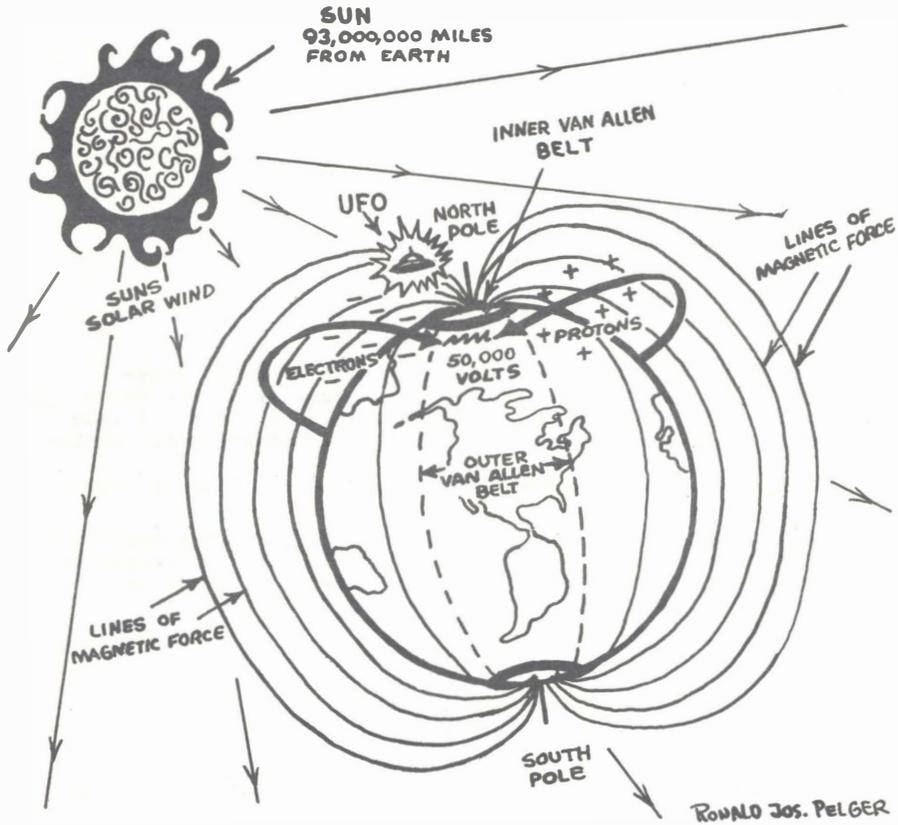


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The Van Allen Radiation Belts Around Earth. See "Magnetic Space Coupes" on page four of this issue...

MAGNETIC SPACE COUPES

By Edward M. Biebel

In the early fifties, Frank Scully came out with his book, BEHIND THE FLYING SAUCERS. It dealt with a scientist who had supposedly worked on and discovered the secret of flying saucers. The book heavily stressed the fact that flying saucers were propelled by cutting magnetic lines of force created by the earth. Recently Major Donald Keyhoe wrote an article for TRUE saying that the secret of the saucers' drive was electromagnetism. These two men, Scully with his rather fantastic story, and Keyhoe with his reputed information, may not be very far from the truth.

At a meeting of the American Physical Society in New York, Dr. James Van Allen, discoverer of the two radiation belts bearing his name, explained that there is high voltage generated across the earth's magnetic field. An electrical potential of 50,000 volts is generated across this comet-shaped field.

The earth's magnetic field is comet-shaped because of the solar wind (from the Sun) that compresses the field. On the side of the earth toward the sun the magnetic lines of force radiate 36,000 miles but on the side away from the earth the lines of force (because of the solar wind) are extended 300,000 to 4,000,000 miles.

Friction is produced along the night side of the magnetic field and it causes a positive charge on the morning side of the earth's boundary between night and day, and a negative charge on the evening side of the boundary between day and night. The positive side attracts electrons and the negative side attracts protons.

The above is, presently, Dr. Van Allen's theory, but taking this into conjecture about UFOs (which possibly are interplanetary spaceships) we see possible explanations of UFO propulsion and why more UFOs are seen in the northern hemisphere.

According to Scully and Keyhoe, UFOs are propelled near earth by cutting magnetic lines of force. Now, according to Dr. Van Allen and other scientists, these lines of force extend to great distances from the earth. If a craft was able to harness the cut lines of force, such as the ones that are cut by the earth, the electrical energy might be enough to propel a craft. All dynamos work like this, but one that we could create to supply enough electricity to propel a craft (if we could create a suitable propulsion system) would be larger than anything we now know and would be too large for any craft that wasn't the size of Alaska. The energy created by the dynamo would have to be large enough to overcome the earth's escape velocity, or for that matter any other planets. If beings from space had two propulsion systems, one for taking off from their home planet and the other (the electromagnetic) for use in space, it would help explain some sightings where large, seemingly rocket-propelled craft are seen, and others where seemingly electromagnetic craft are seen.

Our own current research into ion, nuclear and plasma drive systems is being done in anticipation of launching these craft in parts into space and assembling them there, because the power created by their

advanced propulsion systems would not be enough to escape the gravity of earth. If we add to these systems the electro-magnetic one, we have a possible propulsion system for present day UFOs—that is if they are interplanetary spaceships.

According to Dr. Van Allen's theory, the 50,000 volts is produced on the dark side of the earth in the northern hemisphere. The voltage always being on the dark side could cause UFOs to go to that area to be recharged (are they also "battery" driven?) or to be demagnetized, or for some reason presently unknown to us.

Because it is possible that the UFOs go to the charged part of space, this could explain why they are seen at night, other than the reason usually cited; that the UFOs are seen at night and brightly lighted or reflective, and that people are more aware of things in the sky at night.

Why UFOs are especially seen in the northern hemisphere can be explained by the relationship of countries in this area and the advanced technology found inherent in them. These advanced nations would also be curious as to the nature of the UFOs and would quite logically carry on research into the problem. Reports of UFOs flow generally from these countries, with the exception of the communist ones (with hope of more cooperation from the Soviet Union coming forth). Of course this theory doesn't explain sightings in the southern hemispheric areas of Africa, South America and Australia, but it does explain sightings at the south pole. Magnetic lines of force are generated from the south as well as north pole. It is unbelievable that if visitors from space were here they would only inspect the northern hemisphere (technologically advanced) and not the southern hemisphere, but probably not as often.

This whole theory is fine, but all it is is speculation. It is doubtful that Dr. Van Allen was thinking about UFO propulsion and sightings of UFOs when he put forth his theory. About the only person who might believe this is Dick Tracy's friend, Diet Smith, whose space coupes are run on magnetic force and of course the space people, who know whether I am right or wrong. As is so often stated in "Dick Tracy", "The nation that controls magnetism will control the Universe." I've always wondered if he might be right.

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POLICE SIGHTING IN COLUMBUS, OHIO

By Rick and Janie Hilberg

On January 24, 1968 the editors along with Managing Editor Biebel went to Columbus, Ohio to investigate an incident that happened the previous evening of the 23rd. At about 7:30 pm that evening two Franklin County Deputy Sheriffs were dispatched to the vicinity of Gantz and Big Run Roads in the southwestern part of the city after several residents called in reporting mysterious lights in the sky.

According to Deputy Thomas Barker, who along with his partner Edward Durbin made the sighting, they saw the lights at about eight o'clock after arriving in the area.

"They were brighter than the old Lockbourne (AFB) runway lights. It was like looking directly into a spotlight-but from far away so you weren't blinded." The objects "floated" in the air, one higher than the other for three to five minutes with no change, then the lower object moved upward over the bottom object quite fast. At that point the second object moved up near the first. Then one of the UFOs went southeast to hover just over the old runway beacon of the Air Force base and then back again near the other object where it stopped.

Both deputies "think" they saw the objects move to hover over the light. "It was like trying to watch a bullet fly between gun and target," Deputy Barker reported.

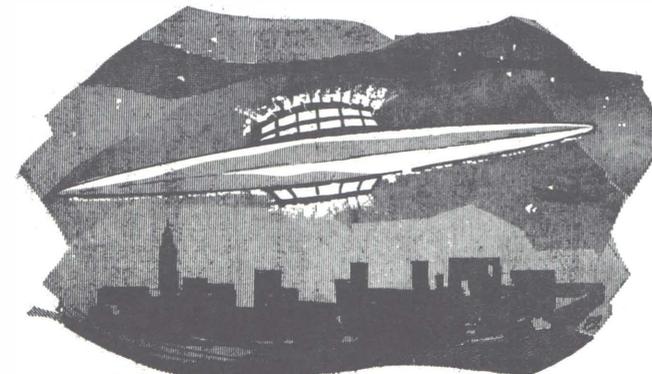
As the mysterious lights hung motionless just above the light, Barker and Durbin relayed all movements to the radio dispatcher. While they were so keeping the base informed one object took off toward the S.E. and disappeared in about three seconds. The second object either left at a faster speed, or somehow "turned off" its light source as Barker said it disappeared "just like turning a light out."

The radio man notified Lockbourne and got no comment, although Deputy Barker reports that the first jets of the evening were heard shortly before the end of their UFO experience.

Deputy Barker reported no sound during the sighting, but thought that possibly the objects were too far away to be heard. Although no exact estimate of altitude could be made, since the evening was cloudy, Barker speculated that the objects possibly could have been at from one to three thousand feet in the air.

The Columbus Dispatch carried a report on the incident. However, the paper distorted the description of the objects as given by the deputies, making them seem like definite solid objects rather than blurred circles of dull white. A horribly distorted "artist's conception" of one of the objects is reproduced in the "Saucer Album" section on the next page.

Saucer Album



Distorted "artist's conception" of Columbus, Ohio UFO as reported in story on previous page.



Mystery Monster

What has been called the American version of the abominable snowman is seen in its native surroundings in what purports to be a photo taken last October near Eureka, Calif., by Roger Patterson, a former rodeo rider. He estimates the creature to be 7½ feet tall. Patterson also has exhibited films which he admits met with heavy skepticism.

AROUND AND ABOUT THE SAUCER WORLD

by Rick Hilberg, Ufological Iconoclast

We have been receiving a great deal of comment regarding our gloomy prediction that the saucer movement will "collapse" soon. Most of our writers say that things have never been better, and that saucery will reach unlimited new heights. Actually we can't agree more by saying that the saucer movement is at a peak higher than has ever been reached before. One cannot help but notice the scores of newspaper, magazine, and radio features on the saucers. One may ask, "How can the field collapse in view of this vast amount of public interest and publicity?" To which we answer: apathy and the desire for personal gain.

Even though we are riding the crest of increased public interest in saucers interest is due to die down either because of the inherent "public attention span" or a soft pedal answer by the Condon Committee (and don't say I am not open minded about the Condon Project, for this is only an "if", even though certain statements by Project officials leave room for doubt regarding the strict scientific spirit of the group). Isn't this exactly the same thing that happened in the late fifties? And as I seem to recall Ufologists then were smugly convinced that the saucer movement was "here to stay."

Even if we were not faced with a very probable decline in public interest, we would still be faced with another crisis. Simply because Ufologists are too damn concerned with their own interests; the prospect for any useful work through the Congress of Scientific Ufologists organization seems slim indeed. I am hearing very alarming things from a growing number of Ufologists who seem too indifferent toward the Congress idea to even attend, or in some cases interested in attending only to sell their wares to the public. Many of these same "investigators" claim to be all-fire interested in the well-being of Ufology! Rot like this makes me ill. However, it is not yet too late to do something....see you at the Congress!

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