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## PENNSYLVANIA REPORTS CONTINUE

A UFO with a "man" suspended in the middle of the object's light beam; a dome-shaped object that flew over a car, causing electro-magnetic (E-M) effects; another that hovered over a GTE Sylvania, Inc., plant; a revolving UFO that gave off "smoke or exhaust" and lit up the inside of a home; an object that sharply reversed course and apparently emitted an odor; another that "flashed" at witnesses and made a sound; UFOs that frightened witnesses; and six objects that "came together and formed a V" are characteristics of sighting reports for the first quarter of 1973 from four states and two foreign countries. Witnesses include a town mayor, control tower personnel, police officers, a newspaper reporter, and the manager of a security firm.

Small towns in Pennsylvania were deluged with reports in March (see *UFO Research Newsletter*, Vol. III, No. 1, p. 3).

Hughey L. Woodring was driving toward Muncy early on the morning of March 2 when he saw a pear-shaped UFO flying slowly, according to the March 5, 1973, edition of the Williamsport, Pa., *Sun-Gazette*. He watched as it stopped and hovered 1,000-1,500 feet over the GTE Sylvania, Inc., plant at Hall's Station. The UFO had square windows and "lights flashed from the craft as though it were taking pictures." Woodring stated the object "took off north" at a tremendous speed, rising until it disappeared. The witness said he did not report the incident immediately for fear of being labeled "a crackpot."

On the evening of March 13, John Green observed "two silver objects, one behind the other, moving in the sky over the roadway" at Bethlehem, the Bethlehem *Globe-Times*, March 15, 1973, said.

### *Town Mayor and Others See Objects Over Milton*

Darkness descended quietly over the town of Milton on March 15. But it wasn't quiet for long. Residents began noticing a "strange odor" like iodine. Then, at around 8 o'clock, Clayton Hulsizer called police and triggered a series of reports from West Milton, Lewisburg, Mifflinburg, Watsonstown, and Sunbury.

Hulsizer said the UFO he saw was "surrounded by a great light" and "traveled faster than any plane he has ever seen." Traveling from east to west, it "looked like it was being chased by a lot of smaller planes." The witness added the object veered at a 90° angle "to avoid a crash with what appeared to be a plane." At one point, it sped across the sky, abruptly stopped, "and headed back toward the east."

Soon afterward, Milton Mayor Evan C. Williams and state and local police joined forces near Goldie's Diner, at the south end of town. Rick Walker, staff writer for *The Daily Item*, joined the group.

"The objects appeared to be circling the area in a holding pattern, occasionally in groups of two, three, or four and occasionally alone," Walker wrote. "I joined the police and watched the objects for about an hour as they flicked across the sky over the borough."

A West Milton resident said he saw three UFOs and another saw an object followed by "a smell similar to that of a dentist's office." Other residents also reported sightings.

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Williamsport Airport, the Red Rock Air Force (AF) Station at Benton, and the Pennsylvania State Police all said they had no aircraft in the vicinity at the time of the sighting. Richard Smith, spokesman for the Pennsylvania Gas and Water Co., said the utility received reports of natural gas smells, but Smith said there had been no gas leaks. Smith himself noticed an iodine-like smell at about 5:45 p.m. Other industries in the area said they had released no strange-smelling chemicals.

[Sources: the March 16, 1973, editions of *The (Sunbury) Daily Item* and the *Milton Standard*; the March 17, 1973, edition of the *Bloomsburg, Pa., Morning Press*; and the March 19, 1973, edition of the *Shamokin, Pa., News-Item*].

### *Control Tower Personnel Sight Objects*

Five nights later UFOs again descended upon Pennsylvania towns. Sunbury was the site of another report, and Bushkill Township, Stroudsburg, Bangor, Palmer, Williams, Pen Argyl, Wind Gap, Nazareth, and nearby Stewartsville, N.J., also came under the scrutiny of the unidentified objects.

Early on the evening of March 20, two police officers responded to a UFO report from Sunbury. They saw "a rotating red, white and green flashing object." At 7:30, Lee Albert was traveling near Bangor when he observed "two orange colored lights crossing over the quarry dumps a few hundred feet above the holes." The lights were brighter than the North Star, he said.

Officials at the Blue Mountain Control Center said they received about 25 UFO reports. Bushkill Township Police Chief Howard Kostenbader saw three objects that "appeared to be flying silently at an altitude of at least 5,000 feet." A few minutes later, Stroudsburg Assistant Police Chief Richard Wolbert watched as a "tear-drop-shaped" UFO flew between the "moon and the mountain, going down toward Shawnee." At approximately 11:30, Control Tower personnel and Wing Gap police watched objects that reportedly made "abrupt changes in speed and direction and emitted lights of various colors." The UFOs, at times, traveled alone and in clusters of four.

[Sources: the March 21, 1973, editions of the *News-Item*, the *Stroudsburg Pocono Record*, the *Easton (Pa.) Express*, and the *Bangor Daily News*].

Todd Jones, of Nazareth, said he and a friend saw several UFOs "moving slowly from south to north" between 9:05 and 10:05 p.m., March 22, stated the *Easton Express*, March 24, 1973. When his friend looked through binoculars, Jones related, the object "was so brilliant he could hardly continue looking at it." Additional reports came from Stroudsburg, Slate Belt, and Easton.

### *UFOs Form "V"*

The following evening, March 23, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis De Nardo and approximately 10 others saw seven objects -- some with spinning lights -- over Belfast, according to the *Easton Express*, March 26, 1973.

"Six of them came together and formed a V," Mrs. De Nardo stated. "The other one was like a leader and was at the head of the formation."

Meanwhile, Floyd Stein, of Forks Township, and about 50 others saw UFOs in the area of Saylor's Lake. State police said the objects were helicopters, but Stein did not agree.

"They didn't act anything like planes or helicopters," he remarked. "They could say what they like, but they weren't helicopters."

Other residents, including David Davidson, of Forks, said they also saw the objects. Davidson agreed with Stein that they were not helicopters or planes.

The UFOs were not through with the state yet. Four nights later they descended upon Reading, Frackville, Mahanoy, Minersville Water Dam, Centralia, Cressona, and Schuylkill Haven, the March 28, 1973, editions of the *Reading Times*, and the *Shenandoah, Pa., Evening Herald*, stated.

On the evening of March 27, Mary Harp said she saw a UFO over Reading. It "came in over Mt. Penn, hovered over a home..., then scooted west." A young boy reported seeing an object hovering over a cemetery. A Pear Street resident saw green and red flashing lights circle over the rooftops at around 7:30. Mrs. Louise Bayer watched "as it went round and round in a circle."

#### *Saucer Causes E-M Effects*

At about 10 p.m., January 3, an unidentified woman was traveling in the vicinity of Blacksburg, S.C., when a "domed, saucer-shaped object suddenly flew over the top of her car," according to the February 9, 1973, edition of *The Gaffney (S.C.) Ledger*. Multi-colored lights were spinning around the bottom of the object, which was larger than an automobile.

The UFO descended behind some trees, then followed the car for half-a-mile before speeding off and disappearing.

"The flashing lights, which appeared to rotate counterclockwise around the bottom of the craft, were arranged alternately in various colors -- red, blue, green and white, the witness said," wrote columnist Rodger Painter. "The object itself, which was dark except for the flashing lights, appeared to be constructed of a shiny, silvery material, as observed in the light given off by the flashing lights. When the car sped up or slowed down, so would the UFO. The woman noticed that her headlights, which were on bright, dimmed when the UFO was near."

#### *Blacksburg Revisited*

Later in the month, Blacksburg was again the site of reports. On the evening of January 31, numerous residents observed "a silent but brilliantly glowing object" that frightened motorists and others, stated *The Gastonia (N.C.) Gazette*, February 5, 1973.

At 9:30, Assistant Police Chief Robert Childers received a call from Sue Moore, who related seeing a UFO "darting about the sky and then settling" on Whitiker Mountain. She was watching it with her husband and son.

"The thing had pulsating red, green, blue, and white lights surrounding the perimeter," she explained. "Once it came directly toward my house and scared my son, so he ran inside the house."

Jumping into his police cruiser, Childers sped to the Moore home, where he saw the object.

"I saw strange white and red lights up there," he said.

The policeman headed toward the mountain -- and the UFO. Meanwhile, Mr. and Mrs. Eston Carroll and their children were driving toward Gastonia when they saw "an object with pulsating colored lights darting across the sky and heading toward Blacksburg." Carroll also headed toward the mountain, where he met Childers and flagged him down.

"The man's eyes were almost popping out of his head," Childers said. "That man was really excited."

Doug Lee and his girl friend were driving toward Blacksburg. They saw the object fly toward the mountain. Arriving home, Doug found his brother, Frank, watching it through binoculars. It had red, blue, green and white lights.

"The thing was so bright I couldn't even make out its shape with the glasses," Frank Lee remarked. "It wasn't like any light I have ever seen. It glowed brightly but didn't give off a beam of any sort."

At the south side of the mountain, Curtis Martin, son of a Cherokee County deputy sheriff, was also traveling toward Blacksburg when he saw it. Meanwhile, in town, Harry Cook picked up the police reports on his monitor. He also saw it.

Craig Reynolds and Bobby Davis were fueling trucks at the truck stop five miles north of Blacksburg when "two UFOs came over the mountains and hovered."

"A bunch of the truckers and also our boss came out and saw the things," Davis related. "Finally one took off toward Gaffney and the other toward Grover."

The youth added that his friend "became frightened and ran."

#### *UFO Lights Up Homes*

In neighboring North Carolina, two separate families in Mt. Airy were watching television at 8 p.m., February 3, when they noticed a "sudden flash of brilliant red light that lit up the inside of their homes from one end to the other," according to UFO investigator George D. Fawcett.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Williams saw the object "move up into the sky." Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jones and their children also saw it and "were frightened." The witnesses said it was a "blood-red circular" object 18 feet in diameter and emitted "smoke or exhaust on its outer edges." It was revolving "as it moved up into the sky from almost ground level."

Three Los Angeles youths -- Joe Cavaretta, Scott Aaland, and Chris Brekke -- were walking toward the beach at Point Dume, Calif., at about 4:30 a.m., March 23, when they saw a "glowing sphere."

"We... were standing on a plateau looking over at the Santa Monica Mountains, sort of toward Malibu Canyon, but more at the mountains," Cavaretta related. "All of a sudden we noticed this light, a kind of shining, yellowish light -- like a big headlight on a car -- just hanging there in the sky about at the mouth of the canyon. It was sphere-shaped and just staying there, not moving. We watched for maybe 15 minutes... Then it started to move. You could hear the sound of low-pitched jet engines, not really revved up -- just a sort of whooshing sound."

#### *Object Heads Toward Witnesses*

The UFO then turned right, heading directly for the witnesses.

"As it turned," Cavaretta continued in the March 25, 1973, edition of *The Los Angeles Times*, "the shape changed to only a half-sphere and we could see a red light glowing in the rear of the thing. It came right out over the ocean toward Paradise Cove -- sort of parallel to us -- then it turned to face us and started coming down. I was scared and I said to the other guys, 'Hey, man, let's split,' and I started running for the road. But they just stood there, so I walked back."

The sphere descended until it was about 1,000 feet from the ground. Then it turned toward the three youths and hovered.

"That's when the light flashed on and off twice," Cavaretta stated. "After that, it turned sideways again and just flashed across the bay at an incredible speed. You just wouldn't believe how fast it moved. It headed straight for Los Angeles Harbor and in 10 seconds it disappeared into the fog... It wasn't a balloon, or an airplane, or a helicopter, or a kite, or any of those things."

#### *Huge UFO in South Africa*

At approximately 12:30 a.m., January 1, Mr. and Mrs. W. Sucknow were traveling near Penhoek Pass, outside Queenstown, South Africa. They saw what looked like "a

long train curving towards the road," stated the *O'Town Daily Rep.*, January 7, 1973. They said the object, about 30 meters (m) in diameter with "portholes as big as doors," was six to eight meters above the ground and was heading slowly toward Dordrecht. It hovered above the road and, after a brief interval, took off, gaining speed. Then, about 90 m from the road, it slowed down.

"It glowed with an orange light and was emitting orange smoke," stated Sucknow, manager of a security firm. "I couldn't see the top because of the dark, but it was much bigger than a Boeing. The inside of the car became icy cold. I was dumbstruck. It was as if the 'beings' in the craft were watching the car."

Mrs. Sucknow saw the object disappear.

"I've always been skeptical about these flying saucers," Sucknow said. "They have to be seen to be believed."

#### *"Man" Seen Suspended in Light*

A UFO was seen about 32 miles from Kimba, South Australia, at around 9:50 p.m., February 11, by Brian Hunt and Sharyn Finckler. It was an orange light about 10 feet high and five feet across approximately 30 yards from the road.

Hunt said a "man" that looked like "a modern-day astronaut" was "suspended 2-3 feet above the ground in the middle of the light." The figure "was dressed in what appeared to be a white space suit," according to the February 15, 1973, edition of the South Australia *Cleve Tribune*.

The Hunts drove to Kimba and reported the incident to police. Constable P. Summerton drove back to the site with the witnesses, but failed to find any trace of the object. Summerton said there was a report of a truck driver who saw a similar UFO on the same road at the same time.

#### DELPHOS CASE RECEIVES ENQUIRER REWARD

As we predicted (*UFO Research Newsletter*, Vol. II, No. 10, p. 1), the *National Enquirer's* \$5,000 reward for "best evidence" submitted in a UFO case during 1972 has gone to the Johnson family in the now-famous Delphos, Kansas, case of November 2, 1971 (see *UFO Research Newsletter*, Vol. I, No. 11, p. 1; and Vol. II, No. 2, p. 6, No. 3, p. 8, No. 4, p. 8, No. 6, p. 4, No. 7, p. 4, No. 8, p. 6, No. 9, p. 6, and No. 10, p. 1), stated Dr. Robert F. Creegan in a letter to UFOR.

The paper's UFO reward panel -- Dr. J. Allen Hynek, head of Dearborn Observatory and director of the Lindheimer Astronomical Institute at Northwestern University; Dr. Creegan, philosophy professor at the State University of New York at Albany; Dr. R. Leo Sprinkle, psychologist and director of the counseling and testing division at the University of Wyoming; Dr. Frank Salisbury, chief of the plant sciences department at Utah State University; and Dr. James Harder, mechanical engineering professor at the University of California at Berkeley (see *UFO Research Newsletter*, Vol. I, No. 12, p. 7; and Vol. II, No. 1, p. 6, No. 2, p. 5, No. 3, p. 8, No. 4, p. 8, No. 5, p. 5, No. 6, p. 6, No. 7, p. 7, No. 8, p. 6, No. 9, p. 7, and No. 10, p. 1) -- was unanimous in its decision that no case warranted the \$50,000 offer for proof that UFOs are extraterrestrial probes. The big reward offer, as well as lesser ones of \$1,000 each, has been renewed for 1973.

#### *Hynek Explains Vote*

Dr. Hynek explained the panel's vote in the May 27, 1973, edition of the *Enquirer*.

"The panel chose the Johnson case because the the great number of individual items of 'strangeness' involved, which remained unexplained even after a long series

of chemical, optical, electronic and other physical tests carried out by 11 university and private laboratories," he said in delivering the majority opinion. "Among the facts that make the case of great scientific interest are: the sighting of the luminous object itself, observed clearly by the Johnson's 16-year-old son and at a distance by his parents; and the presence at the landing site of a ring of soil of altered chemical composition, extending more than a foot below the surface. This ring of soil and the bark of surrounding trees glowed brightly for several days. Also, the ring of soil differed markedly from its immediate surroundings, not only in chemical composition but in appearance. The soil was dried out and powdery. For more than a year after the sighting, this soil would not accept water, nor could anything be grown in it."

The votes for the case came during a panel meeting in Tucson, Ariz., on March 23. Dr. Creegan cast the one abstaining ballot. The philosopher favored the "star map case" -- undoubtedly the Duncan Lunan probe (see *UFO Research Newsletter*, Vol. II, No. 12, p. 1). Creegan said the case had been "strengthened from a scientific viewpoint by the astronomical data assembled and mathematically analyzed" by Dr. David Saunders, psychologist at the University of Colorado and well-known for his involvement with the Colorado Project, and Marjorie Fish. UFOR is attempting to gain more information on this data.

### UFO "EXPLODES," PACES CAR

It was 2 o'clock on a clear, dark February morning in 1967. Mrs. Ruth Phillips, Nita De Agio, and Mrs. Margaritta Espinosa were driving home from work in Orlando, Calif., stated an investigator in a report to UFOR. About six miles to the east of town, the women began passing over the railway bridge over Stoney Creek when they heard an explosion like a loud "pop" and saw a "brilliant flash of white light."

The startled observers watched as a cigar-shaped, metallic-looking, dark UFO 2-3 times the size of an automobile "ballooned into view." It had a row of square portholes or small windows and the bright light being emitted from them hurt Mrs. Phillips' eyes. The object rose quickly at about a 45° angle and paced the car, which was traveling approximately 55 m.p.h.

For six miles the object chased the car, turning in close to the vehicle three times.

"On one approach the observers thought it was going to cross over the road in front of the car, but it returned to its respective position...", the report stated.

Then, at the outskirts of Hamilton City, the UFO "suddenly zoomed upward and headed in the direction of Sacramento at high speed."

### SIGHTING CAPSULES

The following sighting reports have also come to UFOR's attention:

- October 29, 1972. Approximately 8 p.m. Wrightstown, Pa. Mrs. Herbert Hamer said she saw a UFO that "looked like continuous flash bulbs going off" speed across the sky and back to the west again, stated the November 1, 1972, edition of the Levittown-Bristol, Pa., *Courier Times*. The object ascended and the witness saw "red and green lights at both ends and a rotating light in the center." The UFO disappeared into the clouds.

- November 1, 1972. About 3 a.m. Springhill, Nova Scotia, Canada. Crystal Jackson and her mother watched a round, red UFO "with little lights all around its center" pass over the horizon, the November 9, 1972, edition of the *Springhill Record*, said.

- November 4, 1972. Afternoon. Gainesville, Brasstown Bald, Athens, Ga., areas. "Strange lights" were seen by numerous witnesses, according to the November 7, 1972, edition of the *Gainesville Times*. (Probable explanation: deflating weather balloon).

● November 8, 1972. Around 3 a.m. Shuswap, British Columbia, Canada. The November 8, 1972, edition of the British Columbia *Salmon Arm Observer* reported that Paul Critchett saw a "light traveling in a clockwise oval-shaped pattern" that covered "about a quarter of a mile in the sky" with one "full revolution around the patterns every second or three-quarters of a second." The light moved east, then back, and disappeared.

● November 15, 1972. About 5:30 a.m. Santa Susana, Calif. An unidentified woman reported seeing a light "like a large plastic pillowcase" that rose, then dropped to the ground, where two men picked it up, according to the November 17, 1972, edition of the Santa Susana *Enterprise Sun & News*. (Probable explanation: hoax balloon).

● November 17, 1972. Evening. McIvers, Newfoundland, Canada. Three residents said they saw "a ball of fire splash into the Bay of Island," the November 20, 1972, edition of the *Corner Brook (Newfoundland) Western Star*, stated. (Probable explanation: aircraft ditching about 100 miles east of St. John's).

● November 25, 1972. Afternoon. Saints Bay, England. An unidentified woman observed what looked like a "small aircraft edge-on" fly noiseless from west to east, said the *Guernsey (England) Evening Press*, December 2, 1972.

● November 25, 1972. Approximately 7:30 p.m. Twin Falls-Buhl, Idaho, area. Witnesses saw a "bright light" that "entered the atmosphere and sped toward the ground," according to the Twin Falls *Times-News*, November 26, 1972. (Possible explanation: meteorite).

● November 27, 1972. 8 a.m. Near Buck Creek, Alberta, Canada. Lawrence Lind and school children watched "a brilliant, cigar-shaped object with lights flashing and exhaust quickly vanishing," stated the December 13, 1972, edition of *The (Leduc, Alberta) Representative*. The UFO moved toward a mountain, then back to its original position above the highway, where "it stood still in mid-air for about an hour." Then, "all of a sudden, it was gone."

● November 27, 1972. Evening. Napa, Calif. Several residents saw lights with "eerie" glows, according to the November 29, 1972, Valléjo, Calif., *Times-Herald*. (Probable explanation: hoax balloons).

● November 29, 1972. Approximately 6 a.m. Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Paul Smith, Mark St. Louis, and Roland Isaacs saw "a white ball with an orange light on top" that "hovered for about 10 minutes..., took off much faster than a plane, then... returned and stayed about 20 minutes," the *Toronto Star*, November 29, 1972, said.

● November 30, 1972. Evening. Stony Rises, Victoria, Australia. J.R. Hollyburton reported seeing "two bright red lights that moved up and down," according to the December 4, 1972, edition of the Colac, Victoria, *Herald*.

● November 30, 1972. Evening. South Lake Tahoe, Calif. Stan Compton and his son saw a missile-shaped object with "reddish, white flames spurting out" traveling at great speed and emitting an "exhaust roar," the *Tahoe Tribune*, December 1, 1972, reported. (Possible explanation: jet aircraft or missile).

● December 2, 1972. About 4:45 p.m. Near Santa Barbara, Calif. Leon Bonotaux, a pilot for 40 years, reported seeing a "hot dog shaped pink streak" that changed color to orange-red "and disappeared as the sun set," the *Santa Barbara News-Press*, December 3, 1972, stated.

● December 2, 1972. Evening. Near Saline, Mich. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stanley and their granddaughter saw "a cigar-shaped object flying north," said the *Saline Reporter*, February 22, 1973.

● December 4, 1972. Evening. Whitburn-Bathgate, England. A mysterious object "skipped the rooftops of houses" and was tracked on radar by the Turnhouse air traffic control tower, the *West Lothian (England) Courier*, December 8, 1972, reported. (Possible explanation: low-flying jet aircraft).

● December 15, 1972. 6:07 a.m. Lawrence, Kansas. Police officers said they saw "a star with unusual surface activities," the *Lawrence Journal-World*, December 15, 1972, said. (Possible explanation: planetary illusion).

● December 18, 1972. 7:35 p.m. Burney, Calif. Marlene McCullar and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Woods saw "a reddish-yellow glow" that shot across the sky. The "glow" was visible for approximately 10 minutes, the Redding, Calif., *Record Searchlight*, December 20, 1972, stated. (Possible explanation: meteor).

● December 21, 1972. Around 2 a.m. New Norfolk, Tasmania, Australia. Dr. and Mrs. Duncan Anderson saw a "huge" object and about six smaller ones for about an hour, the Burnie, Tasmania, *Advocate*, December 22, 1972, reported.

● December 27, 1972. Evening. Aston, England. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Newman and two friends claim to have seen an orange, ball-shaped object that appeared to be "sliced in half," stated the *Sheffield (England) Star*, December 28, 1972. (Possible explanation: breakup of a meteor).

● January 1, 1973, etc. Evenings. Lake Michigan. The January 15, 1973, edition of *The Indianapolis (Ind.) News* reported that U.S. Coast Guardsmen, police and others saw "strange glows... almost nightly" during the first two weeks of the month.

● January 2, 1973. Approximately 11:30 p.m. Hudson, N.C. Newspaper reporters said they saw an erratic-moving "star" that was "unlike any aircraft we are familiar with," the Hudson *Caldwell Courier*, January 18, 1973, said.

● January 4, 1973. About 8 p.m. San Mateo, Calif. A large, white, luminous object with "showers of sparks coming off of what appeared to be a tail" was seen falling to earth by Arthur W. Tyo, stated the January 5, 1973, edition of the *San Mateo Times*. (Possible explanations: meteorite or satellite re-entry).

● January 4, 1973. Evening. McAlester, Okla. The McAlester *Daily Democrat*, January 5, 1973, reported that two police officers and several others saw a UFO for a total of 25 minutes. No further details were given.

● January 14, 1973. 12:30 a.m. Near Chillicothe, Ohio. Frank Allen saw "a football-shaped object" estimated to be 75-100 feet long, about 50 feet in diameter "with red, yellow, and green lights which glowed on and off" that hovered over a trailer court briefly, then headed west "and straight up," the *Chillicothe Gazette*, January 15, 1973, stated.

● January 14-15, 1973. Around 11 p.m. and 3:45 a.m. Nerang-Southport, South Australia, area. G.E. Tarrant and H. Stenzel saw a "peculiar, variegated light" that "appeared to have a plane of lights encircling it and the core consisted of a white light surmounted by a cone-shaped light," according to the February 4, 1973, edition of the Adelaide, South Australia, *Sunday Mail*. (Possible explanation: planetary illusion).

● January 17, 1973. Portsmouth, England. Mrs. Bertina M.A. Noyon said she observed a green object "like a ball" that "came at a high speed from the west...", stated the January 26, 1973, edition of the *Guernsey (England) Evening Press*. (Possible explanation: meteor).

● January 17-18, 1973. Evening and morning. Near Ligonier, Pa. Members of the Westmoreland County UFO Study Group said they observed "a large orangish-red spherical object" and, later, "a bright white oval shaped object," *The (Irwin, Pa.) Standard-Observer*, January 18, 1973, stated.

● January 19, 1973. Approximately 7:30 a.m. Stockton, Kansas. The January 25, 1973, edition of the *Ellis (Kansas) Review* stated that three school bus drivers saw "a big, bright object." There were no additional details.

● January 21, 1973. Evening. Muhlenburg, Pa. Mrs. Daniel Jenkins and others saw "a huge light that circled the area, then remained motionless for an estimated three minutes, after which it slowly ascended and disappeared," the Berwick, Pa., *Enterprise*, January 23, 1973, reported. (Possible explanation: helicopter with searchlight).

● February 1, 1973. About 4:15 a.m. Near Stanthorpe, New South Wales (NSW), Australia. Ron Farrant saw "a huge wing with a dazzling light at one end and a smaller one at the other," according to the February 2, 1973, edition of the *Glen Innes (NSW) Examiner*. A cigar-shaped object appeared to be between the lights, which remained stationary.