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The Air Force says that it has no **PHYSICAL EVIDENCE** (physical meaning 'something you can touch') that such things even exist. In the words of Capt. Edward J. Ruppelt, retired, who served three years at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, as Chief Investigator for Project Bluebook **WHAT CONSTITUTES PROOF??** — Does a UFO have to land at the River Entrance to the Pentagon, near the Joint Chiefs of Staff offices? Or is it proof enough when a ground Radar Station detects a UFO, sends a Jet up to intercept it, the pilot sees it, and locks on with his Radar, only to have the UFO streak away at a phenomenal rate of speed? Which is **PROOF?**

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AIR FORCE SAYS "UFO'S SERIOUS BUSINESS"

On Sunday, Feb. 28th, the United Press International announced that the Air Force had recently issued to its various commands an Operations and Training Bulletin stating that UFO's should be taken seriously.

As we write this, it is still too early to tell how widely this UPI release was carried in the countries newspapers.

Locally in Miami, the HERALD carried the story in the first Edition only, the one that hit the streets on Saturday Night. The Sunday morning deliveries on the doorstep had the story deleted.

We believe that this was intentional, and in line with established policies of cooperation with the Military. Carry hot items, but do not give them wide circulation. Then later when the time comes to tell the entire story the AF will be covered. "Why certainly we have told these things. We can produce newspapers, times and dates on which this was published. It's not our fault the public doesn't read their newspapers."

Of course, the fact that it was only used with limited circulation, so that only a smattering of the public will catch it is immaterial. This of course may not be the complete answer, but that is how it looks at the present time from this writer's desk.

However, we do have friends to thank close to the source of this announcement and because of this we are able to give you the complete text of the Bulletin. We have before us, a photographic copy of the original Operations and Training Bulletin. This is not the UPI release--This is the original:

OPERATIONS AND TRAINING UFO'S SERIOUS BUSINESS

Unidentified flying object -- sometimes treated lightly by the press and referred to as "flying saucers"-- must be rapidly and

accurately identified as serious USAF business in the ZI. As AFR 200-2 points out, the Air Force concern with these sightings is threefold:

First of all, is the object a threat to the defense of the U.S.? Secondly, does it contribute to technical or scientific knowledge? And then there's the inherent USAF responsibility to explain to the American people through public-information media what is going on in their skies.

The phenomena or actual objects comprising UFO's will tend to increase, with the public more aware of goings on in space but still inclined to some apprehension. Technical and defense considerations will continue to exist in this area.

Published about three months ago, AFR 200-2 outlines necessary orderly, qualified reporting as well as public-information procedures. This is where the base should stand today, with practices judged at least satisfactory by commander and inspector:

- Responsibility for handling UFO's should rest with either intelligence, operations, the Provost Marshal or the Information Officer--in that order of preference, dictated by limits of the base organization.
- A specific officer should be designated as responsible.
- He should have experience in investigative techniques and also, if possible, scientific or technical background.
- He should have authority to obtain assistance of specialists on the base.

- He should be equipped with binoculars, camera, Geiger counter, magnifying glass and have a source for containers in which to store samples.

What is required is that every UFO sighting be investigated and reported to the Air Technical Intelligence Center at Wright-Patterson AFB and that explanation to the public be realistic and knowledgeable. Normally that explanation will be made only by the OSAF Information Office. It all adds up to part of the job of being experts in our own domain.

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(Ed. Comments)--A critical analysis of this Operations and Training publication is necessary to be able to appreciate it in its entirety.

For those who may not be familiar with Air Force terminology, the ZI referred to in the first paragraph means the Zone of the Interior or the continental limits of the U.S.

Paragraph 1 also asks the question--Is the object a threat to the defense of the U.S.? This shows Air Force understanding of what those of us who have researched this problem for years---and that is that not all UFO's are FRIENDLY! In this statement we do not believe that the reference is to Russian aircraft, but to possible unfriendly spacecraft!

Paragraph 2 states that UFO's will tend to increase. This could be due to the pattern of sightings over the past 10 years which has shown a definite increase as we have progressed ourselves ever onward into the realm of space travel. It could also mean that personnel within the Air Force or Government have had personal contact, a fact which your Editor firmly believes, and that from this source of information, the Air Force is expecting an increase in UFO activity.

The five paragraphs designating responsibility, type of Officer and background who should be responsible for investigating reports in the vicinity of the particular AF Base, is a big step forward from past investigations. In many cases investigations were made by personnel completely lacking qualifications along these lines, who came back with ridiculous and even stupid information.

An example of this is the Fitzgerald case of Sheffield Lake, Ohio near Cleveland where two Tech. Sgts. were sent out to investigate an exceptionally important case, were alleged to have been drinking, did an especially poor

job of detective work, and even brought along a tape-recorder to interview the witnesses, and the tape recorder was not in operating condition.

The paragraph which says the investigating officer should be equipped with binoculars, camera, Geiger counter, magnifying glass and have a source for containers in which to store samples, is very indicative.

The Geiger counter as equipment means that the Air Force takes seriously the radiation involved where UFO's have either landed or hovered near the ground.

Containers in which to store samples, means a refutation of the old Air Force denial of ever finding any physical or material evidence concerning UFO's.

Here they are referring to the various kinds of hardware (unexplained chunks of metallic substance which fall from the sky, a sample of which your editor has, which has defied all scientific explanation), and the various reports of soft-ware (such as the fast disappearing "angel-hair" many times associated with hovering UFO's).

Also the fact that the "butter-fly" net was left out of the list of equipment necessary for chasing the UFO's means more than ever that the AF is down to serious business.

In the final paragraph, the statement that "explanations to the public be realistic and knowledgeable", is public admission that in the past the malarky that we have been given, has not been realistic and knowledgeable.

We have received many clippings on the AF memorandum, appreciate them all, but because of the number cannot give credit to all our correspondents. We find that newspapers in general treated the UP release in a manner, according to their past information they have been feeding their readers. Many treated it seriously, while others made light of it, or did not use the UP story at all.

How can an Editor who has missed the boat all these years and ridiculed the subject, do an immediate about face and treat the Air Force memorandum seriously? However, the Editor of the New Orleans TIMES-PICAYUNE found the release important enough to devote an editorial on it.

"SERIOUS SAUCERS"

The so-called "saucers warning" to Air Force commands, has the earmarks of dull-thud but otherwise unobjectionable common sense--

no more.

Boiled down, the admonition seems merely to restate, lest it be forgotten, and in possibly new words, a policy long asserted to be in effect for "rapid and accurate identification of flying objects" under the heading of "serious USAF business." (This might be phrased "identification if possible.")

The major concerns listed by the Inspector General last Dec. 24 are easily understood: (1) the national defense angle; (2) the technical or scientific angles (3) public relations (minimizing, when the circumstances indicate, public apprehension, especially if sightings take a new increase "as predicted").

To these concerns might be added, one would think, the same kind of practice in obtaining useful observations of objects, identifiable or otherwise, that would be beneficial to the public and that undoubtedly are urged by this private committee.

The technique of such observations has been suggested by scientists interested in meteors and meteorites, for a good 40 years or so, without much luck. For military personnel, particularly airmen, it would seem required triangulation training to be able to provide angles of elevation, time intervals and compass or similar directions from a stated point.

The Air Force itself has issued instructions (tending unfortunately toward a certain inevitable stuffiness and perfectionism) by way of guiding volunteer observers. After all, these observers usually don't have equipment with them; and the time they have generally is sufficient only to provide the main estimated fundamentals. Neither are they generally well equipped to provide "star backgrounds".

When the sputniks appeared, they were in point of actual speed a match for some of the UFO's on AF records, but could easily be mistaken in point of apparent speed, if noted at all, for self-lit or sun-lit aircraft. Only triangulation, by correlation of observations, could have indicated their actual speed and thus their nominal "UFO" status. (Editorial, New Orleans TIMES-PICAYUNE, Feb. 29, 1960, credit S. T. Watson of Metairie, Louisiana.)

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Another February report that made headlines in papers all over the U.S. was the UFO which hurtled over Alaska on Feb. 15. We appreciate the many reports reaching S.P.A.C.E. headquarters, but will use the story as it appeared in the Fairbanks, Alaska paper as this carried the most detailed information,

and the all important explanation and the followup after the explanation. These were the large, bold, headlines:

PROBE MYSTERY FLYING OBJECT
OFFICIALS CONFIRM SIGHTING SOMETHING

Many Residents Between Unalakleet Sight The Flying Vehicles; Many Different Descriptions are Given.

ANCHORAGE, Feb. 16 (AP)-- A silvery object flashed through Western Alaska skies late Sunday belching flames and leaving a dozen unanswered questions in its wake.

Was it a jet plane? If so, whose? Was it an unidentified flying object?

The Alaska Air Command hopes to come up with some of the answers today.

The flame-belching object was reported by several persons from Nome to St. Michael, about 150 miles away. They said it appeared from the direction of Russian Siberia and hurtled southeasterly.

The reports were conflicting, Major Ray E. Haines, Public Information Officer at Elmendorf Air Force Base here, said yesterday.

"Some had it low and slow. Some had it high and fast", he said.

Pete Walsh, Wien Alaska Airlines employee at Nome, said the object was traveling at tremendous speed about 2,000 to 3,000 feet above the earth. He described it as silvery and tubular, somewhat like a jet plane, with orange flames shooting from the tail.

Mrs. Stanley Molitor of Nome said, "it had the appearance of a large star and was a very very brilliant white." Neither she nor Walsh could tell whether it had wings.

Observers said the mysterious object curved up and away as it approached Cape Nome, as if it was manned and controlled.

Haines said an investigation was started immediately. Radar records of two stations north of Nome were to be checked. Officers also were trying to determine whether any planes either from Elmendorf or Ladd Air Force Base, Fairbanks, might have been in the vicinity at the time of the sightings.

Haines said there were no known flights planned for that area at that time. (Fairbanks DAILY NEWS - MINER, Feb. 16, 1960. Credit Evelyn K. Johnston, Fairbanks, Alaska.)

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After several days of uncertainty by all officials involved the Alaskan Air Command came up with the OFFICIAL EXPLANATION:

FLYING OBJECT IDENTIFIED AS METEOR

ANCHORAGE - Feb. 19 - The Unidentified Flying Object spotted in the Nome area last

Sunday has been identified by the Alaskan Air Command as a white hot meteor moving at high speed and altitude.

Dr. Christian T. Elvey, geophysical institute director at the University of Alaska, concurred in the findings, the Air Force said. This conclusion has been forwarded to headquarters, USAF.

Triangular computations and the brief length of the sightings rule out anything but a meteor, the Air Force said. (Fairbanks DAILY NEWS-MINER, Feb. 19, 1960.)

And I suppose this satisfied all those who did not see the mystery object. It certainly did not meet with the approval of those who had seen it, especially Pete Walsh, of Wien Alaskan Air Lines:

AF SCORED BY NOME MAN ON "METEOR" CASE

ANCHORAGE, March 2 -- Pete Walsh, Nome, said today he takes exception to a recent Air Force report that a mystery object spotted at Nome last month was a meteor.

"Since when does a meteor travel on a horizontal plane, change course and then disappear?" Walsh an airlines employee said.

He said he has written the Air Force challenging its findings in the matter.

"I don't believe them (the AF)," Walsh said, adding that many persons in Nome saw the object.

He said the Air Force has alerted warning stations in the Nome area to be on the lookout for more flying objects. (Fairbanks DAILY NEWS-MINER, March 3, 1960, Credit Evelyn K. Johnston.)

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--Yes Pete, don't give up, next thing we know, the AF will be issuing an Operations and Training Memorandum to take "meteors" seriously -- or maybe even better still, issue a Memorandum saying you "can fool all of the people some of the time, and some of the people all of the time, etc. Or maybe one entitled "WHISTLING IN THE DARK", which is exactly what they are doing, and for the same reason that I as a young lad, walking home on a dark night, did some whistling myself. Of course I grew up, and then I quit the whistling, so maybe someday soon the AF will catch on and quit its whistling also. If the Inspector General can tell AF personnel that it should treat UFO's seriously -- then someday it should take into its confidence the TAX-PAYER who foots the bill.

(Did I hear someone mumble something about the decline and fall of the Roman Empire????

Maybe not -- maybe I was only day-dreaming-- and thought I did!)

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Your Editor here in South Florida gets UFO reports on an average of at least two a week, reports that never get into the newspapers. The following reports did make the paper and the reason it made the HERALD, was that the seven-year old son of one of the Herald reporters saw it! Now, of course, when a seven-year old son of a news reporter sees one that makes it much more OFFICIAL, and let's devote some newsprint to it:

SAUCER SQUADRON UP TO OLD TRICKS???

Miami, Florida, Feb. 25 -- One (or two) flying saucer(s) (or soup plates) of a golden (or bluish silver) hue were spotted over northeast (or southwest) Dade Wednesday.

Between 4:50 p.m. and 6:15 p.m. the unidentifiable whatevertheyweres, were seen by at least four persons, ranging in age from 41 to seven.

Wednesday's first UFO spotter was 41-year old James States of 1435 Washington Avenue, Miami Beach, who was walking his dog "Buddy" north on Drexel Ave., at 4:50 p.m.

"It looked like a bluish upside-down soup plate about the size of a jet", said States. "It stood still for about five seconds, then flipped over on its side and went straight out into space."

"It was in the northeast section of the sky, about 65 degrees up", said States, assistant manager of a Miami Beach theater, who says he has never seen a flying soup plate before.

At about 6:15 p.m. earth time, 7-year old Ross Winans saw two of the things flying southwest.

"Look Mama, there are two strange things in the sky," Ross told his mother, Herald Writer, Joy Winans.

"He was right", Joy later told the Herald city desk. "They looked like two elliptical objects surrounded by a golden haze -- we watched them for about three minutes.

Fifteen minutes later, Mrs. Marjorie Puckett, of 6725 S.W. 125 Ave., saw "two bright round things directly over Krome Ave.-- about six miles west of my home."

But at Dade's air control tower, Watch Supervisor Don Innes said he had received no UFO reports.

"I've been in this business for 16 years and I have yet to see anything vaguely resembling a flying saucer", said Innes. (Miami HERALD, Feb. 25, 1960.)

Ah, Yes -- it all depends on whose 7-year old sees them!!!!

FLYING OBJECTS SPOTTED

LAUREL, Miss. (UPI) -- Radio station WMAL said some 20 people reported seeing four white-lighted objects flying in a U-shaped formation north above Highway 11, Wednesday night.

The objects were said to have steady white lights and to be flying at above 3000 feet. Aeronautics authorities in Jackson had no contact with the objects. (New Orleans STATES ITEM, Jan. 28, 1960, Credit S. T. Watson, Metairie, La.)

LATIN MONSTER HAS POOR AIM

MEXICO CITY -- (AP)-- The Mayor of Tapachula Chiapas, has sent a police unit to investigate reports that a mysterious monster-type animal is terrorizing farmers in that southern-most Mexican state.

A spokesman for farmers in the region was quoted as saying there is a long-tailed animal on the loose that hurls trees and boulders but so far no one has been hurt. (Miami Herald, Feb. 29, 1960).

Ed. Note: Old timers to S.P.A.C.E. will know of my theory relative to the many reports of strange creatures that make the news periodically. For the newer readers, I will recap briefly.

It has been my theory for a number of years that UFO's and the intelligences behind them use a lower species of bipeds, for test or specific purposes which we do not properly understand, and that they drop them off at various places on our planet to be picked up again 12 or 24 hours later. During these periods they are seen, scare the pants off of some witnesses, and because of their inherent intelligence or the watchful eye of their owners, they manage to escape capture.

These sightings of strange creatures not in our zoology textbooks, always seem to occur during times of peak UFO activity. And at the time of this writing we are well into just such a peak of activity, so it comes as no surprise whatsoever to your Editor for such reports as this to make the wire services. Look for more in the coming weeks. Same goes for these:

TWO IN CAR HURT BY FALLING ICE

NEWBURGH, N.Y.--Feb. 16--(AP)--An ice fall struck an automobile on the Old Storm King Highway south of Cornwall today, injuring two

persons slightly. The driver, Desales Harris 30 years old, and his passenger, Florence Tronsrone 29, both of Cornwall, were taken to nearby West Point Hospital for treatment of cuts and bruises. (New York TIMES, Feb. 17, 1960, Credit Dorothy Lefler, Athenaeum of Cincinnati.)

MARTIAN WOULD THINK LIFE ON EARTH UNLIKELY

WASHINGTON (UPI)--Feb. 29--Life on the Planet Earth? A Martian scientist would consider it unlikely.

Conditions on the blue planet, he probably would say, "Preclude the existence of life as we know it."

This viewpoint is suggested by Prof. Boris Kukarkin, vice president of the Astronomical Council of the Soviet Academy of Sciences, in an interview published by the Rome newspaper L'Unita.

If primitive life was established on Mars billions of years ago, Kukarkin said it must have evolved into forms "completely different from those on earth." It must be completely dependent upon conditions found upon no other planet in the solar system.

And if in the long course of Martian evolution intelligent creatures developed, these beings "could very well hold that life does not exist on earth since the earth's atmospheric pressure is so much greater than that on Mars."

This pressure is five to ten times that of the red planet's atmosphere. Moreover the surface pull of gravity is 2½ times greater on earth than Mars.

These two forces alone might persuade the Martian scientist that the earth was inhospitable to life. He also could point out that the earth is too wet and too hot and has too much oxygen. Life as Martians knew it could not stand such extremes. (Cincinnati POST & TIMES STAR, Feb. 29, 1960, Credit Dorothy Lefler.)

I have a letter just arrived at my desk, which I believe is worthy of your time to read and to possibly ponder upon its merits. We normally do not get too deeply into Atomic radiation and fall-out and the controversy, because this is something beyond your Editor. Not having access to the data of our scientists (who are divided themselves upon the current and potential dangers of unlimited use and testing of atomic energy.)

So I cannot evaluate this for you, but I would be interested in your reaction to this

reader's letter:

To: The Editor of S. P. A. C. E.

I am writing this for your readers because they are more aware than the average public and need every opportunity to evaluate what is truly going on in space and the imminent danger we are in.

Through Universal Mind, but not by my own choice, a prophecy in the New Testament has been brought to my attention, with full scientific details and an explanation of the physical laws of a solar system. The potentiality of a cataclysm (see New Testament, Revelations for details), is included in explaining these laws and the signs in the sky.

I must leave out many details or this publication would double its size. Those who have scientific knowledge will search further. Those who have faith will understand.

The particles which occupy all of the Universe are lower in form than the hydrogen atom. Space is not a void.

As a planet moves through space, its force field accosts these particles and sets them to swirling. These swirling particles are acted on by the energy from the sun and becomes hydrogen atoms. The IGY has already established the fact that at the outside periphery of our atmosphere there is a tremendous layer of hydrogen.

At the other extreme of atomic structure are the so-called radio-active atoms with very powerful nuclei.

Radioactive minerals are found in the earth as part of the infinite plan of a solar system. When rainwater seeps down to these minerals, oxidation takes place which decomposes the water liberating the two hydrogen atoms from H_2O . This oxidation gives extra electrons to the two hydrogen particles, and makes them swirl around each other like a twin star.

These particles cannot engender any affiliates, and are recognized under the name of Helium. Helium does not combine with any other matter. It rises like tiny spaceships out of our atmosphere and works its way toward the sun. This is the nature of the mysterious sun-spots.

Over great distances a straight line appears as a curve and therefore the dark masses appear to be moving toward the equator of the sun.

At a point where the energy of the cloud masses becomes activated so that it can no longer contain itself, the heavy helium

bursts apart in a flash, releasing hydrogen which is then broken down into the basic matter of the Universe. The energy is then returned by the sun to the planets which gives the planets their life.

Now we turn to atomic bombs which send tremendous amounts of radioactive particles up into the hydrogen layer of our atmosphere, converting the hydrogen into helium, but in greater quantities than would normally issue from a planet.

Hydrogen bombs also create helium. This is an established fact. The extra energy sent to the sun by these explosions in turn send extra energy back to the planets. This activates all aspects of planetary life. This is the nature of increased background radiation which puzzles our scientists. Fall-out from radio-active bombs is a serious matter, but background radiation is the real trouble maker.

At the center of the earth is a very compact ball of metal which is spinning at a much greater rate of speed than our planet. It is activated by the energy from the sun. This causes the material around it to remain in a molten state through friction.

When the ball is excessively activated its speed increases in proportion creating extra heat which expands the molten material. This causes volcanoes to erupt and fault lines to open because of the expansion. This causes earthquakes and tidal waves. Weather is also affected.

Since all of the planets of our system are affected, by this increase in radiation and cosmic energy, intelligent beings capable of space travel would naturally come here to this planet to investigate.

- (1) In 1945 the first A-bombs were set off.
- (2) In 1946 sunspots reached a new high in acceleration.
- (3) In 1947 the flying saucer wave started.
- (4) In 1958 sunspots had again reached a new peak in activity.

And now we go back to further signs as described in Revelations 8:5---Thunder, lightning and earthquakes---8:8---burning mountain thrown into the sea---8:12---The sun was struck, a third of the day was shortened, and the night---

Unless Paul Revere rides again--- the "marks of the beast" will appear.

I prefer to remain anonymous, to be

spared of the Gestapo, crack-pot psychics and the curious who cannot search for themselves. WHO WILL ACT?????

Signed --- A Reader.

Ed. Note: This hydrogen-helium cycle, the reasons for space-ships in our atmosphere, the reasons for increased earthquakes, etc., is very intriguing. Of course, your Editor is not an atomic scientist, and I do not have the answers. Any readers having ideas at variance with these ideas are welcome to the equal time to answer them. Any comments on this one addressed to the Editor will be forwarded on to Mr. ANONYMOUS!

Whether this one is a co-incidence or whether it is a result of the Russian theory on the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah, who knows:

NEW HUNT TO START FOR BIBLICAL CITIES

AMMAN, Jordan, Feb. 14 (UPI) - A new search for the lost cities of Sodom and Gomorrah was approved today by the Jordan Government. The director of antiquities department said an eight-man group from the Christian Approach Mission will begin the hunt next week under the leadership of Dr. Ralph Baney, mission chief. (Cincinnati ENQUIRER, Feb. 15, 1960, Credit Dorothy Lefler.)

SOMEBODY OUT THERE?

Messengers from outer space have already arrived on earth, and this is the news they bring; Conditions out there are favorable to life as we know it.

No, not wild science fiction. This is the carefully considered opinion of the University of California's Milvin Calvin, who spoke last weekend to a sober-minded seminar at M.I.T. He used the measured words of bio-chemistry, but the conclusion was inescapable. Somebody may be "out there".

Last year, Calvin argued on the basis of logic that there were other living beings in the universe. Since then, he has been testing his theory by studying the only available space samples; Meteorites that streak to the earth from the cosmos.

Some scientists suggest that they are the ancient debris of cosmic explosions and collisions which took place when the universe

was young. Usually they burn up--the familiar shooting stars--but sometimes their interior cores stay cool enough to reach the earth intact, and end up as black, stony lumps in museums. Borrowing these, Calvin first extracted the carbon molecules and then analyzed them with a spectroscope. He found "ancestral chromosomes" similar to those on earth before the first life forms arose.

"The samples indicate that the same evolutionary processes that unfolded on earth have gone on somewhere else," he said. "We are not unique". (NEWSWEEK, Nov. 23, 1959, Credit G. Fusaro, Huntington, L.I., N.Y.)

GEORGE VAN TASSEL LECTURE

George Van Tassel will give a series of lectures, sponsored by Dr. Gilbert Holloway at the New Age Church, 2020 N. W. 7 Street. Times are 7:45 P.M., on the evenings of March 25, 26, and 27, also a talk on Sunday afternoon the 27th at 3:00 P.M.

The series will start with a motion picture on Friday nite, the 25th, entitled "We've Seen the Saucers".

RILEY CRABB LECTURE

Two weeks after Van Tassel, Riley Crabb who has succeeded Meade Layne as Director of BSRA (Borderland Sciences Research Associates), will lecture at the same location: New Age Church, 2020 N. W. 7 Street. Times are 7:45 on April 7, 8, 9, with an additional lecture on Saturday the 9th, at 3:00 P.M.

Donation for each of these lectures will be \$1.00 each.

Just before going to press, word is released by UPI of what may be one of the most important events in saucerdom, a news reporter in Vienna, photographing at close range of only 45 feet, a UFO near Vienna.

S.P.A.C.E. has a correspondent in Vienna, and we are awaiting the news-story from there, and we hope a photograph from the original negative. If so will use in the April issue.

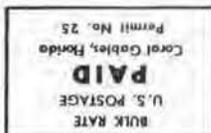
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FLYING SAUCER PHOTOGRAPHED

VIENNA--UPI--The independent Vienna newspaper "WIENER MONTAG" published a full front page photo of a flying saucer which it termed the "most sensational photograph of our century".

The newspaper said one of its photographers by chance shot what seems to be a flying saucer which moved at a height of only 45 feet.

It claimed that Edgar Schedelbauer, 36, the newspaper's correspondent in Styria Province was on his way home at 1:30 a.m.

Near the village of Leibnitz he suddenly noticed a "glowing object" moving at a height of 45 feet, the newspaper said.

Schedelbauer said, according to Wiener Montag, that the rotating object moved slowly and remained steady for about 10 seconds above a wood.

"It looked like a white-glowing spider", he said. "I immediately took my camera and made a few shots. Fortunately, enough of them were good.

Shedelbauer said he clearly felt radiated heat coming from the unknown object.

"When the flying saucer disappeared after a few seconds I heard a noise similar to that of jet aircraft," the reporter was quoted. The newspaper added that it decided to publish the story and picture only after experts had checked the negative of the photo.

(Credit the Miami HERALD, March 8, 1960).

We certainly hope that this photo is good enough to make out considerable surface detail, so that it may corroborate some of the other photographs and if possible add weight one way or the other on the various and sometimes conflicting contact claims.

Sightings have been on the increase since the middle of January, which is the time that Dr. Spencer Thornton, predicted on the Jack Paar T.V. show that a cycle of reports would start.

This is a wonderful decade in which to live. Events are going to take place so rapidly on all fronts that one will have to remain constantly on his toes to keep up with them. If mankind does not stupidly trigger his own destruction, we are in for the most exciting and breathtaking period in recorded history.

As I stated in my January issue, this is the DECADE OF DESTINY.

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Meanwhile on one of the space fronts, there is still confusion:

METEOR BLAMED FOR SKY STREAK

Air Force investigators said Tuesday the mysterious bright lights which streaked across Miami skies late Monday were probably caused by a meteor. But missilemen at Cape Canaveral disagree.

They say the lights "definitely looked" like a satellite might be expected to appear as it fell back to earth. (Miami HERALD, March 9, 1960.)