the IAPA. All former CORAP members have been sent notices of the change as well as when their membership expires. However, as a result of putting the Newsletter on a dockage schedule, these notices are incorrect and new ones are being sent out with this issue. We urge CORAP members whose membership expires soon to renew now, for financial reasons.

Alan Katz is now Assistant Chairman, among other things he will edit and publish the COSMIC RESEARCHER, which will provide members with an outlet for subjective material.

Once again, we urge all members to support our committee program, as this enables everyone to be active in the UFOlogy world. As we continue to grow and expand, we will need your help to accomplish our goals.

May we again extend our thanks to all the persons who have helped us with our research. And please continue!

ANNOUNCEMENTSResearch Committees-

IAPA's UFO Research Committees are at this moment starting operation. We are pleased that our members are supporting these committees and we urge every member to join at least one. The addresses of the committee directors are as follows:

Interplanetary Theory Research Committee - John L. Black, 2688 Ball Way, Sacramento 21, California.

Dimensional Theory Research Committee - Jerome Clark, P.O. Box 123, Canby, Minn.

Anti-Censorship Committee - Louis Trifon, 11 Glenwood Rd., Plainview, N.Y.

Skywatch Committee - John Nove', 69 Hobart Street, Hackensack, New Jersey.

Department of UFO Research & Evaluation - the Chairman, IAPA Headquarters.

We are having trouble getting the other committees started, but in the September issue we will announce further developments. The Department of UFO Research & Evaluation is comprised of various persons skilled in a particular area of UFO evaluation, and membership is by invitation only.

Discussion Groups & Agents

Over the years it has been noticed that many important or significant ideas have originated from small, local, UFO discussion groups. Because of their value, the IAPA has decided to sponsor several of these groups. The Discussion Group will forward to headquarters the results of their activities and discussions for possible publication. These groups may also serve by inviting the press to cover their meetings. We have started two groups to date, one in Columbus, Ohio, headed by Richard Shaeffer, and one in Madera, California, headed by Jeff Murray. Any person wishing to start such a group should contact the Chairman.

In order to get increased news coverage and to set up an investigational network, the IAPA has decided to appoint IAPA Research Agents in various areas. These Agents will investigate any UFO sightings or incidents in their area, and will be responsible for reporting them to the Agency. These Agents will differ from the usual Representatives in that they will not have to solicit memberships. Potential Agents will be notified shortly.

Membership Campaign

If we are to continue having an offsetted publication, we must have more members. It does not matter how many copies we print - 500 do not cost much more than 100 - but it does matter how much money we spend. We have no benefiiciares to support us, only membership fees. The administrative staff is willing to do most of the work, and that includes getting new members. But advertising cannot reach all interested individuals. Therefore, we ask you to help us in our membership campaign. Show the IAPA NEWSLETTER around - it's publication you may be proud of. You're part of the IAPA, a member, not a subscriber! If we do not succeed, it's back to a mimeographed bulletin.

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OPENING STATEMENTS OF THE  
INTERPLANETARY THEORY RESEARCH COMMITTEE  
DIRECTOR

by John L. Black, director ITRC

As indicated by the title, this is the initial statement, from me to you, concerning IAPA's committee to investigate the 'interplanetary theory'. I have been appointed director of this committee.

It is not my intention in writing this article to expound on my qualifications for this office. It is my intention to tell IAPA members basically what I will be doing in their name.

I will be attempting to prove or disprove that UFOs originate from outer space, and if the results are positive, where in outer space. If any IAPA member, or any other person, has information in the way of sightings, photographs, physical evidence, et cetera that they believe can prove or disprove that UFOs are of interplanetary origin, they are asked to forward it to me at the following address: John L. Black, 2688 Ball Way, Sacramento 21, California. All information will be considered confidential unless we receive your permission to publish it, which we urge you to give us.

I maintain, as head of your ITRC, to give a careful, serious, scientific study to all data reaching me, pro or con.

In a short time we will publish a preliminary summary of this committee's findings. All findings will be presented objectively, with no prejudices to any factor - moral, religious, scientific, or otherwise.

In conclusion, I would like to express the hope that with your cooperation we can make some contribution to UFOlogy. (ANY person who wishes to join this committee should contact me at the above address.)

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EVALUATION OF MAY 5th UFO SIGHTING

The UFO sighting over Glenview on May 5th occurred as follows: About 7:45 Central Daylight Time, members David Dierks, Mark Hambley, & Robert Hunt noticed an "unusually bright object" in the northwest sky (it was incorrectly reported as NE in the last issue). At 8:00 P.M. they notified the Chairman of the object's presence, as well as member Douglas Grieve. Observed thru binoculars, the object appeared as a disk with blue-white lights on its perimeter. It later changed to a roughly Saturn-shaped object. A call to the Glenview Naval Air Station confirmed that others had seen the object, and that the O'Hare Air Defense Command had been notified. The object, 40,000 feet in altitude, at first moved a little, but by 8 o'clock it was completely stationary. The Chicago Tribune was notified, but the story was not printed. As the sun set, the object grew dimmer, proving that it reflected the sun's light, as a solid material would. The Chairman has seen temperature inversions, light reflections, etc., but never did they look like this. Shortly after the object dimmed out, a jet plane was seen to fly into the area where the object was last seen, then it turned back.

A balloon would have drifted more and could be indentified by air officials, Neither was it an airplane, reflection, etc., as weather conditions were not favorable for these phenomena. Until further proof or evidence arrives, the IAPA will consider that this UFO was an unknown. The sky was cloudless and the temperature in the 50s. Binocular viewing could not uncover any surface details on the object. The object was also seen by about 20 other witnesses.

What was it?

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SAUCERS IN THE NEWS

Blenheim, New Zealand, February 4, 1963. On this date a housewife looked up into a cloudless sky and saw a silvery flying object, shining very brightly. Its size was 2 inches at arm's length. At first she could only see the underside of the object, but later it moved away and she could see the upper part and the portholes thereon. She observed it for about 3-4 minutes. Although the witness was not sure, she estimated the object's altitude at 10,000 feet or more. A drawing made by the witness shows an elongated half-moon-shaped object with a fin protruding from one end, with 5 portholes in the center. (Source: N.Z. Scientific Space Research Newsletter, March-April, via Robert J. Gribble, NICAP Reporter.)

Glendale, California, February 5, 1963. A UFO was spotted shortly before noon in the sky above Glendale. Air Defense public relations officers in Hollywood said they knew of no weather balloons in the area, although they had received several calls reporting the object. Officials said they and the Federal Aviation Agency were checking to determine what the object was. The object became lost in a cloud cover at about 11:45 A.M. Jet planes were sighted minutes after Air Defense was notified, in the same area where the object was last seen. (Source: Glendale News Press, 2/5/63. Credit: Robert J. Gribble, NICAP Reporter.)

Piove Di Sacco, Italy, February 5, 1963. Painter Mario Salmaso, 21, claims he photographed a UFO and its occupant. He said he saw a huge round luminous object in the woods and a man nearby in a plastic suit which was transparent. Salmaso did not say how his pictures came out. The Planetary Center in Dearborn, Michigan is attempting to secure copies of the photo. (Source: United Press International.)

Southeastern Minnesota, February 14, 1963. On this date a UFO was spotted over Se Minnesota. An Austin radio station said several reports were received from persons telephoning in. The Minnesota Highway Patrol also said that they had received reports of an unusual sky object. Reports indicated that the UFO came from northern Iowa and moved northeast into southwest Wisconsin before disappearing over the horizon. (Source: St. Paul Pioneer Press, 2/15/63, via Robert Gribble, NICAP.)

Carmel, California, February 14, 1963. Arthur Connel of Pebble Beach said he spotted a bright flying object over Carmel as he was out walking. He described it as having a long tail and said it appeared to be falling very rapidly. He estimated its height at 30,000 feet and its falling speed at 1200-2000 m.p.h. Connel said the object's trajectory took it out over the ocean before it disappeared. He said he did not think it was a shooting star because he had never seen one that close. (Source: Monterey Peninsula Herald, 2/15/63, via Robert Gribble, NICAP Reporter.)

Reno, Nevada, February 18, 1963. A large bright glowing object was sighted in the Reno area for almost 30 minutes today at 5:30 P.M. It was pulsating and had a red tail. Uninterested officials said it was probably a weather balloon. (Nevada State Journal, 2/19/63, via Robert J. Gribble, NICAP Reporter.)

Maiden, North Carolina, February 18, 1963. Floyd Hester and another witness said they saw UFOs high in the sky on this morning. The objects were flying at about 15,000 feet and were weaving in and out of formation at tremendous speeds. "They were not birds and were too fast for jets," said Mr. Hester. He watched them for about 30 minutes. At times they appeared motionless in the sky, then would move in a burst of speed. They left no trail of smoke.

Correspondent Jerome Clark of Canby, Minnesota, was given further information by a friend who interviewed Mr. Hester: At 2:30 P.M. Mr. Hester and his friend, a Mr. Moretz, first saw the objects. They looked metallic & were flat on top. The 2 witnesses thought they were going to collide, but they didn't. The objects disappeared behind clouds. Mr. Hester received letters from Washington about the sighting.

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Belgrade, Montana, February 22, 1963. An object described as "a strange red ball of fire" startled Bill DeHaan as he was driving home at 2:30 A.M. this morning. Telephones were disturbed and many people reported they were awakened "by something". DeHaan said the "strange red ball" shook and swayed his car when it landed about 200 feet from his car. Sheriff's officers said they could find no trace of the object after combing the area. (Source: Bozeman Mont. Daily Chronicle, 2/22/63. Credit: Robert J. Gribble, NICAP Reporter).

Nagoya, Japan, February 23, 1963. Eleven students saw a "disc" over their school as they stepped outside at 5:30 P.M. The round object, as big as a thumb at arm's length, traveled in a northeast to northwest course, and took about 5 minutes to pass over them. It threw out red beams while remaining completely silent. (Source: Mainichi Daily News, Tokyo, 2/24/63, via Robert Gribble., NICAP Reporter).

Orchard City, Colorado, February 25, 1963. A swift-flying, silvery object with a long tail was seen by many persons from Eckert to Crawford (Colorado) and first reported by Mrs. Fred Filner of Orchard City. (Source: Delta, Colo. Independent, via Robert Gribble, NICAP Reporter).

Modesto, California, February 27, 1963. A UFO - described as moonshaped and changing in color - was reported seen north and west of Modesto by at least 7 area residents. According to an eyewitness, the object hovered, dropped from 5000 feet to 1000 feet, emitted a bright streak from its underside for 15 seconds, hovered again and returned upwards, disappearing over the horizon. The object - crescent shaped with portholes - seemed to be large; 300 feet in diameter at a minimum. Source: Modesto Bee, 2/28/63, via Robert J. Gribble, NICAP Reporter).

Carmel, California, February 28, 1963. Sheriff's deputies John Crisan and Jerry Webster reported seeing a UFO today at 1:05 P.M. on top of Carmel Hill. They said they drove to the spot after receiving a radio call from Salinas saying that the object had been spotted from that area by Deputy Rudy Carillo. It had a crescent shaped tail and was visible for about 2 minutes. (Source: Monterey Peninsula Herald, via Robert J. Gribble, NICAP Reporter).

(Editors Note: Most March and April sightings were covered in our June issue, with the exception of the report below. Can any members detect a trend in these sightings?)

Albany, New York, March 12, 1963. A correspondent of SAUCER NEWS who wishes to remain anonymous photographed a UFO on this date. He states at about 2:30 P.M. on this afternoon he was sitting on the back porch of his home when a UFO flew into sight at low altitude at hovered for several seconds. The photo shows a small disc, gray in color, flying over several trees. (Source: SAUCER NEWS, James Moseley).

Liverpool, England, May 3, 1963. At 11:10 P.M. 4 witnesses saw a metallic grey saucer-shaped object about 40 feet in altitude and 80 feet away. The object was about 16 feet in diameter and had a red pulsating light and antennae on its dome. The sighting lasted 5 to 6 minutes. (Credit: DIGAP, Cheshire England, H. Bunting). Drawing of object reproduced below:



Color - metallic gray.  
Made a sound like a humming top.

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Westlake, Ohio, May 6, 1963. Mr. Robert Alaimo sighted a round star-like UFO over Westlake. The size of a 50¢ piece at arm's length, it seemed to have a falling motion at times. He estimated its altitude to be from 2000-3000 feet. It turned a red color near the end of the sighting. (Look-See, Cleveland UFOlogy Proj.)

New Orleans, Louisiana, May 7, 1963. At noon on this date residents in the business district spotted a boomerang-shaped UFO which appeared to be made of flimsy silk-like material. Navy planes were sent up to investigate. Weather Bureau Forecaster E.L. Hill stated that he saw the object and 2 smaller "pieces" from the Bureau's 14th floor office. The 2 smaller objects appeared to fall to the earth several blocks away. (Look-See).

Biloxi, Mississippi, May 15, 1963. Residents of Alabama, Mississippi, and Florida saw strange patterns of unusual lights on this night. Elgin Air Force Base Officials said they were "chemical trails" from research rockets. Allen Greenfield of U.R.C.U. was a witness. (Look-See).

Miami, Florida, May 17, 1963. On this night, at about midnight, Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Zimmerman observed from their home, along with another couple, a cigar-shaped fireball travel from the western horizon to the northern horizon in about 3 minutes. The object, looking like a missile, fluctuated in color from red to orange. The actual distance of the object was estimated at 10-15 miles. As it moved northward, it changed shape to a rectangular object. (Credit: Bill Dunn Jr., UFOlogy Miami).

Chicago, Illinois, June 1, 1963. Mr. Wm. S. Gryzik, UFO researcher and an IAPA member, along with another witness spotted a UFO at about 9:30 P.M. "It was a pale white light that I would judge to be the intensity of a second magnitude star on a north heading. It faded out in a clear sky after 15 seconds of observation." Mr. Gryzik suggested that it could have been a high flying plane, but he is puzzled by the fadeout.

West Hollywood, Florida, June 3, 1963. Fletcher King saw 2 UFOs which were saucer shaped in the western sky. The uppermost UFO was orange colored and the lower one greenish. Both were at about about 10,000 feet.

Lyle, Minnesota, Early June, 1963. Researcher Jerome Clark reports the landing of a UFO, about the size of a semi-truck, near this town. As we go to press, we are awaiting further information, which we will publish in our September issue.

Boulder City, Colorado, June 11 & 12, 1963. On two successive nights residents reported seeing a star-like, pulsating UFO heading in a northerly direction. Awaiting further details. (Credit: Ricky Hilberg).

Cleveland, Ohio, June 16, 1963. Rick Hilberg reports on this date several area persons sighted a UFO. One UFO, however, was identified as the 'Echo' satellite. Rick got a photo of the UFO, but they were too dim and did not show up, as time did not permit a time exposure.

As we go to press, we have received several UFO sighting reports which occurred in the past days. One in Bloomington, Ill., one in the vicinity of New York City, one in Washington State, and one in California. We will present a full section covering all UFO activity occurring this summer in our September issue. In addition, we hope to have one or two committee reports ready. Future Articles - "Animals and the UFO" by Alice M. Johnson, a special report by the Chairman on UFOlogy today (most likely in the November issue) plus articles dealing with other original and new topics.

SHORT SHOTS

**ANTI-CENSORSHIP COMMITTEE:** Mr. Louis Trifon has suggested that IAPA form a committee to combat UFO censorship. Mr. Trifon has volunteered to direct this committee. Write to him at the address given on page 3.

**SKYWATCH:** Persons interested in setting up skywatch teams should contact John Nove', Skywatch Committee Director, at the address given on page 3. IAPA plans to hold a nationwide Skywatch sometime in September.

**POLAR-SHAVER COMMITTEE:** Joe Wright, Route 1, Benton, Kentucky 42025 has recently been appointed as director of this committee. Interested members should write to him at the above address.

**COSMIC RESEARCHER:** Alan Katz, our Associate Chairman, has volunteered to publish the Cosmic Researcher on a quarterly basis. The next issue will be out before summer's end. The CR will primarily contain subjective material.

**BOOKS & MAGAZINES:** If any member wishes to purchase a UFO book, please buy it through the IAPA. This also applies to subscriptions for Ray Palmer's FLYING SAUCERS. You'll be supporting this organization, as well as doing yourself a favor. For more information, write to: Alan Katz, 119 Cindy Court, Middlesex, N.J.

**HAVE YOU SEEN A UFO?** If so, you are requested to file with us a signed statement telling about your sighting. You will also be sent, upon request, a copy of our UFO Sighting Report Form.

**UFO SIGHTINGS & NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS:** We are always in need of sightings. Please forward to us any recent incidents that you know of. Clippings: We are always glad to receive these. If you wish, we will pay postage both ways just so we may photocopy them.

**NEXT ISSUE:** Due out September 20, 1963/more information than ever.

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**OUR FIRST TECHNICAL ADVISOR:**

**ROBERT C. BECK**

The IAPA is proud to announce that Mr. Robert C. Beck has accepted the position as consultant on Electronics and UFO Detection. At the moment Mr. Beck is advising us on infra-red light for use in UFO detection.

Mr. Beck is a graduate of the University of Southern California where he received his Bachelor degree in Engineering. He is currently owner of the Color Control Company, a Los Angeles film laboratory. Mr. Beck is a well-known UFO researcher, and is one of NICAP's Special Advisors.

We wish to thank Mr. Beck for his assistance and we are very grateful for his unselfish help. His aid will be invaluable invaluable in our research.

In the future we hope to install a photographic consultant, a chemical analyzer, and an aeronautical advisor. These will be announced as they are filled.

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