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## COVER STORY

The five alien entities shown facing forward on the cover are representatives of the three main types of UFO occupants most frequently encountered. The cover was drawn by MARCEN artist Al Kenyon based on composite sketches most generally accepted as representative by the thousands of witnesses reporting close encounters of the third kind.

The furry creature shown picking up a rock at the left is a type III entity. The short fellows in the helmetless space suits to the far right and second from left are representatives of Type I entities. The tall almost human looking figure in the center is a type II UFO occupant, according to the eyewitnesses. To his left is another type III entity.

Shown looking on to add some scale is a normal human being at the far right apparently startled by the scene he has stumbled upon.

The three types of entities shown here are not all that have been reported but they are the three types most frequently reported. Although shown all together on the cover for the sake of artistic simplicity, MARCEN is not aware of any cases where all three types have been reported together.

Reports are frequent of type III occupants seen in the proximity of either Types I or II and occasionally several type Is may be reported with one type II who seems to be the leader or commander in those cases.

The UFO occupants reported in the largest numbers are type Is who have originated the "little green men" myths because they are occasionally reported to be wearing pastel green clothing. Their flesh color is most often reported as a pale tan or ashen grey.

Although the type I entities have been reported as having skin colorations ranging from translucent white to blue and even metallic black, they have not been reported as green and there are no known reports of pink or human-like coloration.

The type I aliens are most often reported to be from three to four and a half feet in height with out of proportion large heads. The large heads and high foreheads are assumed to represent advanced or superior cerebral development. The two eyes are usually reported as large and widely separated, often even described as wrap around. It is widely assumed that they have a very wide angle of peripheral vision and often exhibit abnormal sensitivity to light. Eye colors have been reported as deep black, deep blue, or a glowing yellow or yellow green.

Ears on type I aliens are described as barely noticeable to very large and prominent. Noses seem to range from almost human to bare slits. The mouths of the type I aliens are described as ranging from a slit with no lips to a puckered opening. Jaws are normally nonprominent and taper to a pointed chin.

These aliens are reported to have broad shoulders and long thin arms with almost human hands. Their legs and feet are said to be in proportion to their body size.

The type I humanoids do not appear to wear any kind of standard uniform but they are most often described as wearing a seamless "diving suit" of pastel metallic appearing fabrics. A few reports have them wearing or carrying a bubble like transparent helmet.

The type I aliens are reported to wear a weapon of sorts in the form of a box that emits a nonlethal beam of light that often stuns or temporarily paralyzes humans and animals. The possibility exists that this "weapon" could kill if the aliens desired but this is not known to have occurred.

These aliens are most often encountered only at night and they are usually repairing their vehicles or collecting biological and geological specimens. Then humans chance upon them, they exhibit shyness and curiosity usually strategically retreating. Only when they are threatened or cornered do they appear to utilize their stun rays.

The type II aliens seem to emerge from the characteristics of the type Is once they reach a height of six feet and then the physical appearance is nearly completely human. These type IIs are usually described as appearing oriental of face with a very suntanned appearance. They are most often said to be wearing a coverall type garment or leisure fatigues-again in pastel colors.

Type IIs are frequently sighted in daylight but otherwise exhibit the same behavior of type Is. Most reported UFO abduction cases are said to be carried out exclusively by type IIs or by type Is with one or more type IIs present and in charge.

The probably fictionalized reports of "Men in Black" or oriental appearing humans who dress in black and harass UFO witnesses and investigators and seize pictures and evidence are often blamed on type II aliens. No one at MARCEN has even had a Man in Black encounter nor knows anyone who has that can be confirmed.

Most diverse and interesting of the UFO aliens are the type IIIs. The entities were most frequently reported during the UFO flaps of the 1950s but a few are still reported today.

The type III seem to exhibit the intelligence equivalent to that of a chimpanzee and may be either lower life forms trained to gather specimens or experimental cyborgs (animals that are part machines).

The type IIIs range from two foot tall hairy bipeds to more than 7 feet tall Bigfoot type monsters.

Many ufologists are today speculating that all Bigfoot reports are of type III aliens since more and more modern Bigfoot encounters are accompanied by UFOs in the vicinity.

The type IIIs are always reported as totally covered with hair except for face, palms of hands and soles of feet and never clothed. They reportedly have large pumpkin shaped heads with short or no necks. Broad shoulders and disproportionately long arms are the rule along with human-like hands and feet with long nails or claws.

These aliens usually exhibit bipedal locomotion although they have been observed on "all fours." Footprints left behind are reported to be almost human in appearance.

Type III seem to exhibit considerable belligerence and violence when interfered with by humans. They are usually spotted grabbing biological and geological samples indiscriminately.

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Type IV aliens are the really bizarre creatures that generate night-mares for months after being observed. They are rarely humanoid at all in form and may even range from giant amoebas to glowing and invisible entities.

The most famous type IV reported was in West Virginia with the seven foot tall "Flatwoods Monster" of the 1950s with a glowing red head shaped like an "ace of spades" and the flying "mothman" near Point Pleasant in the 1960s. Nearby Ohio contributed its share in 1978 with a "Bighead" creature.

It is in fact difficult to determine if Type IVs really are life forms by classical definition.

It is interesting to note that the type I aliens are most frequently reported and all of the stories circulating and periodically revived of crashed saucers and UFO retrievals indicate the recovery of type I bodies.

We also note the almost total lack of hostility from the intelligent types of entities. Type I aliens have been reported as responding when waved at by waving back or responding with the same gestures as shown them. There are also reports of persons flashing flashlights or headlights at UFOs and the UFO flashing back the same sequence.

Wherever these aliens come from, they do not seem to pose any serious hostile threat, at least not in one to one confrontations.

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## MARCEN EDITORIAL

Readers of this journal may note that for the first time, it is not copyrighted. This was deliberate and not an oversight. MARCEN feels that we have a duty to the entire field to share any and all information we may discover or develop and that copyrighting its material is a direct violation of this mandate.

For too long the biggest problem that prevented worthwhile information flow from the UFO and Fortean organizations has been the childish-like jealousy with which most organizations within the field regard their files, membership rosters, and information sources. Too many organizations have been more interested in building personal empires and building their leaders into superstars instead of contributing meaningfully to the increase of knowledge within the field.

MARCEN feels that the era of superstars is past and that most empires that have risen in the past thirty years have fallen or are declining so it is time for the surviving organizations to pool their meager resources and cooperate in the search for answers. Henceforth, MARCEN shall not copyright its journal or any other publications and any other organization within the field that finds something MARCEN has published to be worthwhile enough to want to reprint it for its own membership may do so without permission from MARCEN. Our only request is that credit be given.

Any commercial organizations wishing to utilize MARCEN material may do so after obtaining permission and agreeing to not copyright any material to prevent it from being utilized further.

The officers of MARCEN have discussed this step with many other persons in many organizations and debated it intramurally for some time before taking this action that we feel is totally right and needed. Further, we throw out the challenge to all other organizations within the field to follow suit or take similar actions. The copyrighting of material and hoarding of information or files only serves the forces of skeptics and debunkers who maintain that there is nothing to what we are studying to begin with.

If all of the evidence locked up in Fortean organization files or in private basements around the world were all made available for cataloging and analysis, we could probably find more answers in the next five years than in the past 100 years. MARCEN feels it is time to begin and it is refreshing to know that we are not alone in this thinking. Quite a number of officers of other organizations have expressed the same sentiments but all professed to know of no way to actually bring about the changes. MARCEN has pulled the first brick out and now if more organizations will follow suit, the wall of non-cooperation may soon come tumbling down.

MARCEN is willing to offer its computer utilization facilities to any organizations that wish to add their files to a common pooling of knowledge. MARCEN's role would be only that of a clearinghouse and the organizations submitting files would have to understand that all pooled material would be made available to all cooperating organizations in the field without discrimination. We realize that a tremendous amount of paranoia must be overcome before any organization will begin sharing its files, but we believe that this is the only way to go for the survival of the field. MARCEN realizes that it may not be the ultimate keeper of all the accumulated knowledge if this project is accomplished, but is willing to relinquish that role to anyone more qualified. Our only wish is get it started.

Any organizations interested in getting something started are invited to contact MARCEN anytime convenient. Proposals for handling a clearinghouse role are being drafted now and will probably be mailed to all known organizations in the field by early 1980.

## CHANGES AT MARCEN

In order to avoid stagnating, a number of changes are in the works at MARCEN which will affect the organization and its publications.

The first change has already taken place with the adoption of a new name for MARCEN while still retaining the same acronym. The governors of MARCEN felt that the organization had long since outgrown the boundaries of Maryland and that something more appropriate was in order so the MUTUAL ANOMALY RESEARCH CENTER AND EVALUATION NETWORK, INC was born. It is hoped that the new name accurately identifies the functions and interests of MARCEN.

The most visible change soon to take place will be with the next issue of the Journal. Most apparent will be a change in size and format as the journal will become five and one half by eight and one half inches in size. We expect to accomplish this with only a very modest reduction in the size of the type. Legibility is expected to remain very good, however we are not locked into the format size and will evaluate it after a couple of issues. This change is expected to save MARCEN several thousand dollars on each issue and should contribute to more timely production of the journal.

Next to be noticed will be a change in the title of the journal. The MARCEN JOURNAL will become the JOURNAL OF THE FORTEANS OF MARCEN. We believe that this title, suggested by MARCEN member Professor Robert Spencer Carr, will more accurately reflect on the membership of MARCEN, since regardless of scientific discipline, vocation, or area of study, the members of MARCEN are all Forteans at heart -collecting, evaluating and attempting to explain all that which does not fit the parameters of knowledge of conventional science.

Other changes may not be so readily noticeable to the general membership. MARCEN expects to move its headquarters in early 1980. All members will be notified as soon as the new address is formalized.

The last of the current changes is that Dr. Williard F. McIntyre, director of MARCEN expects to take a leave of absence from administrative duties at MARCEN beginning in early 1980 in order to be able to devote more time to a book he is writing and to complete research on a special project for which MARCEN has received funding with the agreement that it not be publicly discussed until completion. Dr. McIntyre has revealed that he expects this project to add appreciably to our knowledge about the UFO phenomenon. The governors of MARCEN have not made any decisions yet about how the administration of MARCEN will be handled but the membership will be informed as soon as plans are made.

One of the most important changes expected to come about at MARCEN is an alteration of practices and priorities with the aim of getting the Journal published more frequently and if possible on a monthly schedule.

Plans are already underway to conduct a general membership meeting in August which will also be open to the public and hopefully will generate enough revenue to at least break even. Plans for a meeting in 1979 were gotten underway too late and due to the Gasoline situation, vacations, etc. our poll responses indicated that we could not expect anywhere near a quorum of the membership in order to conduct business. With more planning in 1980, we hope to get a suitable turnout.

New membership cards will be mailed to all sustaining members in early 1980. Due to the abbreviated number of Journals, all sustaining memberships have been extended through 1980 or the receipt of 14 Journals, whichever comes last. We do not expect this move to place an excess financial burden on MARCEN but we are already contemplating the need to charge membership dues to new participating members in the future. The dues received from a minority of the membership must support all activities and publications for everyone

## DAVID NEARLY DROWNS MARCEN

On September 6, 1979, MARCEN came close to being put entirely out of business when Hurricane David came through the Washington, D.C. area dumping more than a foot of wind driven rain. Being below ground level, The MARCEN offices were particularly vulnerable when the massive weight of the water outside pushed through the windows and filled the offices with up to two feet of water. All drains quickly ceased to function from the overburden and a lack of electricity overnight prevented pumping the water away.

By morning the water was gone and several weeks of drying was begun. Alternate heating and cooling cycles were initiated 24 hours a day for 10 days as hot air sucked up moisture from everything and then air conditioning dried out the air and the cycle was started over again.

Next came weeks of air drying books, magazines and files. A large number of the personal files the director had built for nearly 20 years were so badly damaged that they could not be salvaged, most other files were dried out and saved, with the exception of hand written letters and reports, which nearly dissolved.

Computer equipment and photographic equipment suffered particularly heavily as did a large quantity of laboratory apparatus which was broken. All paperback books were dried successfully and are nearly as good as new-if a bit fatter, but many hardbound books came completely apart as the binding disintegrated.

The printing press used for the Journal was at a separate site and also heavily damaged but now back in operation.

After all of the damage was totalled up it appears that MARCEN's loss was about \$15,000. Of most serious consequence was the total loss of more than 90 rolls of microfilm containing all of the U.S. Air Force Project Bluebook files. Also discouraging was the total destruction of the books of Xeroxes of all of the CIA and FBI UFO Freedom of Information documents. Plans are currently underway to replace these documents but the replacement cost of the Bluebook microfilm alone will run almost \$1,500.

No one who has not been through a serious flood can probably fully understand the destructive force of water which as it rises floats desks and then tips them over dumping everything on top and inside into the water.

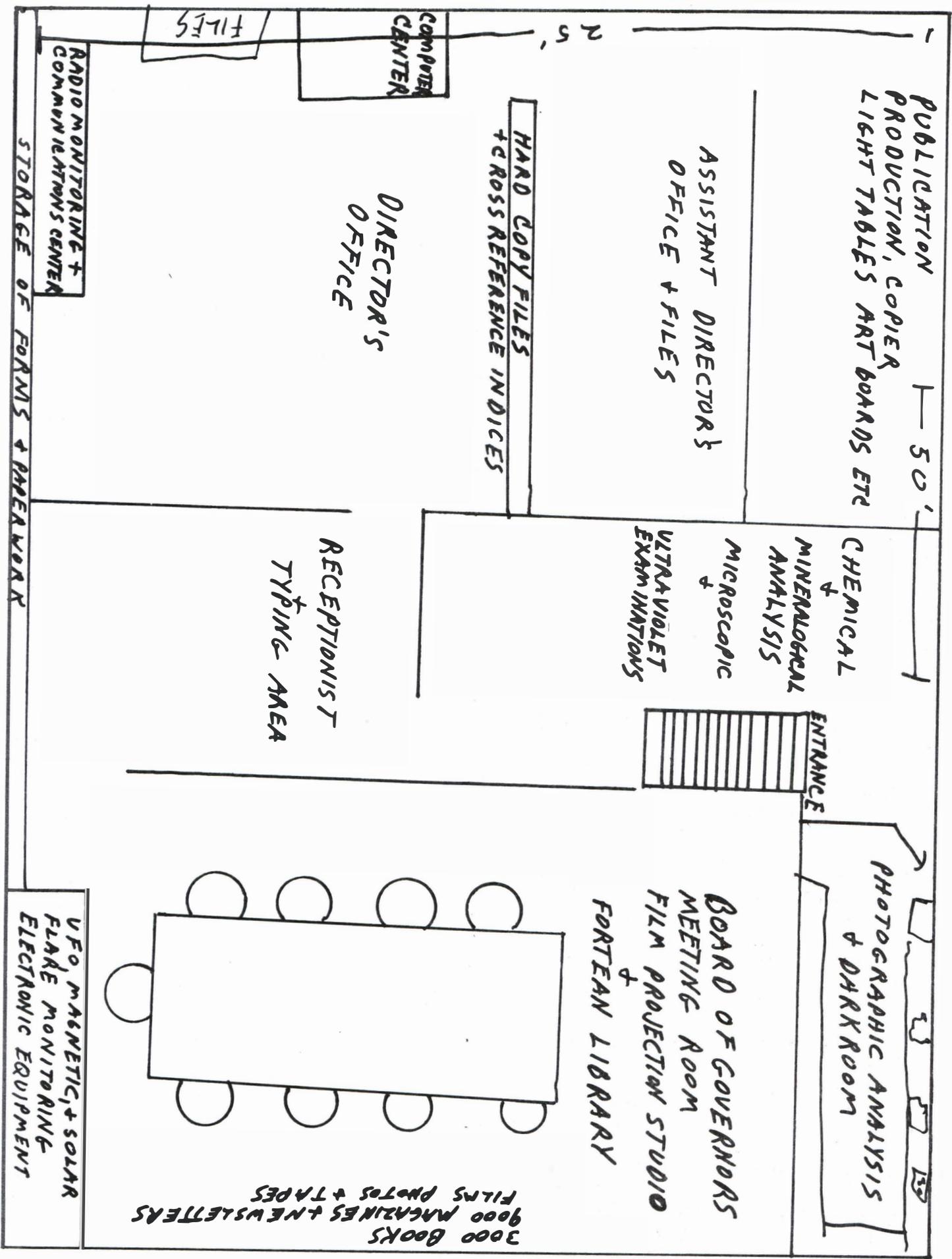
Despite the hardships and problems of this flood, MARCEN has made every effort to rise Phoenix-like out of the mud if not the ashes and now everything except one computer punched card reader is back in full operation. Some photographic laboratory equipment was not salvageable but arrangements have been made to utilize other equipment to make up for the lost functions. Both computer terminals are back in operation and a third larger terminal is on order and expected about January.

Since a number of out of town members have expressed interest about MARCEN headquarters, we have included the layout on the next page to illustrate somewhat the activity in our 1,200 square foot office space. The drawing is not to scale but is approximate.

As you can probably tell, all space is subject to maximum function utilization and this made it particularly vulnerable to the water damage. Steps have been taken to prevent a similar recurrence before MARCEN moves. New reinforced windows have been installed and have already withstood two other tropical storms without a single leak. In case all else should fail, all files and books are now elevated at least two feet from the floor on steel frames.

As the drawing may indicate, MARCEN has the capability of doing quite a bit of research and experimentation in-house. We have a small but fairly well equipped laboratory that can do everything from simple qualitative chemical analyses to slicing a rock microthin with a diamond saw for microscopic and ultraviolet examination.

From the communications center, MARCEN can monitor all aviation, marine, military and police traffic for several hundred miles to keep track of any unusual activity. A large sensor outside of headquarters monitors changes in the earth magnetic field, solar flares, and possibly the passage of UFOs displaying the results on an oscilloscope inside while another outside probe reacts only to the simultaneous stimuli of a magnetic disturbance accompanied by high radio-frequency radiation in the microwave range and infra-red radiation. It has not sounded an alarm yet but if it ever does, it will activate two movie cameras and awaken everyone within two miles.



## MARCEN LOOKS AT UFO RETRIEVALS

As the focus of sensational UFO stories began to shift from Close Encounters of the Third Kind to Retrievals of the Third Kind or the recovery of actual UFOs and occupants in 1978 and 1979, MARCEN began to debate the merits of pursuing such events: Were they just legends that reappear from time to time and get dusted off like an old pair of shoes to be worn again? Are they part of an elaborate hoax? Is the government allowing out just a measured amount of information about the retrievals to prepare us for some more spectacular announcement? or is it all just myth?

The field seemed to be crowded already with quite a number of individuals pursuing the retrieval story ranging from the well-respected old-time ufologist--Leonard Stringfield in Cincinnati, Ohio, to the new to the scene and of questionable reputation, Walter Todd Zechel of no fixed address.

Was there room for more researchers chasing these elusive events? MARCEN thought so in May 1979 when it started making phone calls and within a week had recordings of retired military officers swearing to their veracity as they related incredible tales of UFO encounters and recoveries and within a week we were receiving phone calls from individuals as far away as Panama and Australia and the log of recoveries began to grow.

MARCEN investigators began running up astronomical telephone bills as the tally of recoveries expanded.

Are the fantastic stories we were told to be believed? This will be discussed further in the article on UFO disinformation in this issue but we decided to put no credence whatsoever in any event that was not substantiated by at least three witnesses, who's military background could be verified.

Using the above criteria up to publication of this issue we have data on 23 alleged UFO recoveries along with the recovery of an even 100 bodies of the occupants of the alien aircraft.

In order of Recovery dates according to our information they are:

July 22, 1947	Roswell, New Mexico	No bodies, UFO exploded in air
February 13, 1948	Aztec, New Mexico	12 bodies
July 7, 1948	Mexico 30 miles south of Laredo, Texas	1 body
1952	Spitzbergen Island, Norway	2 bodies
August 14, 1952	Ely, Nevada	16 bodies
September 10, 1952	Albuquerque, New Mexico	3 bodies
April 18, 1953	Southwest Arizona	No bodies
May 20, 1953	Kingman, Arizona	1 body
June 19, 1953	10 miles north of Laredo, Texas	4 bodies
July 10, 1953	Union of South Africa 100 miles from Johannesburg	5 bodies
October 13, 1953	Dutton, Montana	4 bodies
May 5, 1955	England near Brighton	4 bodies
July 18, 1957	Near Carlsbad, New Mexico	4 bodies
June 12, 1962	Near Holloman Air Force Base New Mexico	2 bodies
November 10, 1964	Fort Riley, Kansas	9 bodies
October 27, 1966	Northeastern Arizona	UFO got away 1 body
1966-1968	Five crashes reported in the	3 bodies

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	Indiana-Kentucky-Ohio area with one UFO removed intact	
July 18, 1972	Sahara Desert south of Morrocco	3 bodies
July 10, 1973	Northwestern Arizona	5 bodies
May 12, 1976	Australian Desert	4 bodies
June 22, 1977	Northwestern Arizona	5 bodies
April 5, 1977	Southwestern Ohio	11 bodies
August 17, 1977	Tobasco, Mexico	2 bodies
May 1978	Bolivia	No bodies

If these incredible stories are to be believed and the officers of MARCEN have mixed feelings on this point, we can see that the incidents have continued right up to the present. We can also see that with a couple of minor exceptions, the crashes and recoveries through the 1950s were all concentrated in the southwest United States near defense installations and in the areas where nuclear weapons were being tested. This was also the area and time frame of the heavy concentrations of UFO reports in the form of green fireballs.

The stories we have uncovered are not just of someone stumbling onto a crashed UFO and then calling the authorities to cart it and its bodies away.

In the incident of October 27, 1966, we were told of U.S. Army units on maneuvers who happened upon a parked UFO and cut off a number of small occupants on their way back to the craft. As the tale goes, all the aliens got away to the UFO and flew away except one aggressive little fellow that put up such a fight that seven infantrymen finally had to hold it while a medic injected a tranquilizer which killed it unintentionally.

In another of the crashes and recoveries on July 10, 1973, we were told that one alien was alive after the crash and attempts were made to revive it with oxygen, which only hastened its demise.

In the July 1977 incident in Southwestern Ohio, we were told that U.S. Army and National Guard troops were called in and in the ensuing skirmish 11 aliens were killed and there were 11 Army casualties resulting in deaths and injuries. The only independent substantiation we have for this episode is the fact that the Army issued press releases at the time that an Army unit was struck by lightning while camped overnight. We were told the aliens used as weapons a small box that emitted a ray of light that apparently was some sort of laser or charged particle beam that was capable of killing in some cases and inflicting temporary paralysis in others. The entire episode is denied by the Pentagon.

## UFO DISINFORMATION

There is probably more UFO folklore and mythology in existence today than anything similar since the demise of the ancient Greeks and Romans. Most serious ufologists acknowledge the presence of the folklore but most are at a total loss to explain its origin.

A prime case in example currently is the repetitive stories of crashed UFOs and their supposed retrieval and study by the Air Force. MARCEN finds it extremely difficult to accept or believe any of these tales yet the same stories keep popping up often virtually unchanged over a twenty year or more period. Officers of MARCEN have now personally talked to several hundred persons claiming to have witnessed UFO retrievals, or at least some phase of the retrieval operation.

The credibility of the "witnesses" interviewed is high enough in most cases and the details of the stories consistent enough that if we were in court dealing with a capital murder case, someone would likely hang.

Still, MARCEN cannot unconditionally accept any of these stories without ourselves seeing more tangible proof and we do not think this is because of our innate skepticism.

The unresolved questions that bother us most are: how did all of the stories get so consistent; how are all of the details so fresh in the minds of persons who supposedly experienced the events 30 to 35 years ago; and why are so many former military persons involved?

One can easily jump to the quick conclusion that these witnesses have been programmed to give out the manufactured stories in measured doses periodically. But who did the programming and why?

There are many ufologists who feel that some clandestine bureau of the government somewhere periodically manufactures fictionalized UFO information so absurd that when it is disseminated, the public becomes quickly convinced that there is nothing factual about the UFO phenomenon at all, or at least this is Agency X's goal.

This may sound good in theory but after pouring over thousands of pages of FBI and CIA UFO related documents released through Freedom of Information actions, MARCEN is unable to find any evidence of any government generated confusion or coverup as has been charged. There is much evidence of considerable government interest in UFOs that it did not previously admit, but we can find nothing to indicate any action taken to suppress data from the public on any scale or that the government agencies involved ever did anything with the data they collected other than read it with interest and then file it. Of course the proponents of government conspiracies argue that none of the "really good" material has been released or ever will be released.

In February 1958, a hoax was perpetrated on ufology when a letter typed on the official letterhead of the U.S. Secretary of State was sent to the late George Adamski claiming government knowledge of UFOs and signed by a supposed State Department official named R.E. Straith. More letters followed to other ufologists and it ended with the FBI investigating a number of prominent ufologists of the time. No results of the investigations were ever made public and no one was ever known to have been prosecuted.

This past summer a new flood of hoax letters started making the rounds of the field. Typed on faked letterheads from various U.S. Air Force installations, the letters purported to confirm the existence of special units to retrieve crashed UFOs and that there are underground warehouses of UFOs at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base near Dayton, Ohio.

MARCEN was one of the recipients of these letters and believed that not even the most gullible could accept them for anything more than they were crude hoaxes, yet we have received quite a few letters, including a few from experienced ufologists, expressing some relief that the letters might be accurate.

Since the latest hoax letters and a number of accompanying nasty slanderous anonymous letters usually signed "a concerned ufologist", speculation has been rife within the field concerning the identity of the author or authors. Originally thought to be the work of the ufologist to whom the fake letters were addressed, this theory has been pretty much discarded as various recipients engage in accusing each other and sundry other persons. Marcen's director was even accused at one point by a notorious UFO skeptic of having written the letters to generate publicity for MARCEN.

As we analyze this situation at MARCEN, the only possible beneficiary of the hoax letters and accompanying anonymous letters would be a person or persons intent on destroying the UFO movement as we can not see any possible positive benefits accruing to anyone in the field from the misguided missives. The only result was and can only be the generation of confusion and distrust within the ranks of the field and this can only serve the ends of forces wanting to destroy credible ufology.

By late summer 1979 the phony Air Force letters had stopped but hoax letters on the letterheads of the Committee for the Scientific Investigation of Claims of the Paranormal, the arch skeptics challenging all of Forteanism began circulating. These letters purportedly contained confessions that the CSICP was working for the CIA and other transgressions equally dire.

Again we are confronted with an action that can only serve to confuse anyone seriously studying the field and to bring discredit to all within it as ufologists are accused of trying to discredit their nemeses-the skeptics.

From the volume and diversity of the subject matter, points of origin of the mailings, and the number of recipients of the crackpot and hoax letters and the time frame during which they have continued, it is hard to believe that one psychopath or other demented individual could be solely responsible. Logic points to some well oiled organization of whatever size bent on deliberate deception and confusion to cloud any truth that might exist.

Adding to all of the confusion for quite some time and prime spreaders of disinformation have been the contactees who claim to regularly meet with perfectly human appearing aliens bearing messages of salvation for mankind. Claiming for many years to be disciples of the "space people", the contactees have acquired many cult like followers and regularly profess claims so unbelievable that the public is again led to believe that all ufologists are crackpots.

Not helping the credibility gap at all are the fictionalized stories published under the guise of truth and fact by some pulp newsstand UFO magazines. The most notorious of these, the now bankrupt "Official UFO" last year had the town of Chester, Illinois being totally destroyed by a UFO attack. Other equal absurdities permeated the pages of the rag until it mercifully folded.

Rumors have been rife for some time that at least one well known UFO skeptic regularly writes articles for the sensational magazines under assumed names with the explicit purpose of creating myths that will pass into the folklore of ufology-further destroying its credibility.

Unfortunately MARCEN cannot answer the questions raised by this article and more speculation will not help to uncloud the issues raised. We are simply pointing out all of this to illustrate the handicaps one must overcome in trying to make sense of a puzzling phenomenon.

Be it government agency, a group of oversexed and undersatisfied skeptics or a group of well meaning individuals creating mythology to write about and line their personal coffers, they-whomever they are, are succeeding admirably. Ufology as a serious study has little credibility left.

#### ADDENDUM:

After this article was completed, we received some incredible sounding information that ties into this subject. According to the contents of a government memo that we were shown, but have been unable to verify the complete authenticity of yet, the Air Force and CIA have been funding for a number of years a project named BLUE FOG. We have been aware for some time that in government project naming the word Blue is utilized to designate projects pertaining to UFOs. It would appear that if this memo is authentic, there may have been an ongoing project to create a smokescreen about UFO information.

There are a few ufologists besides MARCEN aware of this project at this time and most have been quick to jump on the handwagon saying "see we told you so". MARCEN believes it more prudent to be more cautious and to expend necessary efforts to try to verify the authenticity of the memo or to expose another piece of UFO disinformation.

## WHY CAN'T WE COLLECT SCIENTIFICALLY ACCEPTABLE UFO EVIDENCE???

It is generally accepted by believers and skeptics alike that there is no real hard scientific evidence proving the existence of UFOs. There is much hard evidence that could also have had conventional origins and reams of anecdotal evidence but little to convince or even interest the hard core scientist.

Following the acceptance of the above tenet, the logical question to be asked is why we can't collect such hard evidence if UFOs do indeed exist. Is it possible that UFOs present a technology so far in advance of our own that we do not have the capability of detecting them or proving their presence?

No, instead, MARCEN believes it is a matter of proper utilization of the resources and technology we already have and overcoming prejudice against searching for them by the military and scientific communities.

A recent edition of the Washington Post tells us that present radar operated by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and the United States Navy has the capability of picking up an object the size of a basketball orbiting the moon.

This being so, why can't this existing technology be utilized to track incoming flights of UFOs if they are extraterrestrial in origin? The answer is that present technology and equipment could be utilized if the operators and their superiors were reprogrammed to stop ignoring anomalous data.

Since just after the end of World War II, a wall of radar has covered the northern extremes of North America. Even though hundreds of qualified sincere witnesses report UFOs approaching from the north, the North American Air Defense Command cannot verify any of the sightings reported.

The reason for this is that NORAD computers are programmed to analyze all radar returns and the radar returns with characteristics that do not match the stored characteristics of aircraft, missiles, or satellites are automatically discarded by the computer and on many radar units are not even visually displayed on the scopes. Were it not for this policy procedure, we would most likely be able to collect hard evidence of the continuing flight paths of UFOs instead of our current state of the art that provides a sighting in one location and then nothing until the UFO is visually observed in another populated location, often far removed from the first sighting and giving the impression that several anomalous objects are involved instead of one continuing on a deliberate flight plan.

Aside from getting the government to change its policies to look for something it refuses to admit even exists, the most serious hinderance to collecting such scientific data on UFOs is the old problem of being in the right place at the right time.

At MARCEN headquarters, we have constructed equipment to respond to magnetic anomalies alone and to respond only to a combination of magnetic forces, microwave radiation, and infrared radiation and to display the signals received on an oscilloscope.

In Texas, Project Starlight operates with banks of computers and detection devices and even series of lasers for detection and possible communication. We are also aware of many individuals around the country operating single or multiple detection units in the hope of learning more about UFOs.

A UFO flyover at one of these installations might tell us much about the character of the objects, but as far as is known, none have been graced with such a visit.

Now we have the next problem. If a UFO were to fly over, hover or even land near our monitoring equipment at MARCEN, all of the data collected would be virtually worthless to anyone other than us, because the skeptics and scientific communities would be inclined to call any such evidence collected by an organization partial to the existence of UFOs faked or hoaxed. This is not an unexpected opinion. By our own standards, MARCEN and other UFO investigating organizations tend to disregard the testimony of claimed UFO witnesses who have a working knowledge of the subject, even though it is patently ridiculous to expect UFOs to show themselves only to persons who know absolutely nothing about them.

There is a real need to set up a totally neutral organization charged with the monitoring of appropriate equipment to detect the presence of UFO activity and to objectively

measure and analyze the data collected.

As stated previously, if we are indeed being visited by extraterrestrial craft, present technology objectively monitored can provide us of proof of this. It can also give us quality data about the nature and capabilities of the craft and any occupants.

MARCEN believes that if the government could be convinced to undertake such a project, the benefits to mankind could be potentially overwhelming. However, it is unlikely for this to happen as long as the official government policy is that UFOs do not exist therefore there is nothing to study.

If UFOs turn out to be, as many prominent ufologists are beginning to believe, inter-dimensional or inter-epochal time travelers, the benefits in knowledge would be equal in scale.

Even if funding could be obtained from either government or private sources, how do we go about getting totally objective observers to search? How do we ensure that a person's personal beliefs, either pro or con, will not influence the results of the observations and measurements?

MARCEN would like to formulate proposals for setting up such a project. The proposals would be sent to various government and private funding sources. We would like to have our reader's and member's input on how such a project could be carried out objectively and most effectively. Your comments and suggestions will be incorporated in the final proposals we compose.

### DOES ANYONE KNOW DR. MARILYN EARLEY???

MARCEN members in the Dallas-Fort Worth, Texas area are probably puzzled about the strange phone calls they received some time ago. They were indeed from MARCEN. We first called everyone in the area person to person for Marilyn Earley and then we called back a day later asking if anyone knew Marilyn Earley.

The reason for this is the letter reproduced on the next page that was received by MARCEN on May 29, 1979 and similar letters to other organizations and UFO magazines.

Two UFO magazines printed Dr. Earley's fantastic claims, apparently without any further checking on them, but MARCEN has been attempting to learn the truth. The spelling of her name has also been Erly and Early in the other publications but this may have been the result of typographical errors.

Enough people have read Dr. Earley's claims that Freedom of Information Requests have been filed with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration to find out more.

According to James Oberg, a well known UFO writer who is also employed at N.A.S.A. Mission Control in Houston, Texas, there are a number of things wrong with Dr. Earley's claims. First, the name was changed from the Manned Spaceflight Center to the Johnson Spaceflight Center several years before Dr. Earley claimed to have been employed there. More significant, said Oberg, is the fact that the Viking photos were not received in Houston. He said that except for handout press photos, the Viking transmissions were only received at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California. N.A.S.A.'s attempts to learn more about Dr. Earley have been fruitless because she is not listed under that name in any of the personnel rosters for the period and no one knows what her maiden name might have been to check it.

If any members read this and know Dr. Earley, please contact MARCEN because we want to learn more about what she says. If she can convince us of her authenticity, we certainly want to see any documentation she might have and we will be more than willing to keep her present location or real identity confidential if she wishes.

MARCEN's prime motivation at this point is to either establish the validity of the claims being made or to chalk the entire episode up as another example of the rampant spread of UFO disinformation discussed earlier in this issue.

May 24, 1979

RECEIVED

*Envelope Postmarked  
Arlington Va May 25, 1979*

MARCEN  
Box 218  
Kensington, Md. 20795

Gentlemen:

I have just read a copy of your journal that a neighbor of mine received. I would like to share with you some information that you may not be aware of and which you must certainly have the resources to check out.

Before I married, I worked as a technician at the Manned Spaceflight Center in Houston.

On February 18, 1977, the early photos coming in from the exploration of Mars by the Viking I spacecraft clearly showed the wreckage of a saucer shaped vehicle that must have been at least 50 meters in diameter. From the apparent weathering and shifting of soil around it, it must have lain there for a couple of hundred years

It is possible I suppose that what we were looking at was the abandoned structure of a previous indigenous or transitory intelligence but there is no doubt whatsoever in my mind that it was not a "natural formation" that we were told to say that it was. There was a complete unwillingness on the part of all of the N.A.S.A. officials present to accept the photos for what they showed so they were simply cast aside and listed as faulty transmissions with no data present.

I do not believe that the decisions of these scientists was due to any coverup or security reasons but was simply an act of stupidity. Because of this action and my growing disenchantment with N.A.S.A., I felt it best that I resign and continue my education and get a job in private industry, where I am now.

I will read future issues of your journal and if you print any more information on this episode than what I have related, I will send you a considerable amount more of documentation that I have collected

Cordially,

*Marilyn Earley*  
Dr. Marilyn Earley

## CATTLE MUTILATION & UFO LINK?

It has long been suspected and suggested that there is a link between the thousands of bizarre animal mutilations and UFOs but little to go on until now.

The September 7, 1979 edition of the Alberta Report from Alberta, Canada reports one incident with considerable evidence to this effect.

According to the Alberta Report, in mid-June 1979 a rancher named Manuel Gomez left his feed store in Dulce, New Mexico to drive 10 miles to his ranch on this Jicarilla Apache Reservation to check on his cattle. A mile inside the fence he spotted a dead cow with parts of the animal surgically cut off and piled beside the carcass.

Gomez drove as fast as he could back to Dulce and returned with New Mexico State Trooper Gabriel Valdez. When they arrived, the cows parts that were in a pile were now gone.

Checking the sandy soil, Trooper Valdez found that the cow's two month old calf was gone and the only tracks were a series of perfectly round prints four inches in diameter. Many of these prints covered the tire tracks made by Gomez on his first trip.

Howard Burgess, a former nuclear engineer for the Atomic Energy Commission and now a mutilation investigator examined the area for radiation the following day. Radiation was normal around the carcass but at a site 500 feet away where the tracks appeared to form a tripod, there was a heavy concentration of radiation. There was also a patch of an oily substance in the sand and the sagebrush inside the "tripod" marks was dying.

The four inch round tracks went from the high radiation area in two directions. One set went to where the cow's carcass was found and the second set went to a point where the calf's tracks disappeared and where the cow started to run.

Samples of the dark oily substance were bottled and sent to the New Mexico state crime lab and to a private lab. In both cases, when the packages were received at the labs, the bottles were checked and the substance was still there, but when they went to conduct an analysis, both bottles were completely empty with nothing left to analyze.

Investigator Burgess said that tissue samples sent to the laboratory for testing also vanished mysteriously.

Several other incidents have been reported in New Mexico where the "tripod" gear" tracks and the strange round prints have been found.

MARCEN is currently checking on a report where a cow's tracks mysteriously stopped beside a tripod like print and then the mutilated carcass was found 600 feet away with no tracks between or around the carcass.

## UFO ATTACKS POLICEMAN

*EDITOR'S NOTE: This story was compiled from dispatches of the Associated Press and United Press International, the accounts published in more than a dozen Minnesota newspapers and from Deputy Johnson's personal appearance on ABC Television's Good Morning America.*

August 27, 1979 has become a date that may well live long in the annals of ufology as the night a belligerent UFO came crashing into a police cruiser leaving behind many traces.

At 1:30 a.m. Marshall County, Minnesota, Deputy Sheriff Val Johnson was on patrol on the roads that crisscross the farmland of the Red River Valley near the North Dakota border. When he saw a bright light in the sky a couple of miles away, Deputy Johnson thought a plane might be in trouble and trying to land so he went to investigate.

At 2:19 a.m. the sheriff's office in Warmen, Minnesota heard Johnson's groggy desperate voice calling for help.

After sending other deputies to help, the dispatcher-Pete Bauer asked Johnson what was wrong. Deputy Johnson could only reply over the radio that something attacked his car.

When the deputies arrived, they found the police cruiser across the road and Deputy Johnson outside in a state of confusion and panic. By the time an ambulance arrived, Johnson was in a state of shock and was transported to Warren hospital.

Finding no fractures, the doctors treated Johnson for welder's burns of his eyes and released him from the hospital.

The police cruiser fared less well than Johnson. The windshield was shattered with several unusual fractures; the left headlight was smashed as was the revolving emergency light on the roof. The hood had dents and the police radio antennas were permanently bent at odd angles.

Most surprising of all was the fact that even though at the start of his patrol, Johnson synchronized his wrist watch and the cruiser clock with the headquarters clock, both his watch and the clock were 14 minutes slow.

As Johnson recalled the event, he was driving back from Stephen, Minnesota at 1:30 a.m., taking County Road 5 west. At the junction with Route 220, he looked south and saw a bright white spotlight about two miles away. He thought it was about four feet off the ground and about six or eight inches in diameter. His first impression was that it was the landing lights of a small aircraft.

Johnson proceeded to drive south on Route 220 to investigate and had gone about a mile when the light intercepted his vehicle. Johnson related that one minute the light was a mile and a half away and the next instant "Boom."

The deputy said that as it struck his vehicle, he saw the inside of the car light up real bright with white light. It got painfully bright, hurting his eyes, he said.

Johnson recalled seeing no object, only the light, and the only sound he heard was breaking glass and then he passed out.

At 2:19 a.m., Johnson awoke, leaning on the steering wheel with his eyes and the front of his face hurting badly. The cruiser engine had stopped; Johnson radioed for help and felt as if he were moving in slow motion.

The next day, Johnson was taken to an ophthalmologist in Grand Forks, North Dakota who diagnosed a severe irritation of the inner eyes caused by an extremely bright light seen after dark.

Police officers and an investigator from the Center for UFO studies walked the road for a mile in both directions and found no traces of another vehicle. The headlight debris was found at the point of impact. From that point the car went in a straight line for 859 feet and then the brakes engaged leaving skid marks for 99 feet until the car started going sideways.

When the police cruiser was impounded for study a number of puzzling anomalies were discovered. There were four points of fracture on the drivers side of the windshield. Three were two inches apart in a row from top to bottom. The fourth was an inch to the left of the bottom one. Two fractures showed radial patterns such as from a shot. The other two had ring patterns.

One of the two spring mounted antennas was bent at a 30 degree angle and the other was bent at 90 degrees. The surprise here was that both antennas were flexible spring steel that always return to shape when bent and any impact should have bent their spring mounts before bending the antennas unless the object were moving at a tremendous speed. Also surprising was the fact that the insects picked up during normal driving were still adhering to both antennas. It would have been assumed that an object striking the antennas would have scraped the bugs away.

The glass in the left headlight was shattered but the chrome mounting was untouched. No one could find anything wrong with the dashboard clock or Johnson's wristwatch.

The sheriff's department checked with Grand Forks, North Dakota Air Force Base and five FAA facilities and could find no aircraft in the area at the time of the incident.

Johnson's superiors and colleagues all testified to his veracity and dependability.

The 35 year old deputy is described as a solid citizen of a town of 417 people where he lives with his wife and three children.

Much evidence is left to be analyzed in this case and Johnson is convinced his life will never be the same.

## UFO RAPE REPORTED IN ENGLAND

The accounts of Close Encounters of the Third and even Fourth Kind continue to become racier and to make the UFO occupants seem more and more human.

First there was the celebrated case of Antonio Villas Boas who reported being taken aboard a UFO in South America and seduced by a nude female UFO-naut.

Then MARCEN, as reported in the first issue of the Center journal, investigated a case in New England a year ago of a young man reporting being taken aboard a UFO by an incredibly beautiful alien female and then was seduced once and raped once by her.

Investigation and consultations by Marcen Psychiatrists led us to conclude that the witness was suffering from hallucinations brought on by the traumatic breakup of his marriage.

His probable sighting of a nearby UFO, also reported by several other independent witnesses, probably served as the catalyst to trigger his delusions.

Now the report of British UFO Research Association investigator Barry M. King brings the first account of which we are aware, of an abduction, in which a human female was raped by her UFO abductors, in Great Britain.

The incident reportedly occurred in October 1973. The victim a 37 year old housewife, who had emigrated from Italy with her family in 1963, was driving from her house in Taunton to a friend's house in Wellington, some distance away, when she saw a bright light in an adjacent field and her car engine stalled. As she got out to check her engine, she heard a humming sound coming from the light. She said that as she put the hood of her car down, she was grabbed on the shoulder by a six foot tall metal robot and fainted.

When Mrs. Doe, as we will call her, regained consciousness, she was in front of a large glowing disklike craft on legs and passed out again. When she again awakened, she was spread-eagled on a table in a circular room with her arms and legs bound by rubber or leather straps, and covered only by a light blue blanket.

Three men appeared and two stood by the left of the table and observed while the third examined her, she said. The men all looked alike, Mrs. Doe said, and appeared to be human. She described them as all 5 foot 6 inches to 5 foot 8 inches tall, fair skinned and slim. Their garmets were all the same: a skull cap coming down to just above the eyes, surgical type masks from above the nose and covering the rest of the face below, tunics with a grey metallic edging, long gloves up to the elbows and a long apron reaching the ankles and thick soled boots. All of the clothing was light blue, she said.

Mrs. Doe said that the men's eyes were more rounded than normal human eyes and totally emotionless and she never saw them blink.

No sounds were ever made but the men occasionally nodded to each other.

She said that after the examination the examiner saw her staring at the robot, which was standing by a wall with its lights flashing, and explained to her telepathically that it was a mechanized retrieval device used for performing manual work outside the ship and bringing back specimens. It was, he explained, a "non-thinking intelligence."

According to Mrs. Doe, the examiner picked up three six inch cubes and placed them on the rail of the table by her feet, stomach, and head. As he set them down, they began glowing red, green and white respectively, she said.

She was never touched physically during the examination, she said, but a knife device was used to take a paring of her right index fingernail and a plastic-like bottle with tubes and wires was used to take blood from her arm. She said the examiner passed his hand a few inches above her entire body while a round object in his palm glowed brighter and dimmer as his hand moved. A think pencil-like instrument was used for probing her body and a black rubber suction device with a row of glowing lights was used on her groin causing some discomfort.

She said her blanket was removed during the examination and she was extremely cold. After she began to shiver badly, a black blanket was produced and covered first her upper body, then the lower body, and as the examination was concluded, the cubes were removed and she was covered all over with the blanket as the men left the room.

Mrs. Doe said she was left alone for several minutes except for the immobile robot sitting by the wall with its lights flashing. She tried to move and look around but could only move her head as her legs and arms move still securely bound by the straps. She said her throat was painfully sore and she felt nauseated.

Next, she said, one of the men returned and walked to the end of the table near her feet and raised the blanket and stared at her without visible emotion. She tried to struggle but could not move and the man put a pin-like device to her thigh that left her numb and almost paralyzed. Then the man raped her she said, and after the assault wiped her body with a blue sponge-like cloth and then left the room after pulling the blanket back down.

The light on the robot stopped flashing and the three men returned. One man removed the pin from her thigh while the second removed the blanket and folded it and the third unshackled her arms and legs.

Mrs. Doe passed out again and when she came to she was on the road beside her car with her clothes in a pile nearby.

She dressed quickly and although still dazed and nauseated, she started her car and drove home, arriving about 2:30 a.m. and told her husband what happened. They both agreed that it would be best to keep the episode a secret.

Around Christmas 1973 the Does started to experience classical Men in Black harassment beginning with letters and phone calls warning them to forget the incidents of October. The letters and calls continued up to April 1976 and then they began to be visited by two strange men verbally issuing the same warnings. The men were dressed in black and arrived in a black limousine.

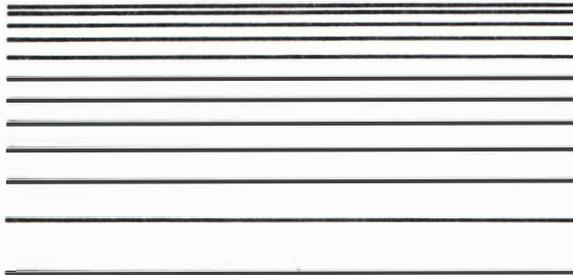
Mrs. Doe was left with no pregnancy from the assault or no other physical ill effects but was psychologically disturbed for some time and saw a number of doctors and psychiatrists who insisted she had hallucinated.

Without making its own firsthand investigation of this case, it is difficult for MARCEN to make a meaningful evaluation. We do note, however, many similarities between this and other reported abduction cases. We note in particular the procedure of the physical examination that seemed to almost follow the same script of many reported abductions dating all the way back to the case of Barney and Betty Hill. The same procedures and instruments were described in nearly all cases and the descriptions of the intelligent entities could have been identical although the three women abducted allegedly in Kentucky in 1976 described beings who were substantially different.

The reported rape is the first such incident of which we are aware. The strange harrassment of the family after the incident lends a bizarre air to the entire case but similar and identical activities have been reported in the past.

MARCEN does not wish an ill experience on anyone but we are hoping for an abduction case closer to home where we can thoroughly investigate the case and hope to find a witness who will stand up to an intensive psychiatric examination. We have the doctors ready and waiting and we believe that if an abduction case can be substantiated it will supply us with a wealth of information about the phenomenon.

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## A COMPUTER PROFILE OF MARCEN MEMBERS

In answer to a number of questions about who joins MARCEN, we put this very question to our computer databank for a definitive answer.

At the time of the computer analysis, the membership stood at 7010.

Broken down we found 3,856 participating members; 2,412 sustaining members and 742 honorary members.

Broken down by sex, we found 5,878 male members, 695 female members, 27 members whose sex is not known because the name given was initials or did not easily reveal the gender; and 410 memberships were issued to other organizations, libraries, schools, etc.

Tabulated by category and sex we have:

	Male	Female	Not Known	Organization
Participating	3,743	113		
Sustaining	1,835	550	27	
Honorary	300	32		410
Totals	5,878	695	27	410

The largest numbers of any one profession joining MARCEN appears to be physicians hands down with 2,329 MDs represented in the membership. Of these 2,103 are sustaining members, evidently not having the time for full participation but 226 are participating members. Twenty-eight of the participating members are psychiatrists and 14 are dermatologists, the largest categories and two of the most important to the studies of MARCEN. The other physicianparticipating members cover the entire range of medical specialities.

Having stressed the importance of advanced academic degrees in physical or sociological sciences for the participating membership in putting together MARCEN, we asked the computers if we had succeeded.

Indeed we have with 2,684 members holding 2,796 doctorates. We also found 4,014 Masters degrees.

In the participating membership roster we found 126 anthropologists of numerous disciplines; 114 attorneys; 338 astronomers; 58 biochemists; 225 biologists; 585 computer analysts, designers and programmers; 121 counselors; 905 engineers; 120 designers and inventors; 118 geologists and geophysicists; 309 metallurgists; 112 photogrammetrists and photo interpreters; 110 psychologists; 122 physicists; 1,115 university and college professors representing 136 schools of higher learning; 326 pilots; 5 veterinarians; and 118 meteorologists.

The totals on these last two studies total more than the total of participating membership because many members hold multiple degrees and because many of the scientists and professor members may have been listed in more than one discipline. For instance, a professor of astronomy who happens to be a pilot would have been listed 3 times.

Honorary memberships in MARCEN have been made to persons who have made substantial contributions to the study of unconventional phenomena in the past or have the potential to make contributions to MARCEN in the future. A few honorary memberships have been made to interested persons of advanced age or unable to afford sustaining memberships to satisfy their desire for information on unconventional phenomena.

Honorary memberships in the organizational category are made to cooperating organizations having publications or information exchange agreements with MARCEN, schools, libraries and news organizations.

In addition to the memberships, nearly 1000 copies of the MARCEN Journal are sold each issue through three distributors in the United States and two in Europe.

We lack sufficient information about sustaining members to say much about them except for the overwhelming number of physicians.

Studying the profiles of participating members, we can say that the average participating member is a 42 year old male with an average of 3 academic degrees above bachelor's degrees. He is probably a college professor teaching in the physical sciences, has a military background as a commissioned officer and probably has current hobbies of photography, flying, and scuba diving in addition to his interests in unconventional phenomena.

Membership in MARCEN now covers all 50 states of the U.S. and the countries of Canada, Mexico, Spain, Grenada, Great Britain, France, Morocco, Israel, Yugoslavia, Bulgaria, Poland, Sweden, South Korea, Indonesia, India, West Germany, Switzerland, Japan, New Zealand, Australia, and Austria.

## UFO OHIO NEWEST COALITION

It has often been said that there are more active UFO organizations per capita in Ohio than anywhere else in the country and now perhaps they have made their most important contribution to the field by joining together in a coalition with a common goal and with a better chance of success with their pooled manpower and resources.

UFO Ohio first announced its formation on June 1, 1979. Although centered in Ohio, UFO Ohio's efforts are already extending into Pennsylvania, Kentucky, West Virginia, Illinois, Indiana, and Michigan. Communication and cooperation is maintained by UFO Ohio with other research organizations in the United States and around the world so that it does not become provincial in its efforts.

Although the UFO interest is highest, UFO Ohio is interested in all forms of strange phenomena with knowledgeable persons in the areas of Bigfoot, astronomical observations, strange creatures, religious miracle manifestations and other areas.

Two current publications of excellent reputation are being merged into a single journal called UFO OHIO with a goal of organizing, documenting, and distributing data on Ohio and other parts of the world to the members of the project and other ufologists. The publications joining are The Ohio Sky Watcher and the Page Research Library Newsletter.

Since much on the site investigation has been done and is contemplated in the future, UFO Ohio has set up twice yearly training courses for field investigators. These courses are being conducted by the Ohio UFO Investigator's League in Fairfield, Ohio and consist of classroom work, field experience and written examinations. Some of the areas covered include: interviewing techniques, case reports, technical data, mutilations, bigfoot, para-normal activity, safety, equipment, radiation and astronomy.

UFO Ohio already has a large research library for the use of the project members and a Xerox machine available for research use.

The initial organizations participating in the UFO Ohio project and their directors are:

Cleveland UFO Society-Lawrence Blazey, 537 Juneway Dr., Bay Village, Oh. 44140

Northern Ohio UFO Group-Rick Hilberg, 3403 West 119th St., Cleveland, Oh. 44111

Page Research Library-Dennis Pilichis P.O. Box 5012, Rome, Oh. 44085

Tri-County UFO Study Group-Jim Carnes, Warren, Ohio

Tri-County UFO Study Group-James Rastetter, P.O. Box 2, Sebring, Oh. 44672

Flying Saucer Investigating Committee-Lawrence Moyers, 748 Alameda, Ave., Cuyahoga Falls, Oh. 44221

Para-Humanoid Research- Ron Schaffner, P.O. Box 12049A, Cincinnati, Oh. 45212

Paranormal Research Organization-Phil Collins, 219 Johnson St, Ashland, Ky. 41101

Cleveland Ufology Project-Earl J. Neff, 11309 Pleasant Valley, Parma, Oh. 44130

There are other UFO and fortune teller organizations in Ohio that did not initially join with UFO Ohio but the organizers are hopeful they will affiliate. It is also possible and entirely probable that the internecine friction that seems to pervade the field may cause some of the initial coalition to disaffiliate as time goes by, but MARCEN compliments all who have joined in the project and wishes them much success while hoping they will be able to put aside petty differences and concentrate on a cooperative effort so necessary to the survival of the entire field. If other groups and other states could follow the lead of Ohio, they might learn firsthand the magnification of their abilities in a joint effort.

## A COMPUTER EVALUATION OF 27,640 UFO REPORTS

*EDITOR'S NOTE: When the United States Air Force was investigating UFOs through Project Bluebook, in answer to a clamoring of data on UFOs from the public, a special project was contracted to prepare a report which was released as Bluebook Special Report J4 on May 5, 1955. This report which was an analysis of project reports on UFOs came up with a negative conclusion after applying a number of scientific tests. In undertaking another computer evaluation of its filed reports, MARCEN decided to use essentially the same parameters utilized by the preparers of Special Report J4 and compare the results. MARCEN worked from a much larger data base and applied the same parameters and tests and at least on the Chi Square tests came up with very similar numbers. Perhaps we interpreted the results differently because we reached different conclusions.*

MARCEN's last computer statistical analysis concerned itself with the characteristics of UFO reports and the persons reporting them.

In the current study, using the same 26,960 reports from the first study for a base and adding an additional 680 reports in MARCEN's files from 1978 and 1979 for a total of 27,640 reports, we asked the computers to objectively evaluate the sightings reported.

It was our hope that a computer evaluation would eliminate any prejudices of human evaluators and would give more statistically pure results.

For categories in identifying the UFO reports, we chose the same ones used by the Air Force Project Blue Book. They are: balloons; astronomical; aircraft; light phenomenon; birds; clouds, fog and dust; psychological; insufficient information; unknown; and other.

How could we expect impersonal-non-thinking computers to evaluate something so complex as UFO reports? We achieved this by programming the computers to recognize the most common characteristics of each category of identifieds. We told the computers that if more than two thirds of the characteristics matched, the report was to be a definite identified in that category. If more than half the characteristics matched it was to be a probable identified.

The insufficient information category was used for reports where there were not enough characteristics reported to possibly fit the report into any category. For a report to be categorized as unknown, there had to have been sufficient characteristics reported for the report to fit one of the other categories but the computers indicated that there were matches of less than two characteristics in any one category. A probable unknown was indicated by a match of only two characteristics in any category.

The category of other was a catchall into which we programmed all of the characteristics of all other natural or man-made phenomena such as rocket launches, high altitude ionization texts, atmospheric phenomena, etc. We decided that if there were three or more matches in this category the computers would relegate the report to identified in the "other" category. All reports grouped into the "other" category were reviewed by the MARCEN UFO Report Evaluation Panel to make certain they all actually fit as identified phenomena and were not actually unknowns.

When this computer run was completed, we discovered that a full 26.7% or 7,380 were evaluated as unknown. 22.7% were evaluated as definitely unknown while 4% were probable unknowns.

The breakdown of evaluations follows:

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	Definite	Probable	Total
Balloons	9.3%	6.0%	15.3%
Astronomical	12.5	7.3	19.8
Aircraft & Rockets	15.1	7.5	22.6
Light Phenomena	1.4	0.8	2.2
Birds	1.5	0.6	2.1
Clouds, Fog, Dust	1.1	0.3	1.4
Psychological	1.6	0.4	2.0
Unknown	22.7	4.0	26.7
Other	3.7	4.2	7.9
Totals	68.0	31.1	100.0

In the University of Colorado "Scientific Study of Unidentified Flying Objects" commissioned by the U.S. Air Force with more than a half million dollars of taxpayer funds, Dr. Edward U. Condon, director of the study, stated that "all unexplained sightings are from poor observers." We decided to find out whether or not this is true and programmed the computers to rate the witnesses from the UFO reports and to categorize them into excellent, good, questionable, and poor observers. Then we asked for a breakdown for the evaluations of the reports grouped according to the categories of the observers. This is what we discovered:

	Excellent	Good	Questionable	Poor
Balloons	9.6%	15.8%	16.4%	11.4%
Astronomical	24.0	21.5	19.5	23.9
Aircraft	18.8	21.0	24.5	14.1
Light Phenomena	.95	3.0	2.0	2.9
Birds	.95	1.5	1.3	0.1
Clouds, Fog, Dust	1.0	1.5	0.9	0.5
Insufficient Data	4.2	3.2	14.4	21.7
Psychological	0.0	0.5	3.2	15.3
Unknown	36.3	27.8	15.9	15.3
Other	4.2	4.2	2.0	5.0

In direct contradiction to Dr. Condon's statement we found that the more reliable the observer the higher the percentage of unknowns and the lower the percentage of insufficient data reports. We also found that the higher the reliability of the witnesses, the lower the percentage of reports attributable to psychological aberrations, seemingly proving that the more reliable the witness the more likely the report will be an unknown and the more likely the report will contain sufficient data for evaluation and the less likely the report will be a hallucination or hoax.

These tabled we see:

Reliability	Identified	Insufficient Data	Unknown	Psychological
Excellent	59.5%	4.2%	36.3%	0.0%
Good	69.0	3.2	27.8	0.5
Questionable	69.7	14.4	15.9	3.2
Poor	63.0	21.7	15.3	4.6

For the purposes of this study the reliability of the witnesses was rated on known factors of occupation and education, which were not always available, which then put the witness in the questionable category. The reliability of each witness was rated 1 to 9 with 7-9 being excellent, 5 to 7 being good and 2 or below poor. A military pilot, or experienced police officer, both of whom are expected to be experienced observers would have been rated excellent while young children would have been rated poor. In between the rating was carried out as objectively as possible by MARCENs UFO Evaluation Panel before the reports were entered into the computer data banks in anticipation of such a study.

To lay the myth of poor observers sighting the most UFOs to rest forever, we asked MUFOD for a comparison of identified versus unidentified and insufficient information categories as reported by military and civilian witnesses, the theory being that military witnesses are better trained observers.

Reliability of Witness	Military			Civilian		
	ID	UNK	Insuff.	ID	UNK	Insuff.
Excellent	60.2%	38.7%	1.1%	62.3%	29.0%	8.7%
Good	66.9	31.4	1.7	74.6	22.4	3.0
Questionable	69.9	25.9	4.2	74.0	12.0	14.0
Poor	68.3	21.7	10.0	60.2	17.1	22.3

Our analysis seems to have proven that the best qualified observers made the best reports and are most likely to be reporting true unknowns while the poorly qualified observers make the poorest reports, i.e., the most insufficient information and are least likely to be reporting true unknowns.

Deciding to attack another popular myth--that UFO report unknowns result from short duration observations, we asked MUFOD to plot the sighting durations of the reports evaluated as unknowns.

Putting yet another myth to rest, the computers told us that a full 65.1% of all unknowns were sighted for 31 seconds to 30 minutes leaving the observers adequate time to discriminate between mundane or natural events and real unknowns.

The breakdown of sighting durations was:

Less than 5 second	7.9%	1-5 minutes	30.1%
6-10 seconds	6.0	5-15 minutes	10.2
11-30 seconds	9.9	16-30 minutes	11.4
31-60 seconds	13.4	more than 30 min.	11.1

A full 62.8% of the unknown reports indicated durations of from one minute to more than an hour--hardly brief encounters.

Even though this computer study indicated a substantial percentage of sightings evaluated as unknowns, we wanted to be as reasonably certain as possible that the results were not being affected by any factors not immediately recognizable to us. To check out this possibility, we applied a test of statistical equivalency known as the Chi Square to predict the probability that various characteristics of the unknowns were the same as the identified reports.

We compute Chi Square using the formula of  $\chi^2 = (I - U)^2/I$  with U being the number of characteristics of the unknowns and I being the number of characteristics of the identified. In each test we calculated an alpha error factor of .05.

In theory, this test will not give us absolutely accurate results because to be certain of the results, we would have to compare the characteristics of the unknowns against characteristics of absolutely verified identifieds, not just reports that are evaluated as identified. In other words if the computer evaluations have goofed in a few cases and there are actually unknowns in the identifieds categories and/or vice versa, the results will be modified by the error.

However, without having absolutes to work with as we rarely do when working with unconventional phenomena, we try to estimate this error factor as low and predict the probabilities as accurately as possible under the circumstances.

The first Chi Square test we made to compare speed characteristics of unknowns with identified.

	Chi Square Values
For stationary objects the Chi square was	5.86
Under 100 miles per hour	7.26
For 100 to 500 miles per hour	1.23
For greater than 500 miles per hour	18.49
For a meteor like streak or speed to great to measure	2.19
The total Chi square for speed characteristics	35.03

The number of degrees of freedom = 5 - 1 = 4. So the Chi square for 5% probability of statistical equivalence is 9.5 and the Chi square for 1% probability of statistical equivalence is 13.3.

Therefore we must conclude that there is a much less than 1% probability that the speeds of the unknowns are statistically the same as those of a random sample of the knowns.

The next test was to compare numbers of objects reported.

	Chi Square Values
For one object the Chi square was	5.94
For two objects	1.01
For three to ten objects	22.14
For more than ten objects	25.91
The total Chi Square for numbers of objects	55.00

The number of degrees of freedom = 4 - 1 = 3. So Chi square for 5% probability of statistical equivalency is 7.8 and the Chi square for 1% probability of statistical equivalence is 11.3. Therefore we must conclude that the probability that the numbers of objects reported in the unknown evaluations would be identical to a random sample of the reports evaluated as identified is much less than 1%

An area of UFO descriptions containing the most values is that of color reported, so we applied the Chi square test to colors reported and found:

	Chi Square Values
Red had a Chi square of	0.84
Orange	2.11
Metallic	0.21
White	5.92
Green	6.02
Yellow	0.18
Purple	0.02
Black	0.61
Blue	2.03
Grey	0.03
A glowing light source with no definite color	3.21

Thus we got a total Chi square of 21.23. Allowing for the number of degrees of freedom at 10(11-1) we found that the Chi square for 5% probability of statistical equivalency to be 18.30 and the Chi square for 2% probability of statistical equivalency to be 21.20. So we had to conclude that there was just under 2% probability that the characteristic colors of the unknowns were statistically the same as a random sample of identified.

Rather than bore you with the myriad other calculations on the Chi square tests made, we will summarize the results.

A Chi square test for comparison of shape of objects reported gave us a conclusion that there is much less than a 1% probability that the characteristic shapes of the unknowns are statistically the same as those of a random sampling of the identified.

When we did a Chi square test of the duration of observations, we again concluded that the probability of statistical equivalence of the unknowns and the identified was much less than 1%.

Examining the light brightness characteristics of the reports, the Chi square test indicated a probability of about 1.4% that the unknowns and the identified were statistically equivalent.

Taking a look at the Chi square comparisons for all of the characteristics individually and collectively, we find that there is a probability of under 1% that the unknowns could be statistically equivalent to the identified. Charted, it looks like this:

Characteristic	Probability of Equivalence
Speed	Much less than 1%
Duration of Observation	Much less than 1%
Number of Objects	Much less than 1%
Color	About 2%
Shape	Much less than 1%
Light Brightness	About 1.4%

Thus with less than one chance in 100 that the unknowns are statistically equivalent to the identifieds, we feel very confident in declaring that the vast majority of these 7,380 reports evaluated as unknowns actually represent reports of a phenomenon unknown in conventional science. Whether we are dealing with extra-terrestrial, extra-dimensional, or extra-time travelling objects piloted by intelligent beings; or terrestrially generated mirages created by sophisticated electronic counter measures; or purely the manifestations of psychologically troubled minds; we do not possess enough information yet to predict. We do feel more than a little confident that we do have enough reports of actual unknowns to do further studies to seek the answers to the origin of this phenomenon.

*EDITOR'S NOTE: While we agree with most statisticians that the Chi Square Test is at least a valuable measuring tool, it is not an absolute as far as proving anything one way or the other as illustrated so admirably by UFO investigator Alan Hendry in his excellent UFO HANDBOOK published by Doubleday. Hendry points out that on the basis of the parameters used in the above study, ie color, shape, duration, number, speed, and brightness, one could readily apply a Chi Square test and prove that a city bus is an Indian Elephant.*

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## UFO DISCOUNTED BY MARCEN

By Dr. Jack Bostrack

*EDITOR'S NOTE: The following report of a field investigation by two MARCEN participating members: Dr. Jack Bostrack, a professor of Biology at the University of Wisconsin River Falls and Dr. Louis J. Greub, a professor of Agronomy at the same institution illustrates the need for objective investigation. The event investigated is still being referred to as a probable UFO landing in several publications we have noted. It is not the policy of MARCEN to debunk, but eliminating incidents with conventional explanations leaves us with more fruitful material to investigate.*

*On Sunday, September 16, 1979, Mr. Curtis Olson, Lake City, Minnesota, and his hired man noticed two small areas in one of his corn fields where the plants had apparently been "blown" or "knocked" down. As a result of urging by his friends and neighbors he reported it to the Wabasha County Sheriff's Office. The sheriff and his deputies examined the sites. The news media in the area became aware of it, and as a result, Mr. Curtis Olson and his corn field appeared in the local newspapers and on television. The implication of the news coverage was that perhaps an Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) had landed or had come close to landing and had knocked or blown down the corn plants. It was not clear from the reports whether Mr. Olson supported this postulation. On Wednesday, September 19, 1979, this investigator telephoned the Olson residence and made arrangements to inspect the area on Friday, September 21, 1979. Dr. Louis Greub, Agronomist/Crop Physiologist of the Plant and Earth Science Department, College of Agriculture, University of Wisconsin-River Falls, River Falls, Wisconsin, accompanied me on this inspection trip.*

*We were met by Mr. Olson's father and hired man upon our arrival at the farm located approximately 5-6 miles southwest of Lake City, Minnesota. The hired man accompanied us to the site where we were joined by Mr. Olson within a few minutes. There were two "blown-down" areas, one roughly oblong in shape and the other oblong to crescent-shaped. The two areas were connected by a short, narrow, dog-leg "path" (Fig. 1). After a cursory examination we both came to the conclusion that this event had occurred some time before it had been discovered, and it was probably the result of very moist soil, a consequence of abundant rainfall throughout the summer of 1979, and gusts of*

wind. The net effect of these factors would have been the "knocking down" or lodging of the corn plants. This initial postulation was based on the following observations:

1. None of the corn stalks were broken or crushed, but rather all the plants had been tipped to the horizontal position at soil level. In some places a portion of the underground root systems were brought above ground in the process, in a manner similar to wind-blown, up-rooted trees.
2. The corn plants were very dense in the "blown-down" sites. As a result of the density of the planting there was excessive shading and the stalks of many plants were spindly in appearance (i.e., very narrow in diameter which is a characteristic growth response of plants to reduced light intensities).
3. Many of the plants were exhibiting the typical negative geotropic response (i.e., after "blown-down" the plants remained alive and exhibited the normal growth response of shoots by growing up and away from the center of gravity).
4. On many corn stems there were adventitious roots growing out of the stem at the nodes (points of leaf attachment) on the lower side of the stem only. The length of these roots suggested a few week's growing time in that position.
5. There was no evidence of burned plants as was suggested in the various news media reports.

Our postulation at this time is that the corn had been blown down by tiny gusts of wind (similar to dust devils or miniature whirl winds). Mr. Olson was following the contour farming practice, alternating strips of corn with strips of hayfields (Fig. 2). This would provide for ample open space within which a swirling gust of wind could develop, enter a strip of corn and dissipate its energy there. Because the corn in these small areas was densely

planted, the tall spindly plants were readily knocked down. This may have been enhanced by extremely wet soil and, possibly, some root damage by root worms. Mr. Olson had not noticed the areas of lodged corn until Sunday, September 16, but most of the evidence suggested that it had happened some weeks prior to that date. We estimate that this event could have taken place as long ago as the end of July or early August. This postulation is supported by the observations that the geotropic response of many of the corn shoots was complete (i.e., they had grown upward from the horizontal position to assume a vertical position in relation to the center of gravity), and the extent of development of adventitious roots from the lower side of those plants that had been layed down. These two plant growth responses indicate that the event probably took place 4-6 weeks earlier.

There was no evidence to indicate that plants had been exposed to a source of heat severe enough to scorch or burn. Mr. Olson informed us that he had found "a couple" of small corn cobs in the middle of the largest of the two areas that had been black in color as if they had been charred. However, these had been taken by the sheriff and were not available for our examination. Because of lack of any supporting evidence for the occurrence of extreme heat we postulated that the corn cobs may have been infected with corn smut (a fungal pathogen of corn). If such infected cobs had separated from their stalks they may have dried, become shriveled giving the appearance of having been charred.

The sites were checked for radioactive residue with an alpha detector (Model 2672, Nuclear Chicago Corporation). Neither site yielded readings above normal background counts. A soil borer was used to collect the upper one inch of soil from 3-4 sample areas in each "blown-down" site. These were returned to the lab and checked the same day for radioactivity. The soil samples were checked with a Model 8870 Scaler (Nuclear Chicago Corporation). The counts on the soil samples were not above background indicating no radioactive residue in the soil. A water suspension was made of each soil sample

and examined with a Unitron binocular research compound microscope at total magnifications of 100X and 400X. There was no evidence of fusion of soil particles, rounding of points and edges of individual particles or any other change in soil structure which would suggest exposure to high temperatures.

Both investigators took numerous photographs of the "blown-down" sites on color film. This evidence will be available in the near future to anyone interested.

In summation, Dr. Greub and myself believe that the "blown-down" sites represent areas where the corn had lodged as a result of peculiar gusts of wind aided by wet soil and tall, spindly growth of the corn due to crowding and shading. Further, it is possible that the root system may have been weakened by the activity of root worms which would have enhanced the lodging phenomenon. It was too late in the season to check for root worms because they are in the adult-beetle stage at this time and are present above ground. There were some current year adults in evidence on the leaves of some of the corn plants.

Lastly, we would be remiss if we did not list certain other observations that are difficult to explain:

1. Although most of the corn plants in Area 1 were laid down in a swirling pattern, similar to Area 2 (see Fig. 1), there was a "split" between two rows of corn extending across the middle of Area 1. The corn plants had been precisely spread apart in the same manner as one would part the hair on a person's head.
2. There were some dead plants found on either side of the "split" in Area 1, but they did not appear to be broken, crushed or burned.
3. There appeared to be a narrow, but distinct, dog-leg "path" connecting Area 1 and Area 2 (see Fig. 1).
4. There were some large tracks in the soil, near the "blown-down" site, that were pointed out to us by Mr. Olson. They were large enough to be those of a horse or cow. However, the tracks had been made some time prior to the date of our inspection when the soil had been wet, and there was very little that could be derived from them.

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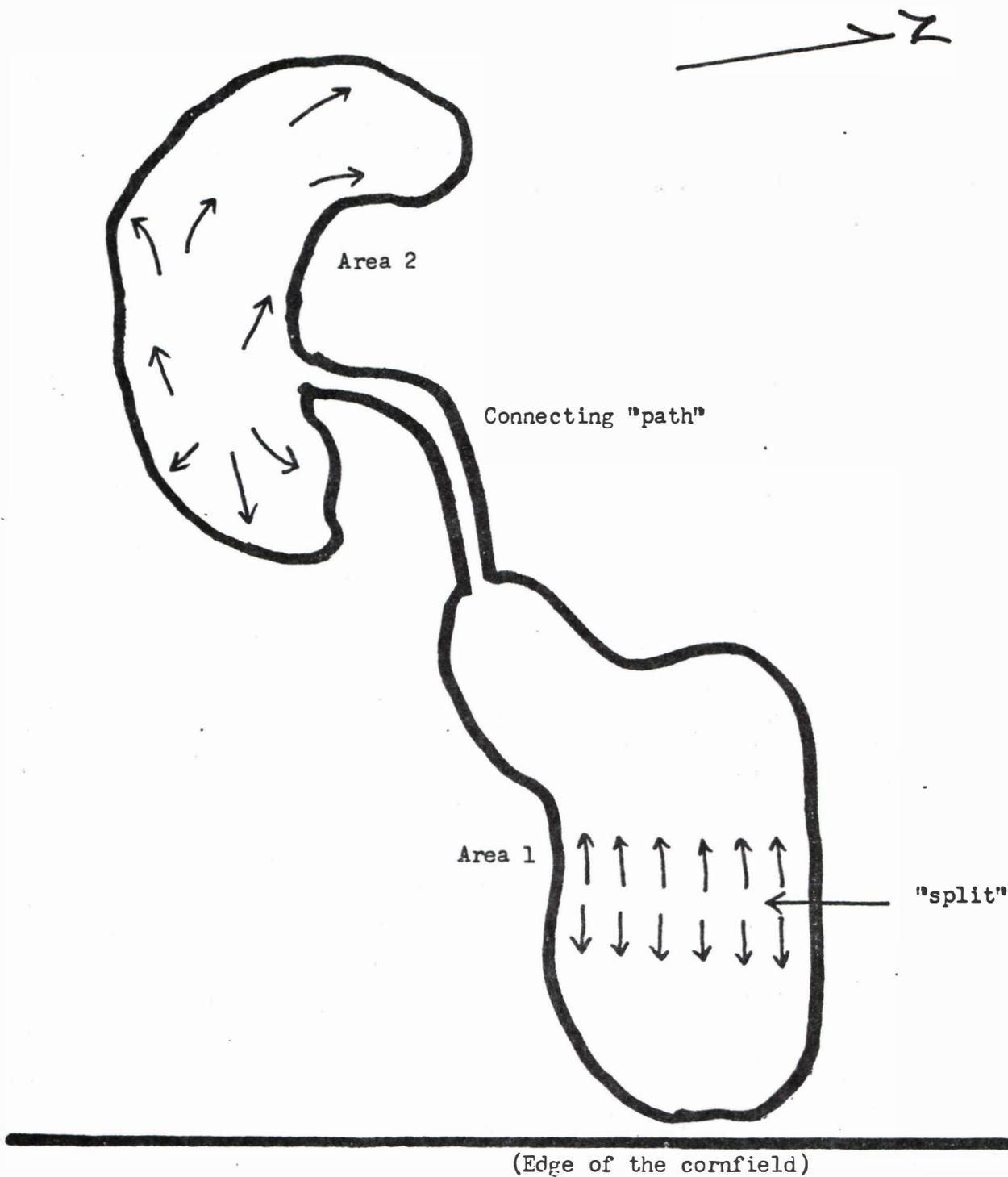


Fig. 1. Schematic drawing of two "blown-down" areas (Area 1 and Area 2) connected by dog-leg "path" approximately 22 feet long. The arrows in Area 2 roughly indicate the pattern of lodging of the corn plants. A similar pattern was observed in Area 1 except for the peculiar "split" that occurred between two rows of corn where all plants in each row were layed down at 180 degree angle to each other. Area 2 was approximately 40 feet long and 14 feet across, while Area 1 was approximately 63 feet long and about 30 feet across at the widest point.

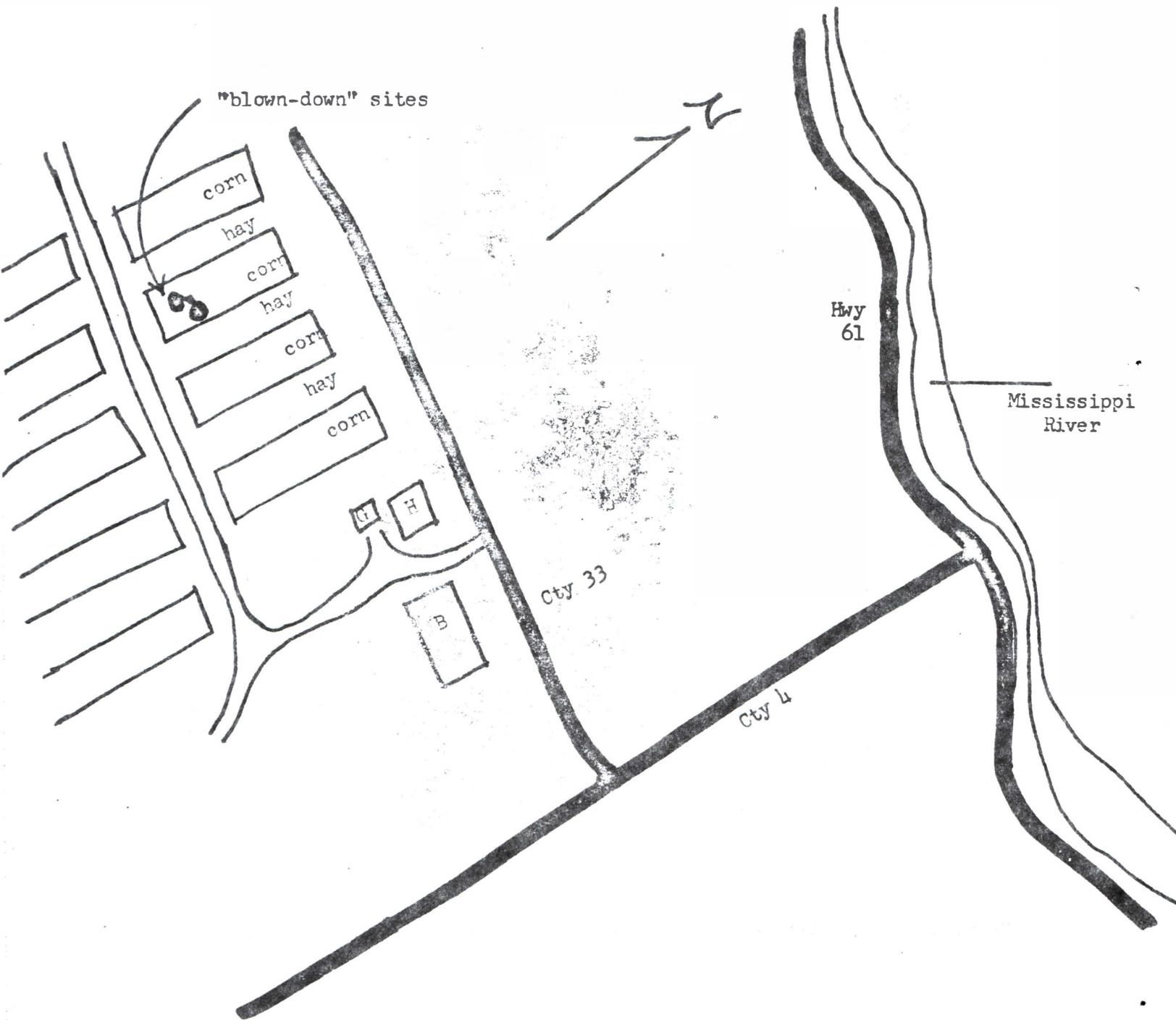


Fig. 2. Schematic drawing of a portion of the Curtis Olson farm indicating the arrangement of buildings (G- garage, H- house, B- barn), pattern of contour farming and approximately where the "blown-down" sites were located.

## UFO PHOTO EVIDENCE

Probably because of the old adage of a single photo being worth a thousand words, many persons believe that authentic photos of UFOs would be the strongest evidence we could have outside of a captive landing on the White House Lawn. Many thousands of photographs of UFOs have been produced, but unfortunately, the vast majority have been discarded as hoaxes or as the mistaken identity of conventional phenomena.

There is great difficulty in declaring a UFO photo authentic because of the ease of fabricating such photos along with the difficulty in determining with any kind of certainty that the photo could not be a different aspect or view of a conventional object.

Photographic evidence acquires probative value only when known natural phenomena can be ruled out and it can be shown that fabrication was not easy or convenient. Because of the possibility that almost any photo could be fabricated and because many of the sophisticated techniques today available to photographic technicians it is almost impossible to totally exclude the possibility of fabrication in any photo.

Because of the possibility of fabrication, other parameters must be utilized in deciding the authenticity of a given photo. Most importantly, we feel at MARCEN, is that the testimony of the witnesses and photographers should match the information content of the photographs. Minor points of difference can often be dismissed due to the excitement and nervousness of the witnesses, but major discrepancies must be grounds for detracting from the authenticity of any photo.

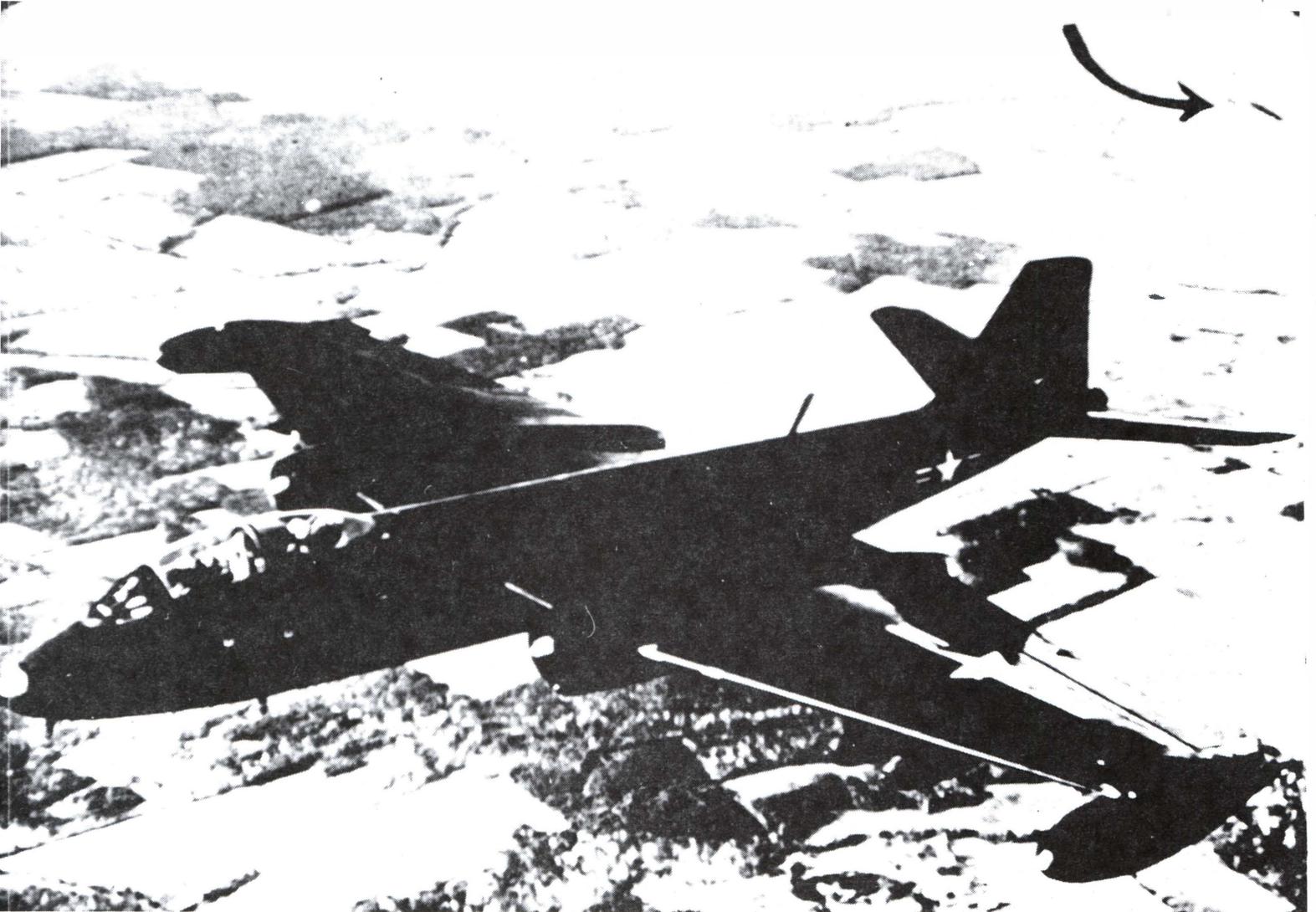
A major technique being applied to the analysis of UFO photographs today is that of computer enhancement where a photograph is scanned by a computer unit and broken down into numerical pulses of electricity representing the tones of the photo. This process, known as digitizing, breaks the photo down to its base components which can then be manipulated by the computer allowing various examinations to be made. Computer enhancement can often reveal fabrications not apparent to other techniques but it is still dependent on the skill and to some degree the prejudices of the operator. For these reasons, MARCEN is currently unwilling to accept the result of computer enhancement as the final answer to the authenticity of any UFO photographs. This opinion may change in the future as MARCEN is currently trying to obtain a scanner and digitizer for photo enhancement and as we explore the technique further, we may credit it with more validity.

The statistical properties or the quantity of photographic data are less important than the content of a single photo that might strongly indicate the existence of a hitherto unrecognized phenomenon. Nevertheless it is part of the problem that most of the data are of very low value because of low quality. A glance through many UFO periodicals and books will illustrate this. Many photographs are blurred from poor focus or motion of the camera or object. Many are badly processed or light struck.

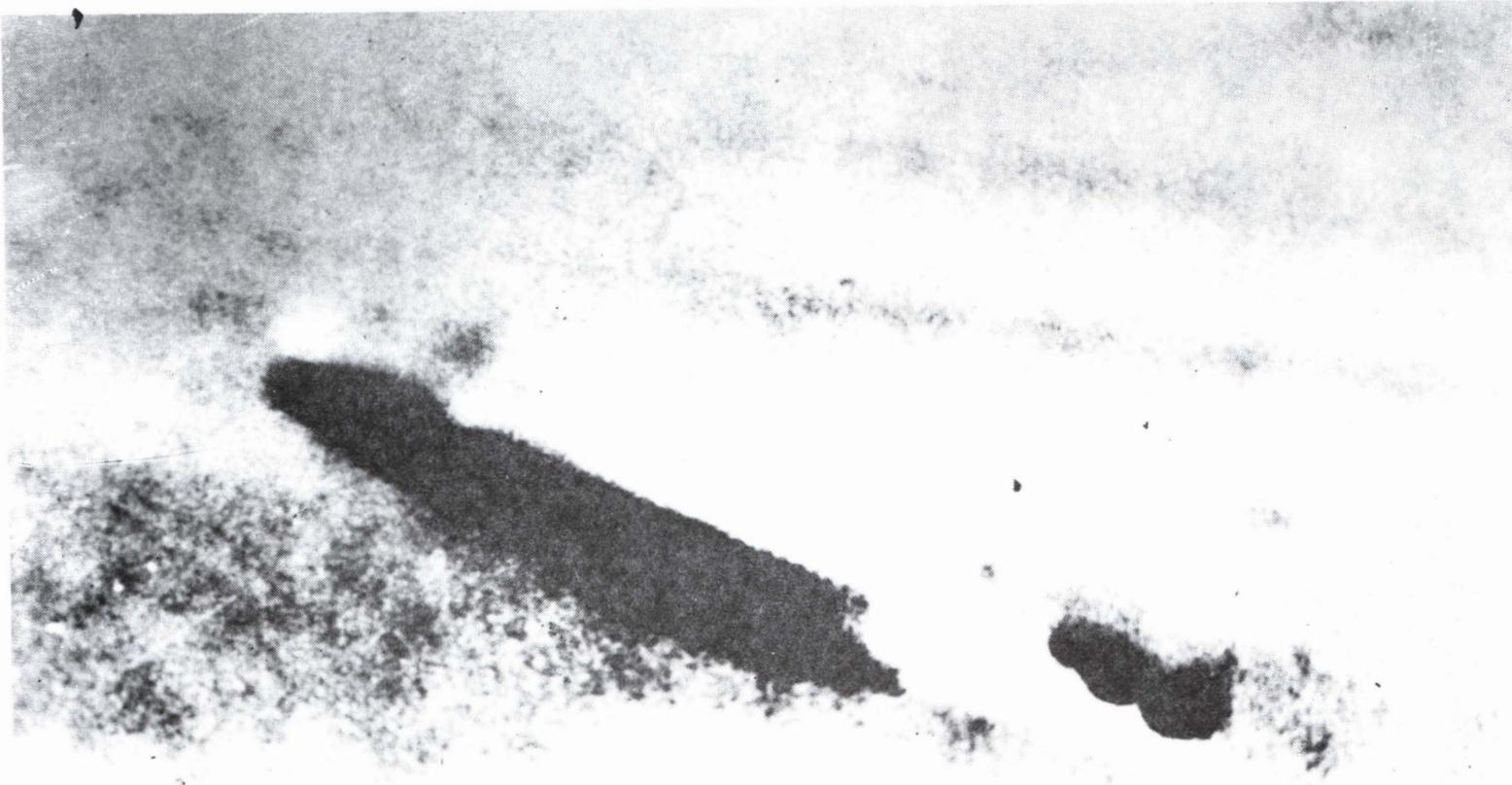
Many purported UFO photographs are inappropriate for analysis because they simply show points of light or amorphous blobs at night with no foreground or background information. For some unknown reason, the majority of UFO reports with photos have only one photo available which renders the possibility of applying photogrammetric techniques impossible or of little real value.

Despite all of this, there are a number of UFO photographs that have stood the rigors of many hours of analysis from many techniques and exhaustive examination of the sites and the photographers that can not be discarded as fabrications or at least there is enough evidence for their authenticity to balance the claims of skeptics that cry "hoax" at every opportunity.

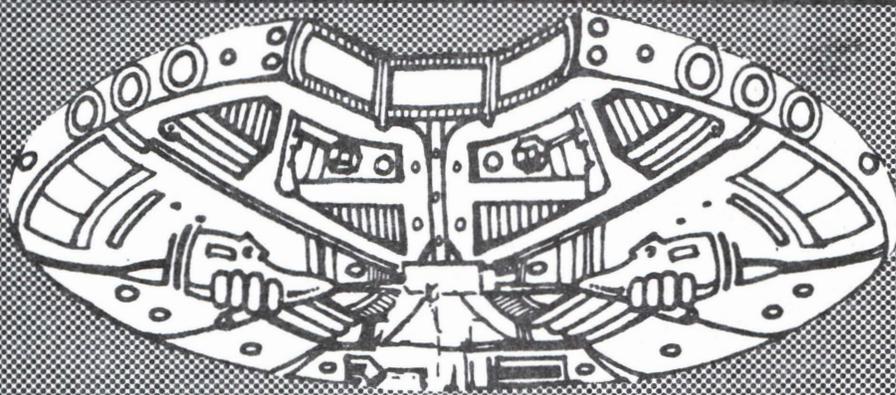
MARCEN begins the presentation of the most widely accepted photos in this issue and will continue in future issues. All of the photos presented have been either universally accepted because they can not be proven as anything else or the evidence against them is not incontrovertible.



No one has come up with a convincing argument against this publicity release photograph of a B-57 bomber taken by the professional photographers of McDonnell Douglas Aircraft Corporation in the mid 1950s. The image was not even noticed until the photos were released and thorough investigations at the time revealed no evidence of fabrication. Because of the sensitivity of the position of the company involved, it is highly unlikely the photographers would have engaged in any sort of fabrication. A closeup of the actual UFO image is shown on the next page. It appears to be a classic disk shape about 30 feet in diameter. It appears to have a reflective surface and there is evidence of atmospheric turbulence around it indicating it was in motion.

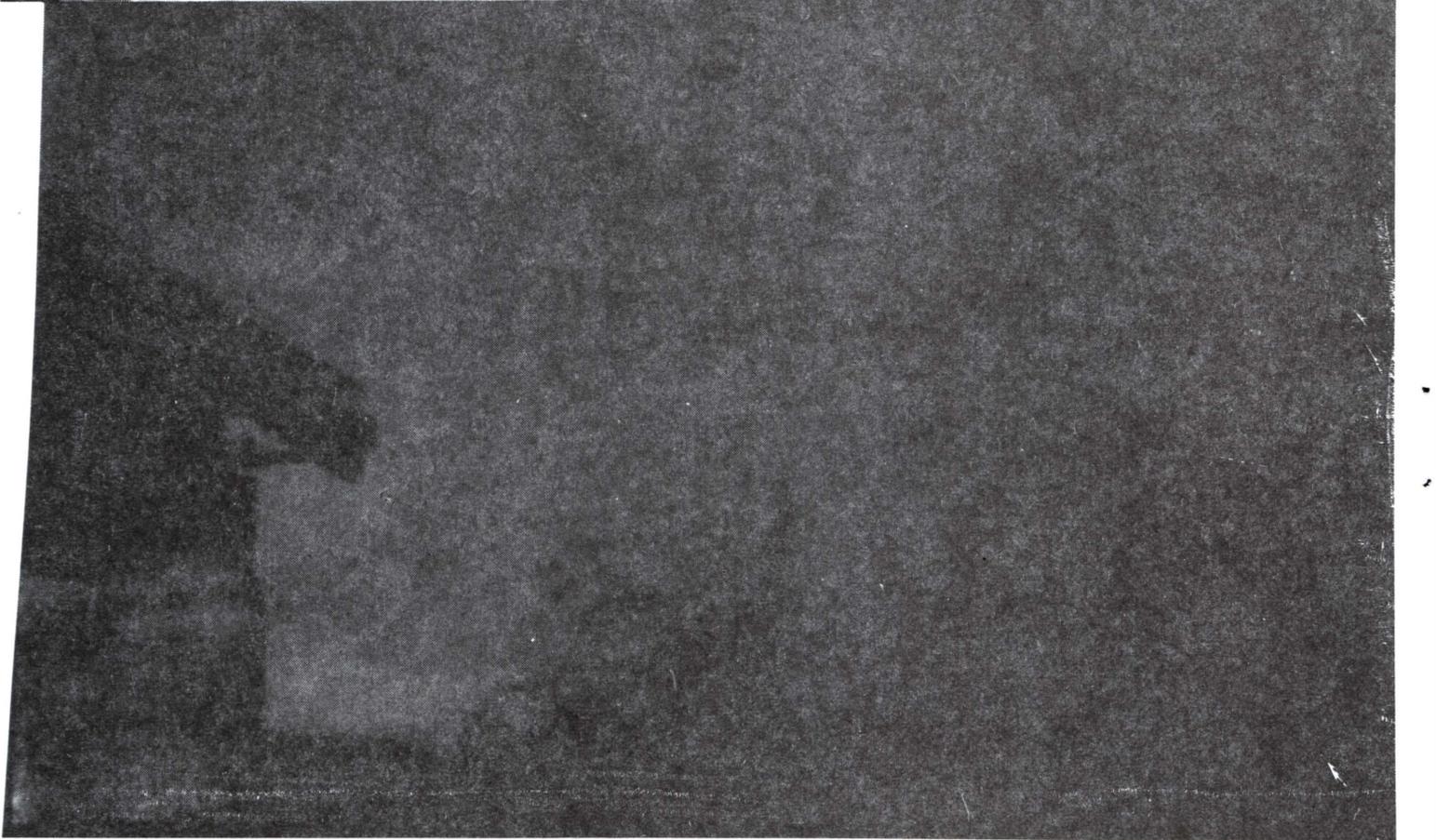


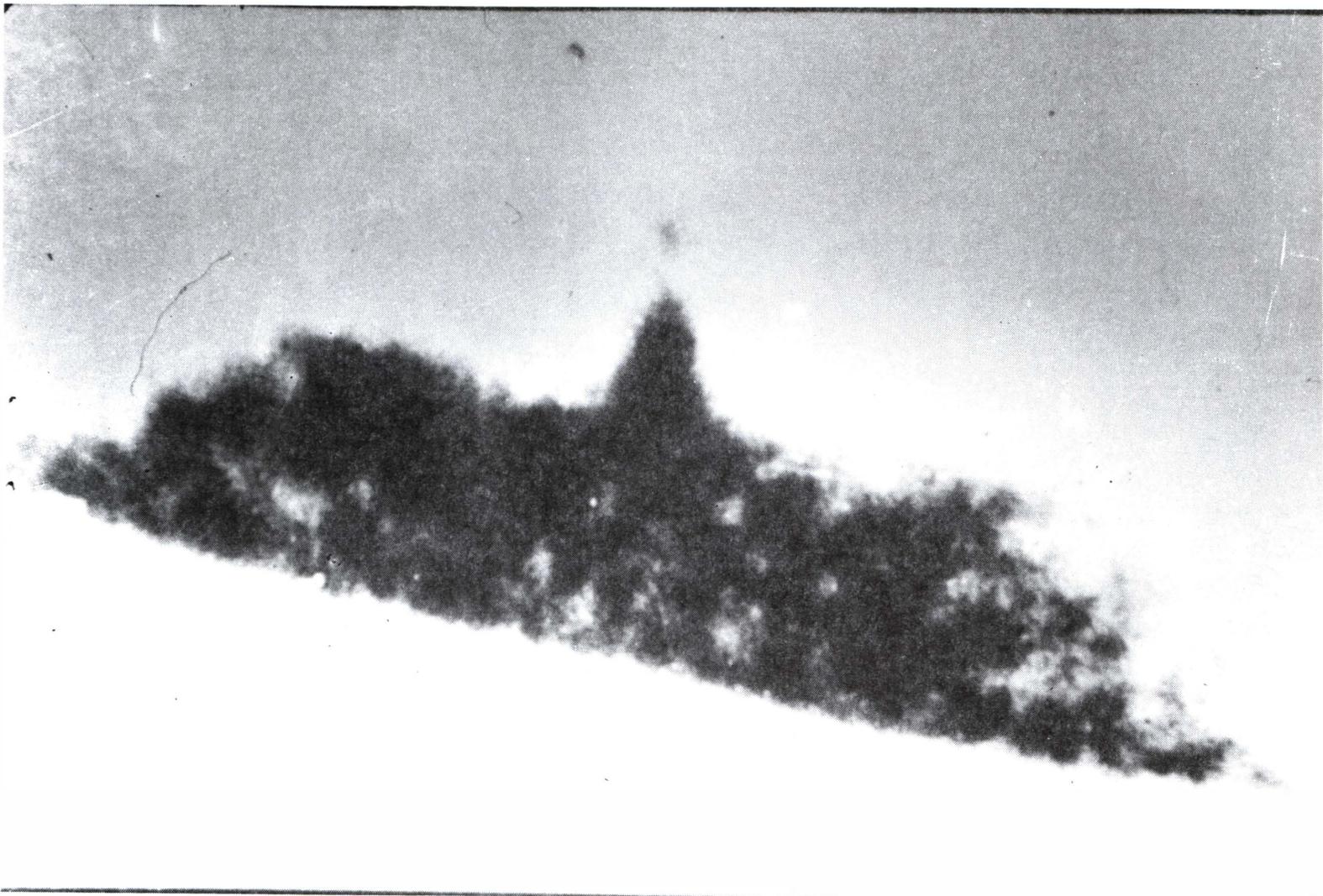
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The above photo is a high power blowup of the UFO image from the photo shown in two different prints on the preceeding page. The photos shown are one of two pictures taken by Mr. and Mrs Paul Trent at their farm near McMinnville Oregon on May 11, 1950. The Trents claim that they took the two photos ( the second one shows an elliptical bottom view of the UFO as it moves away) just after sunset. An analysis of the shadows in the photos by UFO skeptic Robert Sheaffer of Silver Spring, Md. convinced him that they had been taken closer to dawn than sunset so the skeptics are calling the photos a hoax. Another study by physicist and photoqrammetrist Dr. Bruce Maccabee calls the photos authentic as does a photo computer enhancement study by William Spaulding of Ground Saucer Watch. Dr. William Hartmann of the University of Arizona, who conducted photo analysis for the Condon Scientific Study of UFOs was impressed with these photos and labeled them as pictures of an unknown phenomon.

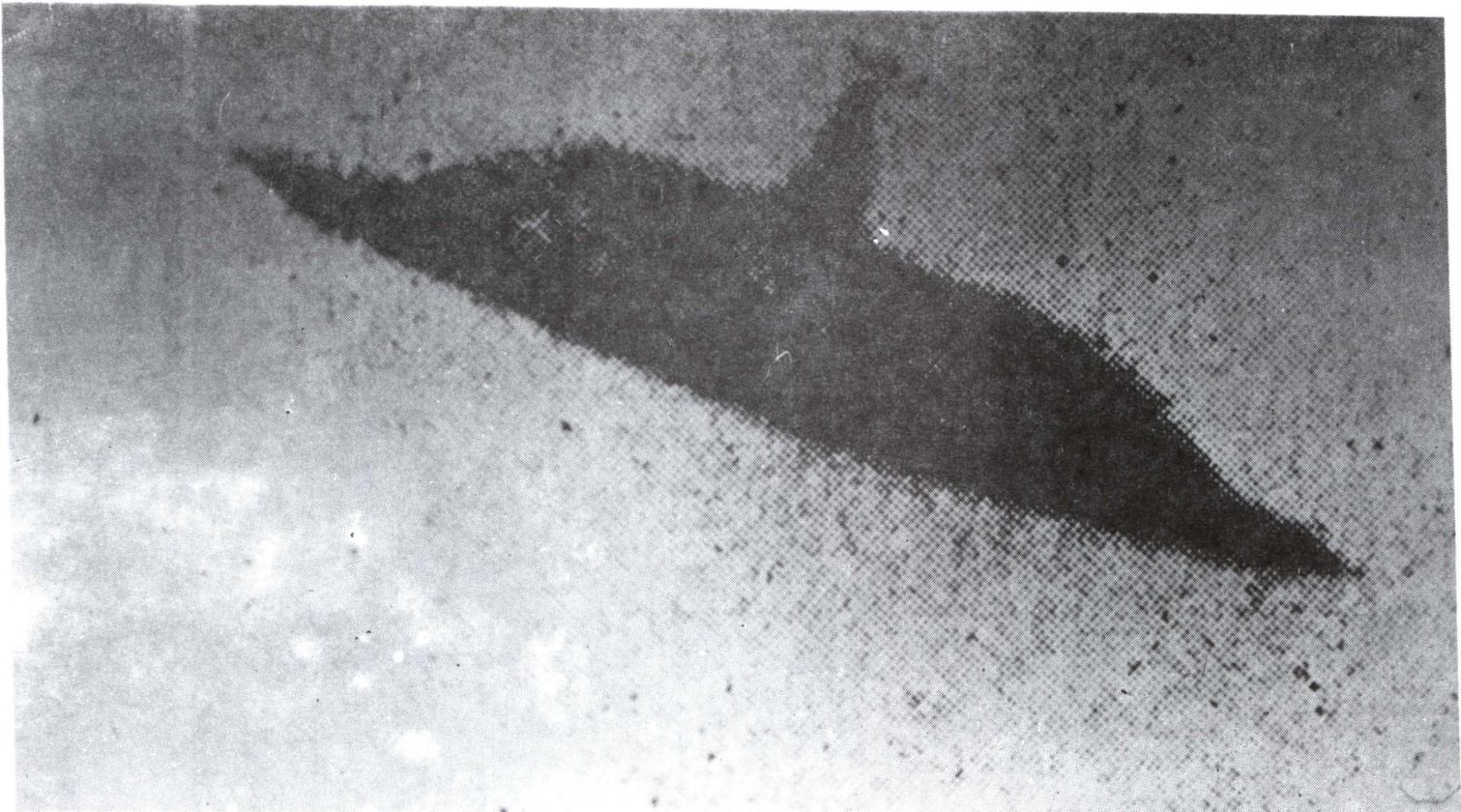
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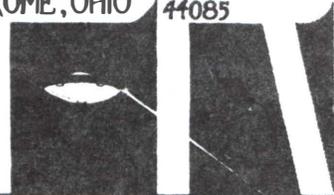
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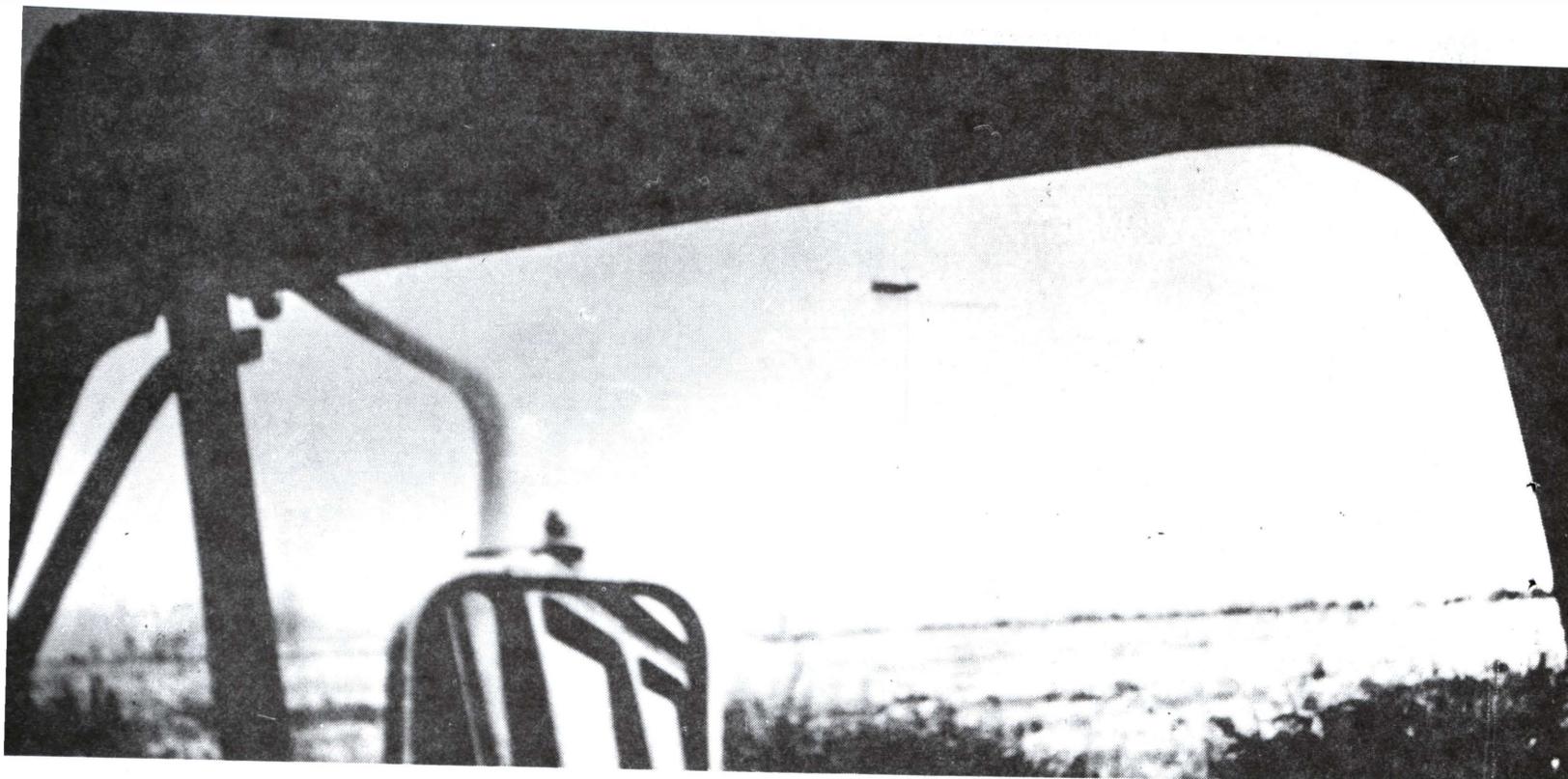


Among the best appearing and most controversial of UFO photos is the series beginning above taken by Santa Ana, California Highway Inspector Rex Heflin on August 2, 1965. Mr. Heflin was driving along a highway near the El Toro Marine Base when he saw what he at first thought was a new experimental aircraft from El Toro. Cocking the polaroid camera he carried with him for use in his job, Heflin made this first photo through the windshield of his pickup truck.

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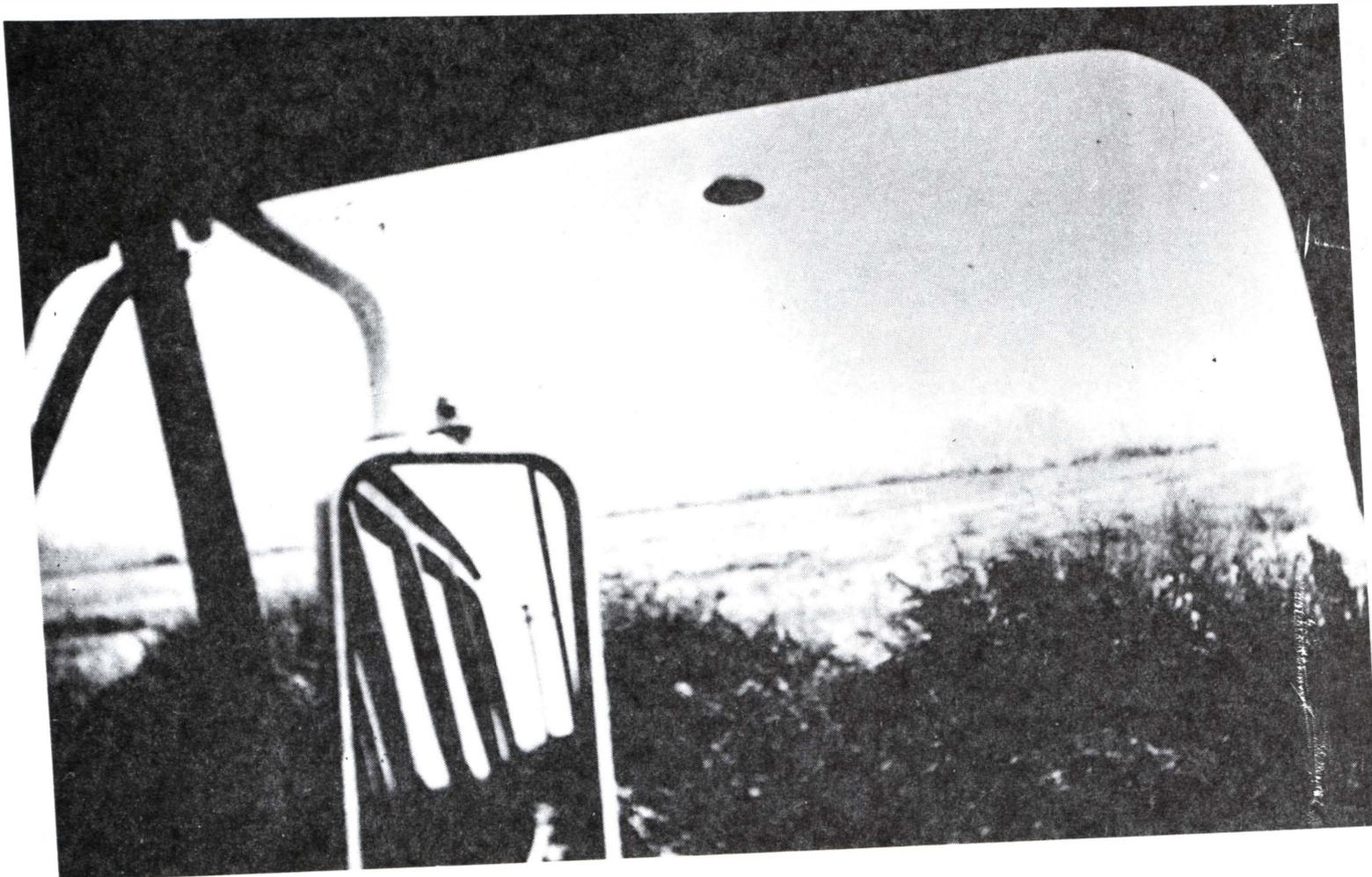
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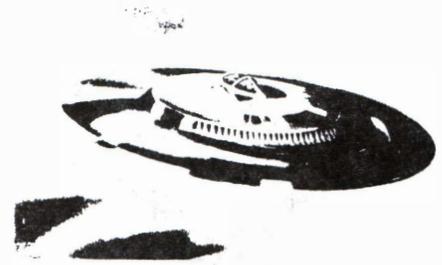
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