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REPORTS OF UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS (UFO), POSSIBLE RELATED INCIDENTS AND SUBJECTS

GIRL WHO SAW UFO IS GROWING TALLER--Is it normal for a 10-year-old girl to grow $5\frac{1}{2}$ inches and gain 25 pounds in a single month? Mrs. Max Stull said today that her 10-year-old daughter, Sharon, has done just that during the past month. Mrs. Stull said she is worried because her daughter's growth began just one month after the girl suffered eye burns while gazing at a strange, egg-shaped object in the sky here on April 28. Sharon was treated at Bataan Memorial Hospital at the time for eye and facial burns. The child said at the time that her eyes began to burn after she spent five or 10 minutes watching the UFO from the Lowell School grounds. Mrs. Stull said today that her daughter has recovered from the eye burns, although she still must wear dark glasses in the sunlight and can only read a few paragraphs in a book before her eyes begin to smart again. Mrs. Stull said that her daughter's personality and habits have changed during her recent and sudden growth.

"A month ago she was just a child who liked to play with dolls and paper dolls," Mrs. Stull said. "Now she is suddenly mature and grown-up, cooks meals by herself, cleans house and takes care of the younger children." Mrs. Stull said that Sharon, at the time she saw the strange object in the sky, was 4-feet, 8 inches tall and weighed about 85 pounds. Today, she said, her daughter is 5-feet, $1\frac{1}{2}$ -inches tall and weighs 110 pounds--and is still growing fast. Mrs. Stull said that Sharon has outgrown all her cloths and quickly outgrows new clothing and shoes. "I'm so confused I don't know what to believe," Mrs. Stull said. Sharon, who will be 11 in October, sat quietly in her home as reporters interviewed her mother. Asked how she felt, the child replied, "I just feel funny." Mrs. Stull said that a scientist from Tucson, whom she identified as C.E. Lorenzon, visited and talked at length with Sharon over the weekend. She said that a Los Angeles physician had offered to examine and treat the child free of charge if the family can get her to California this summer. She said she and her husband are not financially able to take the child to California. Mrs. Stull said her daughter has never been checked for possible radiation burns. "I know she definitely saw something in the sky that day, but I don't know what," she said. "It has been a nightmare ever since--I wish I had let her play hooky that day." Source: The Tribune--Albuquerque, New Mexico--6/29/64. Credit: Mr. Paul Matelis.

WEIRD VISITATION REPORTED--By Phil Hess--(Copyright 1964 by The Missoulian-Sentinel)--The Missoulian-Sentinel learned Friday night a Missoula area couple has been visited several times since April by what the wife described as a "ship definitely not of this world." Mr. and Mrs. Allen Lund, who live on the side of a mountain in the east Rattlesnake, said the object has landed within a few hundred feet of their house and has aimed a powerful light beam through their windows "in an apparent attempt to see what we look like." The young grandson of the Lunds told them he has talked with a man who apparently came from the craft. Mrs. Lund said she saw the "ship" early last April but has been hesitant about mentioning it to anyone. She hadn't told her

husband until one night the craft appeared when he was home. The Lunds described the object as a large "top-shaped ship with a row of lights around its circumference." The lights give off a "fluorescent type" of light and can be controlled from very bright to dim. One evening, as the Lunds were watching the ship, an airplane approached the area and the strange craft's light immediately went out. As the airplane passed, the row of lights went back on according to Mrs. Lund. A strong beam of light projected from the ship late one night as Mrs. Lund and her daughter, Mrs. Connie Savage slept in the front of the house. They both awakened to see the beam of light, about three inches in diameter, pointing at their feet at the end of the bed. They both rose and, according to Mrs. Lund, the light followed them around the room.

Mrs. Lund thinks the occupants of the craft were trying to see what human life looks like. She said each time the rim of lights on the craft were at full brightness, "it looked like daylight up here, even though it was the middle of the night." Before the April appearance of the object, the Lund's place was constantly visited by wild game, including deer and bear. Mrs. Lund said since that time, no animals have been seen in the area. She reported each appearance of the craft "scared the dogs and spooked the horses." The dogs rushed to get into the house and the horses stampeded to the far side of the property, she said. Mr. and Mrs. Lund said the ship makes no "real sound," but rather gives the impression of a noise. Mrs. Lund said it's more like the "cessation of normal sound--almost like it's making a very loud noise which blocks out all other sounds, but still doesn't seem to be making a noise itself." In addition to the lights around the rim of the object, Mr. Lund said a large diameter light "emits from the slightly rounded bottom surface" of the ship. In addition to the strange reaction of the animals, the Lund's have another indication of the presence of the object. Each time the ship is in the area, the oil furnace in the house "lights itself," according to Mrs. Lund. She said she checks the furnace if she thinks the object may be near.

Mrs. Savage's son, 3½-year-old Kyle, has told his mother and his grandparents of a man with whom he talks in the barn. He has told them the man's name, but Mrs. Lund said it's almost unpronounceable. The child has "disappeared for several hours at a time and then suddenly shown up from nowhere," Mrs. Lund said. He claims he has been talking with the man but won't take her to him because "We don't want you--and that man doesn't like you." Each time the boy has gone to "see the man," the dogs have run into the house and the oil furnace has lighted, according to Mrs. Lund. Mrs. Lund said the object has not stayed near their property constantly for the three-month period. It has gone away several times, each absence coinciding with the reports of similar objects in Helena, Polson and Idaho. Mrs. Lund said it left one night about three weeks ago as she and her daughter watched. They reported the ship "joined four others and all moved east together." Mrs. Lund is convinced the ship is "not of this world." She and her husband think the occupants of the ship are probably friendly and we have "nothing to be frightened of," although Mrs. Lund quickly confessed her fright when the light was aimed into her bedroom.

Other odd situations accompany the presence of the object. Mrs. Lund and her neighbors reported television reception on channel 7, Butte TV transmitter, "completely disrupted" when the ship is near. The Channel 7 antenna is near the Lund house. Mrs. Lund also said various personal articles have strangely disappeared for a short time, then, just as suddenly, reappeared. Mrs. Savage's sunglasses and several articles of clothing have "just vanished, then shown up again in a different place." In other UFO developments, Dr. Reuben Diettert and his wife, who have seen a distant object for the past several nights, said their son, Dr. Gerald Diettert, a local physician, observed the UFO through a powerful telescope. He described the object as pentagon-shaped (five-sided) with orange-red and green lights on four of the five corners and one in the middle. Source: The Missoulian-Sentinel--Missoula, Montana--7/25/64.

July 7, 1964--Turnerville, Georgia, U.S.A.--An unidentified flying object was sighted here by nine persons. Two women who witnessed the object, definitely described as a machine, reported they felt a stinging or burning sensation after the object had flown out of sight. Miss Diane Hickman, 16, said she awoke Wednesday morning with a red, puffed face, and her eyes were bloodshot. She said she had not been in the sun the day before. The most vivid account was given by Jimmy Ivester of Demorest, who with his wife were visiting his mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ivester of Turnerville. Ivester said it was about 9 o'clock Tuesday night. He, his wife, mother and father and sisters Judy, Janey and Joanne Ivester and a neighbor, were inside the Ivester home at Turnerville. They decided to turn on the television set. The set broadcast static, and the adjustments would not bring in a picture. So they went out onto the front porch. One of them looked up and sighted an object moving towards the earth, almost directly towards the Ivester home. At first, Ivester said, "We thought it was a plane about to crash...but it wasn't." Ivester said there were three lights atop the object: a red one, a clear one and another red one, all in a row and blinking on and off. He said the object appeared to be about as large as an automobile. As it drew closer to the Ivester home, he said the human spectators became aware of a peculiar odor that none of them could identify. A survey of the witnesses produced descriptions of "brake fluid, formaldehyde and embalming fluid."

The object, whatever it was, was dark except for the flashing red and clear lights, Ivester said. It moved across the horizon and down, moving and hovering, moving and hovering, Ivester said, until it came within 200 feet of the Ivester home. At that point, all witnesses agreed that it swooped down and hovered over a garden, not far from the house about five feet from the ground. It was over the garden that the red and clear lights on top of the object were turned off and a brilliant green light shown from the bottom of the object, towards the ground. Ivester said the object then moved upward again, and the green light filled the forest beneath it. The green light then was turned off and the object would move along, slowly, he said, but each time it hovered the green light would come on and it appeared to be searching the forest floor. Everyone who witnessed the object's descent to earth agreed, by testimony, that the preceding is the way it happened. The object then moved away and suddenly disappeared. Later, about 10:30, it was sighted again, just before Sheriff A.J. Chapman of Habersham County arrived. But the second time it did not swoop to the ground to hover and move off again. Ivester said it came back over the Ivester house at a rather high altitude. Sheriff Chapman said when he arrived he smelled the "most peculiar odor I've ever smelled." He said he isn't sure of what it was but "the closest I could come to it is brake fluid."

The object had no exhaust that could be seen and moved silently, making no noise, according to the nine witnesses. When the green light flashed on while the object was hovering over the garden, it reflected off the ground against the object and Ivester said there is no doubt in his mind that it was made of metal. The bottom, he said, "was shaped like a bowl. It had a ridge around the bottom like you sit a bowl on and the sides came around it." Another witness to the spectacle was not at the Ivester house. Mrs. Fred Rodaker was on her back porch. The cuckoo clock struck 9 p.m. She saw something, a light, in the sky. She went back into the house and, her curiosity aroused, looked out the window. Then she saw it, coming down. She ran out on the front porch and called to her husband who was inside, already in bed. She said the object had a light "as big as a tub." And although she thought at first it must be a plane "it was not an airplane." When she called her husband, he replied, "Aw, come on and go to bed...you're just seeing things." She said, "I know it sounds silly...and I never believed it before...but it would be still and then it would dip and level off... I saw something...I just don't know what it was." Mrs. Rodaker made one statement the others wouldn't venture to say: "I believe there was a man in that thing." Mrs. Russell Hickman, Diane's mother, was across the street from the Ivester home and was

inside. She didn't see the object but felt a "stinging, burning sensation on my arms and face." She said it felt like a sunburn through an automobile windshield. Nine persons saw the object, 11 smelled the odor it left behind. The night was dark, almost pitch dark, according to Ivester. Source: The Times--Gainesville, Georgia--7/9/64.

June 29, 1964--Near Lavonia, Georgia, U.S.A.--A Wellford, South Carolina man related Friday a strange story of how a flying object dipped down on his automobile on a Georgia highway Monday night blistering the paint and burning his arm. Beauford E. Parham said, "I saw it so clearly I believe I could build one of the things." Mr. Parham said he was returning from a business trip to Atlanta and was near Lavonia, Georgia when the circular object came hissing down and "stopped in the air like a humming bird" over his car. "I was traveling about 65 or 70 miles per hour, but when the object approached the car's engine began to slow down." He said the object, "about the size of my car top and about 6 feet high, seemed attracted by the car's headlights. The bottom portion was whirling one direction and the upper part in the opposite direction. It resembled a giant top," Mr. Parham said. Mr. Parham, district manager in Spartanburg, South Carolina, for the Family Record Plan, Inc., said his arm was burned and the object left a substance on the chrome portion of the car. There were marks on the roof. Mr. Parham said the object made two passes, coming from high in the sky. After pausing in front of the headlights it swooshed over the top of the car, leaving behind an odor somewhat like embalming fluid, he said.

On the second pass it followed his car for about two miles, again attracted by the lights. On the third pass Mr. Parham said he stopped the car and turned off the lights. The object whizzed away and quickly disappeared, he said. Mr. Parham said the object gave off terrific heat and he could see through numerous holes or openings, a yellow flame inside. There were fin-like attachments around the outer edges, he added. "I drove on to Lavonia and by this time my arm was really burning. I don't mind telling you I was mighty frightened," he said. Albert Myrick, a Federal Aviation Agency employe at the Anderson, South Carolina airport, said he and other FAA personnel looked over Parham's car and relayed his story to Warner Robins Air Force Base in Georgia. Myrick said the top of Parham's late model car was covered with oily spots which Parham thought may have been fuel from the flying object. A Geiger counter test did not indicate the car had come in contact with a radio-active object, Myrick said. Source: The Journal--Atlanta, Georgia--7/3/64. By The Associated Press.

July 24, 1964--Spartanburg, South Carolina, U.S.A.--The U.S. Air Force in Washington said "ball lightning" was the eerie object a Wellford man claims made two passes at his car as he traveled homeward through North Georgia near midnight on June 29. Contacted by The Herald, Beauford E. Parham, who insisted Friday parts of his car are beginning to deteriorate from contact with the object, refused to accept the Air Force explanation. "There was not a cloud in the sky. Lightning would not rotate at top and bottom as this object did. Lightning would not stand still. I saw it with my own eyes." Parham said the object left an oily surface on his car, blistered the paint and his arm. Friday he said the radiator has been eaten so that it will have to be replaced and the water hose is collapsing. Parham, seriously concerned and apparently sincere, drew a diagram of the object that resembled a giant top to describe what he saw. "I am not ashamed to tell about it, although I know it means I have to take a lot of kidding," he said. Parham said he was told that two days after his experience a woman sustained third degree burns from a similar object near the same location that burned into a sack of groceries in her car. Reported sightings of flying tops and other incidents have increased in recent weeks around Tallulah Falls and other Georgia towns. Source: The Herald--Spartanburg, South Carolina--7/25/64.

June 26, 1964--Fort Worth, Texas--U.S.A.--A fiery object streaked across the Fort Worth sky early today, apparently dragging a sonic boom. A Weather Bureau spokesman estimated the object was traveling at a speed approaching 70,000 mph. It lighted up Fort Worth as bright as day for three to five minutes before it faded to the north. Points as far away as Oklahoma City--200 miles to the north--reported seeing the bright object. Palestine (Anderson County) police spotted it first, phoned Cleburne police that it was on its way. Cleburne authorities notified Fort Worth lawmen. The Weather Bureau spokesman, said it was apparently its brightest over Fort Worth. A policeman in the 7500 block of Jacksboro Hwy. said the light it shed was so bright that he couldn't see the lights of his prowler car. Another, who had just stepped outside the police station, said it was bright enough to read a newspaper. The object seemed to fade over Haslet, and may have burned itself out in the air. Haslet residents reported hearing an explosive boom that could have been caused by the object screaming through the sky at supersonic speeds. Lawmen searched the Haslet area for traces of it, but found nothing. Source: The Press--Fort Worth, Texas--6/26/64.

June 14, 1964--Dale, Indiana, U.S.A.--William T. Powers, civilian investigator for the U.S. Air Force, "Project Blue Book" visited the Gilbert Engelbrecht farm located about two miles northwest of Dale, Indiana, Tuesday to investigate the "glowing object" seen by the Engelbrecht's 18-year-old son, Charles. Powers work is devoted to investigating "Unidentified Flying Objects" at Dearborn Observatory, Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois. Charles Engelbrecht told police Sunday night he was held frozen to his tracks as he watched a glowing object cavort in the backyard and then streak away. The youth saw the object around 9 p.m. Sunday. The Spencer County youth said he was alone in his darkened home watching television when a bright flash of light at the window attracted his attention. Engelbrecht said the television and lights in an adjoining room then blacked out. The youth said the "thing" was already on the ground near the back steps when he got outside, but "some strange power" held him away from it. He said a water trough had been overturned, a large can of chicken feed knocked from the table, and the power lawn mower was 10 feet away from where he left it. "I was numb," he said, "I didn't know what to do."

As he watched, unable to move, the boy said, "It began to rise and then disappeared over the barn." He said, "a smell of sulphur filled the air." Charles parents said they saw a similar light last Wednesday but thought it was a falling star. Authorities found a burned spot in the grass about the size of a saucer. There were three holes or indentations on the burned spot forming an isosceles triangle shape with a two-inch base. The Air Force investigator measured the holes which were each approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ inch deep. An Indiana University astronomy professor said the glowing object seen by the Dale youth may have been lightning. Powers, after examining the spot, said the Indiana University professor might change his mind if he were to come to Dale. Powers said when he first heard of it, he thought a "ball of lightning" was the explanation. However, he said, he had never heard of lightning rising from the ground and streaking away. After examining the spot, Powers said he did not believe the spot or "thing" was either lightning or a meteor. The investigator retrieved material from the burned spot. A small piece that looked like metal, was light in weight, and examination with a jewelers glass revealed that the object was grooved on the surface like a walnut. Powers said he could not explain the three impressions left on the burned ground.

Charles Engelbrecht told Powers that others in the area, including Dale, Newburgh and Gentryville, also have reported seeing a "thing." He said, "I don't feel so bad now that others have reported seeing it." Powers told this reporter that he spent the past week investigating 11 different flying objects at Lansing, Michigan. Some of these were identified by the investigator. However, one object seen by four different persons, was an object with a "bright light which came straight down and made a lot of noise." This object has not been identified. Source: The Independent--Huntingburg, Indiana--6/18/64.

June 14, 1964--Near Yankeetown, Indiana, U.S.A.--The "UFO" seen by Charles Englebrecht was also witnessed by Paul Sellner, 19, and John Sellner, 16, of Boonville, about 1:30 a.m. Sunday morning, along the river road southeast of Yankeetown. The two boys had been fishing and were driving toward Rockport, when they noticed the big object on the Kentucky side of the river. It then veered to the Indiana side of the river and headed directly towards them, at treetop level according to their phone conversation Monday. When it was within about 200 yards it again veered away, going out of sight at the same level. It made no sound, but appeared to be about 10 to 15 yards in diameter and was visible for about 10 minutes. They admitted they were plenty scared and left the area at high speed. It was reported by an Evansville radio station, according to these boys, that it hit a farmhouse in the vicinity, causing a television set to blow up. This could not be confirmed. But the boys were steadfast in their story, claiming at no time did it touch the ground. Source: The Enquirer--Boonville, Indiana--6/18/64.

May 25, 1964--Morgantown, West Virginia, U.S.A.--Reports of an unidentified flying object spotted by several area residents between 8 and 8:30 last night increased today. The first report was received by the State Police and Lake Central Airlines about 8 p.m. A Granville resident reported seeing what she thought was a blazing airplane in the skies over Laurel Point area. The police investigated but found no signs of a crash. A few minutes later the Federal Aviation Agency received a call from Rik Harkness reporting that his wife had also seen an unidentified flying object. Charles Berry of FAA said that both the Granville woman and Mrs. Harkness, reports of time and place coincided. The Post received a call this morning from a man on Bunner's Ridge reporting that he too had seen a glowing object about the same time last evening. Another man called the morning paper saying he saw what looked like a burst of fire about 1½ miles in the sky to the north of Morgantown. Mrs. Harkness, who first spotted it about 8:15 p.m. as she left church on Wiles Hill, watched the object for more than 10 minutes, gave the most vivid description. She described the unidentified object as "top-shaped and glowing like an overheated stove." From her vantage point on Wiles Hill, the object was located between the Medical Center and Agricultural Engineering School at a height that was later estimated at about 10,000 feet. The object moved slowly through the air for a distance then hovered for several minutes and shot upward leaving behind a vapor trail similar to one left by a jet, Mrs. Harkness said. Mr. Derry reported this morning that he had contacted the control center in Cleveland, Ohio, and reports had been received there of an unidentified object being spotted in Pittsburgh, Pa., Youngstown, Ohio and DuBois, Pa., in addition to Morgantown. Three airline pilots also spotted the object, Mr. Derry said. Source: The Post--Morgantown, West Virginia--5/26/64.

May 17, 1964--Tipton County, Indiana, U.S.A.--State Trooper James Bradley is convinced --beyond all reasonable doubt--that unidentified flying objects exist. He observed one Sunday evening...and still can hardly believe what he saw. Sheriff Verle Grimme of Tipton County received a phone call from a farmer living 1½ miles north and one mile east of East Union. The farmer said he and his family sighted a flying object, "changing color and size as it hovered in the night sky." "The Tipton sheriff asked me to drive to the farm from the south. He approached from the north," Trooper Bradley explained. "The night sky was clear and visibility good when we arrived about 10:15 p.m. The farmer pointed to the hovering light and all we could do was stand there with our mouths open. It was the darndest thing I'd ever seen," Trooper Bradley said. "As we looked toward the west, the object dipped, seemed to change color from dull red to a whiter, more brilliant light. It also seemed to flatten shape as it resumed forward flight," Bradley added. Sheriff Grimme decided to head north on the county road between Ekin and Tetersburg. Arriving at Tetersburg, Grimme radioed he

still had the object in sight. Minutes later it "disappeared" in the west the same time Bradley and the East Union family lost track of the object. Air Force officials at Peru announced Monday they're still attempting to classify the flying object. Source: The Daily Ledger--Noblesville, Indiana--5/20/64.

May 19, 1964--Cicero, Indiana, U.S.A.--Four Hamilton County police officers--all of whom were expert witnesses with good vision--sighted a UFO Tuesday night above Cicero and Morse Reservoir. Troopers Bradley and Boomershine were at opposite ends of the county when Marshal Larry Cook radioed he spotted the "strange light" at 10 o'clock high moving northwest. "The object, as described previously by Trooper Bradley, appeared to move slowly at an altitude not much higher than conventional aircraft fly," Cook explained. "The light varied from a brilliant white to a dull, reddish-orange. When Bradley and Boomershine arrived about 10:50 p.m., the object seemed to gain altitude at a fantastic rate of speed, becoming brilliant white. It disappeared in the northwest about 11:10," Cook said. Source: The Ledger--Noblesville, Ind.--5/20/64.

April 21, 1964--Norseman, W.A., Australia--A Main Roads supervisor has reported sighting a strange red light last night over the Eyre Highway, about 146 miles east of Norseman. The man's vehicle had broken down at the spot. At 7:30 p.m. he saw a strange light almost directly above him. It appeared to touch the earth then climb at an angle of about 30 degrees several times in about ten minutes. The man said the object appeared quite close to him and that his dog almost went berserk. He busied himself fixing the car to take his mind off the incident and forwarded a report to the police by wireless from Balladonia. Source: West Australian--Perth, W.A., Australia--4/23/64.

March 13, 1964--Adelaide, S.A., Australia--Six reports of objects in the sky early yesterday morning varied from "bright flying discs" with dark edges seen at 6:45 by four men working at Mile End railway yards, to a bright light seen at 5:15 by two Elizabeth policemen on patrol. On Thursday evening (March 12), a south-east gazier--his voice shaking--phoned from Salt Creek post office to report that a 200 foot flying object had followed his car along a quiet stretch of highway near Tilley Swamp, 30 miles north of Kingston. "I don't know what it was," he said. "I've laughed at stories about flying objects, but...I was scared to death. It was at least three chains across (198 ft.) and it made a noise similar to a high-pitched generator whine. At 6:17 exactly I was driving along and I heard this sound. I looked out to the right hand side of the road and I saw this great big shadow. It seemed to be going along with me. It seemed to be hanging there like it was on a cord. It seemed to be a silvery kind of color. I only saw it for a couple of seconds and then it moved off and then took off at an incredible speed." Source: The Advertiser--Adelaide, S.A., Australia--3/14/64.

January 15, 1964--Southern Victoria Province, Australia--People in several parts of Southern Victoria reported seeing a mysterious pencil-shaped object in the sky last night. At Trafalgar, the Rev. R.E. Hillbrick, of Richmond, said he saw a pencil-shaped light moving across the western sky. After moving towards Melbourne it disappeared behind a cloud. At Rye, Mr. H. Morgan, of Governmen-road, said that he watched a long thin object in the sky for about 10 minutes around 8 p.m. Mr. Morgan said it seemed rounded at one end and shone yellow when the sun's rays fell on it. "I was in the Air Force for 25 years, and I know it was not a plane," he said. At Philip Island, Mr. J. Collins, of Upwey, said that a thin object about 100 ft. long moved back and forward across the sky towards the west. From time to time a white light flashed from

the front. It was moving very slowly. First Constable Bray, of Phillip Island, reported to the Department of Civil Aviation that he watched the object through field glasses. It appeared to be leaving a trail of flame and sparks. An officer of the department said last night there had been no planes reported in the area of the sightings. Source: The Sun--Melbourne, Victoria, Australia--1/16/64.

December 22, 1963--Laidley, Queensland, Australia--A group of mysterious flying objects yesterday "buzzed" a house at Summerholme, about six miles northwest of Laidley. The "things" were accompanied by a hissing sound. They just cleared the roof of Mr. W.H. Geirgie's dairy farm, and plunged towards the ground about half-a-mile away at 7 a.m. Mrs. Geirkie said she heard a loud hissing sound and ran to the kitchen to see if anything was wrong there. Outside, her sons Ronald, 22, and Allan, 12, saw "eight or nine" cylindrical objects about 1 ft. in diameter swoop low over the house. The brothers said the objects were travelling "at a terrific rate." They saw the group of objects disappear into the ground about half-a-mile away. An all-day search by the family yesterday proved fruitless; they will continue searching at first light today. Source: The Courier Mail--Brisbane, Queensland, Australia--12/23/64.

November 20, 1963--North Sea--Off Girdle Ness (Near Aberdeen, Scotland)--The Aberdeen collier Thrift arrived in Blyth at noon yesterday eight hours overdue after an unsuccessful search off Girdle Ness for a mystery object, which disappeared into the sea three miles astern of the ship. The Thrift was heading south for Blyth when shortly before 6 p.m. on Wednesday evening four members of her crew including the skipper, Capt. J. Murray, saw a "flashing red light" which passed within a mile of her port side, 15 to 30 ft. above sea level, and suddenly disappeared three miles astern. Capt. Murray alerted Stonehaven radio, put his vessel about and made for the spot where the light had vanished. The collier had two radar contacts on her screens, but when she reached within a quarter of a mile of them, they disappeared. The Thrift searched for three hours, circling the area several times and was joined by lifeboats from Aberdeen and Gourdon, a Shackleton from RAF Kinloss, which dropped flares on to the surface, and a B.P. transporter. They discovered no traces of wreckage, however.

The Thrift gave up the search at 8:50 p.m. and went to Blyth, being further delayed by bad weather. "We could not make out what the light was," said Capt. Murray. "It passed about three quarters of a mile off our port side, flashing brilliantly until it disappeared. It made no noise at all, yet we could hear the Shackleton when it was miles away. Judging by the way the radar contacts disappeared from our screen it seems that whatever was there must have sunk before we could get to it. We found no trace of wreckage during our search, but something definitely fell into the water." Source: The Northern Echo--Darlington--Durham, England--11/22/64.

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