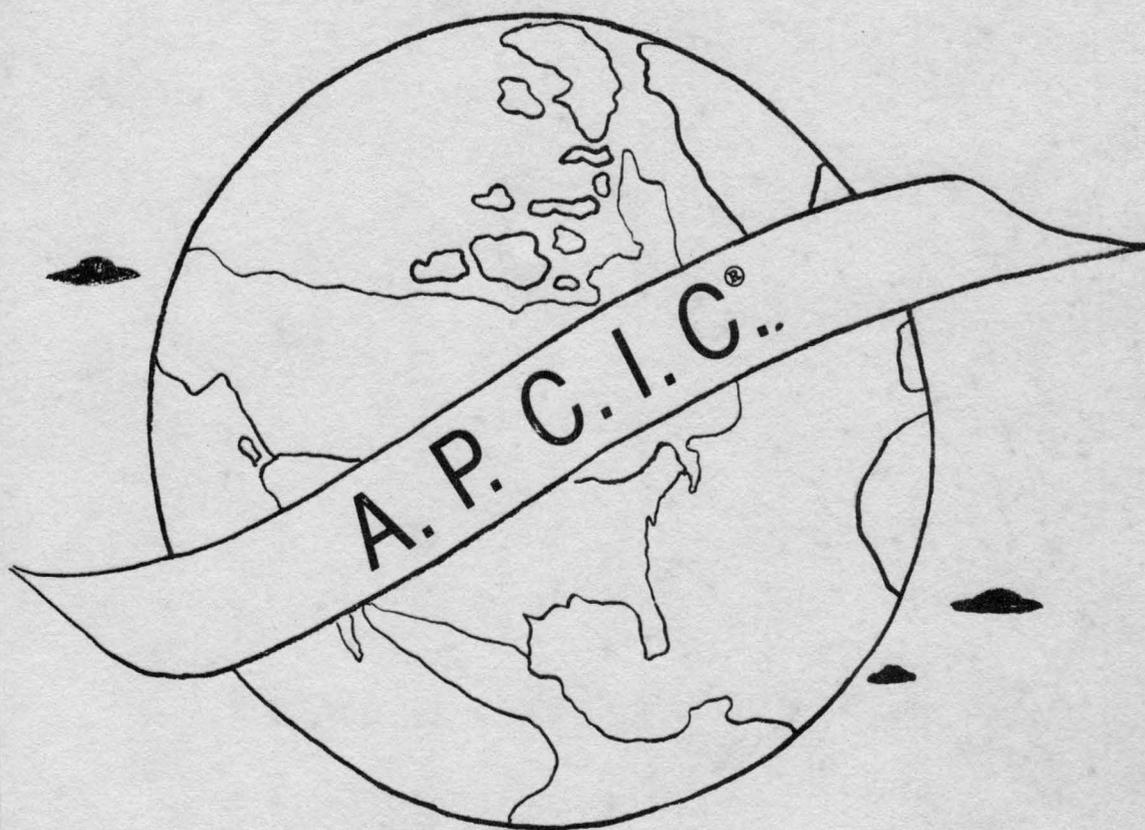


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# UFO is sighted in Jayess by six

The most dramatic sighting of an unidentified flying object (UFO) to be reported in this part of Mississippi took place near Jayess Saturday, February 5, and was seen at close quarters by at least six adults.

Another sighting was reported in Madison County Wednesday, February 3, and was seen there by a constable and a deputy sheriff.

The Wednesday sighting was reported by the associated press and on local television news programs from Jackson.

One version of the Saturday sighting at Jayess, reported by the Brookhaven Leader-Times, was confirmed by another Jayess resident in a telephone interview with the editor of The Tylertown Times Sunday.

MRS. DARWIN Alexander, who said she had never seen anything like the object, said that she and her husband both witnessed the sighting.

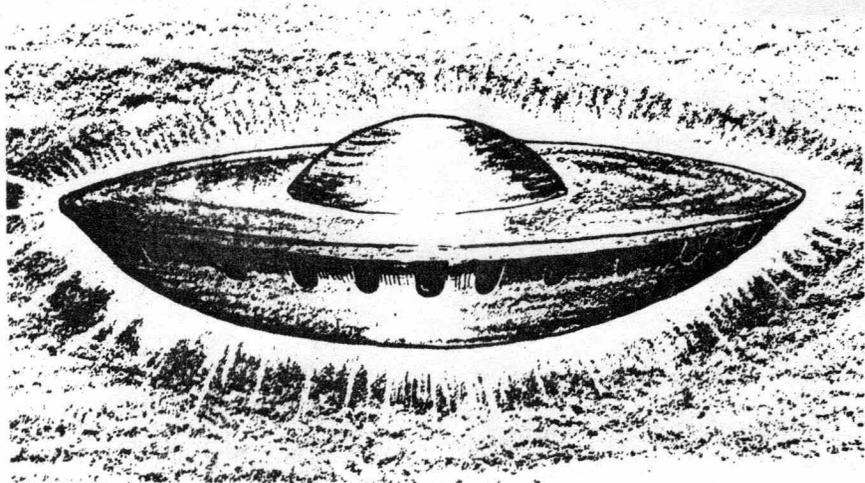
"We looked out our patio window after my sister-in-law called and told me about it," she recalls. The Darwin Alexanders live less than a half-mile from the Denver Alexanders on the same road. The road curves between the two homes, and the rear of the two houses are about 300 yards apart. Darwin and Denver Alexander are brothers and live about two miles west of Jayess toward Pricedale.

Mrs. Darwin Alexander said the object made a "swooshing noise, hovered silently, then disappeared without a sound."

She said red lights were visible from the object. "I couldn't really make out the shape because of the lights. I suppose it looked something like a dish turned upside down, but I'm not really certain. I saw it through a patio window."

HER SISTER-IN-LAW, Mrs Denver Alexander, her son Eddie, and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Cothorn, all viewed the object from the yard of the Denver Alexander home. The Cothorns had seen the object from their car on the road and stopped at the Denver Alexander home.

The Brookhaven newspaper reported the sighting that night, but did not identify the residents who reported it.



## Unidentified flying object?

Here is an artist's concept of what Jayess residents sighted on the evening of February 5. At least six adults confirmed the sighting in the Jayess-Ruth area of Lincoln County. Doug Walker made this drawing, based on

newspaper accounts of the sighting and a description by an eyewitness. Earlier in the month, a deputy sheriff and a constable reported sighting a UFO at close range in Madison County.

Here was a portion of that account: A large round object big as a four-room house approached a house near Jayess in Lincoln County at about 8:30 p.m. Saturday and was observed silently hovering at tree-top level for about 15 minutes.

FOUR ADULT occupants described the object as grey in color with red lights at about 16-ft. intervals around a rim and a smaller dome at the top. It zoomed toward the house with a roaring noise and stopped about 50 yards away, they said, hung motionless and noiseless while the observers stared in disbelief. Then it just disappeared with no noise and no visible movement.

A belief that they they had "just been seeing things" was dispelled by a report from neighbors across a field that they had seen the same thing and by talk in the community Sunday among several others having had the same experience.

A pilot at Brookhaven Municipal Airport says several calls have been received at the airport from persons who have seen unidentified flying objects, often in the Ruth-Jayess area.

HE, HIMSELF, tells of having witnessed from Lakewood Village, in the presence of "12 or 15 others," an object of vague shape with lights around a rim hover in the sky and definitely dodge

two passing jets. One of the jet pilots, he said, was overheard in radio contact with the McComb FAA Flight Service Station. He answered negatively when asked if he had seen the object.

The February 2 Madison County sighting was reported by deputy sheriff Ken Creel, 20 feet above his patrol car.

He said the craft was round, had portholes and gave off a soft light. "It moved with ease," he said. "We turned the engine off to see if it made some kind of sound, but there was only a very faint noise."

CREEL WAS PATROLLING in the area with county constable James Duke. He said he did not believe in "stuff from outer space" but added that he had no idea what the object might have been "unless it was some secret Air Force test."

Over the years, there have been reports of UFO sightings in the Tylertown area. Doug Walker said he was on board duty at the radio station WTYL on the night of Friday, Jan. 28, when a lady called to report a "strange lighted object in the northern sky." Walker went outside to look, but failed to spot the object.

Dr. William Hughes at the University of Southern Mississippi keeps a record of UFO sightings in this area. To report sightings or obtain information, he may be called at 266-7206.

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# Investigators recap St. Bernard UFO flap

Editor's Note: The following article is authored by Dr. Ted Peters and James LaChute, state representatives of the Mutual Unidentified Flying Objects Network. Dr. Peters is an associate professor of religious studies at Loyola University and LaChute is a UNO student.

By Ted Peters & Jim LaChute

The first two months of 1977 have brought heavy UFO activity to St. Bernard Parish.

On the night of Jan. 15, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Digangi watched a bright light hovering near a water tower just off Judge Perez Drive. They were driving west and through the windshield viewed what appeared to be three lights chained together.

Mrs. Digangi said that it seemed "very close" and remained steady at an altitude of approximately 500 feet for a 10 to 15 minute period. The following Tuesday, Jan. 18, their teenaged daughter and her girlfriend saw the same object near their home on Jackson Blvd.

On Friday night, Jan. 21, two nutria hunters, Erwin Menesses and Robert Melerine, were given a dramatic fright when an intensely bright object which emitted heat closed in on them. While motoring along a bayou near the Yscloskey Shell refinery, the giant light dropped down upon them to an altitude of 65 to 75 feet.

Melerine's hair stood on end and the

boat stopped. Although the outboard engine continued to churn water, the boat remained stationary. The men ceased to move — although they could speak — as if their bodies were being held in suspended animation. When the light suddenly left, the boat lurched forward with such force that the men were thrown down in the boat.

The UFO could be seen for another half hour making a sort of inspection tour of the Shell refinery and the Yscloskey water tower.

The following night, Saturday, Jan. 22, a near landing was witnessed in Chalmette. A car full of six, three adults and three children, turned north off Judge Perez on to Jean Lafitte Parkway. Through the left windows they watched a dome-shaped craft with red and yellow lights and what were thought to be propellers dance about in the sky.

The witnesses parked in the middle of the boulevard to watch the show through the windshield. The machine bounced and dipped behind the trees only 2,000 feet in front. After 10 minutes it angled sharply and dipped down into the forest for the last time.

The frightened crew drove home in awe, deciding to tell no one. It was not until Feb. 12, that we were called in. An examination of the area revealed no landing traces.

On Tuesday, Feb. 8, Mrs. Gayle Rodriguez and her son, Brian, watched a similar UFO show by a rather differently shaped object. Driving east

on St. Bernard Highway a brightly lit silvery colored craft flew across the highway in front of them and began a course parallel to the road.

Its movement was in uneven spurts, shooting forward and then stopping. On one stop it tilted toward the car. It was shaped like an upside down saucer with a flat bottom and a dome on top in the middle. Near the bottom edge could be seen a row of individual lights which merged into a single blurr when rotating. The lights changed color alternating between blue, green, and bright white. Atop the dome were three lights on what appeared to be antenna: two small white lights, and one larger red light.

The following night, Feb. 9, an unusual object was sighted in Madison County, Miss.

Deputy Sheriff Ken Creel along with deputy James Luke responded to a call that a UFO was seen in the area five miles west of the town of Flora. They were driving along the main highway when suddenly an unidentified aircraft flew to a position directly above the car. It hovered at an altitude of 20 to 50 feet. It shone a bright light and caused radio communication interference.

It was watched from further away by five independent witnesses one of which was Hubert Roberts of the Flora Police Dept. Roberts' police car was standing on a gravel road off the main highway. The officer blinked his headlights as a signal, and the UFO reportedly blinked

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## Police Report

# UFO Sighted Over City

An Ochoa Street resident early Monday morning sighted what he described as an unidentified flying object (UFO) over his residence.

The object was described as being round, with small windows and lighted.

The resident said that it made a loud noise but not like one normally associated with an aircraft.

The incident was reported to the police. No further reporting action was taken.

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### Here's comparison of stars and sand

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz. — In the Milky Way there are about a hundred thousand million stars, one of them being our solar system's sun. That is roughly the same number of grains of sand you could pack into a box 10 feet wide, long and high.

PORTLAND, TEXAS - NEWS  
\*\*\*\*\*FEB 10, 1977\*\*\*\*\*

two of its lights in apparent response. Mr. Roberts told investigator LaChute that it was "sort of round" with portholes and "very bright." when it departed, it shot off with great speed.

A few observations are in order. Although UFO activity seems to have been quite heavy, the individual sightings together do not reveal any pattern. Independent confirmation of some of the cases have come in, but there seems to be no relation between cases other than geographical proximity.

Witnesses in no two cases seem to report the same object; each object's description is quite different from the

others. However, all of these are night sightings — some are close encounters Type I — and it is more difficult to see shapes in the dark. It would be premature to rule out the possibility that the same craft was seen more than once.

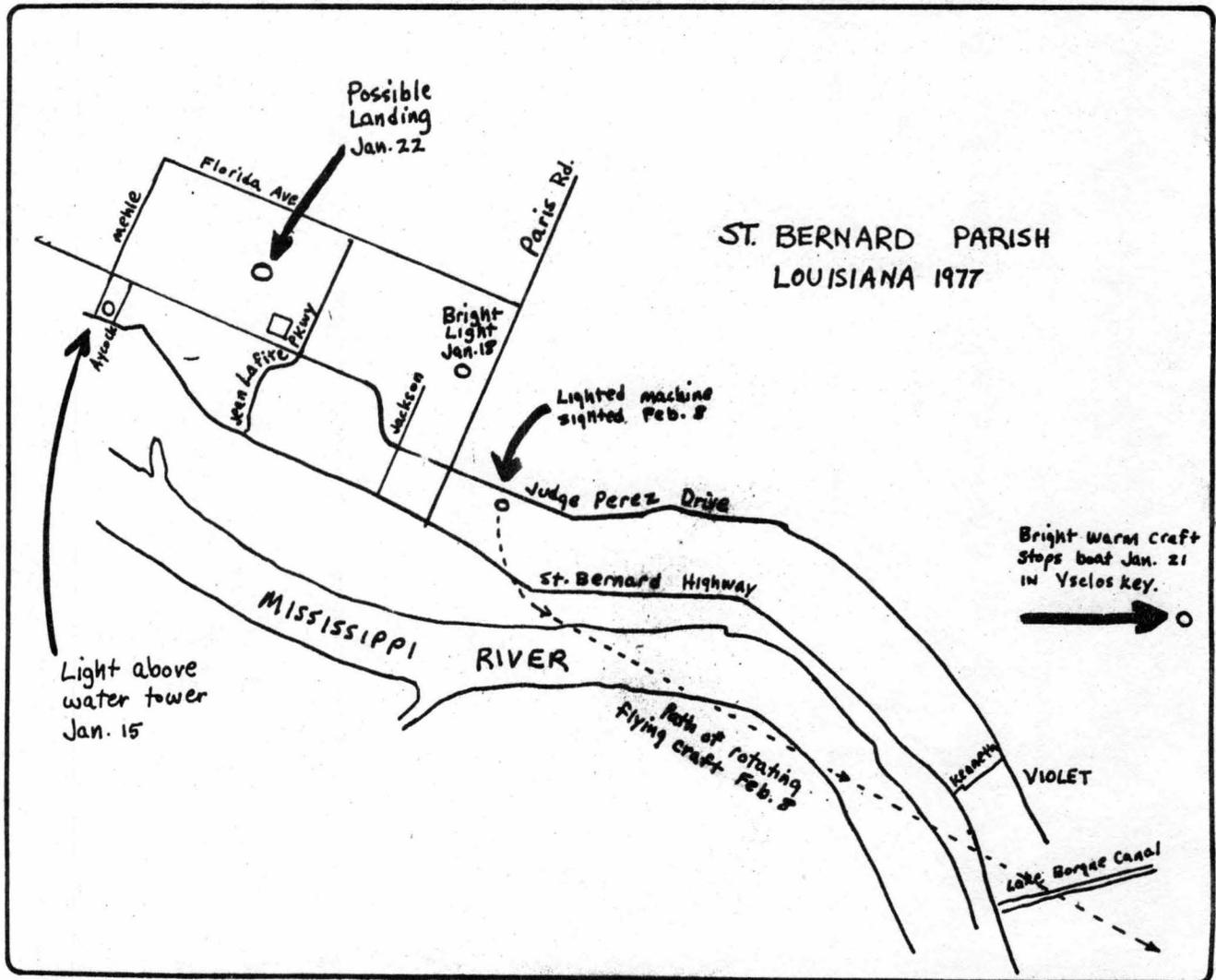
We have here a large number of sightings in a short period of time. In addition to the cases mentioned here, there were two others in New Orleans on Jan. 15 and 22, and a UFO was sighted by the USS Tacoma on its way here for Mardi Gras on Feb. 17.

This many sightings in only a month's time is called a "flap." Skeptics argue that flaps are caused by the media, i.e.,

reports of UFOs make other people see things. We agree that it is important to note that the media, except The St. Bernard News, has had very little effect on this present flap.

Maybe there really is somebody or something out there that has come to visit us.

The Louisiana UFO Skynet, a UFO study organization, will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, Mar. 4, at the New Orleans Public Library auditorium, third floor, 219 Loyola Ave. The public is invited.



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**Soviet rocket debris**

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (AP) — A disintegrating Russian rocket body first thought to be a meteorite sprinkled debris over Colorado Monday night, says the North American Air Defense Command. The rocket had been used to launch the Soviet Cosmos 89s satellite.

BINGHAMTON, N.Y.  
 \*\*SUN-BULLETIN\*\*  
 \*\*MAR. 3, 1977\*\*

**Policeman sees UFO**

Shortly before midnight last night, Port Dickinson Patrolman John Campbell said he received two reports of unidentified flying objects over the village.

Campbell said he stepped outside and saw what he described as "colored lights" in the sky, just north of Binghamton and west of the Chenango River.

At about 12:50 this morning, Campbell said he could still see one of the lights.

# Residents In Wolfe City Report UFO

An Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) has reportedly been seen in the Wolfe City area on several occasions during the past weekend.

According to reports, the UFO has regularly appeared between 7:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. since Friday. It has been described as a bright, shiny object that hovers high in the sky for long periods of time, then rapidly descends to ground level.

One couple was reportedly followed home Friday night by the mysterious object.

But according to Wolfe City Patrolman David Wright, the

UFO is nothing more than a helicopter that's been landing and taking off from a field near Wolfe City.

"I was flagged down one night by some people to observe what they described as a UFO," Wright said. "The object landed in a field just outside the city limits and then departed. Shortly after the aircraft left, a car also pulled away from the site," he added.

Wright said he had alerted the Department of Public Safety and the sightings are presently under investigation. ☺

## Were we visited???

Strange lights in the skies over Greenfield Tuesday have been identified, but not similar lights observed shortly after 8 p.m. Wednesday.

A spokesman for the Connecticut Air National Guard stationed at Bradley Field in Windsor Locks, Conn. today told The Recorder three ANG helicopters passed over Franklin County Tuesday evening, but none were in the air Wednesday night.

Three unidentified aircraft were observed flying low over Franklin County

from the south Wednesday night. The lights veered to the east north of Greenfield and disappeared travelling toward Orange.

A quick check of the Federal Aviation Administration, Turners Falls Airport, Westover Air Force Base in Chicopee and Bradley International Airport revealed that no helicopters were in the air over Greenfield Wednesday night.

# South Euclid women tell of watching UFO

By JOHN H. TIDYMAN

While Los Angeles County sheriff's deputies were chasing a UFO last night, two South Euclid women were trying to identify one hovering in the western sky.

Rose Melega, 4543 Edmond Dr., was watching television last night at 8 p.m. when her neighbor, Dorothy Barkan, called.

"She said she was talking on the phone and looking out the window at something bright and blinking in the sky," Mrs. Melega said.

"It wasn't a star; it couldn't be. I had to look between branches to see it, so I told Dorothy I was going to put on my coat and go out."

Mrs. Melega watched the object

for five minutes before it disappeared in the west.

"It just seemed to be stationary," she said, "and it was just huge compared to stars. I can't say how high it was, but it was much lower than the stars."

The object grew brilliantly bright, then dimmed, she said.

"It was doing that over and over again. Then I came in and told my husband. When I went back out, it had dropped down quite a bit. Then it would go completely dark, then come back on again."

She described it as disc-shaped, with an antenna on top.

"I can't believe it was a star, and it couldn't be a planet. You don't see planets move," Mrs. Melega said.

WESTON FORUM - WESTON, CONN.  
\*\*\*\*\*FEB. 9, 1977\*\*\*\*\*

## Our Own UFO

According to a police report, an unidentified flying object was reported to the police Monday evening by a Valley Forge road resident. According to Officer Joan Gangi, three police officers observed the unexplained craft in addition to the resident who reported it.

The object was described as having red and green lights and the capability of "standing still" or hovering in midair. Observers first thought the craft might be a helicopter, but no engine or rotor sounds could be heard.

Officer Gangi told the Forum that this was not the first report of a UFO sighting in Weston. All such reports have come from the area around the Saugatuck Reservoir, in the evening or after dark when lights become visible. Officer Gangi said that attempts to check what the objects are with area companies such as Sikorsky have provided no satisfactory explanation.

# STALKING THE FLYING SAUCER WITH CB

## CHANNEL 5 UFO

THE CB TIMES-JOURNAL  
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D. William Hauck, North American director of IUFOR, says that CBs have become a very important factor in tracking UFOs and making sightings, especially in rural areas.

"CBs have proven very useful in a number of cases. The most recent case was in Pennsylvania. A UFO sighting was made about 4 a.m. and seen as a nocturnal (night-time) light sighting.

"Two truckers sighted it, and the UFO was followed all the way into New York. By the time it reached New York the UFO had become a daylight disk, which is one of the only occurrences I can think of where a UFO has been seen in nocturnal light and followed through to daylight." Hauck says.

There is no specialized set of 10-codes for CRUFON members to use, but there are a few codes added just for UFO sightings, such as: 10-NL, a nighttime light sight-

*"Breaker, breaker for a CRUFON alert!"*

*"What's that you breaking for, good buddy?"*

*"A CRUFON alert! Man, I got me a UFO out here on Highway nine."*

*"I'll be right there. I gotta see this 'un."*

CRUFON isn't the latest fancy handle for CBers. It's the CB code name for The Citizen's Radio UFO

Network which uses CBs to track down unidentified flying objects (UFOs).

CBers all over the country are finding that there are all kinds of good buddies out there who are interested in watching for little green men to land any minute now.

CRUFON is part of a larger organization called the International UFO Registry (IUFOR), which is based in Vienna, Austria, and has centers in twenty countries.

ing, 10-DD, a daylight disk sighting and 10-E, a close encounter.

CRUFON information is used as a field operation to accumulate reliable information which is put into computers for future study and for sources on later sightings. The computer used by the registry presently houses information on about 80,000 UFO sightings. The registry also has computer programs which can automatically analyze photographs and determine whether they are fakes.

The Federal Communications Commission has licensed the IUFOR to use short distance radio communication facilities for coordinating the investigation and reporting of unidentified aerial phenomena. The unofficial UFO reporting frequency is CB channel 5.

The CB is used for the initial sightings, and after that CRUFON members can call the UFO Hotline, a toll-free number, and report their

findings to the UFO Registry Center, which then catalogs the sighting and decides the proper follow up procedure.

When reporting UFO sightings there are four things to remember:

- \* **Location of sighting**
- \* **Time spotted and duration of sighting**
- \* **Description of object (size, speed, color, sounds, movement, etc.)**
- \* **Number of other witnesses**

Hauck hopes that CRUFON will grow along with the number of persons who are using CB now. The club is free, and there is no obligation. Members receive a card and general information about the club when they join. The registry plans to eventually publish a list of all CBing members in a directory which would enable people who are interested in UFOs to find someone local to talk to about it. ■

# What did Jayess residents think of UFO report in their community?

BY MRS. GUSSIE SARTIN  
Jayess Correspondent

Just let me get off to Baton Rouge and guess what happens? Of all things one of those much talked about U.F.O.'s came hovering over our town.

That is about all the topic of conversation here abouts. I talked to Jeanette Alexander, and she was still excited about it all. She said it looked nearly as big as a house. She drew a picture showing how she saw it.

I decided to ask people I met up with what they thought it was. One man said, "I just don't believe in those things. Maybe it was a helicopter." And then in a humorous vein he said, "Maybe it was old satan come spying on us!"

MY BEAUTIFICIAN said, "I really think it is the Russians spying on us."

A housewife said, "I know Jeanette and all the others saw something, of course, and my opinion is what when our government wants us to know what is going on they will tell us."

Other people I talked to seemed to think that it was an experiment carried on by our own old

"Uncle Sam," and when they thought it was o.k. they would announce what was going on.

Not many would come right out and admit that they actually thought it was from "outer space."

I read an article recently by Dr. Harrison Schmitt, Republican senator from New Mexico who spent 74 hours and 50 minutes on the moon in 1972.

HE SAYS HE believes there is life in outer space, and he plans to urge the government to open its U.F.O. files to the public. He not only believes there is life in outer space but also believes these U.F.O.'s may come from another planet.

"It is certainly a possibility that we've had visitors from outer space," said Dr. Schmitt, who has a doctorate degree from Harvard in geology.

IN A RECENT issue of Inquirer magazine, it was stated that 100 U.F.O.'s had been seen in a New York area within the past three weeks. That is getting to be a little too much. The description of these were along the same lines our Jayess residents gave of what they saw.

According to this statement, they were at least 200 to 300 feet in diameter. They were ringed about with flashing red and green lights, too.

SHELMAN, TEXAS - DEMOCRAT  
\*\*\*\*\*FEB 22, 1977\*\*\*\*\*

## Mysterious Light Hovers Near Town

WOLFE CITY — An Unidentified Flying Object, or more precisely, an Unidentified Flying Light, has residents of this small Hunt County town in a stir.

It began last week when residents here spotted a bright white light along a county road just west of town (The Leonard road).

According to reports, the light swooped down from the dark sky in front of motorists and hovered about 60 feet above ground.

Motorists reported that the light changes slowly in color from white to red.

One eyewitness, Joel Robinson, a high school student, said he saw the mysterious light last Saturday about 10 p.m. on the same road.

"I was driving along the road toward town when I saw this bright white flash," Robinson recalled. "I stopped the car and watched. It hovered about tree-top high and turned red."

Robinson said when he continued traveling toward Wolfe City the light followed him. He said he approached 65 miles per hour, but the light stayed close behind.

He said it finally disappeared when he arrived in town.

"I was a little bit scared," he said.

Another eyewitness, Clay Henslee, a student, also described a similar sighting. None of the eyewitnesses could provide clear descriptions of the size of the light.

Henslee said it is at least 12 feet in diameter.

Both Henslee and Robinson said the light was very dense.

As word of the mysterious light spreads about town, more and more people are parking along the road trying to see the light.

Henslee said last Saturday about 20 cars were parked along the road.

He said the light has appeared every night since Feb. 14. □

BERWICK, PA. - ENTERPRISE  
\*\*\*\*\*MAR. 3, 1977\*\*\*\*\*

## Reports of UFOs in Berwick area

Residents of Berwick and the surrounding area reported seeing UFOs Wednesday night against the background of the clear skies that prevailed.

A number of reports were made to the news media and area police concerning the mysterious sightings which apparently occurred sometime between 8:30 and 9 p.m.

Most of the reports came from the Berwick area and around Jonestown Mountain. Descriptions of the alleged flying objects varied, but most people claimed the object was long and made a "thunderous" noise.

A check of the Wilkes-Barre-Scranton Airport at Avoca revealed that no low-flying airplanes scheduled to land there should have been in the Berwick area last night or at anytime, for that matter. Flight service officials at the airport said planes

using that airport should not be very low in the Berwick area while either approaching or leaving the airport.

The officials also indicated that there were no aircraft reported in the area at the time the reported sightings occurred. Airport personnel theorized the flying object may have been a military craft flying at 8,000 to 10,000 feet. It was pointed out that on nights as clear as Wednesday was, planes will appear much lower than they actually are and will make considerable noise.

A retired Air Force officer living in the area informed the Press-Enterprise that it was his opinion the objects referred to by curious area residents appeared to be three Phantom jets flying over the area.

Thus, once again the question of "extra-terrestrial visits" has surfaced. □

# UFO sightings reported here

MANISTIQUE — Several Schoolcraft County residents reportedly witnessed the first UFO sighting of the year Monday night, according to State Police at the Manistique Post.

Craig Gogola, Rte. 1, Manistique, looked out his bedroom window about 11 p.m. Monday and saw "a light brighter than a star," in the northeastern sky over Lake Michigan. He looked more closely and noticed "alternating red and green lights on either side." Gogola called to his wife to make sure he wasn't seeing things, and she admitted seeing the same thing.

"I've been in the service and I've ridden in helicopters, but it moved like nothing else I have ever seen," he said. "I live near the airport and I know what airplanes look like and it looked different than those."

He and his neighbors, whom he called, watched the red and green object, "move up and down and back and forth with quick movements." Then he called the State Police.

Sgt. Ronald Koski and troopers Ralph Graham and David Grimes admitted seeing the object Monday night and on previous nights as well. They assumed it was a satellite.

According to Sgt. Clarence Salzman of base operations at K. I. Sawyer Air Force Base, all of the planes were down before 11 p.m. Monday. He also added, "There are no satellites in that area that I know of."

Capt. Robert Sanderson of tanker scheduling at Kincheloe Air Force Base said, "All of our planes were down by 6 p.m. Monday."

Gabriel Wessley, flow controller at the Federal Aviation Agency's Air Route Traffic Control office in Farmington, Minn., the office that services the Upper Peninsula area, said that he has been receiving calls of UFO sightings from the Minneapolis - St. Paul area for the past few nights.

"This is the first report that we have heard of in Michigan, but we haven't seen anything on our radar of unknown sources," he said. He stated that the Earth is in such a

position that Venus, Jupiter and Mars are visible to the naked eye. He theorized that the reports stemmed from these planet sightings.

Some contradictions arise when one considers that the planet sightings are reported to be in the west while Gogola's sighting was reported to occur in the northeast.

When hearing this, Gogola said that he doubted he witnessed a planet because of the location of the lights.

ESCANABA, MICH. - PRESS  
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## UFOs need more study, survey scientists say

STANFORD, Calif. (AP) — Unidentified Flying Objects, long an inspiration to science fiction writers but never proven to exist, deserve further scientific study, said 80% of 1,356 astronomers replying to a questionnaire.

In a survey mailed to 2,611 members of the American Astronomical Society, positive responses to the question of whether the phenomenon merited further inquiry ranged from "certainly" to "probably" or "possibly."

Sixty-two persons said they had seen or had made instrument recordings of events they couldn't identify but which they thought might be related to the UFO phenomenon.

# UFO Sighted In Mathews

by Virginia Ward

The sighting of an unidentified flying object was reported by a number of Mathews county residents Tuesday night.

Keith Mantell, 16, of North, contacted the Gazette-Journal after noticing the phenomenon about 8:30 p.m. He later reported the sighting to the Mathews County Sheriff's Department.

Mantell said the brightly lit object was in the form of a cross when first seen, but subsequently changed to an oval shape. It was stationary

in the western sky for more than thirty minutes.

When viewed through binoculars red, green and blue colors could be seen, and the UFO appeared to be spinning, Mantell said.

The object began descending about 9:15 p.m., changed to a brilliant red color and after becoming stationary again for several minutes continued its descent and appeared to land in the Cobbs Creek area.

The same UFO, or a similar phenomenon, was seen in the west as late as 11:20 p.m. Tuesday.

GLOUCESTER, VA. GAZETTE-JOURNAL  
\*\*\*\*\*FEB 10, 1977\*\*\*\*\*

MENOMINEE, MICH. HERALD-LEADER  
\*\*\*\*\*FEBRUARY 17, 1977\*\*\*\*\*

## UFO sighted

MANISTIQUE—Several Schoolcraft County residents including several Michigan State Police reported seeing an unidentified flying object Monday night over Lake Michigan.

The object was complete with red and green lights and moved about rapidly. Aviation officials with various agencies said there were no planes or helicopters in the area.

Robert L. Brown, sheriff's dispatcher who received the initial call, said that several Mathews firemen were in the office at the time and commented that they had seen the UFO earlier this week.

Others who confirmed the sighting included Mrs. R. E. Foster of Cardinal and Mrs. C. S. Hammond of Mathews, employees of the Mathews County School System. Both have educational backgrounds in the field of science.

Mrs. Hammond said she checked astronomical charts and could find no natural object which would be visible this time of the year.

Mrs. Foster, who saw the UFO after 11 p.m., said it appeared to be a "huge orange light", and was larger than any visible planet.

The possibility that the object may have been a type of aircraft was practically ruled out after a check with Langley Air Force Base. A spokesman at base operations said there is no record of any flight over the area at the time of the sighting.

The spokesman noted that the air force is no longer handling UFO reports, and said that such occurrences should be reported to local sheriff's departments.

# Hermon 'Visited' By UFO's Monday Night

PAGE ONE

By JANET FARNSTROM

Some people call them unidentified flying objects or, more simply, UFO's and leave the explanation of their sources to the many scientists pondering and exploring that question right now. Others who believe more certainly in the existence of other forms of life in outer space, call them flying saucers or spaceships.

But, whatever they are called or whatever description they may fall under, an unidentified flying object was seen by several residents in the Canton and Hermon-DeKalb area Monday night.

These citations follow close on the heels of a UFO observation by Joseph Tisdell of Tisdell Associates in Canton. Tisdell reported the object in the January 19 issue of the Plaindealer when he said that he had seen a bright moving red light about four miles outside of Canton on the Madrid Road. According to his calculations the object was moving 2,261 miles per hour.

Agnes Woodrow, who owns the IGA store in Hermon, first heard about the UFO when she tuned in on her CB scanner and heard two sheriffs deputies discussing flashing lights Monday night. She immediately looked out the window

but couldn't see anything, so she got out her binoculars. It was then that she saw flashing bright lights on the horizon. As she described it, "they were all really bright colors that kept changing and there wasn't any definite shape that I could see."

Woodrow then called her sister-in-law, Shirley Blanding of Hermon. Blanding looked out the window towards DeKalb and was able to see the object without any visual aides. According to her, it hovered in that area for a while and then moved near Canton around 10 p.m.

Blanding described the same type of flashing red, green, blue lights and said that she saw the same thing when she later used binoculars. She added that she was not able to make out any specific shape.

Linda Matthews of Hermon also saw the UFO Monday night around the same time. She first heard about it when a man on a CB told anyone in the area to look out towards Hermon. She looked and saw a shape about the size of a "big basketball." "It was red and just hovered there," Matthews added.

She got back on the CB and called her friend, Wayne Cronk, who lives at Martin's Corners, near Canton, and who has a telescope. According to her, Cronk

looked through the telescope and saw a "shape like a flying saucer that had red, green, blue and yellow flashing lights."

The Matthews got dressed and headed over to Cronk's house near Canton to get a better look at the object. By the time they got here, it was farther away, but still visible. Matthews said that "it almost looked like a spider web by then." She added that the shape did change throughout the 2½ hours it was visible. "It was everything from round to more egg-shaped and oval," she explained.

For all three of these people this was the first time they had ever seen a UFO. As Woodrow put it, "I'd never seen anything like it before in my life. I don't know what it was or if I even really believe in flying saucers, but there was definitely something there."

Both the Sheriff's Department and the Canton Police reportedly have received no reports of the object.

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# UFO sightings reported

Two UFO sightings were reported in Catahoula Parish just a day apart, Thursday and Friday nights of last week, causing some excitement in the area as residents of Jonesville and the surrounding area once again searched for identifying signs.

The Friday night sighting was reported by Mrs. Joe Reed of Jonesville who saw "a red object with blinking lights" hover over the antennae of the house next to her about 9 p.m. The Reeds live on the corner of Third and Nasif Streets.

Mrs. Reed said she was adjusting the curtains on the bathroom window when she saw the light.

"The thing was red, something like the red plastic covering when the brake lights of a car are on....and it had yellow lights which kept blinking," Mrs. Reed explained.

Members of Mrs. Reed's family will testify that she is not one to easily excite, in fact she will also tell you. "It did shock me. I tried to call my

husband to see it but he was asleep," she said.

She said the oval shaped object "quivered at times like a bird hovering over an object. It was almost the size of a car."

"Then it went gliding off so pretty and went down somewhere a couple of houses away, somewhere around the nursing home," she said. "It couldn't have gone far. I kept watching as it came back up from the same spot and all of a sudden it was right over the eaves of my house...that's when I heard a hissing sound. It went back off in the same direction as before and disappeared again in the same place."

Joe Reed recalls seeing "bouncing lights" from time to time at Larto for a number of years. "Sometimes the lights would skip around," he said.

"Someone said these might be some type of gas balls...it could be...but I don't know what it was or what caused it." Reed said.

The Catahoula Sheriff's Depart-

ment, State Police and private pilots searched an area south of Jonesville Thursday and Friday after a report was received an airplane or other object had fallen near the Albritton Plantation.

Sheriff T.L. "Sonny" Jackson said his office received a call around 7:30 p.m. from "Bud" Ivy that he has seen what he thought was an airplane go down in the area, and saw a light for a short while.

"We called in the State Police to help us and made a ground search of the area, as well as an aerial search," he said. "We couldn't locate anything Thursday and began another search Friday morning."

Jackson said a deputy from Concordia Parish flew over the area and local citizens taking off from the Jonesville airport made passes over the area Friday morning.

"The private pilots are continuing the search as they pass over the area," he said. "The area isn't too thickly wooded." 2

## Blazing Light In Farm Field Remains Mystery

By ROBIN CHASE  
Staff Reporter

NAPANEE — A strange red light lights up a large portion of a seemingly deserted farmer's field and then takes off into the air with tremendous speed to be lost from sight in just a few seconds.

What sort of natural phenomenon would account for that? That's what 18-year-old Brad Richmond, an RR 6 Napanee construction worker, would like to know.

Mr. Richmond revealed the unusual sighting of July, 1974 when interviewed recently about more recent observations of UFO-related phenomena.

He told The Intelligencer he and a friend, Brad Davey, 18, of 28 Sunset Cres. in Napanee, first saw the light at about 8-9 p.m. in his (Richmond's) father's field about a half mile from the Richmond house.

"It was really bright," he remarked. "It lit up an area about the size of a normal house."

The light blazed for about 20 minutes, remaining in one spot, Mr. Richmond said. Then it went out like a light bulb.

Suddenly a smaller red light appeared in the same location and quickly ascended to about 200 feet before streaking north and seeming to gain altitude as it went, he related.

In only about 10-15 seconds, the light was lost from sight, he said. No sound was heard during its flight, he added.

The sighting brings to 20 the number of alleged UFO phenomena discovered in the Quinte area and investigated by The Intelligencer.

The number includes eight reports of unidentified objects, eight of unusual lights, three of soil disturbances and/or effects on vegetation and one of unknown sounds.

The Intelligencer has interviewed 21 persons in connection with alleged UFO phenomena and has learned of 40 persons who claim to have observed either strange lights or unidentified objects.

# I'm not a witch, says this mentalist

By Linda Reed  
Staff Writer

Mentalist Mike Mandel can create an uproar in any high school or college.

Last month, during a Ryerson performance, five girls clawed him while he demonstrated the power of thought suggestion.

Mandel suggested to female students that the fragrance of his after-shave lotion would drive them wild with an uncontrollable desire.

Heaven help us if Madison Avenue ever taps his resources, because the girls made a ferocious attack on Mandel. His microphone was knocked over in the scuffle and it took longer than he anticipated to release them from the suggestion.

"A girl at a Catholic high school tore off my shirt," said Mandel, a 23-year-old Don Mills resident.

Another trademark of his show—now becoming popular in Southern Ontario high schools—is the flying saucer suggestion.

"At the end of my act I tell them to go outside and they'll see two flying saucers over my head. Then, we have 30 to 40 kids screaming about UFOs and someone calls the police and they're all banging on the cruiser and pointing up at the sky."

Mandel says students are usually rolling with laughter on the floor while their peers cavort around the stage. He's never had any complaints from staff or students.

Mandel, a Star Trek trivia expert, has some pretty heady stuff in store for an audience he refers to as "the record-buying public."

"I'm planning a space-age mentalist show in which the human mind will be the theatre," he said.

The act will include electronic music like Tomita's Snowflakes Are Dancing, fog and a Star Trek setting.

"I don't want to be thought of as a psychic or witch. I want my act to be pure entertainment."

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## Wm. Shatner Featured In Hemisphere Film

NEW YORK—"Mysteries of the Gods," a major feature starring William Shatner, will go into national release this month, it was announced by Hemisphere Pictures' Roger Cahn and Ellis Eisenstein, producers of the \$2,500,000 production.

According to Eisenstein, who purchased the rights for Hemisphere and long has been in the financial field, "This is the first major motion picture release for the 'Star Trek' actor, who was filmed by our crew in more than a dozen locations in the U.S. and Canada."

Inspired by Eric von Daniken's Dell best seller "Miracles of the Gods," the screenplay was written and directed by Charles Romine, award-winning film documentarian, long associated with Edward R. Murrow as on-location producer and director.

The picture is being shown this month in North and South Carolina and will go into Pennsylvania, Tennessee and Arkansas in February. It is scheduled for Los Angeles, Chicago and New York as well as the rest of the country during 1977.

Shedding new light on von Daniken's ancient astronaut theory, the film explores in depth the current rise in UFO phenomena and elicits from prominent scientists on film the possibility of the earth being revisited by extraterrestrial intelligence soon. National Aeronautics & Space Administration official Jesco von Puttkamer, for example, states on camera that "life on other planets beyond our galaxy is a certainty."

The film was produced with the complete cooperation of NASA. UFOs filmed by NASA on space probes are shown.

# You won't believe this, but...

SANBORNVILLE — It seems that winter brings out the best in Wakefield. After national attention was focused on the McCarthys' farm pond for a few days, things were getting back to normal.

Apparently, though, normal here is different. Sgt. Henry Mason Blanton, a Special Officer in the Wakefield Police Department, reports that he saw what would have to be called an unidentified flying object last Thursday night about 9:00.

"When I spotted it, I was coming down Route 16, north of the lights at Route 109," Blanton related. It was coming over from the Moose Mountain area. "I realized it was too low to be an airplane or helicopter. And it was a cloudy night, so it couldn't have been the stars."

"It was a basketball-sized object glowing with a bright yellow-orange light, moving "in a very slow and precise motion" as if scanning the area beneath it.

The glowing object was about 75 to 100 feet off the ground, said Blanton. When he first saw it, he pulled over in the police cruiser and turned off the lights and radio. There was no sound. He watched it for two or three minutes, then started up the cruiser and followed it as it drifted south.

After stopping again, Blanton watched the object for a few more minutes as it scanned the area of the Union Meadows. It was in this area that a UFO had reportedly been spotted some time before the McCarthys' pond incident.

Janet Shea of Union said she, her

daughter and niece saw a bright light moving around just over the treetops near the meadows. "We all three know that it definitely was not a plane," she said, because its movement was too quick.

This object, which she saw a few days after Christmas, made no sound; the Sheas stopped their car and got out, but could hear nothing. She said she did not report it because "everybody makes fun of you. They think you've got hallucinations or something."

She has seen it since, on several evenings, from the Sheas' house. Unlike the object Blanton saw, the nights have always been clear when Mrs. Shea has seen the object.

"I don't say it's a flying saucer, I just say it's a UFO, because we don't know what it was," she said. "I know I saw something; I don't care whether anybody believes me or not."

Sgt. Blanton's story ended with his report to headquarters. "I called the dispatcher and asked, 'am I supposed to report UFOs, because I think I've just seen one.' I didn't say more than that over the radio, because I didn't want to start another McCarthys' pond." The local civil defense authority was contacted, he said, but told police two witnesses were required to start an investigation.

Finally, the object moved away to the east at a speed he estimated at less than 10 miles an hour, and eventually disappeared. Blanton noted that a similar object was reported seen in the Copple

Crown area in Wolfeboro at the same time Thursday evening.

He said he didn't want to create a fuss about the object but admitted that after the events of recent weeks, people will probably be ready to believe just about anything about unusual objects in Wakefield.

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## Aliens Land?

Six RCMP officers patrolling in the Morell-St. Peters area have reported seeing unidentified flying objects. The Charlottetown detachment last night between 8:30 and 9:30 received five calls from residents in that area also reporting UFO sightings. None of the RCMP officers were immediately available last night for descriptions and comments upon the UFOs.

## Westonites report odd 'sighting'

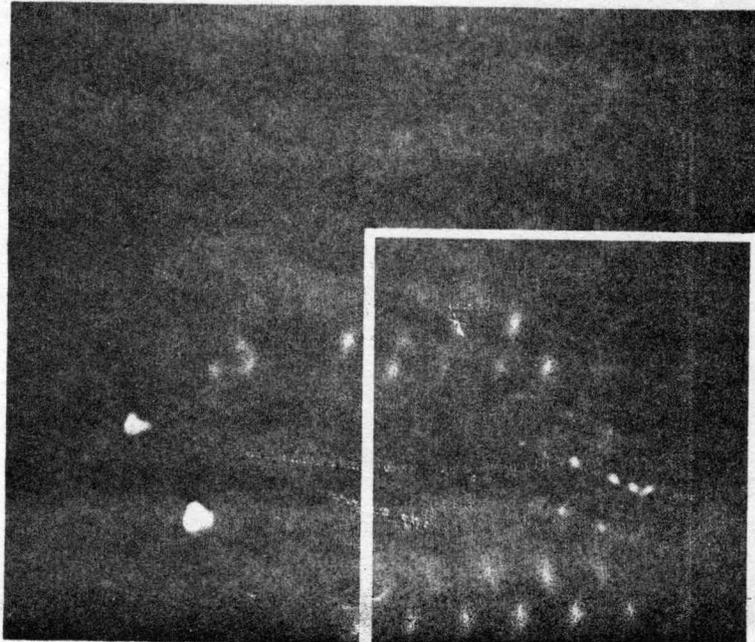
Numerous Westonites Monday night spotted "something" in the sky that many are cautiously calling a "UFO."

Whatever it was, it appeared between 8 and 9 p.m. as a collection of red and green lights hovering in the sky.

Residents and several members of the Weston Police Department who saw the "something" told The Westport News that it made no noise, seemed of a box-like shape, and just "hung around in the air for awhile before flying off."

Acting on a tip from one resident, The News called Sikorsky Memorial Airport in Bridgeport and learned that there has, of late, been a Cessna 150 flying about at night heavily laden with red and green lights. The small plane is reportedly being used as part of an advertising campaign.

However, the airport spokesman could not say whether the Cessna had been making its rounds on Monday night or even what it is supposed to be advertising. Some sighters of the "something" doubt that it was the Cessna, since they say there was no sound of an engine.



ADVERTISEMENT OR UFO? Nobody's sure, but a lot of Westonites saw "something" Monday night, and one enterprising resident took pictures. The insert in the lower right-hand corner was taken when the "something" was about 1,500 feet away and looked like a single red dot to the naked eye. Magnified many times, it appears to be a triple deck of lights. The larger photo, taken when the object was about 300 feet away, shows two lights at the lower left (the top one was red, the bottom one green), and some sort of "tail light" off at the upper right (a yellowish white, the photographer says). —photos by Bruce Edmund.

# UFO skeptic followed by 'bright, yellowish orb'

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It hovered mysteriously in the inky sky, creating an intense glow that even a skeptic, who once had scoffed at the mention of unidentified flying objects (UFOs) and little green Martians, could not ignore.

"I read stories before (about UFOs) but I never really believed them," said Rose Strand of Regan, N.D., who claims a "bright, yellowish light," about 3 feet in diameter, recently followed her home.

"But after this experience, I think there might be something there," Mrs. Strand said.

About 10 p.m. Feb. 5, Mrs. Strand and her 13-year-old daughter, Sindy, were driving home from a benefit, she said. Their home is five miles northeast of Regan and 30 miles northeast of Bismarck, N.D.

**ABOUT A MILE** from Regan, the light appeared outside their pickup truck. "It was about 50 feet to the side of the truck and was traveling at about the same height as a telephone pole," Mrs. Strand said.

"It sailed along and picked up speed when we did and slowed when we slowed," she said. "It seemed like it knew what to do."

When the Strands turned into their farmyard, the light followed. Mrs. Strand and Sindy dashed into the house, locked the doors, left the lights off and watched the glow as it hovered in a row of trees about 100 feet from the house, she said.

The two watched it with binoculars. Mrs. Strand said, "It looked like it was revolving. It definitely didn't look like a star. It looked like a big, huge light, but it didn't cast any reflection."

**AFTER 45 minutes**, the light gradually retreated, then disappeared, Mrs. Strand said.

Being tracked by a moving light, Mrs. Strand reports, is an unnerving experience. "I was scared, really frightened. I thought the thing might pick us up. I tried to control myself for my daughter's sake. She was crying all the way home. She wanted to know what it was.

"The light is still a mystery,"

she said. "I feel if the government has something out there, they should let people know about it so they don't get scared."

No special weather conditions existed in central North Dakota on Feb. 5 that might explain the strange glow, said Ellis Burton, meteorologist in charge at the National Weather Service in Bismarck. "There's nothing I know of that might have caused a refraction."

The weather service received word Feb. 6 of a similar sighting near LaMoure, N.D., for which they also have no explanation, Burton said.

**THE CENTER** for UFO Studies in Evanston, Ill., established three years ago, takes all callers seriously. An investigator tries to find an explanation for each sighting, said Nancy Dornbos, a volunteer there.

Of the 65 UFO sightings reported to them in December, center investigators found that 17 were stars or planets, 12 were aircraft, 7 were advertising planes, 6 were meteors, 4 were helicopters, 3 were the moon, 2 were spotlights, 2 were balloons, 3 were test clouds sending off a glow, 1 was the sun and 1 was a bird. One sighting couldn't be investigated because no first-hand witness was available, and six remain mysteries.

People who report UFOs are "not idiots, not drunks," said Allan Hendry, an investigator at the center. But they usually are people deluded by what they are seeing, he said.

Mrs. Strand's description "sounds reasonable," he says. But he'd need more specific information on the UFO's appearance, movement, the manner in which it disappeared and weather conditions before offering an explanation.

The center can explain 95 percent of UFO reports, he said. "It's the 5 percent that go unexplained," Hendry said, "that keeps life interesting for us."

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## UFOs interfering with our satellites

**Despite those many thousands of documented UFO sightings, the visitors from space have shown little desire to communicate with us directly.**

**They are, however, very interested in our technology.**

There is growing evidence that the aliens are not only watching our infant space program closely, but are playing havoc with our satellites and space probes.

The UFOs have been particularly interested in our SNAP systems — Systems for Nuclear Auxiliary Power — the Atomic Energy Commission's first attempts to use small, sophisticated nuclear reactors for long-range space travel.

"The data which are available indicate that the SNAP-10A system did not fail, but rather responded in a normal manner to false signals on board the spacecraft," admitted R.F. Wilson, of Atomics International, builders of the reactor which suddenly stopped responding to ground control in-

structions in May 1965.

SNAP-10A was the first earth-made nuclear reactor in space. The reactor went into operation as planned, working flawlessly for 43 days.

Then suddenly, on May 16, all communication with the satellite was lost.

The scientists assumed that the satellite itself was lost. But 40 hours later it abruptly reappeared, transmitters working again.

SNAP-10A wasn't the only satellite to suddenly develop "a mind of its own."

In 1964, at least four US satellites ceased functioning, and then started up again, for no apparent reason. The Mariner and Pioneer planetary probes too have died and been "reborn" in a similar manner, leaving scientists with the odd feeling that "somebody's messing with our satellites."

The most remarkable case of inexplicable "tinkering" with our space probes was the instrument package left on the moon by the crew of Apollo 14, in 1971

The receiver died in 1971, but the package continued to transmit data until January 18, 1976.

The scientists, of course, are pleased if "somebody out there" is fixing up their satellites, and they're happy about the new data — they'd just like to know who it is who's doing it, and why!

# County Man Discusses Research Into UFO's

The following is one of a continuing series of interviews with interesting personalities in the Fairmont area. Featured today is Jennings Frederick of Rivesville, who has done his own research into Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs).

**Q. Just what does the term UFO mean?**

A. It means unidentified flying object; which of course could be anything from airplanes to rockets, birds, or shooting stars.

**Q. Could a UFO be a flying saucer?**

A. No, a flying saucer is a partially identified airborne craft of a specific form and function, whereas a UFO is entirely unidentified.

**Q. When were the first flying saucers reported?**

A. Well a Idaho businessman by the name of Mr. Kenneth Arnold sighted a "V" shaped formation of strange objects flying over Mt. Renier in Washington State in 1947. When he landed his plane, he described the flight of the objects as if they were saucers skipping over water. A news reporter coined the term "flying saucer," thus it grew. However, strange unknown phenomena have been reported in the skies at the turn of the century and even in the early days of the Bible.

**Q. Honestly, aren't most of the people who report flying saucers really nuts or crackpots?**

A. No, I wouldn't say this; although some people do misinterpret commonly seen objects or falsify a story sometimes for publicity. However many honest and sincere people have reported seeing UFOs; among these are doctors, lawyers, engineers, astronomers, scientists, teachers, etc. the list is endless.

**Q. Doesn't the Air Force have an investigations department for UFOs?**

A. No, not at this time. It did have a project financed at one time called Project Blue Book, but it was canceled in 1969 after so-called "intensive" investigations of UFOs. Project Blue Book was located at Wright-Patterson A.F.B. near Dayton, Ohio. The Air Force said that UFOs do not constitute a threat to National security, nor do they represent a technology far greater than we can now achieve. The project lasted for approximately 21 years and was manned by four people.

**Q. Then UFOs could be some defense secret weapon, perhaps even from another Country?**

A. The Air Force didn't say UFOs aren't real. Yet there is always a possibility of these being secret weapons. However, bear in mind that should this be the case, no country on the face of the earth would want to have this secret unveiled. Besides all nations have opened fire on UFOs at one time or another. And the Air Force published JANAF 102-1 (a publication by the joint staffs of Army, Navy, and Air Force) which forbid pilots from discussing sightings of UFOs with anyone under threat of fine and imprisonment.

**Q. Can't most UFOs reported can be explained in a natural manner?**

A. The Air Force examined thousands of reports in its' period of research and investigations. It concluded that all but about five to 12 per cent of the reported cases can be explained away in a natural manner. However, this figure is indeed incorrect; it is more like 15-20 per cent, or even as high as 25 per cent, can not be explained at all. In a case where a stratospheric research balloon is released and a UFO reported in the general area, one can just about suspect that someone saw the balloon reflecting light from its' surface from below the horizon. But when radar picks up a solid blip and jets scramble to intercept at say 600 or 800 miles per hour, only to have the UFO speed up to 6,000 miles per hour and leave the area or hit a plane, train, or car; and only fragments of wreckage are left, one can say something out of the ordinary has occurred and a thorough investigation should be made.

**Q. Then UFOs are now or have been hostile?**

A. Yes indeed. UFOs have abducted people and livestock, fired rays at people, brought down planes, burned people who have touched them, and some UFOs have been reported radioactive.

**Q. Have you ever sighted a UFO?**

A. Yes, but my sightings were more definite than those of the unidentified category. These were not just strange lights in the sky or unseen forms. They were there. And because of this, I have taken it upon myself to investigate and come to a practical and scientific conclusion. Sometimes for some people seeing just isn't believing. I wanted more hard core facts. I'm not out for publicity, I'm only seeking to tell people the truth about the whole situation and to make them aware of unknown facts.

Some individuals in the higher brackets of life do not always report a suspected UFO for fear of disclosure or of having their reputations ruined. It is a fact that ever 12 minutes three people spot a UFO.

**Q. Most people might think you to be a nut or crank or perhaps even laugh at you; have you considered this?**

A. Yes I have, but then it wouldn't be the first time. When the shoe is on the other foot though, things might appear differently! A hundred years ago people laughed at the thought of going to the moon, malaria being carried by a bug, or that man could fly.

**Q. Where would you say UFOs come from?**

A. Well the unexplainable sightings appear to be extraterrestrial and perhaps ultradimensional in origin. Perhaps Mars, although I consider it now uninhabited; but at one time in the past it did contain intelligent life. Also UFOs could be coming from other solar systems.

**Q. Can you cite a few reported unexplained UFO sightings?**

A. Ezekiel Chapter 1, of the Bible; which discusses a spacecraft and astronauts.

On Sunday August 21st, 1955 at about 7 p.m. Billy Ray Sutton went out of the farmhouse to get a drink of water from the well. He came back saying, that he saw a spaceship land behind the barn.

At about 11 p.m. that evening the Sutton residence was visited by some type of creatures or beings with huge heads, large eyes, which appeared to float about a foot or two off of the ground.

After firing about two boxes of 22 caliber shells along with about eight boxes of twelve gauge shells at the intruders; the Suttons left to get help. They went to town and saw the sheriff who returned in time to see only fireballs leaving from the direction of the Sutton farmhouse. No explanation was ever given.

On October 25th, 1974 Mr. Carl Higdon, a Wyoming oil foreman, encountered a cube-shaped ship and occupant while he was hunting elk. He claimed to be abducted by the UFO occupant and supposedly was taken to another world some 163,000 light years distance away. He was later found in a state of delirium with his eyes almost swollen shut.

His report is backed up by physical proof. Before he was abducted, he had not seen the UFO occupant who pointed a claw type hand at him as he tried to shoot his elk. His bullet left the gun and proceeded only a few feet before falling to the ground. Later it was found to be turned completely inside out. No ballistics experts can explain this phenomena and no explanation has since been given.

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On September 19th, 1961 Mr. and Mrs. Barney Hill were driving down U.S. Route 3 from Canada. The time was approximately 10:30 p.m. when they spotted a strange lighted object in the sky. Soon an object swooped down over the highway and the Hills were capt' red and examined by some type of alien creatures in the UFO.

Their report was not fully understood or accepted until deep hypnotic successions brought their nightmares out into reality. Mrs. Hill also drew a star chart or map which was on the wall of the UFO, it wasn't until about five years later that these particular stars were discovered by astronomers.

In the mid 60s a small West Virginia town was plagued by strange flying creatures, hairy beasts, and UFOs. At least 20 people saw a 15-story spacecraft (saucer) come out of a particular river and smaller ships (scout ships) disembark. These sightings still continued, yet no Federal agency will investigate properly.

In October, 1967, Snippy, a three-year-old Appaloosa pony, was found by her owners Mr. & Mrs. Berle Lewis in a remote area of their ranch in Alamosa, Colorado.

The horse's carcass was badly charred from the shoulders to the head, and highly radioactive. The brain and spinal cord were absent. A green slime came from the charred regions of the carcass.

About 150 yards away were two perfect circular imprints of about fifty feet in diameter over which the underlying grass was badly burnt. In the center of the charred areas were smaller imprints in a tripod or triangular shape; indicating that a heavy object had sat upon the ground.

Dr. Edward U. Condon (now deceased) who headed the Air Force financed UFO study group at the University of Colorado; stated that he thought perhaps the horse had been struck by lightning. However, lightning simply cannot account for this situation and no official investigation was ever done, nor an explanation given.

**Q. Are UFOs becoming more or less common?**

A. I have investigated and researched UFOs for fifteen years now; this much I can say with confidence — UFOs represent a continuing phenomena, they are also real; fifteen million Americans have either spotted UFOs or at least believe that they are real, and we have not seen the last of this phenomena.

## 'Mystery lights' Where do they come from?

The "mystery light" reported sighted in St. Bernard Parish some weeks ago is by no means a unique phenomenon.

Such lights have been reported for centuries, and while they always have presented a startling puzzle as to what they were, in recent years the more often asked question is, where do they come from?

Even before the advent of the telescope people claimed to see huge objects either hovering or streaking across the skies. The logical origin of such craft, if we are to exclude earth, is outer space. And of late, much attention has been directed toward the moon as a possible base for "flying saucers" or unidentified flying objects (UFO's) as they are now called.

We have already told about various lights seen on the moon by astronomers, and a kind of "bridge" one observer said he could see through a powerful telescope.

But with the actual landing of Americans on the moon, and photographs from fly-by cameras, more evidence of activity is beginning to be reported. At least one scientist is claiming that beings from outer space are using the moon as a base for their spacecraft, which may or may not be the "lights" and UFO's reported by observers on earth.

A spectacular new theory has now been introduced, that claims spacemen are at work mining the moon for its minerals. This theory they say is backed up by NASA photographs, which, the supporters of this theory claim, show not only evidence of mining, but the actual machines being used to do the work.

Last week we reported a flying saucer that was photographed with a Polaroid camera between here and Baton Rouge. We saw that photo, and the UFO was obvious to us. However, after

viewing the photos used to support the "moon mining" theory, I am not at all convinced of what I'm supposed to be seeing.

The photo is of a crater on the far side of the moon — the side that never faces the earth — and consequently had never been seen until our space vehicles first orbited the moon, and later by our astronauts themselves.

The crater does indeed show a sharp edge on about one-fifth of its rim, where the mining is supposed to be going on, that much is visible. But as for the machines that are supposed to be parked alongside the crater — well, I'm not sure. There is definitely something there, and the objects do look too regular to be natural. But the objects are just too small to be accurately identified, at least by me.

Another impressive bit of evidence is a series of "tracks" that do indeed look as if they were made by vehicles on the moon's soft, dustlike surface. At the end of one set of tracks is an object that supporters of the "moon mining" theory claim is a vehicle or machine. One of their arguments for the theory is that the tracks and the object that apparently made them are going uphill — thereby precluding a falling or rolling rock as being the cause of the markings.

NASA investigations of Mars have shown little or no chance for intelligent activity there, although there is still debate about that. Similar studies of Venus have been uneventful, and therefore the moon-base theory seems to be the most plausible, even if a bit far-fetched. The idea that space aliens have been at work on the moon's far side, unobserved by earth, however, bears further investigation.

Next week we'll look at a rash of flying saucer reports from Jefferson Parish, where one observer said he saw a "metallic spaceship" hovering a few hundred feet in the air, just off Veterans Highway.



Sgt. Richard Simmons demonstrates use of the Identi-kit, which is used to create composite drawings of police suspects.

## Richard Simmons: new police sergeant

By COLIN STEWART  
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PEMBROKE—Newly appointed Police Sgt. Richard Simmons can turn a pile of plastic overlays into a recognizable face, then use that face to nab a suspect.

Simmons is trained in handling the Identi-kit, which is used to create composite drawings of suspected criminals. The accuracy of the system can be so great, he says, that rape victims have broken into tears at the instant when he slides the last facial feature into its proper position.

Simmons has other talents as well, since he has been trained for underwater rescue, police photography, fingerprints, drugs—and carpentry.

It was a SLRHS where he learned carpentry and mill work, before graduating in 1957. He joined the Navy and returned to civilian life, working for a Marshfield contractor, before he became a fulltime Pembroke policeman 12 years ago.

He attended two years of law enforcement courses at

Northeastern University, but stopped attending when he not only got married, but also set about building his own house.

Now, he jokes, he might go back to school as an excuse to get out of the house.

An unidentified flying object entered Simmons' life briefly several years ago, and is still a source of jokes among Pembroke police.

He was patrolling in a cruiser with Bill Hansen on Hobomock St. when they saw a glowing light in the sky, he said. They followed it toward Pembroke Center, where it appeared behind the Center School.

Within a few days, UFO investigators arrived in town to interrogate the two policemen. But Simmons wanted no part in their seemingly endless queries.

With a smile, he recalls that he told the investigators that he hadn't seen any light in the sky. Then, recalling how flustered Bill Hansen became at that news, he smiles again.

# UFO's toying with Russia? Leaders mum, rumors fly

MOSCOW (UPI) — A spot of light hovers over a town in the Caucasus for 36 hours. An airliner on a Siberian run is trailed by a mysterious object. Cars waiting at a railroad crossing near Moscow have their motors switched off by a craft that hovers overhead for 45 minutes and then abruptly flies away.

Flying saucers? Beings from another planet? Nonsense, says the Soviet government. Conventional scientific wisdom can explain everything.

But a recent burst of interest here in puzzling phenomena like these indicates that lots of Soviet citizens don't buy the official line.

"Have you heard," a Soviet friend asks, "that two cosmonauts returned to Earth with 15 minutes of film shot from their space capsule showing a flying saucer with a crew of human-like beings?"

Says another friend: "It's common knowledge, isn't it, that the Soviet and American governments have agreed to suppress information about creatures from outer space?"

No one seems to know exactly how it started. The flying saucer bug is not new here — UFOs caught the public fancy in the Soviet Union as well as the United States during the 1950s and 1960s.

Some people remember hearing several foreign radio broadcasts last year about unidentified flying objects throughout the world.

A few articles appeared in the Soviet press, including one in September in which for the first time a prominent scientist suggested that a nuclear-powered space ship may have caused the so far unexplained explosion that rocked a huge area of Central Siberia in June, 1968.

The topic became especially tantalizing in autumn when thousands of copies of a lecture on UFOs — supposedly delivered by Prof. Felix G. Ziegel of the Moscow Aviation Institute — began circulating clandestinely here like some sort of dissident appeal.

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# More than just a flight of fancy?

By DAVID THOMPSON  
Staff Writer

The lid's being kept on a major Montreal flying saucer sighting, private UFO investigators in Toronto and St. Bruno, Que., charged yesterday.

Marc Leduc, founder of the 13-member organization, UFO Quebec, said a Montreal woman not only saw a saucer land on an apartment building roof last month — she saw two beings get out, look around, then hustle back to their buggy and beat it!

But, said Leduc, although four people reported seeing the "aluminum disc" Jan. 6, officials at Dorval Airport claim they received no such reports.

"It was early in the morning," said Leduc. "The woman couldn't sleep so was looking out her window. She watched the saucer land and two people got out and walked to a corner of the roof and looked down."

He said the woman, Florida Malboeuf, described the visitors as tall and wearing white clothing and helmets. She said she saw no facial features.

When they returned to their craft, said Leduc, it took off, "flying" less than 60 feet off the ground. It startled three people outside a subway station, he said.

"Mrs. Malboeuf and those other people made reports to Dorval Airport," said Leduc. "The reports are at the

National Research Centre in Ottawa — file number N77-3."

In Toronto, Tom Grey, member of another UFO investigating body, Reptune Research, described the NRC as "the government's de-bunking agency."

At Dorval Airport, the control tower supervisor, Don Cameron, last night went through the tower log book looking for Jan. 6 UFO sighting reports. "There's nothing in the log book and I haven't heard of any reports of this nature," said Cameron.

Leduc said he has photos of an 18-foot circle left in the apartment roof ice by the UFO, and a sample of an alien footprint from the roof. "They were there," he said.

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## UFOs:

# What's Going On Up There?

by Stephen Chant

UFOs, or unidentified flying objects, seem to be becoming one of the most popular topics of conversation in the Valley, as more and more local residents report sightings that they have made recently or in the past.

Sewall Williams and Bill Heinzerling seem to be at the front line of this drive to inform people of sightings and to urge people to report any phenominae that are observed. In fact, Bill Heinzerling has offered his services to Valley residents as a sort of clearinghouse for reporting UFO sightings to a responsible research organization, APRO. The Aerial

Phenomena Research Organization, the official name for APRO, is the oldest private UFO Research group in the country.

Bill himself had a sighting about twenty years ago in the Catskill Mountains of New York, and said, "When you see one, you know that they aren't from this world."

Bill feels that the best evidence supporting the existence of UFOs is that there are simply so many reports that have come from very reputable sources like police chiefs, airline pilots and several state governors.

Sewall Williams has been keeping track of many reports

from the Valley also. He believes that the number of sightings is increasing. He said, "There seem to be many more sightings, especially in New Hampshire and Vermont, than there used to be."

One report in New Hampshire drew a lot of media coverage recently. There was a hole in the ice on the farm of William McCarthy in Wakefield, N.H. which, according to local police and civil defense authorities, emitted extremely high levels of radiation. Later, the N.H. National Guard dredged and drained the pond, found nothing and claimed that there were normal radiation levels in and

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around the pond. Bill Heinzerling is cynical about the later readings. "It looks like that one was pretty well covered up," he said. "The governor and the National Guard just closed the matter."

The Valley Reporter spoke recently with Patricia Davies, a freelance writer who writes for, among other publications, a UFO magazine. She told us that the

difficult part about the sightings in the Valley is that, so far, there has been no real evidence of them. Two types of evidence in particular were lacking, she said. There have been no photographs taken of the reported UFOs, and none have been sighted by groups of people.

With Ms. Davies' help, we found David Corey, of Corey's Auto Repair in Waitsfield, who had seen a UFO with his ex-wife

in the mid-sixties. The sighting took place on the Merritt Parkway in Connecticut, on a clear Saturday afternoon at about 1:00 p.m. The object that Corey and his ex-wife saw was silver metallic in color, disc-like in shape and the top dome glowed bright green, orange and red, in sequence. The craft hovered about a thousand feet away for between thirty and forty-five seconds. At that point, Corey tells, "it pitched to an angle of about 30 degrees and took off at a 60 degree angle and disappeared in less than ten seconds.

The object was totally silent, didn't even make a sound when it bolted away.

David Corey is not like other witnesses to UFOs. He does not say that it had to be from outer space; in fact, there is another explanation which seems equally possible to him.

His sighting occurred less than two miles from a Pratt & Whitney Aircraft plant. Like most people who have studied UFOs at all, Corey does not believe that the government is telling the whole story about the objects. He believes that, except for two reasons, it is possible that the object that he saw was a government prototype aircraft from the Pratt & Whitney facility. The two things that give him reservations about this theory are the lack of markings on the craft and the total silence.

So, decide for yourself. There is no doubt that people looking skyward are seeing an increasing number of strange sights, objects and patterns of lights that the government and other experts are either unwilling or unable to explain. It is certain that UFOs are a growing topic of concern for many people across the country and here in our own Valley.

What's going on up there?

## IF YOU SPOT A UFO...

**Noted nuclear physicist, Stanton T. Friedman, of California, told NATIONAL EXAMINER readers what they should do if they see a UFO.**

1) Don't panic — try to make use of the tools at your disposal to make scientific measurements. Try to calculate the angle above the horizon. You can do this by holding out your arm towards the UFO, and remembering the angle.

Hold a small object out at arm's length, and see what size object at that distance covers the UFO. (An aspirin will cover the moon.)

2) Call other people to see the UFO. Don't stand there gawking. If there's time, call a friend in another part of town. Two separated observations provide data for survey-type calculation of position.

3) If you have a camera, use it. And make sure you get other objects in the picture — houses, trees, even a friend, "if he has the guts." Other objects allow size to be determined.

4) Take your time, try to remember details — remember, the average UFO sighting, the real ones, that is, last minutes, and even hours, in some cases, says Friedman.

5) Even if you did get a picture, try to draw what you saw, immediately after the sighting. If several people saw the UFO, have them all draw it,

separately, and then compare the drawings after.

6) If any traces are left, block them off — take pictures and measure "burn marks", or other traces. Call your local UFO magazine, and don't let the tracemarks be disturbed.

7) If you see aliens in or around the craft, don't panic. But whatever you do, don't attack or shoot at them! When asked what he would do if he saw "critters", Friedman said he'd "run up to them and wave," and if they invited him to come aboard, he'd jump at the opportunity.

It is up to the public to do all it can to collect and publicize documented sightings, Friedman said, because of the government's refusal to do its part.

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# really do exist...no, they're not a mass hallucination!

"We psychologists see many people who come to us with ravings," he said, "but with UFOs it's quite a different case. Here we are dealing, in the best reports, with multiple sightings by two or more observers, with photographic or electronic support, and very often by qualified military and scientific observers.

"I believe that the simplest

and most plausible explanation of the data is that UFOs really do exist."

Asked why he thought there has been so little direct communication from the UFOs, Dr. Donderi suggested that our own experience in the first contacts between different civilizations gave ample proof of the dangers of too-rapid contact.

"You've got to admit that we usually did these societies a great deal of harm. They probably believe it's best to keep out of sight for the time being," he said.

But thousands have seen the UFOs nonetheless.

Dr. Donderi himself believes that he has seen two UFOs. Not good sightings. Lights that moved close to the

horizon, at great speed, changing color.

Apart from his work in experimental psychology at McGill, Dr. Donderi is actively involved with a Quebec UFO magazine. The Montreal area has no shortage of UFO reports.

"Montreal is at the very center of an important fault zone," Dr. Donderi explained. "Faults produce certain electro-magnetic effects which some believe the UFOs may use to navigate," he said.

# Greenville Farmer 'Contacted' By Beings From Outer Space?

By RON TAYLOR  
Staff Writer

Was it fact or fiction? Was it the fatigue of a travel-weary mind or a science fiction story come true complete with a visit from intergalactic beings?

Whatever it was, Donald Fender believes it, enough to pay for a trip to Washington, D.C. to talk about it.

Fender, a Greenville, Tenn., farmer says he was "contacted" by beings from beyond the reaches of our planet while traveling on I-40 Thursday, Jan. 27.

Admitting that "It's unbelievable, people will think I'm a crank," Fender related a story of a visit from some interstellar travelers while he was driving along I-40 on his way to Madisonville, Tenn.

Although many points of his story do not stand up to a critical examination, Fender contends he saw what he saw. He believes it to the point that he says he will spend his own money to travel to Washington to tell the authorities what he experienced.

According to his story, he was about 15 miles out of Clarksville on I-40 headed toward Nashville when he felt "like someone wanted to talk to me."

Surrendering to an urge, he turned off the interstate and traveled a side road to a point where he came upon the "spaceship." The ship resembled a pullet egg, Fender said, and appeared to be a silky balloon or parachute.

Fender said some beings came out of the vehicle, and spoke to him.

They related a story right out of a Buck Rogers or Rod Serling novel about being from a planet not visited by human, or their machines yet, Fender continued. They said they were her as emissaries of peace.

These beings, real or imaginary, stated they had stopped where they did,--and Fender can not say for sure where near Clarksville it was--because it is the only place they can enter the Earth's atmosphere.

Their mode of travel is restricted to a space vacuum that is aligned where the road runs north and south through Clarksville, Fender said they told him.

There are supposed to be two of these vacuums, one for the beings Fender talked to and one for another planet, Fender said. There is no way to cross over from the one on the east side of the road to the one on the west side of the road or visa versa, he noted.

This vacuum is supposedly created by these creatures, Fender said, and this first visit was apparently a type of test run.

"They said they were coming back," Fender noted, "They didn't say when, they just said they were coming back." The significance of the Clarksville visits, according to Fender, is that this will become the future home of space travel.

The visitors told Fender that because this is the only place where the time warp type of vacuum can be created it will become the place from which all space travel will originate.

Fender realizes his story is hard to believe, at best. "If anyone told me a story like this, I'd tell them it is a crock of baloney," he stated.

He said he couldn't believe it himself, and decided against telling anyone until Monday morning when he called the LEAF-CHRONICLE with his bizarre story.

A bee farmer with a 253-acre bee farm, Fender is also a member in good standing with the Baptist Church in Greenville and a tobacco, corn, cattle and hog farmer, he said.

The sighting is said to have occurred at about 2:30 p.m. when Fender was headed towards Nashville on I-40.

The whole experience took about 15 minutes, he said, although time seemed to stand still while it was happening.

Fender also claims he was headed to Madisonville, Tenn.

from Greenville, Tenn. to buy some farm equipment. Greenville is about 60 miles east of Knoxville and Madisonville is about 40 miles southwest of Knoxville.

Fender would not say what he was doing west of Nashville on a trip to Madisonville from Greenville, stating only that he had some private business to transact.

He also said he was in Madisonville at about 4:30 p.m. the day of his experience. Madisonville is more than 200 miles east-southeast of Nashville.

Air control officers at Ft. Campbell airfield report no UFO sightings in the area on Jan. 27, a Ft. Campbell spokesman said, although some floating lights were reported at Madisonville, Ky., Monday night. Those lights were from military helicopters on maneuvers in the area, the spokesman said. Ft. Campbell had 87 aircraft in the Madisonville, Ky., area Monday night.

Fender, 48, is not discouraged by any of these apparent contradictions to his story, however. He said he will pay for a trip to Washington to talk with whomever he is supposed to talk to there, and to find out just what "they want to do" about his sighting.

"I've often thought if anything happened to me like happened to those boys in Mississippi--who claimed to have been taken aboard an alien spaceship--I'd be ashamed to tell it, but I want to tell this," he said.

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## Hardy Boys-type mystery solved

MEADOWS, N.C. (AP) — Barbara and Robert Rhoades were troubled for two weeks by a mysterious, orange-red glow appearing nightly in the distance.

The egg-shaped light would appear almost on cue every night between 8 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Three experienced UFO watchers went to check out the eerie sight.

They were not disappointed.

"The intensity of the light kept changing," said Richard Austin, a microwave technician with Southern Bell and founder of the Tar Heel UFO Study Group.

"We couldn't tell if it was growing brighter or dimmer or if it was moving away from us across the horizon, which would give you the same effect."

Austin said after he observed the glow near this community located 18 miles north of Winston-Salem.

"This is the first one I have personally witnessed that I couldn't immediately identify as a star, planet, satellite or some other readily explainable phenomenon," said Nolle Bell, another UFO group member and a Western Electric industrial engineer.

Another witness was Ray Ryan, a retired Western Electric engineer.

But the Hardy Boys-type mystery ended after some study into local airplane flying patterns.

Bell discovered that aircraft use the area where the glow was seen for changing directions.

"It appears that, from where Barbara Rhoades was standing, she could look right up the exhaust pipe of a jet," Bell said. "Her line of sight goes right out to the area where the planes turn."

Although the Rhoadeses could see the exhaust, they could not see the aircraft's running lights at the 20-mile distance, Austin said.

Bell said he knew the Air Force was conducting radar exercises in the area and an earlier UFO sighting was attributed to Air Force planes.

# Weird Occurrences Follow

By JACK PAYNE  
Tri-City Bureau Writer

OIL CITY — Mr. and Mrs. William J. Franklin of East State Road, Seneca, observed an unidentified flying object (UFO) between 11 p.m., Feb. 7 and 1 a.m., Feb. 8.

The couple had returned home late Monday night and Franklin stopped off above the house to check a cow. Mrs. Franklin went on to the house.

A few minutes later, Franklin called to his wife to come and see something in the sky. It took Mrs. Franklin several seconds to locate what it was her husband was point-

ing to. She said, after sighting the object, they observed it for several minutes as it moved rapidly across the sky. It appeared as big as a distant star.

It might have been a bright star — except the object suddenly stopped right over the Franklin place and remained there until 1 a.m.

The state police were notified and an officer arrived but he was unable to identify the object as a UFO and observed that it might be a star or a satellite. The officer left and the Franklins went into the house. They came out at 1:30 a.m. to take another look but the object was gone.

## UFO Sighting In Area

The state policeman filed a brief report and the incident was closed.

Or was it?

A couple of miles away at 4:20 a.m. the Dale Fox family was asleep. Their two big German shepherd dogs were outside as usual and they are not the friendly type with strangers.

But the Fox children were suddenly awakened by a loud pounding on the front and then the rear door of the house. Their father had left for work at 1 a.m. and Mrs. Fox was not awakened by the noise as she slept in a heavily in-

ulated addition to the house. The children told their mother in the morning about the incident as she prepared for school.

A little later Mrs. Fox was talking by phone to her nearest neighbor and learned that a loud knocking had also taken place about the same time at their residence and both women thought that perhaps someone with car trouble had tried to get help during the night. But the big dogs had not barked — or challenged anyone and Mrs. Fox thought on this.

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## WEIRD OCCURRENCES

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Following the phone conversation Mrs. Fox left to pick up her neighbor and the two women headed toward town to do some shopping. When leaving her house Mrs. Fox was not greeted by the two big dogs. They were not around. A smaller dog came out from under the porch and seemed a little frightened and timid but glad to greet her. As a rule the little dog would greet or follow almost anyone and was often absent from home. The big dogs, however, hardly ever left the property for any reason.

While driving away from the area the women saw tracks of the two dogs along the side of the road and they followed them to a point where they came upon a dead calf that had a rope around its neck and both hind legs tied.

At this point the dog tracks ended. The calf had not been chewed or torn up in any way. It was frozen.

As the women viewed the scene they noticed a pair of oversize foot prints in the deep snow that came from a small pool of open water in a frozen over ravine near the road and led directly to the dead calf and also ended. The foot prints were nowhere else. The dog tracks and foot prints vanished at the site of the calf.

The ladies were extremely puzzled by all this.

When they returned home they reported the incident to the state police and an officer was dispatched to the Fox home. He also observed the strange foot and paw prints and calf. The trooper, with no knowledgeable explanation, jokingly suggested to Mrs. Fox that it might all be the work of a UFO that had been reported the previous night by a family not too far away. His report went into the record as two stolen dogs and a dead cow.

But the story didn't end here however.

Mrs. Fox again searched her property and she finally

found the two big shepherds. They were hiding in an out building. Both dogs acted extremely frightened, nervous and were panting heavily. She said it was another three or four hours before they returned to what would be their normal behavior.

And a little later a re-examination of the mysterious dog trail ended at nothing. The dead black angus calf had also disappeared.

This reporter discussed the two incidents with a state police officer this weekend, and he remarked, "Weird, isn't it."

"Yea," the reporter answered. "Imagine a UFO on a cattle rustling mission. Kind of reminds one of that old song made popular by Vaughn Monroe, Ghost Riders In The Sky..."

## Airline pilot reports UFO<sup>1249</sup>

BOGOTA (Reuter) — A Colombian airline pilot has claimed to have seen a UFO three times larger than an airliner and travelling at speeds more than 28,000 m.p.h.

Captain Gustavo Ferreira of the Colombia Avianca Airline said he and his crew spotted a brightly-lit UFO while flying at 20,000 feet on the night of Jan. 21.

Checking with Bogota airport tower on whether there were other planes in the vicinity, he was told nothing had been spotted on radar screens although signals were being received from an unknown source flying in a zig-zag pattern at high speed.

Ferreira said he switched on his landing lights and the UFO changed the color of its lights to red from green. When he switched off his landing lights the UFO's lights changed back to green. After about three minutes the UFO veered off at 90 degrees and vanished, he added.

# TV to launch new series on science-fiction

By VERNON SCOTT  
HOLLYWOOD (UPI) —

Television is trying once again to break the fantasy barrier with a new science-fiction series, this one titled "The Fantastic Journey," which premiered Feb. 3 and can be seen on Thursdays at 8 p.m. on channels 2 and 11.

Only two series of this genre ever really evoked respectable ratings in the past — Rod Serlings Twilight

Zone and the cultist Star Trek.

Even so, neither was ever top 10 fare. Twilight Zone survived five years. Star Trek was cut down after only three seasons.

There were some prime time fantasy series, aimed primarily at kids — Lost In Space — which relied heavily on comedy and died timely and merciful deaths.

Bruce Lansbury, producer

of The Fantastic Journey, is convinced the time is right and that an audience finally has materialized to support an adult oriented science-fiction series.

"We are seeking a primary audience of young adults, from 18 to 45," said the English-born producer.

"Young kids will love the show but we can't focus our series at their level. We aren't writing for them."

According to Lansbury, an entirely new American audience has been created, thanks to several best-selling authors and some filmmakers who have succeeded at the boxoffice by appealing to the growing population of science fiction buffs.

"Young adults in recent years are increasingly attuned to writers who have created their own mythology

with bodies of work," he said.

"Three of the outstanding ones come to mind. C. S. Lewis and The Chronicles of Narnia. Tolkien's Hobbit books. Frank Herbert and The Dune Trilogy.

"The Americans who buy these books are the same generation who love science fiction movies like Futureworld, Rollerball and Logan's Run. They are loyal

fans and their numbers are really multiplying.

"This is the audience we are looking for. These are also the people who watch reruns of Star Trek. Believe it or not, Star Trek reruns have found a wider audience than they ever did in prime time when they were new.

"At this moment there simply are no series on the air to meet the demand."

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## K249 UFO Sightings Continue,

By ROBIN CHASE  
Staff Reporter

NAPANEE — The emphasis on UFO phenomena seems to have shifted from the Madoc area to the Napanee region as an 18-year-old Napanee area construction worker discovered last November.

Brad Richmond of RR 6,

Napanee told The Intelligencer in a recent interview he observed a small blinking red light appear from a larger light on the evening of Nov. 19.

The two-hour episode began at about 10 p.m. as Mr. Richmond, who is single, was at his residence on the Slash

Road, one mile west of here.

He said he looked out of a window to the north and saw a bright light — "too low to be a star" — which seemed to be both descending and approaching his house.

He described it as a bright yellow when he first spotted it but during the two hours,

it would change to red, green and back to yellow.

"It would move up and down and across very quickly...you would think it was going haywire," he commented. "But at other times, for about 10 minutes, it wouldn't move."

Mr. Richmond said the light

## This Time in Napanee Area

maintained an average altitude of about 30 degrees above the horizon and appeared to be near a set of old railway tracks, with cars parked on them, which run about a half mile north of his house.

Although he was unable to discern a shape, the light was

as bright as a star but larger and brighter than the light of an aircraft, he noted.

At one point, a small red light, which he did not see before, detached itself from the larger one and moved towards the east, out of sight.

Mr. Richmond noted when a car would pass along Slash Road, the larger light would

go out—like a light bulb—but when the car would disappear, the light would turn on again.

The Richmond sighting brings to 19 the number of alleged UFO phenomena discovered in the Quine area and investigated by The Intelligencer.

The number includes eight reports of unidentified objects,

seven of unusual light of soil disturbance effects on vegetation of unknown sound.

The Intelligencer has viewed 21 persons in connection with alleged phenomena and has, in 39 persons who claim observed either strange or unidentified objects.

## Flying saucer?

Gerald Raczelowski shows his wife, Nancy, where he spotted a series of bright lights in sky near their Plymouth home Saturday night.—Bieluczyk Photo.

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### This UFO **PAGE ONE** Was Shaped Like Hot Dog

An Orange man reported to Athol Police Wednesday night he was followed in his car by a hot dog shaped UFO.

Athol Police said today a phone caller said Albert Marion of East River street, Orange, was "followed" while driving his car on Partridgeville road by an object in the sky that looked like a "hot dog with a dome on top." The object was reportedly orange in color and hovered about 500 feet off the ground.

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Desk Officer Eugene DePratti said today officers in a cruiser in the area at the time of the sighting did not notice anything unusual in the sky but added, "It wasn't a hoax as far as I can tell."

The hot dog shaped object, according to Marion, followed his car, slowed down when the car slowed down and stopped when the car stopped. The object was reportedly soundless.

## Teacher describes strange lights

By TOM BIELUCZYK

PLYMOUTH — "It was red, about as bright as the brightest star, Jupiter. Every 15 seconds it would change from red to orange, then yellow, then white," high school science teacher Gerald Raczelowski said, describing a light he saw near Plymouth Center Saturday night.

Natural phenomenon, hoax or flying saucer? The Raczelowski family think it was the latter but they could be wrong.

The excitement began, Raczelowski, a teacher at Nonnewaug High School in Woodbury, said, at 9:45 p.m. when his wife Nancy heard someone over their CB-radio describing lights coming toward him that he believed to be a UFO.

While Nancy taped the radio message, Raczelowski and his 14-year-old son Rich ran to the front yard of their home at 26 North St. and

watched a shapeless light for about 10 minutes "until it dropped behind the distant hills, probably around Morris."

The light was close to the ground, Raczelowski said, "a matter of a few hundred feet."

Raczelowski said he's believed in the existence of UFO's for 10 years, but Saturday's sighting was the first time he's seen something to reinforce his belief.

His son, Rich, said it could have been a hoax or a coincidence that the radio message and light occurred simultaneously. But like his father, Rich thinks he saw a flying saucer.

"It's the most logical explanation to me," the elder Raczelowski said.

Mrs. Raczelowski said a neighbor has seen the light a number of times since November.

According to the taped radio message, a man

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who said his truck had broken down in a back section of town described a semi-circle of lights moving toward him.

The voice said, "I know it's UFO people because they're moving so slowly. Later it continued, "I'll stay here as long as I can." Then, "I'm going to have to leave. They're coming toward me."

A check with Plymouth police shows no report of a person stranded in a vehicle at that hour Saturday night.

The Raczelowskis said they didn't call the police but instead phoned radio and television stations "to see if they knew what it was."

Since their finding has been reported, the Raczelowskis say they've been contacted by the Aerial Phenomena Research Organization and have been told an investigation may be forthcoming.

# Scientist Believes UFOs Work of Devil

By VIRGINIA CULVER  
Denver Post Religion Editor

UFOs have been a mystery to humans for hundreds of years.

Now, a scientist from Australia has decided, on the basis of his and other persons' research, that unidentified flying objects are works of the devil.

Dr. Clifford Wilson, an archaeologist and author, said in a Denver interview, "I've got to believe UFOs are satanic. I wish I didn't have to. It has cost me something to identify myself with this point of view. I'm a normal university professor."

Wilson earned degrees from Sydney University, and Melbourne college of Divinity in

Australia and the University of South Carolina. An archaeologist and psychologist, he teaches psycholinguistics at Monash University in Melbourne.

His theory about UFOs is the subject of a book he published in 1974, "UFOs and Their Mission Impossible."

In the book he explains the history of UFO sightings, what reportedly has happened to persons contacted by UFO "beings," the explanations put forth on what UFOs are and why he has come to the conclusion they are satanic.

He said he had to come to one of either two conclusions: that UFO beings are outer-space visitors or that they're demonic. He said he couldn't believe the first assumption, because he doesn't believe there is life on other planets.

The Bible is his main basis for believing this.

That left him with the satanic theory.

IN HIS RESEARCH for the book, he thoroughly studied the work of Dr. Edward U. Condon, the late University of Colorado scientist, John Keel, author of "UFOs: Operation Trojan Horse," and Dr. J. Allen Hynek, astronomer at Northwestern University.

Both Keel and Condon, according to Wilson, linked UFOs to the occult and spiritism, but didn't go so far as to suggest UFOs are the work of the devil.

Wilson said there is Biblical support for the possibility he advances. He quotes Matthew 24:24.

He also said that if a person believes in God, then he must believe in Satan and his continuing efforts to win persons away from God.

WILSON SAID persons contacted by UFO beings have been given messages about the end of the world, some have been told they are a messiah and many who have been contacted have become ill (physically or mentally) after contact with UFO beings.

Several who have been contacted have reported paralysis, one died of cancer soon after being burned by a UFO and "a great number of people have been put in insane

asylums after contact with UFO beings," he said.

Others have gone into trances, some don't remember what they saw or heard at the time of the contact and some seem hypnotized or possessed by demons.

Wilson believes everything connected with parapsychology is at least "in the gray area" and at worst dangerous.

WILSON SAID RECORDS show that those contacted are usually between the ages of 25 and 40, have no particular religious background and come from various walks of life.

Some have reported being taken in a spaceship to another planet, such as Venus, and other reports indicate persons were kidnaped, never to be seen again.

Others have reported hearing strange voices, or saying things themselves that they had no control over.

Wilson said some have had things implanted in their minds and the ideas have often led to marriage breakups, loss of jobs and confusion in the person's life.

He believes UFO beings are "spirit beings temporarily in that form," who travel in vehicles that have a temporary energy source, which may have been acquired through contact with an earth person.

THIS WOULD account, he said, for the fact that no one has ever found even a piece of a UFO left on earth, even though some persons have taken pictures of such craft.

Wilson believes all UFO beings are hostile, have a hatred for man and wish to destroy him. He believes there have, in fact, been "spacenapings," possibly to "recruit" persons for Satan's work.

He suggests further, that those contacted who aren't kidnaped may later be used by Satan through mind control.

Such persons, he suggests, may be used against the forces of God during the last great battle—Armageddon, which the Bible says will come at the end of the world.

The title of his book, though, implies Wilson believes such forces will be unsuccessful.

Wilson spoke recently at Beth Eden Baptist Church, W. 26th Ave. and Wadsworth Blvd.

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## 'UFOs' seen Tuesday still not identified

BAY MINETTE, Ala. — Police, weather service and naval air station spokesmen can't say for sure, but they think the bright lights seen in Baldwin skies late Tuesday night were some sort of natural or explicable phenomena.

Residents from all over North Baldwin county reported seeing very bright lights in the sky from 10 p.m. until after midnight Tuesday. Citizen's band radio traffic was reported jammed with reports of sightings of the unusual lights in the sky along Interstate 65. Residents in Perdido, Bay Minette, Spanish Fort and elsewhere also said they saw the purported unidentified flying objects.

Bay Minette Police Chief John Trough said he and another officer saw at least three meteors that night, all of unusual brightness and duration. "They got red and then fizzled out," Chief Trough said. "I thought they were pretty. I didn't think anything about UFOs until we started getting calls at the station."

A spokesman at the National Weather Service in Mobile said a meteor shower was not only a possible

explanation for the lights, but also a likely one. The spokesman — who asked to remain unidentified — could not, however, explain why Mobile and South Baldwin residents could not see such a shower on a "beautifully clear" night.

He suggested military flight exercises could have been the source of the weird sky lights that night. A spokesman for flight operations at Pensacola Naval Air Station, however, said no such operations were being conducted from there. Although he said Eglin Air Force Base sometimes conducts tests that can be seen as far away as Baldwin County, he could offer no explanation for why such lights could be seen only in Baldwin County.

Meteor showers, flares and helicopter lights have all been suggested as possible causes of the reported bright lights which were said to briefly "light up" large areas of some communities here. Lightning is the only possibility "definitely" ruled out by the National Weather Service spokesman.

A spot of light hovers over a town in the Caucasus for 36 hours. An airliner on a Siberian run is trailed by a mysterious object. Cars waiting at a railroad crossing near Moscow have their motors switched off by a craft that hovers overhead for 45 minutes and then abruptly flies away.

Flying saucers? Beings from another planet? Nonsense, says the Soviet government. Conventional scientific wisdom can explain everything.

## Russians

But a recent burst of interest here in puzzling phenomena like these indicates that lots of Soviet citizens don't buy the official line.

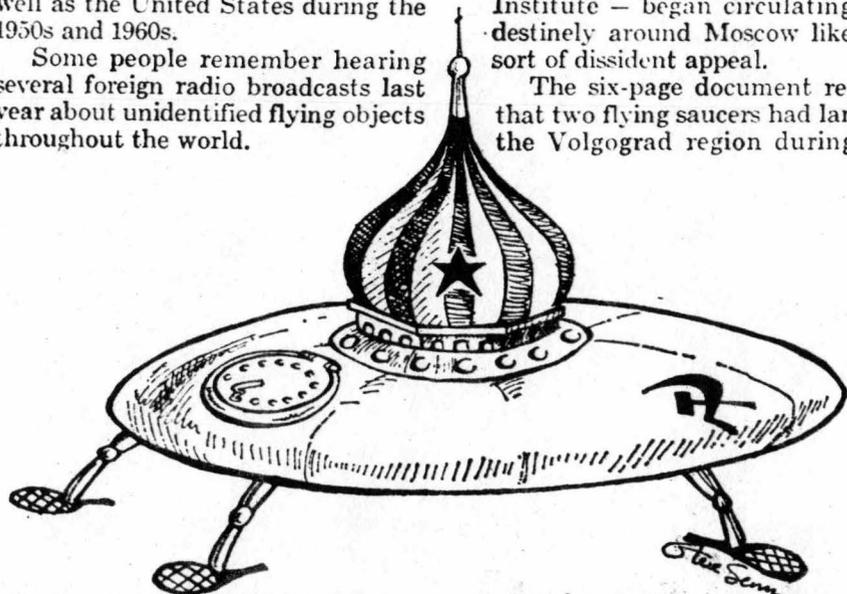
"Have you heard," a Soviet friend asks, "that two cosmonauts returned to earth with 15 minutes of film shot from their space capsule showing a flying saucer with a crew of human-like beings?"

Says another friend: "It's common knowledge, isn't it, that the Soviet and American governments have agreed to suppress information about creatures from outer space?"

No one seems to know exactly how it started. The flying saucer bug is not new here. UFOs caught the

public fancy in the Soviet Union as well as the United States during the 1950s and 1960s.

Some people remember hearing several foreign radio broadcasts last year about unidentified flying objects throughout the world.



A few articles appeared in the Soviet press, including one in September in which for the first time a prominent scientist suggested that a nuclear powered space ship may have caused the so far unexplained explosion that rocked a huge area of Central Siberia in June, 1908.

The topic became especially tantalizing in autumn when thousands of copies of a lecture on UFOs — supposedly delivered by Prof. Feliks

G. Ziegel of the Moscow Aviation Institute — began circulating clandestinely around Moscow like some sort of dissident appeal.

The six-page document reported that two flying saucers had landed in the Volgograd region during 1975.

Another 300 confirmed UFO sightings have been reported in the Soviet Union, the paper said.

Among those were the cases of the spot of light over the Caucasian city of Nalchik, the object that followed a Soviet airliner from Vorkuta to Omsk and the "saucer" that stopped the car motors in 1961 at a railway crossing.

But authorities, the paper alleged, "have put a ban on any kind of publication about unidentified flying objects."

Nothing official has been heard from Ziegel — author of several books on astronomy — about the type-scripts being distributed hand-to-hand in Moscow in his name. But then, that has only added to the intrigue.

In the Soviet Union the government treats even the most mundane information as secret, so unapproved subjects often gain the widest interest. The very fact that something is denied, the reasoning usually goes, means there must be truth behind it.

So Moscow's well-developed

rumor mill has gone to work on UFOs.

A favorite place where tales were exchanged was in the queues of thousands of people who waited for hours in November to visit a U.S. Bicentennial Exhibition set up in the capital.

Russian-speaking American guides working at the show found themselves bombarded with questions, most of which could be traced back to the Ziegel paper.

Authorities responded as they have in the past, by ridiculing the whole subject. First Komsomolskaya Pravda, the Communist youth newspaper, carried a reply to the Ziegel lecture from a science fiction writer named Yereimei Parnov.

He dismissed the document as "pseudo-scientific" and said:

"There is no proof now or in the past of extraterrestrial technological civilization. Not a single screw made of materials unknown on earth ever has been found. Likewise, we have no proven contacts with intelligent life from another planet."

## Canaan

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Fontaine were in Newport where they paid their weekly visit on his parents. His father is at the North Country Health Care Center and his mother at Michaud Manor.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cowan were in Boston the first of the week on business.

Bob Lee and Burnice Hall both reported seeing a bright red UFO on Sunday about 5 p.m. It seemed to disappear in the general direction of the Pinnacle in West Stewartstown. Has it been identified?

(Don't know, Kay. We saw one down here over Monadnock on Thursday night but nobody took it seriously.—Ed.)

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Detailed to investigate a mysterious object in the sky over Danbury, Conn., on the night of August 30, Patrolman Elston Dodge took one startled look at the phenomenon and radioed for other officers to verify it.

In all, at least six officers and hundreds of citizens watched in amazement as the object, flashing lights in brilliant colors, zigzagged across the sky for two hours.

"I've never seen anything like that in the sky before!" marveled Patrolman Robert Paust, a 7-year policeman.

Another officer, Patrolman Peter Winter, took several time exposure photos of the object while it was stationary in the sky and one while it began moving in its fantastic aerial display. The photos show a very bright horseshoe-shaped object many times larger than stars that appear in the same pictures.

In his official report, headed "Possible UFO Sighted," Officer Winter stated: "It was not determined what the object was, although it was agreed among the officers involved that the observed lights were not aircraft navigation lights and their source was a considerable distance away."

Said Officer Paust: "The thing that impressed me most was the brightness and clarity of the lights. The colors were very clear. There was a white, a green and a red, and they just kept flashing.

"When I first saw it, it ap-

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## 6 Policemen & Hundreds of Citizens Watch as . . .

# UFO Zigzags Across Sky in Dazzling 2-Hour Display Over Connecticut

peared larger than a star, then kept getting smaller as it zigzagged, stopped, then moved in a new direction and zigzagged again. It definitely was no type of aircraft I've ever seen.

"Numerous people were watching it all over Danbury. One area where we stopped to watch it was a truck stop and all the truckers were out watching it too."

Another officer who responded to Dodge's call was Harold Chapman, a policeman for 10 years, who said:

"At one time there were at least six police officers in a parking lot looking at the object. I couldn't believe what we were seeing. I tried to explain the thing in my mind, but it was no helicopter or plane or weather balloon. The lights were so bright that they couldn't have come from any electric battery a balloon could carry." That, added



**EYEWITNESSES:** Danbury patrolmen Elston Dodge (left) and Peter Winter pose at the spot where they watched the mysterious object put on an aerial display.

Paust, was why they also ruled out the possibility of a balloon sent up as a hoax.

"I was with Officer Winter when he photographed the object," Chapman went on. "After he developed the film at the police station, we found that the movement of the stars showed up in all the time exposures, but the object showed no movement whatever in three pictures.

"In the fourth, taken when the object did move, the stars all track in one direction, which is natural, but the object moved at a different angle. It was in the sky for about two hours, then suddenly disappeared."

Melvin Goldstein, a meteorologist at Western Connecticut State College in Danbury, said visibility that night was "super-spectacular. There was

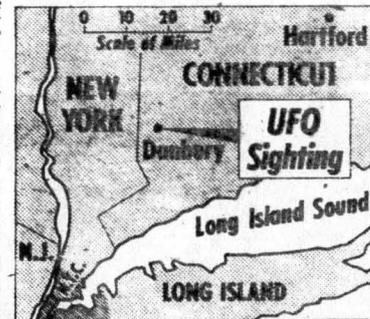


**REMARKABLE PHOTO** of the horseshoe-shaped UFO (lower right) was taken by Patrolman Peter Winter as it appeared over Danbury. Striped objects are stars.

no haze to prevent a view of the object even if it was far away."

The sighting jibed with other reports of UFO activity in the area over a two-month period, as well as in Westchester and Rockland counties in nearby New York. Other UFO sightings were reported in Kingston, N.Y., 60 miles from Danbury, on June 27; in Winsted, Conn., 40 miles north of Danbury, on July 28; and in Carmel, N.Y.; only 15 miles west, on August 4.

— BOB PRATT



**MAP** shows Danbury, Conn., where UFO was sighted by police and residents.

# UFO Jams Jets' Electrical Systems in Supersonic Chase

By JOHN M. CATHCART.

The UFO split in two and a glowing section of it shot out at the Phantom jet fighter. "It's about 20 miles behind!" the alarmed air force pilot radioed the tower. "It's following me! Oh! Now . . ." The radio went dead.

Stunned air traffic controllers sat in disbelief as they watched the jet scream low over the control tower — the brilliant object now a dark rectangle atop the jet plane.

The bizarre incident was only part of the mysterious series of events that occurred last September when a UFO staged a spectacular aerial display in full view of airport tower personnel and baffled commanders of the Imperial Iranian Air Force.

The UFO jammed communications on two Iranian fighter planes sent up to intercept it — and launched a smaller UFO to chase one plane away.

"Two jets were scrambled and they locked onto the target (with radar) but they received very strong jamming," said deputy commander-in-chief of operations Lt. Gen. Abdulah Azarbarzin, who confirmed that the UFO maneuvered for hours over Tehran, the capital of Iran.

The intercept was further verified by the veteran air traffic controller at Tehran's Mehrabad Airport. Hossain Pirouzi, who directed the fighter pilots by radio and saw the object himself.

And a second Iranian air force general, the senior in command at the time, also saw the UFO for himself and gave the order to intercept. The controller revealed.

The sensational chain of events began at 10:30 p.m. last September 18, when calls began to come in to air controller Pirouzi from excited citizens who had sighted a strange object in the sky. It seemed to be changing shape rapidly — one caller described it as "like a fan with four blades," another as "sometimes dividing in two and joining together again." After the fourth such call, Pirouzi, controller at Mehrabad for 13 years, went to an outdoor terrace and searched the sky with binoculars.

"After about five minutes, I saw the object, a rectangular shape about five miles away at a height of about 6,000 feet and northeast of my tower," he told *THE ENQUIRER*.

"The right end was blue, the left end was blue and in the middle was a flashing red light.

"The object was seesawing up and down and moving toward the north."

Pirouzi notified the Air Force, and Gen. Abdulah Yousefi, senior officer on duty, responded by phone.

Said Pirouzi: "He went out on the porch of his house and on the telephone said to me: 'Yes, I can see something. It isn't a star.'

"So he ordered one of the Phantom jets on standby to scramble."

The second jet was sent up later, when the first ran low on gas after its chase.

Gen. Azarbarzin said that whenever the planes got within 15 miles or so of the UFO, most of their electric and electronic systems were suddenly and mysteriously knocked out — until they moved away.

"That happened to three different planes," he noted. "We had two fighters — that han-

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SKETCH of UFO which one eyewitness said was "like a fan with blades."

pened to both of them — and one airliner which was flying in the area at the same time.

"This technology they (in the UFO) were using for jamming was something we haven't had before and we don't have it. It was extremely strange and unexplainable."

The general described the UFO as being unlike any known aircraft. He said: "It was quite circular and just like a saucer and the shape of the cockpit was a ball — half a ball."

Pirouzi, in direct radio contact with the jet pilots, said he told the first one up to get close to the object, and the pilot reported:

"I'm going to Mach 2 (about 1,400 miles an hour) and I'm 50 miles behind the object. I can't catch him. It's no use to follow anymore, I can't catch him."

From that time on, Pirouzi said, the Phantom and its replacement were chasing the object all over the Iranian sky to the north and west, with the

UFO showing fantastic speeds and seeming to disappear and reappear.

Pirouzi said the second Phantom pilot reported that the UFO had ejected a luminous object at him, and that he was flying back. Then the radio went dead as the Phantom jet reached the control tower and screamed past — a dark rectangular object appearing to be on top of it.

Radio communication with the plane was later reestablished.

After several more attempts

by the second Phantom to approach the UFO — with his electrical systems going out every time — the pilot was ordered to return to base. It was then 4 a.m.

Although the object emitted by the UFO was seen to descend to the ground, no trace was ever found of it afterward.

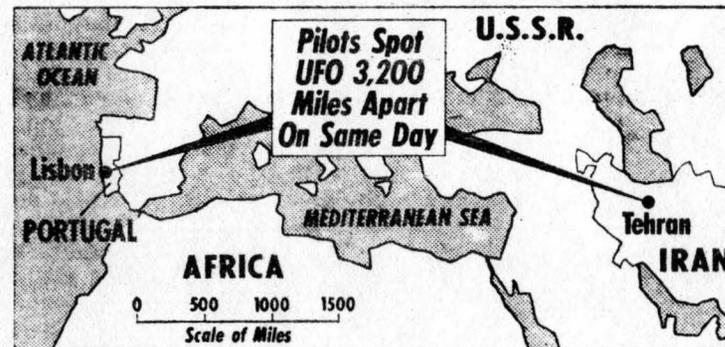
When the second Phantom left the area, the UFO started to climb higher and higher — until it eventually disappeared in the sky.

But, incredible as these events were, there was to be a bizarre sequel.

Some 45 minutes after the UFO left the Iranian sky, a Boeing 707 jet of the TAP airline leaving Lisbon, Portugal — more than 3,200 miles from Tehran — almost crashed into a brightly lit object that shot across its course.

The *ENQUIRER* reported this hair-raising encounter with a UFO in its issue of Nov. 30, 1976.

And the object over Lisbon, as described by the pilots and crew of the 707, closely corresponds with descriptions of the UFO seen over Tehran earlier that night.



MAP pinpoints UFO sightings only 45 minutes apart.

# UFO?

## Area residents report flaming light in sky

By TERI HURST  
Daily News Staff Writer

Around 10:15 p.m. Friday, residents of Barren, Hart, Edmonson and Grayson counties reported seeing some sort of explosion in the sky. Three state police units in Barren and Edmonson counties also observed what appeared to be a mid-air explosion and some citizens reported chunks of falling debris. In Grayson County, there were reports of a round, glowing object hovering low in the sky.

Now, traditionally, winter is not UFO season. Come summer and fall, however, the reports of unidentified flying objects fall hard and fast on the ears of overworked policemen and, yes, overworked newsmen.

This year, though, UFO season has set in early. The Bowling Green State Police Post was deluged with calls after Friday night's incident occurred, but no amount of checking could ever determine what the explosion might have been. A state police spokesman said the Federal Aviation Agency was contacted but personnel there observed nothing unusual on their radar screens.

State Police Trooper Joe McDonald was one of the many who saw the apparent explosion. He was sitting in his patrol car at the time talking to fellow officer Anthony Clemmons when a bright flash lit up the sky.

"It looked like a giant flare, spreading from east to west," McDonald said. "It just kept spreading out and then faded around 40 degrees above the horizon."

The trooper said although the car windows were down, neither he nor Clemmons heard a sound that might have resulted from the explosion.

"We didn't hear any boom. In fact, we didn't hear any noise at all. Several people in Glasgow said they heard a sonic boom, though," McDonald said.

At the same time that the Barren County troopers saw the flash, Trooper Curtis Woods called on the radio from Edmonson County to report an explosion in the sky. McDonald said the radio was buzzing with calls from state policemen in Hart and Grayson counties as well.

The State Police Post in Elizabethtown, which covers Grayson County, also reported an overwhelming number of telephone calls about the "explosion." A dispatcher at the Elizabethtown post told the Daily News Saturday that most of the reports described a comet with a tail that hurtled through the sky before exploding into a fireball.

Trooper Dan Peterson checked reports of "chunks of something" that fell near the Anneta community off KY 259, but found nothing.

YAZOO CITY, MISS - DAILY HERALD  
\*\*\*\*\*FEB 15, 1977\*\*\*\*\*

# When you see it, you gotta believe it

By PAT FLYNN  
Daily Herald News Editor

Okay, all you doubting Thomases, get ready to scoff.

I saw a UFO Sunday night. No, I didn't say a "flying saucer." I said a UFO. . . just that. It was unidentified; it was flying; it definitely was an object.

And I wasn't alone. The hovering, brightly lit object was also seen by Daily Herald Sports Editor Joe Dier, by a highway patrolman, by Mr. and Mrs. Herb Blush, and by a lady on Highway 16 who called the police saying it had passed over her house "traveling fast."

In fact, Yazoo City skies were so "lit" Sunday night you'd have thought it was the Fourth of July. The UFO (or whatever) was hovering over the western area, someone was setting off fireworks up around Sunset Drive, a weather balloon could be seen in the eastern part of town and—would you believe—"2001, a

Space Odyssey" was playing on television. Dogs were howling all over town and, for a few minutes, I felt like joining them.

Mr. and Mrs. Blush saw the object when they were returning to Yazoo City via a county road outside Flora shortly after 8 p.m. The ball of light was "maybe about 500 feet off the ground," Mr. Blush said. The Blushes pulled off the road and watched as a light, like a helicopter search light, swung along the ground underneath the object. There was no engine noise, they said. They watched until it was out of sight, traveling northwest.

At the same time, a big ball of light, brighter than a star and too far away to be a street light, was hovering in the sky west of Yazoo City. It stayed stationary for approximately 30 minutes, then moved out, heading southwest.

What was it? You tell me; I'm not even guessing. But I know one thing: I know I saw it.

## Flare was seen before ship blast

LONG BEACH—(UPI)—A missile-like object flared from the deck of an abandoned aircraft carrier moored near the oil tanker Sansinena moments before the tanker exploded, a dock worker has testified.

"It looked like a white flare going off," Raymond Bozulich, 48, told a Coast Guard board of inquiry. "Then it just grew into a ball of fire and then came the big boom."

Based on Bozulich's report, the Coast Guard reopened its hearing into the Dec. 17 explosion that shattered the Liberian-registered Sansinena.

The blast killed eight Italian crewmen and the watchman on the dock.

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\*\*\*\*\*MAR 23, 1977\*\*\*\*\*

LEHICHTON, PA. - TIMES NEWS  
\*\*\*\*\*MAR. 2, 1977\*\*\*\*\*

Another UFO sighting call reached our office this morning, reporting visions of the same "bright light" atop Mount Pisgah in Jim Thorpe. Paul "Breezer" Sibbach, of 120 South Street, Jim Thorpe, informed us today that he and four others watched the UFO which was stationed about 100 feet above the mountain, from 8:40-8:55 p.m. During that span, Sibbach said, he watched the light, which appeared in a white beam to the naked eye, through the scope of his rifle. Closely, the object resembled red burning flames which changed to blue before the object disappeared shortly before 9 p.m. 2

BOWLING GREEN, KY. PARK CITY NEWS  
\*\*\*\*\*FEB 20, 1977\*\*\*\*\*

# What Was It?

## Local People Followed by Strange Light

The mysterious light is again on the prowl. Over a period of about two years, a number of residents of the Regan area have reported incidents in which their cars have been followed by a hovering bright light. Other residents who have not been followed, have seen the light and have watched its progress.

Saturday night it again made its appearance, this time following the pickup truck which Mrs. Barney Strand, Jr. and her daughter, Sindy, were driving from Regan to their farm home in Canfield Township. Both Sindy, an eighth grader at the Regan School, and Mrs. Strand were badly shaken by the experience.

When they first noticed the mysterious light, it was west of the Wayne Falkenstein farm near Regan, but it soon moved to the rear of their truck and followed them closely all the way to their farm. Mrs. Strand describes it as looking much

like a farm yard light—"about that size and of that brightness," she says. It hovered behind and above the pickup, a little higher than the power line that parallels the road.

Sindy, who was at the wheel, became so alarmed that her mother had to caution her to be careful in her driving. They thought perhaps they would lose it when they made the turn into their farm, but the light turned when they did and followed them right into the yard.

"I told Sindy that when we got home, she was to get out of the car and into the house as fast as she could," Mrs. Strand says. "We both ran in, but we didn't turn any lights on."

The light hovered over some trees at the west side of the house for a time, during which period Mrs. Strand observed it through binoculars. She describes it as appearing to be a clear

yellow light to the naked eye, but that through the glasses it showed some shimmering orange hues. "It seemed to be twirling slowly as I looked," she says, "but maybe it was the changing colors that made it look that way."

As she and Sindy watched, the light began slowly to move away, getting smaller and smaller, and finally disappearing altogether. "For awhile I could see it through the glasses after Sindy couldn't see it any more," Mrs. Strand explains, "but then I lost it, too."

Mrs. Strand says that she has always been a bit skeptical when she has heard accounts of the "light that follows", but now she knows that the stories are true. "We were driving about 50 miles an hour," she says, "and it kept right up with us all the way." Then she adds, "I don't know what it was, but I can tell you it was really frightening."

Her story is much the same as that of others who have been pursued by the light, though some say that it came beside their vehicle, almost at the level of the car top. They all say that, no matter what their speed, the light easily kept pace with them.

There are all sorts of theories as to what it is, but so far no one really knows. Some suspect some sort of practical joke whereby a light is beamed from another car or from a fixed location. Others think it is produced by an electronic device. It has been theorized that atmospheric conditions cause reflections or light conditions to produce the effect. And of course there are staunch supporters of the UFO theory.

Whatever it is, the light seems to have no nefarious purpose other than nearly frightening people to death, but its mere appearance does a pretty good job of that.

WILTON, N.D. - NEWS  
\*\*\*FEB 10, 1977\*\*\*

### police blotter

## It's a bird, it's a plane, it's . .

Temple City Sheriff's deputies reported receiving a number of calls Saturday night from persons who cited what appeared to be an unidentified flying object hovering over Rosemead. Callers told authorities that the yellow bell-shaped object was hanging over Muscatel Avenue for a few minutes then turned into a red circular figure and disappeared. No one had an immediate answer for what the apparent UFO might have been. One man who reported sighting the object said, "My kids saw it but didn't think anyone would believe them, so I'm calling to report it."

LEHIGHTON, PA. - TIMES NEWS  
\*\*\*\*\*MAR. 7, 1977\*\*\*\*\*

Motorists on highways between Jim Thorpe and Summit Hill on Wednesday night, who sighted a strange object in the sky hesitate to call it a UFO, but have no other explanation for the brilliant vehicle which hovered high in the sky over the Mahoning Mountain for at least a half-hour. The sky-watchers claim that when the vehicle began to move in a westerly direction at a rapid rate of speed, their most alarming moment came when it stopped abruptly and rose vertically into the clear winter night sky until

APPLETON, WIS. - POST-CRESCENT  
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PASADENA, CAL. - STAR-NEWS  
\*\*\*\*\*MAR. 7, 1977\*\*\*\*\*

# Avión a Chorro Colombiano Hizo Contacto con un OVNI

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El platillo volador triplicaba la velocidad del aparato de Avianca

BOGOTÁ, 18 (AP).— Un avión a chorro de la empresa Avianca hizo contacto con un objeto volador no identificado el pasado 21 de enero. Informó hoy el piloto de la nave, capitán Gustavo Ferreira.

El OVNI se desplazaba a una velocidad de 44.000 kilómetros por hora y su volumen triplicaba al Boeing 727 que lo avistó cerca de Ibagué, 250 kilómetros al occidente de Bogotá.

El OVNI fue detectado en las pantallas de radar del aeropuerto internacional de Bogotá, a donde el capitán Ferreira comunicó la presencia de una luz intensa, creyendo que se trataba de otro avión que se cruzaba peligrosamente en su ruta.

"Era una luz blanca que a veces estaba quieta y a veces se movía", dijo el piloto, con experiencia de 20

años y que dijo no haber visto nunca OVNIS ni creer en ellos.

Ferreira dijo que encendió las luces de aterrizaje para que lo viera el extraño objeto, que se desplazaba en zig zag, y "entonces la luz blanca se convirtió en roja. Hice un nuevo intento. Volví a prender las luces de aterrizaje y el objeto me respondió con luces verdes. Después de tres minutos de estar en estos cambios, el objeto se desplazó hacia el sur y lo perdí".

Simultáneamente, el operador de radar del aeropuerto "de Bogotá reportaba al avión que el objeto se movilizaba a una velocidad vertiginosa en ángulo de 90 grados y desaparecía de la pantalla".

"Nunca creí en OVNIS pero, en la noche del 21 de

enero vi uno y ahora estoy seguro que existen", declaró el capitán Ferreira al diario "El Tiempo".

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EL UNIVERSAL, Caracas,  
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COLOMBIAN JET PLANE  
MADE CONTACT WITH A  
UFO.

The flying saucer was three times the size of the Avianca craft.

Bogotá, 18 (AP) - A jet plane of the Avianca company made contact with an unidentified flying object last January 21, reported the pilot of the of the Ship, Capt. Gustavo Ferreira.

The UFO was moving at a speed of 440 kilometers per hour and its size was 3 times that of the Boeing 727 which sighted it near Ibagué, 250 kilometers west of Bogotá.

The UFO was detected on the radar screens at the Bogotat International Airport, to which Capt. Ferreira reported the presence of an intense light, believing that it was another plane that was dangerously crossing his path.

"It was a white light which at times was stationary and at times moving," said the pilot, with 20 years experience and who said that he had never seen UFO's nor had he believed in them

Ferreira said that he turned on the landing lights in order that the strange object might see him, and that it was moving in a zig zag path, and "then the white light turned to red. I made another attempt. I again turned on the landing lights and the object responded with green lights. After taking 3 minutes for these changes, the object west away toward the south and I lost sight of it."

Simultaneously, the radar operator at the Bogota airport "reported to the aircraft that the object was moving at a dizzying speed at an angle of 90 degrees and disappeared off the screen

"I never believed in UFO's but on the night of Jan. 21st I saw one and now I am sure they exist," declared Capt. Ferreira to the paper "El Tiempo".

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MYSTERY (ADELAIDE)

ADELAIDE POLICE HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO FIND ANYTHING TO EXPLAIN A MYSTERY RED LIGHT SEEN IN A Paddock NEAR KERSBROOK, ABOUT FORTY KILOMETRES NORTHEAST OF ADELAIDE.

POLICE WENT TO A Paddock ABOUT ONE KILOMETRE FROM THE MABENJO FARM AFTER THE FARM'S OWNERS, MR AND MRS DAVID SCOTT, REPORTED SEEING THE MYSTERY LIGHT.

THE SCOTT'S SAY IT WAS SO BRIGHT IT LIT UP TREES ON A HILL AFTER DISAPPEARING INTO AN ADJACENT GULLY.

HOWEVER THE POLICE SAY THEY FOUND NOTHING UNUSUAL.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE R-DOUBLE-A-F IN ADELAIDE SAYS AN INVESTIGATION INTO THE SIGHTING WILL BE HELD LATER TODAY.

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BULLETIN UPDATER

MYSTERY (ADELAIDE)

POLICE AND FARMERS WILL THIS MORNING SEARCH PaddockS NEAR KERSBROOK JUST NORTH OF ADELAIDE FOLLOWING A REPORTED U-F-O SIGHTING IN THE AREA LAST NIGHT.

MR AND MRS DAVID SCOTT OF MABENJO FARM REPORTED SEEING A BRIGHT RED OBJECT HOVER ABOVE THE TREES FOR ABOUT TEN MINUTES BEFORE APPARENTLY LANDING IN A NEARBY Paddock.

THE COUPLE AND SENIOR CONSTABLE MIKE KOTYZ OF WILLIAMSTOWN POLICE SEARCHED THE AREA WITH SPOTLIGHTS BUT FOUND NOTHING, AND WILL RETURN THIS MORNING (~~WITH A LAND ROVER, ABOUT 1100 LOCAL, 1130 AEST~~) WITH A LAND ROVER FOR ANOTHER LOOK.

ADELAIDE U-F-O EXPERT COLIN NORRIS SAYS LAST NIGHT'S SIGHTING WAS AMONG MANY RECENTLY IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

MR NORRIS, OF U-F-O RESEARCH INCORPORATED, BELIEVES THE BEHAVIOUR OF THE OBJECT SIGHTED INDICATES IT'S EXTRA-TERRESTIAL AND THAT SIGHTINGS USUALLY INCREASE FOLLOWING SUCH RECENT EVENTS AS UNDERGROUND NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS AND SPACE SHOTS.

THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT AND AIR TRAFFIC OFFICIALS IN ADELAIDE SAY THEY'VE NO EXPLANATION, WHILE AN AIR FORCE SPOKESMAN AT EDINBURGH BASE SAYS THE SIGHTING IS BEING LOOKED INTO.

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# UFO over Brighton

A low flying UFO was reported over the Brighton area last Saturday morning.

Eyewitnesses told investigators from the Tasmanian Unidentified Flying Objects investigation Centre that they saw the UFO about 4.30 am. It had a row of orange lights, and a "searchlight" seemed to be being directed from underneath it towards the ground.

Investigators ruled out aircraft, including helicopters, and were still working on the problem today.

Any person who saw the UFO is asked to telephone 727479 during the day, or 236009 after 6 pm.

## Report

TUFOIC has just released its annual report of UFO activity in Tasmania for 1976. The report, which sells for 30c, will be on sale at the New Norfolk Newsagency.

It contains reports of UFO's at Magra; the escorting of a truck by a UFO from the Highlands to Hobart; the big UFO flap between February and April when UFO's repeatedly flew over Maydena.

Some strange events on a Tighland farm also make interesting reading, adding to the questions "What are UFO's and where are they from?"

Australian UFO centres now

use a computer to store information which is also supplied to the USA Centre for UFO Studies.

While UFO investigators base their reports on evidence, and logical conclusions, there are nevertheless cases which are dramatic no matter how colourless the report.

American UFO research centres have opened three branches in WA with a fourth likely to be established soon.

These branches send monthly reports of UFO sightings to their US headquarters where they are assessed on a world basis.

Australia is regarded as a high density area for UFOs. About 20 per cent of the world sightings come from Australia which specialises in "car pacing" phenomena.

Three UFO private eyes have been appointed for WA by the Australian Co-ordination Section (ACOS) for the Centre of UFO Studies in the United States.

This centre, now a world-wide organisation, was established two years ago by Prof J. Allen Hynek, chairman of the nomy at Northwestern University in Chicago.

Prof Hynek has acted for 20 years as the astronomical adviser on UFO matters to the US Air Force.

The main objective of the centre is to receive UFO experience. A person can report these without fear or ridicule.

They will know their reports will be given serious attention.

The centre studies and analyses each report calling on the skills of

associates and the use of computers and laboratories.

About a year ago, the centre was donated a computer file of UFO reports. The file, known as UFOCAT, contains 85,000 entries from 100 sources.

Prof Hynek defines a UFO as the "reported perception of an object of light seen in the sky or on the land. Its appearance, trajectory and general dynamic and luminescent behavior do not suggest a logical explanation.

## EVIDENCE

"This object is not only mystifying, but remains unidentified after close scrutiny of all available evidence."

The two Perth members of ACOS are Mr Jeff Bell and Mr Stephen Briggs. Their centre is at 84 Acton Ave, Rivervale.

The South-West centre is at PO Box 261, Bunbury, under the title of

Unidentified Phenomena Investigation Bureau.

Mr Bell said they had received about 70 reports of UFO sightings in WA. About 25 per cent of these had not been satisfactorily explained.

His best report came from the double sighting over Kalgoorlie airport four weeks ago.

The phenomena of "car pacings" were frequent in Australia and he would like to hear more about them.

These were incidents taking place along lonely country roads. The driver was followed or "paced" by one or two lights sometimes for several hours.

Long-distance truck drivers often experienced these pacing lights. The American centre was particularly interested in them.

# Knysna residents puzzled by UFO

Own Correspondent

KNYSNA. - The mystery of the "unidentified flying object" trailing smoke that seemed to plunge into the sea behind the Knysna Heads has still not been solved in spite of an intensive NSRI search and police investigation.

The local police station commander, Warrant Officer J J Meiring, said that it was "definitely not a plane".

The mystery started about 6.20pm on Wednesday when various reports were received of a "flying object" which seemed to be long and grey and trailed smoke.

It dived and, according to some observers, "hit the water behind the Heads," and then disappeared.

Because of the number of independent reports received an exhaustive search was started by the NSRI.

The NSRI rescue launch found nothing after a long search in poor visibility and choppy seas.

Mr Geoff Sinovich, the NSRI station commander, said the NSRI had now closed its investigations but the matter was in the hands of the local police.

Mr Meiring said that the object could be part of a satellite or "some of the other junk from space exploration".

# Double UFO sighted

Staff Reporter

AN unidentified flying object "like a giant double star disappearing and re-appearing" was sighted by two young Pretoria girls early today.

Robin Wolff (12) said she awakened at about 2 am and, unable to sleep gazed at the stars. At about 2.15 she noticed what appeared to be two stars joined together, flickering on and off.

Robin awakened her cousin, Lynette van der Neut (15), and they watched. The object moved "as if it did not know where to go. Sometimes it would separate and the stars would move apart but always coming together again like a magnet," they said.

The cousins watched for several minutes until it disappeared.