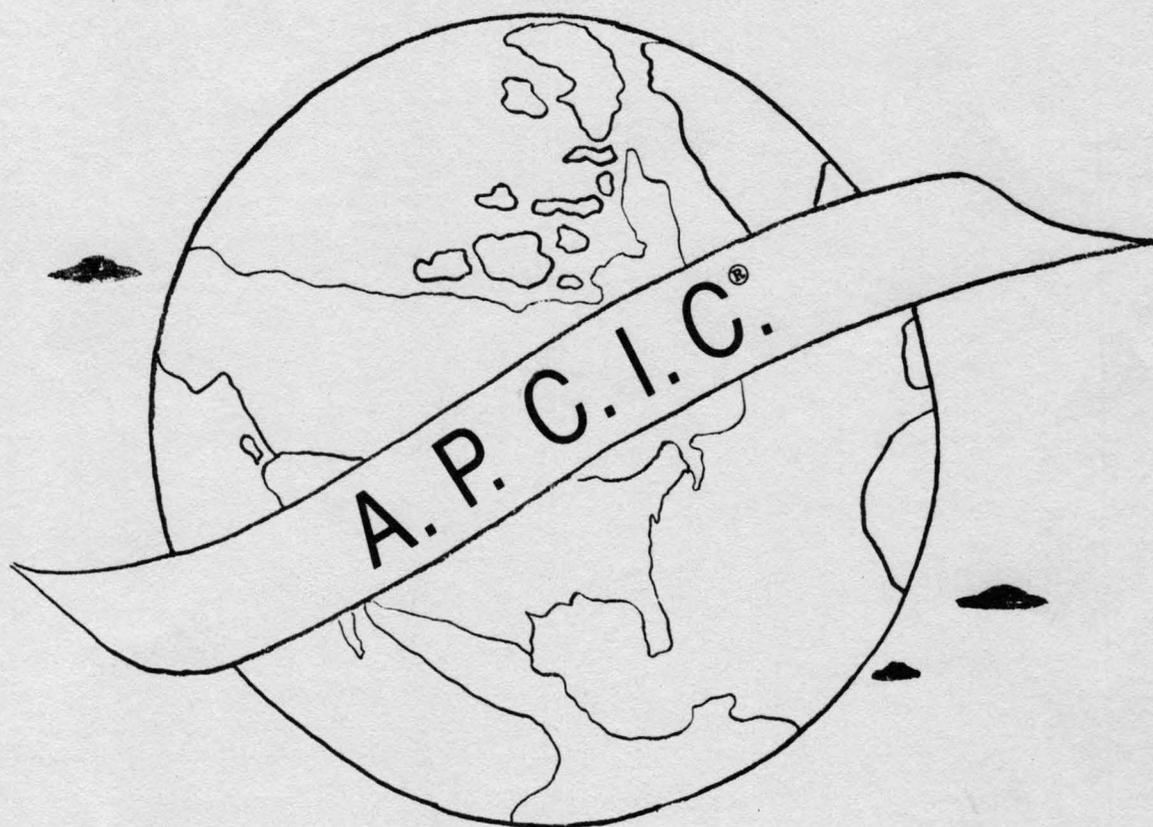


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Mexican Cave Paintings Depict Visits by Aliens From Space — 1,500 Years Ago

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Bizarre cave paintings discovered in Mexico show spaceman-like creatures and an object resembling a spacecraft — and famed author-explorer Erich von Daniken is convinced they're evidence of visits by advanced beings at least 1,500 years ago.

An ENQUIRER-sponsored expedition to the caves reveals the 1,500-year-old paintings are incredibly similar to ancient rock drawings in Australia, North Africa and other lands — yet experts say these primitive tribes never even knew each other existed.

"These are fantastic!" exclaimed von Daniken, author of the best-selling "Chariots of the Gods?" as he studied pictures of the Mexican paintings taken by The ENQUIRER.

"I've seen similar paintings all over the world. Some of these similarities make me believe the paintings commemorate visits by aliens from space to these primitive tribes."

Even the Mexican Government is baffled by these paintings, said Mexico's Secretary of Tourism, Guillermo Rosell de la Lama.

"It's a mystery," admitted the official, who said the paintings have nothing to do with other Mexican civilizations, such as the Mayas or Aztecs. "A full scientific expedition is being mounted (by the government) to investigate them."

The time-weathered Mexican paintings cover the walls and ceilings of some 160 caves high in the rugged, desolate mountains of the Baja California peninsula. To reach them, our expedition had to travel by mule through blistering heat for eight days.

The expedition members included Curtis and Polly Schaafsma, both research archaeologists who work with the School of American Research in Santa Fe, N. Mex., and are top experts on cave paintings in the Southwest.

The expedition found that some of the paintings depict spaceman-like figures, painted half red and half black, with upraised arms and antenna-like devices protruding from their heads.

Amazingly similar figures have been found in Australia, 8,400 miles to the southwest — and there also are similar drawings in North Africa, 8,000 miles east of the Baja peninsula, say experts.

Other Mexican paintings show what appears to be a spaceship with flames shooting from its underside; a huge slithering serpent, and a shield-like object . . . all of which are found in the art of primitives on other continents.

"It's absolutely fantastic!" said Schaafsma. "There's no possible way these primitive peoples could have been in normal contact with each other — there's no known historical connection!"

After closely examining several of the paintings, Schaafsma estimated their age at about 1,500 years. He said they were painted with the chewed end of a yucca plant, and that the artists used ground ocher, chalk and charcoal for paint.

Von Daniken's belief that the paintings depict extraterrestrial visits was echoed by noted explorer-zoologist Dr. J. Manson Valentine, honorary curator of the Museum of Science in Miami, Fla.

"I believe the paintings show that space aliens visited these sites and others all around the world — that's why they're so similar," said Dr. Valentine, a former curator at the Alabama Museum of Natural History.

"These Baja paintings show remarkable correlations to cave paintings from elsewhere in the world.

"The evidence points to one inescapable conclusion: that the Indians were recording that more than 1,000 years ago a spacecraft landed and beings from another planet walked on earth.

"The message on the rock is clear — although it is put in the symbolic language of the medicine men. It says: 'We are recording the most powerful magic we have ever seen' — and it was the magic of supermen from space."

But Schaafsma has another theory: that the tribal "medicine men" who did the drawings were in psychic contact with each other.

"I believe the paintings show that ancient medicine men were using ESP," declared Schaafsma. "I believe the Baja Indians could go into a trance and dip into another level of consciousness. They could then telepathically 'see' the same images that, for example, the Australian medicine men saw.

"Archaeological research has revealed that the shamans — medicine men — used the full range of psychic phenomena: psychic healing and telepathy, took out-of-body trips, and claimed to be able to transform themselves into animals."

Schaafsma said he's puzzled by the fact that many of the paintings are 25 to 30 feet above the cave floor — areas the artists would have difficulty reaching.

"There are some possible explanations: that the medicine men used long-handled brushes, or made human pyramids as ladders — or perhaps even were capable of levitation," he said. "We just don't know."

Yet another mystery is the fact that the Mexican tribes even had legends about gods from outer space — just as the aborigines of Australia did.

"The Jesuits in the 1700s discovered that the Baja Indians believed in a religion about 'a man from the sky' and held an annual ritual to commemorate this god-man," noted Fernando Gonzalez, a Mexicali newspaper publisher and amateur anthropologist who has studied the Baja Indians extensively. Two U.S. archaeological experts confirmed that there's no evi- that Baja Indians ever had direct communication with people in other lands.

"There is no known link or contact between the Baja Indians and Australian or North African tribes," agreed Dr. Saul Riesenber, senior ethnologist at the Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of Natural History.

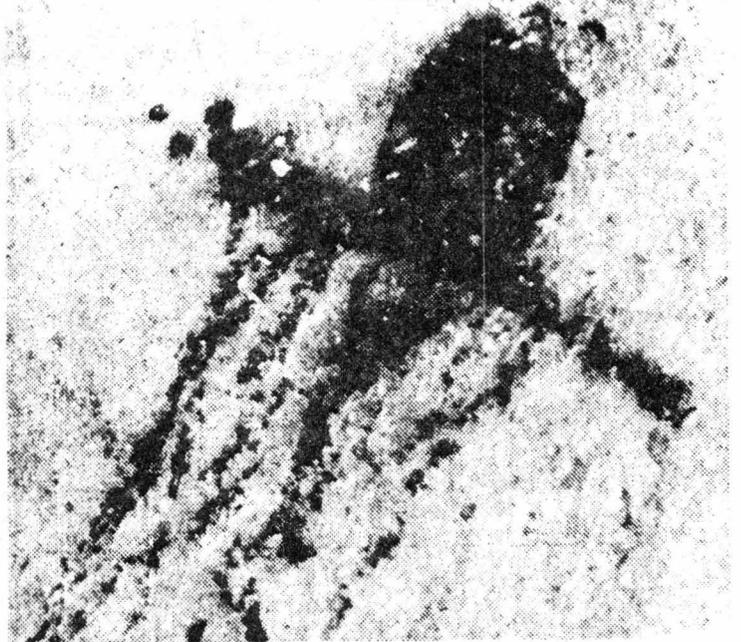
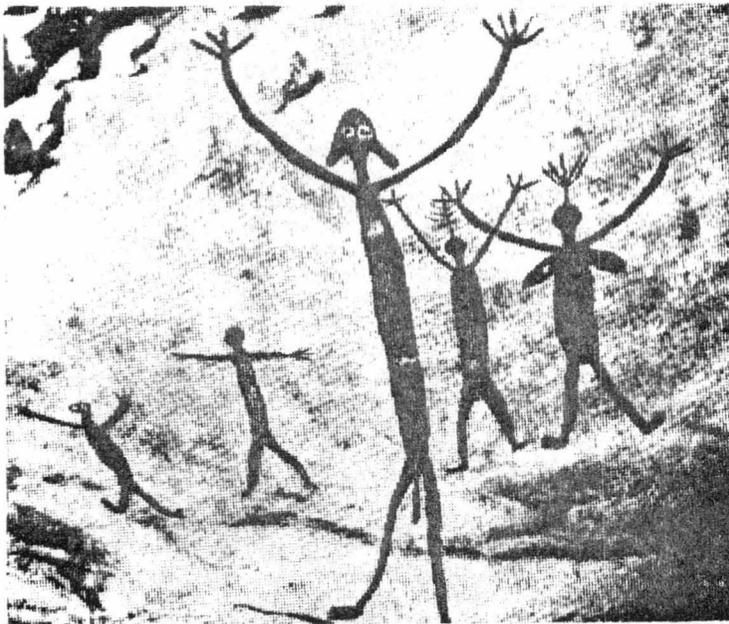
And Prof. Clement Meighan of UCLA, an anthropologist and expert on Baja Indians, pointed out: "These weren't ocean going peoples. Any contact with people from another continent is highly unlikely."

— PAUL BANNISTER

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MYSTERIOUS FIGURES painted 25 to 30 feet above the cave floor are studied by Enquirer reporter Paul Bannister (right). Von Daniken says the similarities in the paintings he's seen all over the world — including the Australian cave painting (below) — convince him they commemorate visits by aliens from space.

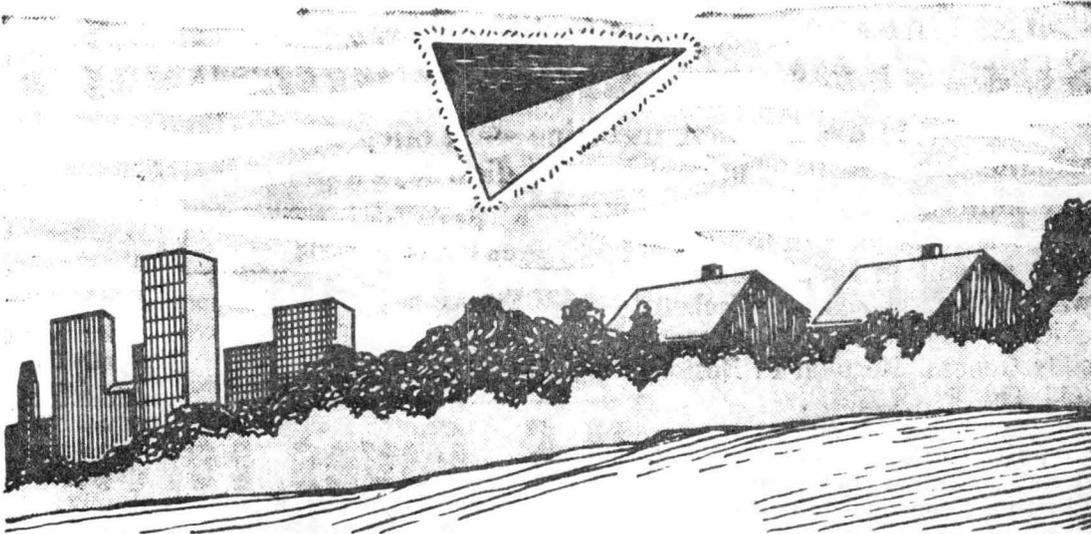


ANCIENT SPACESHIP? One of the paintings discovered in Mexico shows what appears to be a spaceship with flames shooting from its underside.

ANDERSON, IND. - BULLETIN
*****JULY 2, 1977*****

By The Bulletin Staff

UFO's anyone???? Early last Wednesday morning, two Anderson boys spotted a strange phenomenon in the sky. Steve Kinnard, 14, 3112 Wayside Lane, and a friend, Tony Newby were walking in the neighborhood near the Kinnard home when they saw a strange lighted object fly over the treetops around the Wesley Chapel on Eighth Street. "It was changing colors — red, green and yellow," the Kinnard boy told the Bulletin. "It was flying around the church in gigantic circles and doing loops up in the air." The object began approaching the two boys, and finally when it came within 50 yards of the boys, the colors turned into a bright white light. "We were scared to death," Kinnard said. "We took off running and this thing kept coming toward us. There was a light coming out on us — nothing else was lit up — it was just shining on us. It was almost like the thing was trying to communicate with us..... real spooky." The boys dashed for one of the houses in the neighborhood, and only when they reached the building did the object begin to back off. It kept backing on the same path it had approached the boys. Finally it changed back to its red, green and yellow colors before completely vanishing. The boys checked with the Anderson Airport; however the air terminal had received no reports of anyone else sighting the strange object. A call to the Anderson Police Department revealed that no one else within the city had reported a sighting. However, the boys are sticking by their story. "We wouldn't lie to you," one of them said. "You had to be there to believe it."



DRAWING of UFO spotted by police officers over Memphis. "What I saw was some aircraft not of this earth," said one. It had white glow about its silhouette.

Members of Police S.W.A.T. Team See . . .

Triangular UFO Big As Football Field

An awesome triangular UFO, big as a football field and lighted "like a flying Christmas tree," was observed soaring over Memphis by five police officers, all members of that city's elite S.W.A.T. squad.

The tactical squad officers, specially chosen for their intelligence, coolness and their skills with weapons, watched the gigantic metallic craft for up to three minutes before it blazed across the clear night sky at astounding speed and disappeared.

"It was approximately as long as a football field and 50 to 75 yards wide," Patrolman Troy L. Todd, 29, told *The ENQUIRER*.

"I believe what I saw was some aircraft not of this earth," he added with obvious awe.

Todd first spotted the eerie UFO about 3:30 a.m. May 17, hovering over some high-tension wires. Moments later he and his partner, Patrolman Jerry W. Jeter, observed it hovering 500 feet above a golf course.

They got out of their van and watched it for "two to three minutes."

"It was a triangular-shaped object with white, red and green lights, and a white glow about the silhouette itself," said Todd.

Added Jeter: "We were not directly under it, but at a slight angle, about two blocks away, and we could see

By BOB PRATT

the whole belly of the craft. "It had red and green lights flashing alternately with either portholes or real dim lights along the sides.

"We had a rifle with a telescopic sight in the police van, but by the time I got it out and up to my shoulder, this craft turned slightly, two red lights came on at the rear and it just shot out of sight, at such speed it was unbelievable."

Todd said the huge craft made no noise as it zipped across the sky and vanished over the horizon. He added: "Weather conditions were extremely clear that night.

"Visibility was about 15-20 miles."

As soon as they reported what they had seen to the police radio dispatcher, Patrolman Michael L. Davidson asked them by radio if the object they had seen was triangular and had multicolored lights.

Then Davidson reported that he and two other S.W.A.T. patrolmen, John R. Birdsong and Forrest E. Bartlett, had seen the same object 4½ hours earlier, while they were in a police substation parking lot.

According to Birdsong, when Bartlett first sighted the strange object he exclaimed: "It looks like a flying Christmas tree!"

Davidson said they thought it might be some type of aircraft from the Millington Naval Air Station, which is eight miles north of the police substation.

But a Navy spokesman there said, "There is no flight training here, no experimental craft . . . this is a training base for people who work on airplanes."

Ed Becton, a supervisor at the Federal Aviation Administration control tower at Memphis International Airport, told *The ENQUIRER*:

"We checked with all the air traffic controllers who were on duty at the time and they had nothing on radar in that area, and they saw nothing visually."

Capt. O.B. Holcomb, commander of the Memphis Tactical Squad, said the five officers who reported seeing the UFO are "responsible men.

"They're not the type to make up stories," he emphasized.

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THEY SAW IT: Patrolman Jerry Jeter shows how he pointed rifle at UFO to watch it through telescopic sight, as colleague Troy Todd stands by.

MONROE, MICH. - NEWS
*****JUNE 30 1977*****

UFO Cited -

Sheriff's deputies were called to a home on Woodland Dr., Bedford Township, late Wednesday when a woman there reported seeing an unidentified flying object. The woman told police that she was looking out her bedroom window when she saw this "flying saucer"-type object about 300 feet off the ground northeast of her home. The object had white lights on the side and a red one on the top. It was moving northeast, she said.

Don't look behind you!

Sasquatches, UFOs are McMicken monthly fare

by Barry Remsberg

"There are more things in heaven and earth, Horatio, than are dreamt of in your philosophy."

Shakespeare's Hamlet had a mere ghost in mind when he thus criticized his friend's skepticism.

After hearing the monthly Phenomena Review at the McMicken Heights Community Club, ghosts sound pretty tame.

In fact, a ghost like Hamlet's on the castle battlements would be a delight compared to giant screaming sasquatches that lurk in the woods with glowing eyes, large cat-like creatures that bite off pig's ears and so many unidentified flying objects bent on hotshot flying and abduction of earthlings that it's a wonder more aren't downed with dented fenders.

This mixed bag of horror tales and science fiction (?) stories is served up every month by Phenomena Review director Dan Edwards.

The purpose of the organization, however, is not to frighten and amaze, but inform.

BY INVESTIGATING, cross-checking and publicizing unexplained phenomena, Edwards and his associates hope to get rid of the "crackpot" labels often pasted by the public on those who report sasquatch and UFO experiences.

Robert J. Gribble, of the Seattle-based UFO Reporting Center, estimated Friday at the McMicken Heights meeting that only about one in every 1,000 persons sighting UFOs overcome their fear of being laughed at enough to phone in a report.

Sasquatches, reported Jacob Davidson, associate director of Phenomena Review, have been sighted throughout history all over the world.

The "predominant" appearance is that of a large, upright hairy beast with from two to five toes, a cry like a horribly screaming woman, a tendency to throw rocks, sometimes glowing eyes and a liking for areas fairly close to water.

"It is a common misconception that the creatures are benevolent," Davidson said.

TO SUPPORT his point, he told of the experience of a New Jersey farming family.

Last month, he said, the family found that their pet rabbits had been mutilated during the night, as if something had simply squeezed them to death. Strangely, there was no blood, the inference being the mutilator had sucked it up.

A hairy, seven-foot-tall creature was later sighted in the farmyard at night under a bright mercury-vapor light, Davidson said.

When fired on with shotguns and a .22-caliber rifle, the beast escaped into a nearby swamp.

"This type of occurrence is more normal than people seem to understand," Davidson said.

Closer to home, Davidson told of a farming family near Machias, east of Everett, who began hearing frightening screams in the woods this April.

The screams, which were long and drawn out, reportedly had an "absolutely tremendous" volume and ended in a "clunk," Davidson said.

May 8, he said, the screams were heard at the same time as a loud "humming" sound and have not been heard since.

THE SASQUATCH'S SCREAM has been simulated with audio equipment by a man who heard it in the northern California woods, said Joy Nelson, a sasquatch researcher. The same man had also filmed a sasquatch walking across a creek bed, Nelson said.

Nelson played a tape of the simulated scream for the approximately 15 persons attending the Phenomena Review.

It sounded extremely creepy.

Persons who had heard the presumed sasquatch scream in the woods confirmed that the simulated scream sounded almost like the real thing, Nelson said.

Davidson reported a variation of the sasquatch that looks like a very large cat, "bigger than a German Shepherd," which has been sighted on a number of farms in the Midwest this year.

Its method of operation, Davidson said, is to tear or somehow cut

off the ears of pigs and sheep.

Anticlimactically, Gribble reported the month's UFO sightings, which included:

— May 16: a triangular flying object "as big as a football field," which was sighted by five law enforcement officers near Memphis, Tenn.

— May 20: a "large disk with a dome" that landed near Sacramento, Calif., and let out four human-like creatures in an apparent attempt to abduct two boys who saw the landing. The boys ran and notified the sheriff. Such "landing and abduction cases seem to be the trend here and overseas," Gribble said.

— May 28: A flying object that lifted a passenger car five feet off the road for 15 seconds in northern California and made the driver "numb."

— June 4: Five flying objects that appeared to dive into San Francisco Bay; similar objects 30 minutes later near Visalia, about 200 miles away.

"THINGS HAVE BEEN QUIET recently," Gribble apologized.

The UFO Reporting Center "hot line" is 722-3000.

Phenomena Review director Dan Edwards can be reached at 723-7610.

THE DETROIT NEWS - MICHIGAN
*****JULY 31, 1977*****

Meteorite falls on island

TANANARIVE, Malagasy Republic (AP) — A meteorite entering the earth's atmosphere split in two yesterday and both chunks fell on this island off the southeast coast of Africa, officials said. They reported one piece gouged a crater 787 feet in diameter at a site 250 miles south of Tananarive and the other carved a smaller crater 60 miles northeast of the capital.

1977: Year of the Ardent Believer

Whatever else 1977 may be, it is not the Year of Reason. It is, rather, a season of miracles and other supernatural manifestations—a euphoric time for congenital believers.

Take Laetrile, the latest cancer "cure." Despite the overwhelming testimony of the medical profession that this product is no more effective against cancer than root beer, 10 state legislatures this year, catering to popular opinion, have rushed to legalize it and circumvent the federal ban on its manufacture and sale.

It is not, however, exclusively a year for new phenomena, as witness the revival of interest in unidentified flying objects, commonly known as UFOs. Who would have guessed they were about to make a comeback?

Some think this can be traced to President Carter's recent confirmation of a report that he had personally seen a UFO. "I don't laugh at people any more," said the President, "when they say they've seen UFOs, because I've seen one myself." Others, though, contend that what the chief executive thought he saw coming over the horizon was really a flying BB (balanced budget), an object that up to now has been as illusory as a flying saucer.

Actually, the two objects have many of the same characteristics, in that they are the impalpable stuff of which dreams are made, are best observed at twilight, and appear headed for the earth but somehow never land. All right, but wait till 1980, says Budget Director Bert Lance.

While we are waiting for the balanced budget and flying saucers to arrive, it should be noted that they are not the only eye-popping things on the way. For over 30 years some of our most prominent citizens have been warning us that "the Russians are coming," although to the skeptical eye they appear to be receding.

Nevertheless, this optical illusion is so gripping that its principal proponents have now organized themselves into the Committee for the Present Danger. They are going to try to save the rest of us from the imminent Soviet invasion.

The U.S. mood seems to be catching, for even the Russians are now taking up ESP, which is short for extrasensory perception, hitherto thought to be an exclusive American form of clairvoyance. Those who practice ESP believe they can develop the mental telepathy to penetrate the mysteries of numbers such as the turn of a card or the fall of dice and hence, by extension, perhaps the movement of armies or what's on the mind of the enemy.

The arrest in Moscow of Robert Toth, an American foreign correspondent, accidentally revealed how seriously the Kremlin takes ESP. The dreaded Soviet secret police (KGB) grabbed Toth just as he was about to receive from Valery Petukhov, a dissident Russian scientist, the results of his exhaustive study of ESP. The KGB obviously regarded this as top secret, so it can only be concluded that the Soviets are planning to undermine the United States by extrasensory means. As the Committee for the Present Danger warns, the Russians will stop at nothing.

The Toth case might have been worse. Suppose that the Petukhov study had been on another flourishing cult like, say, assassination conspiracies. The Russians could hardly be blamed for wondering why the U.S. Congress is willing to spend millions of the taxpayers' dollars on still another dead-end effort to prove that John F. Kennedy and Martin Luther King Jr. were the victims of some dark, nameless plot.

Congress itself is well aware that it is money down the drain, but the object is to appease constituents who will never accept a rational explanation of the assassinations. After all, the U.S. Air Force spent \$500,000 on a two-year study to prove that UFOs are a figment of the imagination, but there are more flying-saucer fans today than ever before.

Another reason that cults are hard to kill is that they usually provide a handsome living for those who make a career of promoting them. The champions of the assassination conspiracies have been well rewarded, especially on

the lecture circuits. The merchandisers of Laetrile have made a fortune. A horde of professional Red-hunters have a vested interest in keeping alive what President Carter rightly calls an "inordinate fear" of communism.

Reporters who cover the various cult rallies often see much the same kind of audiences in attendance, whether the subject is UFOs, the fluoridation of water, assassinations, transcendental meditation, or the latest aberration of the John Birch Society, which is convinced that Dwight D. Eisenhower, hero of World War II, was a secret Communist agent.

There is this much to be said for Laetrile: It doesn't seem to do any harm, except to the degree that it is used as a substitute for tested cancer treatment. Moreover, an army of Americans who annually spend millions of dollars in the innocent but tenacious belief that baldness can be reversed are hardly in a position to scorn those who are devotees of other mirages.

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THE HARTFORD COURANT - CONN. -
*****JULY 16 1977*****

UFO Sighted In Ellington

ELLINGTON — An Orchard Street man reported late Thursday night that he had spotted an unidentified flying object in the southern sky.

George Polozic said he first spotted the red and green stationary object at about 10 p.m. after his mother, who had been outside, told him she had seen something in the sky.

Polozic said that after seeing the object he drove to the Vernon Police Department where he pointed it out, using binoculars, to three police officers.

Vernon Police Lt. Emilio Pellegrini confirmed that he saw two blinking lights in the sky but said he had no idea of what it was.

Saucer sightings began when he was 8

In his first book, Howard Menger claims his initial sightings of flying saucers came soon after his family moved to High Bridge when he was eight years old.

He and his brother told their parents that they saw two disk-shaped objects—one about 10 feet in diameter on the ground, and a larger one hovering in the air, the book says.

There was no contact then, but two years later, Menger maintains, he came upon a beautiful blond woman sitting on the bank of a stream. She was wearing "radiant" clothing and addressed Menger by name. She said she was from another planet and that he would be contacted again in the future.

Menger said that when he was in the Army, he was visited by men and women with "finely chiseled features" who showed no resemblance whatsoever to the little green men depicted in science fiction. Besides looking like stunningly beautiful humans, they gave off vibrations of great spiritual development. They said they came from Venus and Mars.

Soon after returning to High Bridge at the close of World War II, Menger says, he saw a fireball in the sky that turned into a bell-shaped metallic spaceship. The spaceship landed, and three figures emerged—two handsome men and the woman he had seen on the stream bank 14 years before, Menger says. The woman explained that she was 500 years old, but, being a

Venusian, she did not age physically, he says.

Menger claims he was told not to reveal the visitors' presence until 1957, but the story leaked a year early when he showed pictures of the flying saucers to his family to explain his habit of disappearing in the middle of the night.

It was in August of 1956 that Menger claims to have taken his first ride on a UFO. He was allowed to enter the bluish metallic ship for a short hop across the county and was taught to communicate through telepathy.

On a later trip that lasted only a half hour, Menger says, he was taken to Venus, where he saw "beautiful domed buildings" set in suburban-like settings of woods and lakes.

Trips to the moon followed and Menger says he found he could breathe on the surface with little difficulty.

The book also describes Menger's split with his first wife, Rose. He divorced her to marry his current spouse who, he said, he first met on Venus while he was a resident of Saturn.

The book explains that this took place in a previous existence. The current Mrs. Menger says that when she was reborn on this planet she lost all memory of Venus. Her husband, however, describes their meeting on Venus in his book. It says the second Mrs. Menger was a sister of the Venusian woman he saw on the streambank as a child.—B. Bleyer

Update on UFOs

(Appleton Post-Crescent)

The young man in Door County who reported that he had often seen UFOs and even talked to two of their passengers — one from Saturn and one from Jupiter — had a grand sense of the ridiculous, an overactive imagination or he was telling the absolute truth. There is still a lot of confusion on the subject among some scientists as well as for the rest of us earthlings.

Members of the American Astronomical Society were recently polled on their attitudes toward UFOs. Of those who answered, 53 per cent said they deserved more scientific research and 75 per cent wanted to know more about them. The scientists were also concerned about the ridicule that usually accompanies reports of UFO sightings and the growing gap between the scientific community and the lay "ufologist." The latter usually reports flashing lights, small creatures with bulbous heads and big eyes and antennae. The former are probing more into parapsychological phenomena.

"The religious nuts are muddying the waters for everyone," Dr. J. Allen Hynek, professor of astronomy at Northwestern University, claims. "People are looking for pseudoscientific explanations for God." But the Reverend Salvador Freixedo, a Jesuit priest, argues that "if we wait for the scientists, we'll never get an answer." Dr. Hynek says that he is satisfied that a UFO phenomenon exists but that it may not mean there are other civilizations on other planets. So far probes have failed to find conditions that could support life as we know it anywhere else although the possibility remains for more distant planetes.

Whether UFOs are creatures of human imagination, the result of wanting them to exist, machines of a secret military program or reilly extra-terrestrial beings, they show no sign of going away. Aside from their conversational value, they probably represent one of those mysteries that humankind needs.

Many people in Northeastern Wisconsin have reported seeing unidentified flying objects.

Last March, several persons in Door County reported seeing objects near Bailey's Harbor and Sister Bay.

In 1972, an 11-year-old boy living near Shawano was taken to a doctor because he said his eyes hurt. The doctor found that the boy's eyes had been strained from staring at a bright light. The boy said the light from a UFO had hurt his eyes.

Anyone Lose This?

(PAGE ONE)

By TOM SCHULTZ
Staff Writer

The U.S. Army may have lost something last Friday afternoon.

And Mrs. Naomi Goodge of 1375 Pleasant dr. found it in her garage Wednesday morning.

When Goodge opened the garage door, she first noticed a torn piece of cardboard, usually kept in the rafters, laying on the floor.

Then she spotted the busted table leg and circle of crumbled concrete. A glance up the side wall revealed a splintered cross beam and a hole in the roof.

"I unlocked the door and said, 'What's been in here?' Goodge recounted. "I got my neighbor and he found it" at the back of the garage.

"It" was an 18-pound, bowl-shaped object with a flat-black appearance and a series of letters and numbers and a jagged ribbon of soldering material around its lip.

According to Sgt. Ed Gorgacz of the Warren State Police, it is believed the object broke loose from a helicopter which was in the vicinity last Friday and landed in the Mowhawk ave. area, near the radio tower, to make engine repairs.

"Some branch (of the Armed Services) was passing through from Kentucky to New York or vice-versa to war games," said Gorgacz.

Trooper Gary Rain, who headed the State Police investigation, interviewed several residents of the area who saw the helicopter land, according to Gorgacz.

One of those residents, Jack Creek of 8 Kimberly ct., said the Army helicopter landed between noon and 1 p.m. Friday. His neighbor, John Wallo, confirmed the time and added that the two-prop Chinook helicopter was carrying 101st Airborne paratroopers from Camp Drum, N.Y., to Ft. Campbell, Ky.

"They (the pilot and crew) stuck right on the craft" to make repairs, said Wallo, but he was able to talk to the paratroopers. "One of them thought it (the malfunction) was one of motors."

Luckily, the object — as yet unidentified as to use — did not cause major damage. If it had gone through the garage roof



Mrs. Goodge Examines UFO Beneath Damaged Roof

five feet higher, Goodge's car would have been in its path; if its angle of descent had been steeper, a back porch patio awning, or the house, would have been hit.

Goodge figures the object crashed into her garage while she wasn't at home because, "You'd hear that even if you were in the house."

"I think the Devil is after me," she laughed. "Last summer, a tree fell on the patio roof and we had to replace it. And last hunting season, someone put a cherry bomb in the mailbox and it exploded."

"But He must be looking after me because they've all missed so far."

An attempt to gather further information on the helicopter, such as the reason for landing and the unit it was attached to, proved futile for the most part as a series of long-distance telephone calls between Camp Drum, N.Y., Ft. Campbell, Ky., and Ft. Rucker, Ala., failed to turn up answers.

However, the Staff Duty Officer for the Aviation Group at Ft. Campbell indicated only one Army helicopter was in the area last Friday and getting the information "shouldn't be hard to track down."

Sgt. Gorgacz has the same opinion. "It will come to pass tomorrow (Thursday)," he concluded, indicating he expects a quick wrap-up.

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Is Anybody Out There Watching?

By ALPHIE HYORTH

Consider this piece of information from The Zeta Reticuli Incident by Terence Dickinson. Let's suppose a trip to the stars that are, let's say, an arbitrary distance of 55 light years from our sun.

The purpose of the journey would be to find life forms on other planets. But to save ourselves some unexpected surprises, we'd only be looking for life as we know it.

That limitation is rather self centered since it casts aside every postulation of silicon or ammonia based life. But this is only a supposition.

The astronauts on this trip would only be looking for planets that could support earth-type life. The most important thing to look for when looking for habitable planets is a star that will allow the existence of those nets.

So after eliminating all the stars that either are too big, too young, too unstable, put out too much energy or rotate too fast, the planners would be left with a list of 50 possible stars to visit. That means 40 stars that could have planets revolving about them capable of harboring life—life that could just as well decide to visit the earth if they had the skills or the inclination.

Now this doesn't necessarily mean that there definitely is life on any one of these planets that might

not even exist. It does mean that theoretically speaking there could be somebody else out there. And people who believe in UFO's believe those extraterrestrial beings have taken the time to visit the earth.

An unidentified flying object (UFO) is simply that. It's an object someone sights in the sky that seems to have no explanation for its existence. That doesn't mean the object is an alien space craft. It just means that nobody can satisfactorily identify it. The Louisiana UFO Skynet (LUFOS) is a local organization which is dedicated to the "serious scientific research" of UFO's.

The stated main purpose of LUFOS, according to its executive director James LaChute, is investigation. LUFOS trains its investigators to evaluate reports of flying objects. They have access to a psychological stress evaluator, hypnosis and major national and international UFO organizations.

It's a mistake to assume that LUFOS goes looking for spaceships whenever there is a sighting. LaChute, who does a great deal of the investigating, takes the attitude that something did indeed happen. "People are generally afraid to talk about their experiences because

they are afraid someone will think they're crazy," LaChute pointed out.

That tends to keep a lot of sightings secret. "Whenever I talk to someone I try to get their permission to publish the story along with their name. You have to be very careful about that. But we do like to have their names published since it tends to encourage other people to come forward. I just found out about a group of sightings across the lake in 1974. The information just got over here because nobody wanted to talk about it," LaChute said.

The most interesting kinds of investigations, he noted, are the ones where someone was picked up by the UFO or came in contact with it. Remember the two Mississippi men, Charles Hickerson and Calvin Parker, who claimed they were taken aboard a spaceship in 1973?

According to LaChute, Parker has since had a nervous breakdown and is running a chicken farm somewhere in Mississippi. But Hickerson is still around and the descriptions he gives of the event today correspond closely to what he said four years ago. Hickerson also passed a psychological stress evaluator test.

"I think this proves that what happened was real to them. And I don't believe they were hallucinating either," LaChute said.

Consider the recent St. Bernard flap. A flap is a large group of sightings in an area. On the night of Jan. 21 of this year two off duty Ysloskey firemen reported sighting a bright light about 15 feet in diameter and 65 to 70 feet in the air. There was no sound or wind associated with the light. But the men did say they felt warmth.

At about the same time on the same night, LaChute said, a woman driving on St. Bernard Highway saw a silvery object with lights running around the edges. It followed the highway, stopped once then took off.

The next day LaChute received a radio report of an object sighted in Flora, Mississippi that fit the same general description as the one sighted in St. Bernard. The two main witnesses in Flora were Madison County Deputies.

"So you have three different reports by who didn't know what the others had reported, of witnesses what appears to be the same thing LaChute explained. But what is anybody doing about it? Why doesn't the government take the time to look into what seems to be legitimate claims of UFO sightings?

Well the government at one time did do some investigation. They

established what came to be known as "Project Bluebook." "It was an attempt by the Air Force to investigate UFO's," LaChute explained, "There were three people assigned to investigate a world-wide phenomenon. They weren't very professional about it and generally didn't take the whole thing very seriously."

Eventually in 1969, as the story goes, the Air Force commissioned the University of Colorado to do a definitive study of UFO's. The report, known as the Condon Report, concluded there was no such thing as a UFO. It had the effect of closing down Bluebook. LaChute clarified the findings, "Edward Condon, who headed the investigation, was extremely sceptical about UFO's. In summary the report says there had been no known sightings of UFO's. But 30 per cent of the sightings in his own report are listed as genuinely unidentifiable." The Condon committee took a lot of UFO sightings and did a great deal of re-investigation. LaChute then cited the Robertson Panel Report which concluded that there is indeed something to UFO's but they are not a threat to the United States. "But if you read between the lines of their third conclusion that UFO reports are clogging intelligence channels, you get the idea that they just wanted the whole thing cooled off. Anybody who wants a copy of that report can get one through the CIA Freedom of Information Coordinator," LaChute said.

There are those UFO investigators who hold that there is a government conspiracy to suppress evidence about UFO's. According to the theory the United States knows all about UFOs but they are keeping it a secret because they don't want to start a panic.

"That goes back to 1956 when a story was published charging the government had captured a flying saucer with alien bodies inside. The story turned out to be fiction but the theory has persisted. I don't think the government knows everything but I think they know something. And I don't think they know what to make of it," LaChute said.

UFO investigators, a fairly sceptical lot themselves, seldom make the jump from unidentified object to alien spaceship. But at times, LaChute notes, it's hard to do otherwise. "I mean things have been flying around for the last 30 years and then before that back to Biblical days. It would be difficult to say that it was a U.S. development when they haven't done anything with it in 30 years. I think we've been visited." LaChute concluded.

Survey shows majority believe in UFOs

In a survey recently conducted by Stanford University astrophysicist Peter A. Sturrock, 2,611 members of the American Astronomical Society (AAS) were asked whether they believe the UFO phenomenon merits scientific study. Of the 1,356 astronomers who replied, 23% said "certainly," 30% "probably" and 27% "possibly." Only 20% of the respondents replied negatively to the question.

These findings will no doubt be quoted and re-quoted by UFO supporters and writers for years to come. As, I might add, they should.

The survey reveals not only a dramatic change in astronomers' attitudes toward UFO research in general, but also a growing willingness on the part of astronomers to help solve what many believe to be a truly puzzling enigma. Over 80% of those polled stated they would like "to contribute to the resolution of the UFO problem."

Interestingly, 68% of the astronomers who said UFOs are worthy of scientific study had spent more than 365 hours reading about the subject. Only 29% of the pro-UFO group, it was discovered, had spent less than one hour on such reading.

In addition, 62 astronomers reported that they had either seen or detected a UFO. One astronomer stated that his pickup truck had stalled on a road near Cloudcroft, New Mexico, in 1974 when a large silver-gray object he had just spotted "turned upwards" and "accelerated rapidly in a vertical direction."

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Another astronomer, on board a ship off the coast of New Jersey in 1951, saw on radar a solid object - "not a false radar echo" - zipping by at 5,000 m.p.h.

Many of the astronomers, despite their scientific background, were - and still are - totally baffled by their sightings. One scientist, while on duty at an observatory in Arizona on the morning of March 24, 1967, sighted a strange white oval flying through the air.

"At first I thought it was a small plane like some I had seen around that time, painted white with little contrast," the astronomer wrote Sturrock. "But the shape was not right and the angular rate was too large for the angular size. Also there was no visible shadow of the usual monoplane upper wing.

"In fact there were no shadows visible at all, not even on the underside of what should have been a fuselage. The speed was too great for a balloon, except possibly at very close range. After perhaps 10 seconds of observation I realized that I was looking at something very unusual."

The astronomer judged that the device was about 70 meters across and was traveling just under the speed of sound, or Mach 0.9. The object was in view for almost a minute.

"I was very unsettled by this experience," the scientist concluded, "being as it was so strongly manifest that the object could not have been any conventional aircraft or balloon."

Sturrock feels that if astronomers ever hope to

solve the UFO problem they must first begin a steady exchange of information on the subject. "Since the UFO phenomenon deals primarily with reports of things seen in the sky, most often at night," Sturrock says in his 202-page final report, "it seems reasonable to look for a way to promote such an exchange of information among members of an astronomical organization."

Some members of the AAS have already begun to cooperate with one another on UFO investigations, and this enthusiasm will more than likely spread to others. But the key here is anonymity.

It must be noted that of the more than 1,300 AAS members who took part in Sturrock's survey, only two would allow their names to be published. Some of the UFO sighters in the group even requested that place-names be suppressed to avoid any possibility of their names being revealed.

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I have always been convinced flying saucers, or UFOs (unidentified flying objects) do exist. Now a respected astronomer from Cornell University who is also hailed as the world's best known exobiologist agrees. An exobiologist, I am told, is an expert in the study of extraterrestrial life.

He is Carl Sagan. He thinks the most likely places there could be life are Mars, Jupiter and one of Saturn's moons. Actually he doesn't believe in flying saucers as such, but he does believe we can use radio waves to search the stars for life. And he does believe there is life out there, but perhaps not looking just like us.

One thing Sagan doesn't believe in is astrology - he says it doesn't make any sense at all. "There is no data for it," he says.

RICHMOND, IND. - PALLADIUM ITEM
*****JULY 11, 1977*****

**UFO? Doubtful . . .
maybe a candle
or road flare!**

BOSTON - It could be UFO time again, as Sunday night a Wayne County Police unit was dispatched to south of here in search of a telephoned report of an Unidentified Flying Object "blood red and appeared to have landed."

A police spokesman said the report came in at 10:05 p.m. Unsurprisingly, the patrolman "found nothing," he said.

Joe Smith, manager of Sky Tech aviation service at Richmond Municipal Airport, had one explanation for the weird colored light, apparently seen by more than one person.

"I think it was a road flare south of here. I was on my way home last night and saw it. It was that or some kids playing with a Roman candle," Smith said.

Spooky and eerie it was, say Carlisle UFO spotters

By BERRY CRAIG
Sun-Democrat Staff Writer
BARDWELL, Ky. — UFO spotter Kevin Martin says it'll be a while before he sleeps with his bedroom window open again.

The 12-year-old Carlisle County youth was among the first of several area residents, including state police in Kentucky and Illinois, to report strange lights in the sky early Tuesday morning. "It was a real spooky feeling," Kevin recalls. "I've never seen anything like it before and I hope I never do again."

Out-of-town guests had caused him to retire later than usual Monday night. The air conditioning was on the blink and before turning in, Kevin opened his window.

"I was just laying down and looking out and there it was," said the youth, remembering that the time was about 2:15 a.m.

Mrs. Martin was in the kit-

chen with her houseguests when Kevin burst in wide-awake about 2:30 with the story

of strange blinking lights in the northeast sky. They followed the seventh grader back to his



*UFO spotters Kay
and Kevin Martin*

At 3 a.m., Mrs. Martin decided it was time to contact the authorities. She put in a call to the local Disaster and Emergency Services unit at Bardwell but didn't get an answer. So she dialed the state police at Mayfield and got dispatcher Dennis Crawford.

After listening to Mrs. Martin's story, Crawford radioed a trooper on patrol to look for the lights, but the officer didn't see any. The dispatcher then phoned the Illinois State Police at Cairo and was told the lights weren't visible there either.

Crawford then stepped outside and saw the lights. Unable to account for the peculiar sight, he awakened Major Bobby Haddock, visiting the post from Frankfort. "I had to come up with some explanation and thought he could help," laughed Crawford. "He verified the sighting but couldn't explain it any better than I could."

The dispatcher called Cairo again and this time was told the lights were visible over the Southern Illinois town. Crawford proceeded to phone several air traffic control and weather facilities to try to identify the lights but he came up empty-handed.

Mrs. Martin added that after she called the police, the UFO began to move away slowly, climbing to the north. "It was almost like the thing knew we were watching it," she smiled. As the UFO retreated, it took on a different shape — a kind of pulsating greenish-white half moon above two small red lights.

"We watched it until it appeared in the sky about like a star," said Kevin. "It was about 5 then and we were so tired we just went to bed."

"I was pretty skeptical about UFOs like everybody else I guess," said Mrs. Martin. "But we saw something and whatever it was it sure gave us an eerie feeling."

NIAGARA FALLS GAZETTE - N.Y.
*****JUNE 25 1977*****

Woman tells of local UFO

WILSON — The barking of dogs and a "strange red glowing light" Friday morning sparked a report of an unidentified flying object to Niagara County Sheriff's deputies.

Jane Sherman, 3751 Beebe Road, told deputies she was awakened by the barking of area dogs and investigated the disturbance. She reported a strange red glowing light over the woods near her home.

She said she called her daughter and son-in-law, who live next door. They joined her in watching what appeared to be a craft hover over the wooded area. They reportedly watched for 15 minutes and told the deputy arriving on the scene the craft disappeared, traveling in an easterly direction, as he approached.

bedroom and outside the window, the UFO was still hovering.

"It was in the northeast sky over toward Illinois and looked like it was about 3,000 to 5,000 feet up," says Mrs. Kay Martin. "I don't mind telling you I got a very eerie feeling when I saw it."

Kevin described the UFO as a large white light — he said it appeared about "baseball size" in his window — with smaller blinking and green lights above and below it. "It wasn't exactly sitting still either," added Mrs. Martin. "It was sort of bobbing around."

Binoculars revealed that the object would pulsate, alternately obscuring the red and green lights. Kevin lamented that his visiting friend hadn't brought his telescope along. "This was the first time he didn't — we could have gotten a real good look at it if he had."

Some Scientists Aren't Joking About UFOs

BY JOHN D. MOORHEAD

CHICAGO—Comedians make jokes about them. There are wild tales of encounters with bulb-headed saucer creatures.

Yet respectable people all over the world continue to see things in the sky they cannot explain.

The persistence and global spread of these reports has moved astronomer J. Allen Hynek from skepticism to the view that unidentified flying objects (UFOs) should be given serious study.

Dr. Hynek was in Chicago recently attending the first International UFO Congress—a meeting of about 1,000 people interested in the scientific study of UFOs, dubbed "ufology."

The meeting is another sign that, along with the sensational claims of visits from outer space, a disciplined inquiry into the reports is growing.

"The UFO phenomenon has just refused to dry up and blow away," says Dr. Hynek, one of the leaders in the movement to bring discussion of UFOs down to earth.

For almost 30 years he has been analyzing sighting reports, first for the United States Air Force and later as head of the Center for UFO Studies in Evanston, Ill. Along with being one of the world's foremost experts on UFOs, he is a professor of astronomy at Northwestern University.

Dr. Hynek's achievements include organization of the far-flung Operation Moonwatch, groups of volunteers recruited in 1957 to track the satellites of the budding U.S. space program.

The Soviet launching of Sputnik 1 caught U.S. observers by surprise, but within hours the Moonwatch teams were able to provide sufficient information to accurately track Sputnik's course.

Dr. Hynek is respected for his open-mindedness toward the UFO phenomenon and has done much to reduce extreme speculation and polarized thinking about the subject.

"I started out (in 1948) a complete skeptic, putting it down to postwar nerves or a fad," Dr. Hynek recalls. "It has been a long and slow change to my feeling that there is a real phenomenon here. But I am a slow proceeder. I stop there. I cannot propound any one theory on what the phenomenon is."

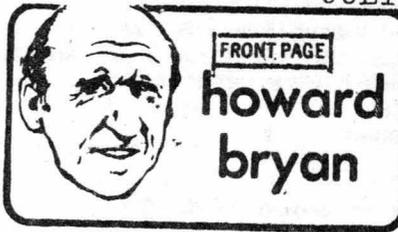
Dr. Hynek notes a recent poll of members of the American Astronomical Society by Stanford University researcher Peter Sturrock. Of those astronomers who responded, 53 per cent felt UFOs were worthy of scientific study.

Dr. Hynek publishes the International UFO Reporter, a monthly review (circulation 2,200) analyzing sightings and other developments. He hopes it will help counteract some of the false hoopla about "flying saucers," a label he feels has invited ridicule.

UFOs are associated in the public mind with hardware from outer space," Dr. Hynek says. "They may be; they may not be. One has to have facts before one has hypotheses."

His Center for UFO Studies maintains a "hot line" which police departments across the U.S. (but not the general public) can use to report UFO sightings. Investigator Allan Hendry checks with airport personnel, meteorologists and anyone else who might have a logical explanation for the two to four sighting reports that come in daily.

A Gallup Poll has found that about 15 million Americans have seen a UFO. About 90 per cent of the sightings eventually can be explained. That leaves about 150,000 mysteries.



I have never seen a flying saucer and am inclined to be rather skeptical about reports of flying saucer sightings.

Of course, I'll admit I don't spend a lot of time gazing into the skies looking for them, either.

OVER THE YEARS I have talked to many people who claimed to have seen flying saucers and a few who even

off the beaten path

claimed that they had been carried off by them for a while.

According to most of their stories, you don't have to look for flying saucers, because they come looking for you.

If one has been looking for me, it apparently has had a difficult time finding me.

What brings this all to mind is the fact that I have just finished reading a new book which indicates that UFOs are as common over the Four Corners area as hot air balloons are over Albuquerque.

from the Heavens — How UFOs Rocked the Town of Durango, Colorado," and it was published by the Exposition (pay-for-it-yourself) Press of Hicksville, N.Y.

The author is Ruth Light Starr, a Durango beautician and beauty shop owner.

Ms. Starr begins her book with one of the strangest stories I've ever heard.

She writes that she was visiting the Folsom Ranch five miles northeast of Durango on Christmas Eve, 1961, when a flying saucer soared in at midnight and landed on a mountaintop a short distance away.

SHE SAID IT was round, had hundreds of tiny blinking lights, and tiny rectangular windows lighted by a strange glow. After a while, the strange object sailed off again.

Then, at 3 o'clock the next afternoon, the family's pet dog came running into the house, dashed around the

room as if frightened to death, and dropped dead.

Ms. Starr and members of the Folsom hiked up the mountain to investigate the landing place.

What they found were some broken limbs, and some most unusual tracks in the snow.

A GERMAN SHEPHERD stood at the foot of a tall spruce barking furiously at the top of the tree, as if there was something up there, only there wasn't.

But there were a lot of strange tracks in the snow around the tree and around the area, the book says.

The author says some of the tracks were about 15 inches long and appeared to be the footprints of giant men who stepped right over fences to investigate a mountain cabin nearby.

ALSO, THERE were tracks resembling three hooves attached together in cloverlike fashion, tracks with four prongs, tracks that looked like some giant frog had leaped from place to place, and kangaroo-like tracks with three round footprints and the print of a tail between.

No wonder the dogs were scared to death.

All this aroused Ms. Starr's interest in UFOs, naturally, and she devotes the rest of her book to her UFO investigations and of many UFO sightings in the Four Corners region to the present time.

SHE TELLS OF flotillas of flying saucers over Farmington, and wonders if the four well-dressed men who were seven feet tall who sat next to her in the Western Steak House at Durango were visitors from outer space.

Once, she followed some strange tracks which disappeared into a grave in a cemetery. How do you explain that?

The daughter of an evangelist, the author quotes the Bible at length to explain these "Wonders from the Heavens."

I'm still skeptical about it all.

Local man sights UFO for second year in row

Many people reportedly have viewed flying saucers or other strange objects in the sky at some time in their life, but for Gus Garcia, 2628 Newburg Road, the strange occurrence happened two years in a row almost to the same day.

Needless to say, it has him wondering, and he's curious to know if anyone else in the area may have seen the rocket-shaped object in the sky Tuesday afternoon.

Garcia explained he'd enjoyed a family picnic near his home on July 11, 1976, and was relaxing on a bench about 6 p.m. when he first saw the flying ship.

He described it as low-flying, probably at about a 10,000 feet altitude, and called for his family to observe the object, but it had disappeared before they reached the yard.

There were no lights on the object, Garcia said, and it had

only two small wings at the end, which led him to describe it as a rocket. He said it looked as though it were constructed of metal or some type of aluminum.

On Tuesday, he was in the yard with his six-year old daughter, who was playing in her small pool, Garcia said, when the object reappeared in the sky. He pointed it out to her, and she too observed it, he said.

Garcia said he has spoken recently to a person who studies

unidentified flying objects, and he said they often have scheduled flights, reappearing, as this one did, on the same day. The interesting fact in the matter in 1976 was a leap year, which may explain why it was sighted one day later.

Garcia said friends urged him last year to inform someone of the sighting, but he decided against it. Two years in a row left him wondering, however, and no doubt, next year at this time he will have his eyes turned skyward.

BELVIDERE, ILL. - REPUBLICAN
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'UFO has split up my family'

Has a man from Mercury broken up the happy home of Giovanni Cosio?

Giovanni's wife, Rosaria, claims that she saw a man from space and wants to go away with him. Giovanni, a 40-year-old dentist from Sicily, thinks she's going crazy.

His wife has already fled from home taking the furniture and the children. She wants to be a disciple of the alien, who she calls Aglios.

It started around the middle of 1971, when Rosaria saw something diaphanous, mysterious, beautiful. And she heard words which left her unable to move.

Giovanni Cosio, 40, then a happily married man, is now in a desperate search to discover the truth behind what happened, so that he can save his marriage.

According to Rosaria, Aglios began to appear to her regularly even at home but never to her husband.

"You earthlings are children of hate," he said. "The earth is a place of hate and jealousy and for this reason destruction is coming. We're here to help you."

"If it's true what my wife says," Cosio declares, "then let her bring me some positive proof — a recording of Aglios' voice, for example."

Unbearable

Rosaria said she would have to talk to Aglios. The answer came back. He couldn't do it because his leaders did not allow it.

Cosio managed to bring his wife back home but life was unbearable. He had to cope not only with her but with her visions of Aglios. Rosaria became pregnant and had a daughter by the name of Dorothy — a concession to earth customs.

But now she has left again, and Cosio has decided to bring the matter to the courts.

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Giovanni... deserted



His wife Rosaria

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UFO at Mercer?

Two young Mercer men were startled by an unidentified flying object recently.

Jim and Mike Sutherland said a bright red light appeared over their new water town located south of Mercer on Hwy. 51. As the two were nearing their home, they said the light descended from its position over the tower and changed to an orange color while increasing in size.

They claimed the light then turned to a bright white which blinded them momentarily before it veered towards the Sutherland home, rose in the sky, and disappeared within seconds.

Mrs. Sutherland said she saw the bright light out of the house window and assumed someone had given the boys a ride home and the light was from a car.

The sighting occurred Saturday night, June 25, around 10:30 p.m.

Bossier family says it saw flying saucer

By Bill Keith
 Of The Times Staff

A flying saucer in Bossier Parish?

That's what the Skip Wendling family says.

Three members of the family said they saw the unidentified flying object (UFO) during the predawn hours Wednesday morning at their home on Old Palmetto Drive in the Cypress-Black Bayou area of Bossier Parish.

Lori Wendling, 15, said after she watched McCloud on television Tuesday night she turned off the lights and went to bed.

"Then I saw this light in my room and it was fluorescent and lit up the whole yard — and there were red lights all around it," Lori said.

She said she went to the window and looked out and the UFO was hovering about 10 feet in the air, just above an opening between the sprawling ranch-style Wendling home and the road. It was about 30 to 40 feet wide, she said.

"It was a dome-like thing and was all white and the base was the shape of a stop sign and red lights kept going around the base like the lights on grandma's police scanner," Lori said. "When it started to rise it made a humming sound like a whang, whang, whang."

Lori's father, Skip Wendling, a former National Aeronautics and Space Administration employe in Houston, Tex., and now with a local sales manufacturing company, said his daughter was frightened and panicky when she ran to the parents' bedroom and started pounding on the door.

"I knew she was scared and too wide awake to be fooling around — there was no humpty-dumpty business about at all," Wendling said.

Wendling went to get his gun to fire at whatever it was but Lori said, "Don't, they may be smarter than we are."

When he finally looked out the window the UFO had disappeared, he said. Then he went back to bed and told his wife not to disturb him since he had to get up at 6 a.m.

About an hour later Lori went outside and saw the object again in the sky. She immediately

called her mother and sister Shari, 12, and showed them the UFO.

"I know what I saw and I know what Lori saw and I'll never forget it," Mrs. Wendling said. "And I hope this will encourage other people who may have seen it to speak up."

Mrs. Wendling described the UFO as being high above the house and in the shape of a plus sign.

"It had red and white lights and about daylight it shot higher into the sky," Mrs. Wendling said.

According to Mrs. Wendling, she, Lori and Shari watched the UFO for about four hours.

"Just the thought of something being in your yard and knowing what you are doing is frightening," Mrs. Wendling said. "It's so odd that it stayed right there in the yard until Lori got out of bed — then it left."

Mrs. Wendling said the family had decided not to say anything to anyone about the incident.

"We knew people wouldn't believe it and would think we were crazy," she said.

The next day, however, she learned that 14-year-old Nancy Corbin, who lives down the road, also heard the "whang, whang, whang" buzzing sound but did not see the object.

Mrs. Wendling told her mother, Mrs. George Gregory, who also lives on Old Palmetto Drive, about the incident and Mrs. Gregory thought someone should be told about it and called The Times.

Wendling said he has believed in UFOs for years.

"God didn't make all those stars out in space just for one race of people on earth to look at," Wendling said. "I don't think we're far from knowing all about it."

Wendling said he did not see the UFO high in the sky because he had gone back to sleep. But the next morning after his wife and two daughters explained what they had seen he knew something significant and weird had taken place.

"None of us have got much sleep around here the last three nights," Wendling said. "The whole family, including our two younger boys, have been sleeping in our bedroom." /

U.F.O. Trip

Some 20 persons were reported missing in and near Newport, Ore., in October 1975 after a man and a woman had visited the area and offered to help people ascend to a superhuman level aboard a spaceship.

The state police and the county sheriff's office began to look into both the disappearances and the possibility of fraud by the mission's organizers, who were known variously as "the Two" or "Bo and Peep."

The investigations are closed. Most of those who left "eventually drifted back," says Lieut. Robert Rothermel, station commander for the state police in the Newport area. No crime by the organizers was found after "quite an extensive" police effort, he adds, observing:

"They were just telling these people that there was a Promised Land somewhere out there in the universe."

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 Ida Mae Eastwood, St. Cloud, Rt. 1, reported sighting an unidentified flying object Thursday.

"I was driving down Nova Road at 10:30 in the morning when I saw these greyish airplanes with no wings about treetop height," she said. "My daughters were in the car with me and they saw it too."

"We were about a half mile past that Marine Construction Co. when we saw the things. They were very close, closer than a couple hundred yards. They made no sound."

"They were there and then they were gone," she said.

"My daughter said to me, 'Momma, did you feel like you didn't really see them.' And she was right. They were gone so quick."

"There were two of them; one was flying a little in front of the other."

"It was weird, really weird," she said. "I don't drink but I swear after I saw that I thought I needed one." /

Greg Kannon explores the unexplained

By JOE PUMILIA
Staff Writer

The man from "The Unknown" was in town recently.

When writer Gregory M. Kannon, author of "The Unknown" column appearing Thursdays in the Pasadena Citizen, visited our offices he was immediately regaled with personal accounts of UFOs and other strangeness and asked his opinion on a variety of esoteric topics.

Regular readers know that "The Unknown" deals with UFOs, ghosts, vampires, poltergeists, prophetic dreams and the whole closetful of occult and borderline scientific phenomena.

Kannon is in the area vacationing among family. For many years his father was with Boeing at Johnson Space Center. Kannon was born in Nebraska, but lived a number of years in San Antonio.

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He sported a sunburned arm from a recent fishing trip at Galveston, not having had recent experience with a weird Texan phenomenon called "sunshine." He now resides in Nova Scotia.

"I guess I look like the Creature from the Black Lagoon," he said, displaying the burn.

His column appears in newspapers in Canada and the U.S. and syndication has been on the upswing since its appearance a few years ago.

UFOs are Kannon's favorite column topic. He used to write about them in high school. Now, at 28, with a degree in political science from the University of Arizona, 10 years of study for concert violinist, and jobs as photojournalist and political columnist behind him, he has returned to UFOs and other unusual fields of study.

"The main purpose of my column is to entertain people," he said. "People need something to contemplate

besides their mortgages or nine to five jobs. If I can get one person to read a column and say, 'Isn't that interesting!' then I've succeeded in what I want to do."

He started out like most teens, reading books on UFOs. Later he became a UFO field investigator for the Aerial Phenomena Research Organization, and then provincial director in Nova Scotia for the Mutual UFO Network.

Expanding into other areas of "the unknown," he began interviewing people like Kreskin the mentalist, and Charles Berlitz, a writer on the mysterious Bermuda Triangle of missing ships and planes.

A lot of traveling is necessary to meet people, since few experts in "unknown" subjects go to Nova Scotia. He also subscribes to about 50 publications dealing with the subjects he writes about.

"Unidentified flying objects have always held the most fascination for me. I think the evidence is more compelling for this particular phenomenon than for some others. Not that they're necessarily from outer space. UFOs could turn out to be some unexplained atmospheric phenomena." Or something even stranger, he speculates.

Not all UFO incidents are as mysterious as some he has included in his column.

A case he looked into in Tatamagousche, Nova Scotia, proves all UFOs are not worth getting excited about. A farm family was spotting squadrons of UFOs nightly. A self-proclaimed psychic from Ontario, who had (she claimed) undergone brain surgery at the hands of outer space creatures, got the local inhabitants all riled up about the "spaceships."

Kannon concluded that the "UFOs" had several causes, all natural. Some cases seem to have been corona discharge, an electrical effect on high power lines.

"When my column on this came out," he said, "it just killed the story. They were honest people, but they got overly excited by this lady psychic. People were driving in from thousands of miles away. In the total number of cases, there is a small residuum which defies explanation.

Anyone who claims to know what it is, is just guessing. But it's fun, and there could be scientific pay dirt in it."

Ghosts are another favorite topic.

"I get letters from kids asking me to send them everything I have on ghosts," he smiles. "Ghosts could be psychic projections, or some force we don't know about, not necessarily dead people walking around. It's like poltergeists. All the evidence shows that poltergeists are probably something like psychokinesis, people using mind power subconsciously to cause objects to move. I don't believe poltergeists are spirits. Studies show that the further from the person who is the center of the disturbance the moving objects are, the less they move - an attenuation effect.

"At Duke University, Dr. Roll has done a lot of study on this. The theory is that the phenomenon is caused by adolescents going through emotional turmoil, and venting these frustrations in a psychic manner unconsciously, like a psychic temper tantrum."

A collection of Kannon's columns will be appearing in book form sometime in the future. The book is now with his agent in New York, who, coincidentally, is the wife of Charles Berlitz, Valerie.

The book will have lots of photos and an extensive appendix listing UFO groups, sources of information, and a glossary of psychic terms.

In addition, there is a possibility that he may script a UFO documentary film for a studio in British Columbia. The producer became interested in UFOs while on assignment for the National Film Board of Canada in Saskatchewan. He made films there of an object that hovered in the sky all afternoon before racing off. Military jets, ostensibly on routine maneuvers, were in the sky for much of the time. The story of the UFO appeared in local papers only.

"Most good UFO cases are never reported. In the National Archives in Ottawa are hundreds of cases that were never investigated. I've just filed a petition to have these released to the public."

Aside from his writing, he runs a film society in Halifax, N.S.

"We show science fiction and horror films at Dalhousie University weekly. We show all the classics from the '40s and '50s, and that's a lot of fun."

One of his favorites is the Ray Harryhausen flick "Earth vs. The Flying Saucers."

Martin family, state troopers spot UFOs

By BERRY CRAIG
UFO-spotter Kevin Martin says it'll be a while before he sleeps with his bedroom window open again.

The 12-year-old Carlisle County youth was among the first of several area residents, including state police in Kentucky and Illinois, to report strange lights in the sky early Tuesday morning July 12. "It was a real spooky feeling," Kevin recalls. "I've never seen anything like it before and I hope I never do again."

Out-of-town guests had caused him to retire later than usual Monday night. The air conditioning was on the blink and before turning in, Kevin opened his window.

"I was just laying down and looking out and there it was," said the youth, remembering that the time was about 2:15 a.m.

Mrs. Martin was in the kitchen with her houseguests when Kevin burst in wide-awake about 2:30 with the story of strange blinking lights in the northeast sky. They followed the seventh grader back to his bedroom and outside the window, the UFO was still hovering.

"It was in the northeast sky over toward Illinois and looked like it was about 3,000 to 5,000 feet up," says Mrs. Kay Martin. "I don't mind telling you I got a very eerie feeling when I saw it."

Kevin described the UFO as a large white light-- he said it appeared about "baseball size" in his window--with smaller blinking and green lights above and below it. "It wasn't exactly sitting still either," added Mrs. Martin. "It was sort of bobbing around."

Binoculars revealed that the object would pulsate, alternately obscuring the red and green lights. Kevin lamented that his visiting friend hadn't brought his telescope along. "This was the first time he didn't --we could have gotten a real good look at it if he had."

At 3 a.m. Mrs. Martin decided it was time to contact the authorities. She put in a call to the local Disaster and Emergency Services unit at Bardwell but didn't get an answer. So she dialed the state police at Mayfield and got dispatcher Dennis Crawford.

After listening to Mrs. Martin's story, Crawford radioed a trooper on patrol to look for the lights, but the officer didn't see any. The dispatcher then phoned the Illinois State Police at Cairo and was told the lights weren't visible there either.

Crawford then stepped outside and saw the lights. Unable to account for the peculiar sight, he awakened Major Bobby Haddock, visiting the post from Frankfort. "I had to come up with some explanation and thought he could help," laughed Crawford. "He verified the sighting but couldn't explain it any better than I could."

The dispatcher called Cairo again and this time was told the lights were visible over the Southern Illinois town. Crawford proceeded to phone several air traffic control and weather facilities to try to identify the lights but he came up empty-handed.

Mrs. Martin added that after she called the police, the UFO began to move away slowly, climbing to the north. "It was almost like the thing knew we were watching it," she smiled. As the UFO retreated, it took on a different shape--a kind of pulsating greenish-white half moon above two small red lights.

"We watched it until it appeared in the sky like a star," said Kevin. "It was about 5 then and we were so tired we just went to bed."

"I was pretty skeptical about UFOs like everybody else I guess," said Mrs. Martin. "But we saw something and whatever it was it sure gave us an eerie feeling."

CATSKILL, N.Y. - MAIL
****JULY 14, 1977****

Big Blackout Halts Trains To N.Y. City

CATSKILL - The power blackout in New York City has halted Amtrack train service in the area, a spokesman for the railroad passenger company in Hudson said this morning.

There is no power from Peekskill South, he said. Trains serving that area are electric to avoid pollution. He also said that no one is being allowed into the city "on foot, car, bus or bicycle."

Mountain View Coach Lines reported a bus due into the city at 12:45 this afternoon and said they had not been asked to stay out of the city.

Locally, there was some flickering of lights last night, but Everett Pelham, spokesman for Central Hudson, said the outage had no other effect locally. The problem initially was caused by lightning hitting transmission lines, he said, but subsequent damage to generating facilities made the situation worse.

Power went off in the city shortly before 9:30 p.m.

The New York Times was not printed and TV stations had to do without network "feed" from the Big Apple. Area radio stations had no UPI wire service; Associated Press was transmitting through Washington and service was maintained.

A lady from Waterford called a radio talk show to report seeing a UFO hovering over power lines before the lights went out in New York. She speculated that the saucer had sucked out the juice from the power line.

Motorists Newest Targets Of Probing UFOs

Mysterious UFOs have terrorized innocent people driving their cars in Pennsylvania and Iowa.

Reports to MODERN PEOPLE from the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP) reveal increasing evidence that UFOs are real.

The first case involves a woman who was traveling on route 410 near Big Run in central Pennsylvania. She and a friend were terrified as a bright light on a nearby hill caught their attention. It started moving toward them and stopped to hover over the front of the car. It appeared to be a flat disc encircled by windows from which shone blue and green lights.

Even though they were terrified, Mrs. Bowser and her friend could not help but watch as the UFO shot two bright, off-white beams of light directly onto the car as if testing it for metal content.

Pennsylvania State Trooper Phillip Dale was dispatched to the scene and confirmed the sighting. When he observed the UFO, it was high in the sky and appeared to rotate in a counter clockwise manner. For 30 minutes he followed the object until it traveled out of sight.

Then, in Hawarden Co., Iowa, 18-year old high school student Douglas Wilkens was driving home from a church youth meeting when suddenly a very bright white light zipped into view in front of his car. For 10 to 15 minutes the UFO harrassed him, seeming to mimic his every move. He drove faster, trying to elude the UFO, but it seemed to speed up just as he did.

When Wilkens finally got home, he ran inside and, crying, begged his mother, father and sister to come outside and view the object. It remained in sight for another 10 to 15 minutes.

Wilkens told a NICAP investigator the object was as bright as a star, grapefruit-sized and appeared to have four things sticking out of it—one on the top, one on the bottom, and one at each side.

In Vancouver, B.C., a cigar-shaped "blue flash" larger than a jumbo jet appeared over an airport early one morning, two employes of the Vancouver weather service report.

George Thrupp and Margaret Mancor saw the mysterious UFO just after their shift ended at midnight. They were driving in their car when the object appeared. It was orange on the top half and brilliant blue on the bottom. Black portholes were seen along the sides. It frightened them so much they had trouble sleeping for weeks.

"I was so stunned," cries Margaret. "I saw a blue flash. It was so fast I didn't get a good look at it. It was a

hazy blue, and it didn't make a noise."

Numerous San Francisco area citizens also report a UFO sighting.

They reported to the Santa Clara Co., Calif., sheriff's police that there was a bright red UFO in the sky. It was variously described as oval shaped, round, tree shaped and emitting white lights.

Pilots flying from the Reid Hillview private airport in San Jose, also reported they saw something in the sky.

UFO reported to police

Menomonee Falls police received a report of UFO's on July 6 the same night the squall system moved through the area.

According to police reports, Lynore I. Wiler, 28, of W156 N6959 Pilgrim Rd., Menomonee Falls, and Pennie A. Wiler, 16, of the same address, and Linda O. Wiler, 19, of West Bend, stated that they walked out of the Wiler house on Pilgrim Road, and from the back yard, saw several unidentified flying objects in the sky to the north.

Lynore said the objects appeared to be some form of aircraft, and were shaped similar to footballs. She said they appeared to have windows or porthole type openings along the sides.

She said the objects hovered above one another in definite patterns of threes and fours and moved rapidly across the sky, back and forth. She said she could not estimate the size, but stated that the objects did not make any noise as they flew

about. Lynore said the objects hovered in the sky for about two hours and would have been somewhere over the area of Main Street and Pilgrim Road. When police arrived, they were gone.

MENOMONEE FALLS WISC. - POST
*****JULY 13 1977*****

U.F.O.'s reported here

A group of unidentified flying objects was spotted hovering over an area near Main Street and Pilgrim Road July 7, shortly after a near tornado struck the village.

According to police reports, three people, Lynore, Pennie and Linda Wiler of W156 N6959 Pilgrim Rd., walked out of the house shortly after 9 p.m. and observed the U.F.O.'s in the north portion of the sky. They appeared to be some form of aircraft shaped similar to footballs with windows, or portholes in the sides, the observers said.

The objects, which flew in groups of threes and fours, reportedly hovered over the area for two hours. They did not make any noise as they flew, according to witnesses.

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FORUM

By JOHN CRAWFORD

WHEN WRITING Sunday's column, I ran out of space before putting in what I wanted to — the complete 1878 Denison Daily News story about the first flying saucer sighting ever.

(I mentioned Sunday that a man who saw nine UFOs 30 years ago is being billed as the first saucer sighter).

As reprinted from the Dallas Herald, a newspaper that is no longer in publication, and files of which apparently no longer exist, here is the story headlined: "A Strange Phenomenon."

"From Mr. John Martin, a farmer who lives some six miles north of this city, we learn the following strange story: Tuesday morning, while out hunting, his attention was directed to a dark object high up in the northern sky. The peculiar shape, and the velocity with which the object seemed to approach, riveted his attention, and he strained his eyes to discover its character. When first noticed it appeared to be about the size of an orange, which continued to grow in size. After gazing at it for some time Mr. Martin became blind from long looking, and left off viewing it for a time in order to rest his eyes. On resuming his view the object was almost overhead and had increased considerably in size, and appeared to be going through space at a wonderful speed. When directly over him it was about the size of a large saucer, and was evidently at a great height. Mr. Martin thought that it resembled, as well as he could judge at such a distance, a balloon, which seemed to him to be the most reasonable solution of the strange phenomena, though he is of the opinion that it was possibly some of the heavenly bodies. It went as rapidly as it had come, and was soon lost to sight in the southern sky. Mr. Martin is a gentleman of undoubted veracity, and this strange occurrence, if it was not a balloon, deserves the attention of our scientists."

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Something was flying last night. Three area residents reported seeing strange blue discs zipping and zig-zagging southward along the Delaware River.

One observer, in the Morrisville area, spotted them and counted three. "It's hard to describe," he said, when asked whether the discs were solid or ethereal.

Two other callers said they spotted four of the wierd UFOs as they crossed the Scudders Falls Bridge.

ABC Cashes In On 'Star Wars'; O&O Phone-In On UFO Sightings

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Los Angeles, July 19.

In still another instance of the tv networks stunting with specials to come into the new primetime season with a rush, ABC-TV, latching on to the swiftest of the current theatrical film entries, will air "The Making Of 'Star Wars'" on Sept. 16 as an hour special at 8 p.m.

To be produced by the tv division of 20th Century-Fox, studio responsible for the theatrical feature, the special will not only use sequences from "Star Wars" and on-location footage of the making of the film, but also will include new material specifically filmed for the tv presentation.

The "Star Wars" phenomenon is also reaching down into the local level, with KABC-TV emulating the ABC network and doing a sort of spinoff of the 20th Century-Fox theatrical boxoffice smash. The ABC o&o in L.A. has scheduled a "Galactic Wars Week," starting yesterday (Mon.) and running through Friday, which will spread not only over its afternoon motion picture time period but into the "A.M. Los Angeles" live morning show, plus "Eyewitness News."

The "KABC 3:30 Movie" for the week will have an extra-terrestrial theme each day, with such star-bound titles as "Journey To The Far Side Of The Sun," "The First Men In The Moon," "Genesis II," "The Time Machine," and "The Omega Man."

Prowse Kick Off 'Week'

David Prowse, who plays the villain in the "Star Wars" motion picture, kicked off the "Galactic Wars Week" on the station with a guest appearance on "A.M. Los Angeles." Other guests of the morning show during the week will be Mary Conroy, who will discuss women of the future, and hair stylist Vidal Sassoon, who will predict hair fashions of tomorrow. The show will feature a telephone call-in session during which viewers will be invited to discuss their UFO sightings.

"Eyewitness News" during the week will have entertainment editor Regis Philbin studying the impact of the "Star Wars" feature on the motion picture industry, as well as interviewing Mark Hamill and Carrie Fisher, two of the feature's performers. Other "galactic" type interviews will include ones with Julia and Michael Phillips, producers of "Close Encounters Of The Third Kind," and Sandy Duncan, of the Disney picture, "The Cat From Outer Space."

GAFFNEY, S.C. - LEDGER
*****JULY 15 1977*****

UFO Sighted

In Shelby

SHELBY—An unidentified flying object (UFO) was sighted at 2 a. m. Thursday by two young Shelbians and a Shelby police officer.

Johnny Hayes, 18, and his 13-year-old brother, Douglas, were on the porch of their residence at 304 Lineberger St., when they saw the object in the sky, Johnny Hayes said.

"I had taken a bath and my brother and I were cooling off on the porch before going to bed. I read books on astronomy and like to watch the sky. I looked up and saw this big, strange object that kept changing colors hovering up there," Johnny Hayes explained.

After watching the object about 30 minutes, the brothers decided to call police, Johnny Hayes said.

Officer Leo Shores was dispatched to the Hayes residence. Shores watched the object about five minutes, Hayes said, left and returned with two other officers and continued to watch the UFO for another 25 to 30 minutes until it disappeared, Johnny Hayes said.

The following report was filed at the police department by Shores, "Hayes pointed out an object in the eastern sky at about a 40-degree surface-to-air angle. The object appeared to be larger than a star. It would change colors, that is, purple, red, blue, etc. The object appeared to be stationary. The object was not an airplane and did not appear to be a star. No other stars were present around the object. The only explanation I can give is that there was smog and moisture in the air. It is possible that a large star was reflecting and causing the colors. However, it did eventually disappear." 2

RESIDENTS SAY FLAMING UFO BUZZED TOWN

A TINY farming community is being buzzed by the same type of UFOs that are mentioned in the Bible, residents claimed this week.

In the most remarkable sighting, eye-witnesses reported a "ball of flame" appeared over several farms in Fawn Grove, Pa. Witnesses said the object touched down briefly, leaving a perfectly round ring of fire with an unscathed area the shape of a triangle within the burned patch.

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Frank Brown, owner of the farm where the UFO is reported to have landed, told THE STAR he is convinced his property was visited by the same type of UFOs which, he said, have been described in the Bible.

"Jerusalem was destroyed by fire," he said. "Flaming chariots were seen in the Old Testament days. I think that what we are seeing is an act of Providence."

Eleven residents of Fawn Grove saw the object hovering 200-ft.

above the ground on the night of March 8.

One witness, Mr. Everett Miller, told THE STAR this week: "I've seen funny things in the sky for about four years, but I was afraid to speak up until now—afraid people would think I was a nut or something."

"But after that thing landed on the Brown's farm, I don't intend to keep my mouth shut."

Mrs. Miller said the UFO was "the most incredible thing I have ever seen. It was a big ball of fire that was just hanging in the air a few hundred feet off the ground."

She said that she and her son Timmy watched it for about five minutes before it began to drift toward the Brown farm. The

Fawn Grove volunteer fire department was alerted but two other residents arrived on the scene first and discovered a perfectly round ring of fire which they doused before the fire department arrived.

Rev. Doug Windward, who was in charge of the volunteer unit, said he doubted that the fire was caused by a UFO.

The Rev. Windward, who is the pastor of the Faith Orthodox Presbyterian Church in Fawn Grove told THE STAR: "It's true there have been unusual things seen in the sky. For from a theological standpoint, I resist the assumption that these are piloted craft from another world."

The incident has been investigated by several UFO groups.

THE DALLAS MORNING NEWS - TEXAS
*****JULY 22, 1977*****

UFO sighting starts town's usual debate

PORTER, Texas (AP) — It was bright and it darted, dodged and glowed in the eastern skies over Porter early Thursday morning.

But more than anything else, the UFO has prompted a familiar debate between residents of this small southeast Texas town. Members of the smaller group (the UFO sighters), including a Montgomery County sheriff's deputy, say they saw "something" tracing a haphazard pattern across the sky.

The larger group (the non-sighters), including a sheriff's department dispatcher, is unconvinced by stories and the somewhat spacey implications of little green men and saucers.

"It's just a big bunch of mess," said the dispatcher.

But Deputy John Bruner said he saw the UFO.

"It was a big, bright, very intense light," said Bruner. "I saw erratic movements in the sky. It was zigging and zagging and moving very fast. I watched it for about 10 minutes. It must have been moving a mile every second."

The object stopped and hovered for some 20 minutes, he said. It then dipped behind a cloud and was gone.

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By HARRY SCOTT

A UFO chased two frightened women in their car for 20 minutes, flying silently only a few feet above them.

"We were terrified it was going to land on top of the car," Mrs. Pauline Pare, 23, told MIDNIGHT/GLOBE. "Although I had told my mother to close the windows on her side of the car, I had to roll mine down to see if it was still there, because it made no sound. And there it was, about the size of the car, just above us, zigzagging along with us along this narrow, winding road. We were so scared."

Mrs. Pare and her mother, Mrs. Irving Mathieu, 55, were returning from evening shopping in Colebrook, about 12 miles from their homes in Canaan, VT., when the UFO appeared.

"It was brighter than the other stars in the sky," said Mrs. Pare. "As it grew closer, it grew brighter, until it was above us. It was round, a saucer shape, and a bright orange glow from lights underneath it lit up the whole road."

"We were terrified. I told my mother to close her window and lock her door, and I put my foot on the gas pedal."

Followed

"But as the car turned and twisted, so did the thing, flying low over the trees, turning them orange

with its glow as it kept pace with us."

The UFO followed the car for about 20 minutes. As they approached the village of Canaan, it sped away.

"It suddenly swerved away from us and was gone in seconds. The orange glow brightened up the

woods, then vanished."

Mrs. Pare said that when she talked about the incident, most people laughed.

"Then I began to get letters from people in the area who had also seen the orange glow flying past. So we know that we did see the thing, it wasn't our imagination."



CHASED BY A UFO

Mom and daughter spent 20 terrified minutes in their car

UNDER THIRTY

Somebody really is out there

By Steve Olafson
Staff Writer

"Intelligent beings from other planets regularly visit our world in an effort to enter into contact with us. I have encountered various ships during my space voyages. NASA and the American government know this and possess a great deal of evidence. Nevertheless, they remain silent in order not to alarm people."

Who said this?

(1.) A half-crazed fisherman in Mississippi who had just put away the better half of a bottle of MD 20-20 while waiting for the big one to bite.

(2.) A Trekkie who had just stepped out of "Star Wars" for the bleary-eyed sixteenth time.

(3.) June Lockhart trying to stir up interest for "Lost In Space: Part II."

(4.) Astronaut Gordon Cooper in an interview with the Los Angeles Herald Examiner Aug. 15, 1976.

The answer is number four, Gordon Cooper, and I believe what he says.

No, no, I've never laid eyes on any unidentified flying objects. About the only brightly colored objects I've seen these days contain a good, old fashioned 60-watt light bulb that never fails to conk out at inconvenient times.

And yet, the possibility of life in outer space seems very real to me, as it did to President Carter, when he revealed to UFO Education Center officials that he too had once seen a UFO.

The UFO sightings are too numerous and the photographs and films too convincing for there to be nothing out there. Take a look up at the sky some night and ask yourself this question: Why should we humans be the only intelligent creatures in the universe? Isn't it rather close-minded and arrogant to think so?

Oh yes, something is definitely out there, I just hope some ding-headed general doesn't decide to blast it out of the sky one day so he can examine the remains to decide once and for all if there is really life out there.

We are understandably a little edgy about the possibilities of life in outer space. Our science fiction orientation has led us to view extraterrestrial life as threatening and grotesque, which makes for good entertainment, but it could have negative effects down the road when the government finally decides to level with the public about life and intelligence beyond Earth.

If whoever is out there really wants to wipe us out, I have little doubt they would have much trouble. But before deciding to zap us, our outer space visitors are probably trying to figure out why we earthlings

are preparing to wipe out each other with our B1 bombers and cruise missiles. If aliens are out to get us, they may be waiting for us humans to do the job for them.

But don't worry, UFO Education Center officials say that our outer space guests have good intentions. The UFO Education Center people say we earth inhabitants are like children with dynamite who don't understand the seriousness of our nuclear toys. The extraterrestrial beings visiting us from outer space are merely trying to warn us against our self destruction, they claim.

Well, I wouldn't know about that, but if it's true then more power to the extraterrestrials!

If that theory doesn't ease a troubled soul, perhaps some thoughts voiced 25 years ago by the late George Adamski, founder of the UFO Education Center, will help:

"Every government knows we are being visited by friendly human beings who are deeply concerned with our ability to destroy this planet. They have come here, landed and where necessary, have been given papers by governments, enabling them to work among us — to alert us to the dangers of our technology. Their craft have landed in every country of earth. They plan to continue to do this in greater and greater numbers until the facts are opened to the public."

Think about it.

POSTSCRIPT: The other night after pondering this column I drifted off into sleep and had a dream that was a bit frightening. I dreamed the day had finally come for other beings from outer space to reveal themselves to humans en masse. There was a gigantic reception at the United Nations Building in New York with entertainment provided by The Pointer Sisters.

Representatives from throughout the world gathered while the space ships landed at nearby Kennedy International Airport and taxied to the reception. Everything was smooth until it came time for the lead spaceship to open up and reveal the extraterrestrial leaders. When the moment of truth came and the world waited for its first glimpse of space beings, a creature that looked disturbingly like Jackie Gleason stepped out. Then another Jackie Gleason walked out, then another and another and another. An endless line of boisterous Jackie Gleasons streamed out of the space ship and began chatting with the world leaders. There wasn't even one Art Carney. The dream depressed me the rest of the week.

(Editor's note: Steve Olafson will take the next two weeks off to do star gazing.)

BRUNSWICK, MAINE - TIMES RECORD
*****JULY 18, 1977*****

Bath's UFO was an airplane towing an ad

BATH — Bath Patrolman Frank Arnzen did some checking over the weekend and learned that a flying object spotted by members of Bath Police Department while on duty last Thursday night was not an unidentified flying object (UFO).

Arnzen was able to identify the object as an airplane flying over the Wiscasset area with an electronically operated advertising sign, equipped with colored lights, rigged up behind the plane. A telephone call to the Wiscasset airport and pilots who fly from there confirmed the plane had been flying over the area about that time Thursday, he added.

Policemen on duty that night reported seeing a glowing object hovering over the Kennebec River before moving slowly off to the northeast and out of sight. In writing up a report of the sighting, Arnzen wrote they were "unable to distinguish (the) object as any conventional aircraft." He also called the Chicago-based UFO Central, a hotline service for the reporting of UFO sightings, to learn if any similar sightings had been reported.

Several other area residents notified The Times Record late last Friday morning to report that they had also seen an unusual flying object in the sky around 10 that night. A Woolwich resident said he saw an object with "green, white and red lights" moving in a circle around the Nequasset Lake area, and another Bath resident later reported seeing an identical object.

Arnzen theorizes the plane with its advertising banner was flying too far away for policemen to distinguish the flashing billboard, and they could not hear the sound of a motor at the time.

Arnzen, who says he has always been skeptical about the existence of UFOs, said he has received a number of prank calls from persons since a story of the sighting ran in Friday's edition of the newspaper.†

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

Another UFO Sighting Recalled By Reader

Editor, The Leader:

In your special edition of Thursday, June 23, 1977 the article by Bill DeWitt left out the most famous UFO sighting of all. This newspaper story was published nationwide and the following is it:

**"FULLY ARMED JETS HUNTED
'OBJECT' OVER THE SOUND**

May 6, 1954

"Six mysterious flying objects sighted over Port Townsend Saturday night sent Air Force jet planes streaking across the sky with rockets "hot", it was revealed Wednesday.

"But the "flying saucers" got away.

"Jefferson County Sheriff Peter J. Naughton said he was called to the home of Mrs. Ray Black in Port Townsend at 9 p.m. Saturday. She pointed out the lighted objects in the sky.

"Naughton said he saw six yellowish objects "flying in echelon formation" spaced about 200 feet apart. He estimated they were at an altitude of 4,000 to 5,000 feet and traveling at 250 to 300 miles per hour.

"Naughton said he reported the objects to Indian Island, a Naval base near Port Townsend. He estimated he watched them zoom this way and that through the sky for 7 to 12 minutes before he went to the telephone.

"The sheriff said he got a telephone call from Seattle a short time later requesting him to go to the Port Townsend airport and ground all planes because "interceptors were coming in with live ammunition".

"The Air Force confirmed that F-86 all-weather jet interceptors, fully armed, were dispatched to the Port Townsend area from Paine Field Air Force Base. The interceptors made no contact with the strange objects, however, and a negative report on the flight was filed, an Air Force spokesman said."

A negative report from the Air Force is nothing new, as it is the regular routine even today.

CARL M. NEWTON
Centralia, WA



WOODLAND, CALIF. - DEMOCRAT
*****JULY 22, 1977*****

Space visitors UFO men report trips to earth are peaceful

FRONT PAGE

They may not be "The Invaders," but there are people from other planets visiting Earth on a regular basis, according to two representatives of a UFO education association.

Jim Eppes and Sejer Sejersen, both from the UFO Education center in San Diego, told about 150 persons at Sacramento City college the space crafts are being "piloted by human beings no different from you or me except they have evolved higher."

The beings coming to visit Earth in space crafts—they should not be called flying saucers, Eppes said—are peaceful.

"These people from other planets are here in peace," Eppes said. "They have always come in peace. There is not one documented case of hostility from these people."

Sejersen agreed, saying, "If these people had any intentions of taking over the world, I'm sure they could have done it by now."

Sejersen told the group about one case reported in Europe of a space craft landing near a fisherman who was able to take photographs of the bell-shaped object.

He said a man about six feet in height came out of the craft and told the fisherman by using signs that he came from the planet next to ours, Mars.

The man was able to take a photograph of the alien, Sejersen said, before he went back into the craft.

Although the number of reported sightings of UFOs, or unidentified flying objects, have increased dramatically since the

1940s, aliens have been visiting Earth since the dawn of time, Sejersen and Eppes said.

"There is no question that these people have been coming here for thousands of years," Sejersen told the audience.

Eppes said there is a great deal of archeological evidence showing "we have been visited not only by space ships but also by human beings in the past."

Myths and legends are full of references to one-eyed monsters and fire-breathing chariots which could easily be aliens wearing space suits similar to those worn by present-day astronauts and space ships, Eppes said.

There are also cave drawings of one-eyed monsters which look like our present-day astronauts in their space suits, he added.

He said there are many allusions to space crafts, or fiery chariots, in the Bible.

Eppes and Sejersen said many of the people come from other planets in our own solar system.

"All of the planets in our solar system, except ours, have evolved above war, disease and poverty," Eppes said.

Sejersen agreed, saying, "For us to think we know everything about other planets in the solar system is quite arrogant. Space is indeed a very crowded place. There are a lot of stars and planets out there."

Although Earth is being visited by these persons, "they are not here to save us," Sejersen said. "They know we have to solve our problems ourselves."

UFO expert tells space, war theories

By Harry McFarland
Staff writer

On Friday, Dec. 5, 1941, U.S. Army First Sergeant Wayne Aho inspected his troops for battle readiness, because he had been told the Japanese fleet was on the move and would hit either Hawaii or Alaska.

The attack on Pearl Harbor took place Dec. 7, 1941, two days later. It was called a surprise attack by the President and Congress. "How could it be a surprise attack if they knew two days before that it would happen," Aho told the Woodland Chamber of Commerce Tuesday.

The former Woodlander, who is now the founder and president of the New Age Foundation, a religious organization, spoke to the chamber on World War II and Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs).

History has recorded visits by aliens through Roman, Greek and Biblical times he said.

Ezekiel in the Bible tells of a sighting of "a wheel within a wheel," Aho, 60, said. Romans reported similar events, he added.

Aho, who has been studying UFOs for 30 years, said he has seen flying saucers in Finland, California and many other places. He said he stopped counting at 20.

In Nebraska, he said hundreds of people saw a disc-shaped object with a orange light that grew to the brightest light he had ever seen. The light dimmed, he said, turned to red and once again intensified its brightness.

The object then disappeared. He believes it went into space utilizing time travel. The U.S. and Russian governments are now studying how to accomplish such travel.

UFOs have been clocked over the Atlantic at 40,000 miles per hour, he said.

Aho showed the audience a picture of six spires on the moon. The photo was taken by a Boeing satellite before man had landed on the moon. "How did they get there?" he asked.

In the Mt. Rainier area, Aho believes that a civilization older than the Incas will be chronicled. His foundation is now working on finding the evidence.

Aho said he prophesized the crisis on the Apollo 12 mission, the oil shortage and the food crisis. He thinks extra-sensory perception should be called inner sensory perception. Everyone has it, he said.

"I have recalled past lives I have lived," he said, but did not provide more details.

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UND researchers seek information on UFO'S

Have you ever seen a UFO? If so, you're among the 15 percent of the general population who have, according to Richard Faflak of CUP—the Center for Unusual Phenomena—at the University of North Dakota at Grand Forks.

Faflak added that 90 percent of these sightings are some type of phenomena, and that 40 percent of the population does believe in UFO's, although they may not have seen one.

CUP began nearly two years ago when there was a considerable amount of UFO activity in the area. The original plans were to file all of the sightings and then do a spatial analysis using the statistics and a computer.

These plans, said Faflak, have been hampered because UFO activity is no longer as prevalent as it was a year and a half ago, and because people are afraid of being ridiculed if they do mention seeing one.

Faflak added, however, that "the tendency now seems to be for less

ridicule—people aren't laughing at UFO's or at the people who sight them anymore."

One of the sightings in North Dakota took place in Regan earlier this year. A "mysterious light" followed a Regan native and her daughter as they drove to their farm, they reported. Other persons in that area have also reported that they were followed by a globe of light, or that they have seen it at a distance.

This occurrence, as most of the others in North Dakota, took place at night, but occasionally there are reports of a daylight discus, according to Faflak. He also added that a close encounter is much rarer, but that there apparently has been one recently in northwestern Minnesota.

Faflak asks that anyone observing unusual phenomena should contact him by writing to the Geography Department, University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, N.D. 58202. All reports, he stressed, are kept confidential.

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They Just Sounded Us Out

By Daniel P. Kelly
of The Journal Staff

A UFO was sighted at Summerfest Saturday, but it did not land.

UFO, a loud British rock band, refused to play at the Peaches rock stage Saturday night because of a dispute over the sound system. Summerfest security officials prepared for an adverse reaction from the large crowd that had gathered, but, aside from boos and beers being sent toward the stage, the audience remained peaceful.

A rocking country group from Denver, Timberline, agreed to extend its warmup set to keep the rock crowd entertained. Timberline's mostly original songs, such as "Turn It Up," were in a more relaxed vein than UFO's aggressive style.

Dino Halonen, manager of the rock stage, said his crew had doubled the power of the existing system as of Satur-

nounced 5 p.m. show will not take place.

critique

day morning, but added that UFO projected an ear jarring 120 decibels and the rock stage simply couldn't deliver that kind of volume. When UFO found its demand had not been met by 9 p.m., the group refused to play and left the grounds.

Les McCann drew yet another huge and overflow audience to the Miller jazz oasis in the first performance of a two night stand. His sound has veered more toward rock music since he appeared at Marquette University in February, when he was playing more soul influenced music.

The guitars of Stuart Liebig and Mick Kirgo helped their keyboard boss. They will appear again at 9:30 tonight only. A previously an-

Nick Danger, Third Eye, walks by night. This weekend, he is prowling the Summerfest comedy and variety tent, brought to you in living color by Loosenoose Brothers, better known as Phil Proctor and Peter Bergman. "How hectic it is," they observed, "to be in two places at once when you're not anywhere at all."

That and other astute comments on modern life are part of this duet's current revival of material from the Firesign Theater, a comedy group from which they split in 1973.

UFO watchers milking saucer craze for thrills

By SUSAN LEONARD

SCOTTSDALE — Since they emerged three decades ago, students of unexplained aerial phenomena have gone from crackpot status to a point of seeing their passion noted in the dictionary.

Now it's official — a ufologist is described as a person interested in the study of unidentified flying objects, or UFOs.

And on Saturday, a student of ufology gave some definitions of his own about his colleagues.

Speaking at a UFO symposium here, Thomas M. Gates of Sunnyvale, Calif., depicted these types of UFO hounds:

— The Sherlock Holmes type. These persons recognize a true mystery and have set about to solve some or all of it.

— The James Bond type. They are completely caught up in the conspiracy angle. To them, the whole effort must be directed at getting the government to admit to all the things it knows but is keeping secret.

— The Sorcerer's Apprentices. These are vocal "gee-whizzers" who like to astound audiences with their UFO magic show.

— The Big Game Hunters. They sense that something really spectacular is going to break and want to be the "man on the scene" when it does.

Others, whom Gates referred to as students of the unknown, "maintain a keen interest in all the unknown phenomena to mankind today—mysterious disappearances, 4,000-year-old computers, Bigfoot, elves, ghosts, witchcraft, psychic phenomena, strange things on the moon and Mars, UFOs, Tom Gates and a variety of other weird things."

Gates, director of the Foothill Community College District Space Science Center, spoke to about 200 persons attending the 1977 Mutual UFO Network Inc. (MUFON) Symposium at the Safari Hotel. He has studied UFOs for 10 years and is a consultant to MUFON, an international nonprofit group.

The convention ends today.

Despite his joking, Gates did have a serious point concerning the great variety of motivations behind persons in the UFO field.

"In listening to various investigators with whom I have conversed over the years," he said, "I have become very aware of bias in their thinking and I know that some of these investigators obtain information where their own bias shows up strongly."

Gates said it is time for persons who study UFOs to clean up their act.

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Conference on UFOs

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"Our own bias can creep into an investigation in the most subtle of ways," he said. "The questions we ask or do not ask strongly create an impression of what occurred during a sighting."

Gates said the number of persons interested in the field is continually increasing.

He cited a 1973 Gallup Poll in which 51 per cent of the persons interviewed believed that UFOs were something real rather than just people's imagination. In the same poll, 11 per cent said they had seen a UFO. Eleven per cent of the nation is

equivalent to 15 million persons, Gates said.

The Center for UFO Studies has records of 50,000 unidentified sightings, he said, and yet this is only a portion of the sightings since the majority are not reported.

"Why do most UFOs go unreported?" he said. "We deal with fear, lack of knowledge as to where to go to report, inconvenience of running down an agency or person to whom to report, and agencies or persons who receive reports that never go anywhere beyond them."

He also said fear of loss of status and reputation is a significant factor.

PADUCAH, KY. - SUN-DEMOCRAT
*****JULY 12, 1977*****

UFO sightings puzzle state police officials

By RHONDA LEE
Sun-Democrat Staff Writer

MAYFIELD, Ky. — The Kentucky State Police apparently are not going to take further steps to identify three objects which were seen hovering over the Western Kentucky area early this morning.

The objects, which were seen by Kentucky State Police Dispatcher Dennis Crawford, Major Bobbie Haddox, several citizens, Mayfield City Police and Illinois State Police in Cairo, consisted of revolving and blinking lights in the air northeast of the Post 1 headquarters here.

Crawford received a call from a citizen about 3 a.m. who said she and her family had been observing one object from their home south of Bardwell for about 30 minutes. Crawford instructed a field officer to look for the lights but the trooper reported he could not see them.

Crawford then called the Cairo post and again was told the object could not be seen.

The dispatcher then went outside of the post headquarters and reported he observed the light himself. Upon calling Cairo again, the individuals there told him they did see the object and a second one had also appeared.

Trooper Richard Wright, public information officer at Post 1, said Crawford then called several air control and weather facilities to try to identify the objects.

Federal Aviation Administration offices in Paducah and Memphis, as well as the Ft. Campbell flight control office, told Crawford they had nothing in the air in the area and nothing was being recorded on radar devices. Weather stations in Louisville and Evansville, Ind., also reported there were no cloud coverings in the area

which could give the illusion being reported.

Upon returning outside, Crawford sighted a third object which also was hovering in the area.

The three objects then were spotted by the Mayfield City Police and another state trooper, Haddox.

Wright said they reported the objects appeared to move east of their location and then return and sometimes disappear and reappear.

Wright said the police post received so many reports from citizens observing the lights during the time period they were being sighted, 3 a.m. until about 4:50 a.m., that the dispatcher stopped logging the calls.

The dispatcher reported that by 5:15 a.m. only one flashing green and red light remained in the air and it appeared to move straight up in the sky until it disappeared from sight.

"HAVING THE GUTS to print his own sighting, Sinclair began receiving a deluge of cal's and letters from residents who had seen not only that craft, but earlier ones also. They hadn't come forward sooner out of fear that neighbors would think they were seeing things.

"Betty Edgerley and Lewis Romack were two of many people driving toward Venice when they noticed the same object the journalist had reported. The couple had ample time to watch the UFO as it hung silent and motionless in the sky, a bright object which turned from white to pink..."

"Did it land? Did it have anything to do with the ape-creature that began terrorizing Venice townfolk and mutilating their pets only a few months later?"

The story goes on to report that on June 7, about 10 p. m., 12-year-old Ronnie Steves heard some of his ducks squawking. The boy looked out the window and saw some kind of beast inside the pen. He yelled for his parents and when he looked out again the beast was gone. Then he ran out of the house and soon noticed a large form standing over his ducks. It had hair all over it's body, he said.

The incident was checked by the Sarasota County Sheriff's Department, County Animal Control and the Florida Monkey Sanctuary. Eight-inch wide footprints were reported found leading from the house to the Myakka river.

Mike Corradino of the sanctuary was quoted as saying that he did not think the animal was a bear. He said none of his monkeys had escaped recently from the sanctuary.

THE STORY THEN relates several more incidents of attacks on animals by the so-called big foot. Also it reports that workmen pouring concrete on a job just outside Venice looked up and saw an "ape" observing them. They chased it but the animal escaped in the woods.

"Venice residents armed themselves. Groups camped out in the woods at night with one specific purpose in mind — to kill the thing," the story concluded. "But the hunters soon became more of a problem than the hunted. The ape hunters were warned that if the strange creature turned out to be a recluse or hermit the charge would be first degree murder for anyone responsible for the killing. Finally the excitement died down.

After reading that story, how can anyone ever say that nothing exciting ever happens in Venice. It even had me a bit on edge.

UFOs seen at Forks

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Forks Police are still investigating the robbery Sunday, June 12, of Forks Union Station.

The thieves gained entry by removing a window from the building.

A cash box was rifled and an unknown amount of money stolen.

Two reports of UFO sightings were reported Sunday, June 12.

Witnesses reported seeing the flying objects over the airport and the Sportsman's Club.

KVAC Radio was also contacted about the flying objects and ran a news flash about.

No explanatin has been offered for the happening

If anyone who saw the UFOs would call us we would appreciate it as we are assisting in a study of these sightings in the area for a team of researchers (your names will not be mentioned and we will not embarrass anyone contacting us by revealing your names. names.)

Simply Sinclair



louis sinclair

I was contemplating my sunburned nose recently when the telephone in my den rang. As I always do, I answered it. It was a friend who wanted to ask me a couple of questions. I also answered them.

Then almost casually, he remarked: "I'm reading a national magazine that has a story about you in it."

I would have liked to have replied: "So what. What else is new." Instead I fell from my chair, picked myself up and then as casually as possible said: "Is that so. What magazine is it? I apparently haven't seen it."

"It's called "UFO", he replied. "I always read it."

"What issue is it and where did you buy it?" I eagerly asked.

He told me it was the July issue and he bought it at a newsstand. Then added: "I didn't know that you had ever seen a flying saucer?"

So I told him about an incident that happened a couple of years before and wondered why they would be writing about it in a national magazine so much later.

WELL, IN LESS TIME than it takes to warm a car's engine, I was at a nearby store purchasing a copy of "UFO".

This magazine had built a couple of events that happened in Venice in 1975 into a frightening saga of flying objects and a mysterious ape-like creature called Big Foot. It would seem, according to the magazine, that Venice was the hot spot for fantastic happenings at that particular time.

Many of you probably will remember reading about the two unusual occurrences. I can recall mentioning to my editor, Sam Dillon that we could create quite a fairy story by typing the appearance of the flying saucer or saucers with the presence of Big Foot. And that's just what the magazine did in a big way.

Here's part of the story in the magazine:

"The involvement with water seemed to be an essential key in the frenzy of ape men and UFO activity along the Sunshine State's coast bordering the Gulf of Mexico. It didn't start at any given point or at any specific time or season. From 1974 to 1976 the incidents seemed to occur simultaneously throughout a 150-mile stretch of coastline. The town of Venice was the storm center of the action.

"My friends thought I had been smoking too much cornsilk when I reported that my wife and I had seen what appeared to be a UFO on a trip from North Port to Venice," said reporter Louis Sinclair in the Venice Gondolier of March 10, 1975. "Today I am thrilled to announce that I have been vindicated."

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Cigar-Shaped Object

By PAT PATRICK
Avalanche-Journal Staff

A long, narrow cigar-shaped object. Brilliant lights emanating from its ends. A vibrating noise that could be both heard and felt. Lights and noise pulsating rhythmically.

That is what Mr. and Mrs. Talmage DeWitt of 2805 23rd St. say they saw hovering above a neighbor's home about 5 a.m. Friday.

"I watched it for about three minutes and it did not move at all. Then I called my husband, he came and saw it about 30 seconds to a minute at its brightest and then it moved off to the east very rapidly," Mrs. DeWitt said.

The object returned a short while later, she said.

Ironically, Friday was the 30th anniversary

of the first "flying saucer" report in the United States. It was on June 24, 1947, that an Idaho businessman said he saw nine shiny, pulsating objects flying very fast above the Cascade Mountains.

Lubbock has been in the national UFO spotlight for more than 25 years because of the well-known "Lubbock Lights" sightings in 1951.

Mrs. DeWitt, who vows she is not a "scary kind of person," said her Irish setter jumped awake about 5 a.m. Friday, waking her owner "because of the sudden movement and the dog tags."

"She went to the bedroom door where she goes when she wants out and stood at attention without moving. When I first woke, I could hear the sound of about a million crickets in all the trees here. But almost immediately, it was just deathly

quiet — not a sound.

"Then, I could feel something as well as hear it — a pulsating, vibrating noise," Mrs. DeWitt said.

She said she noticed a "golden glow" in the sky, and a few moments later, got out of bed, let out the dog and went into a bathroom without turning on a light.

"There is an east window. And above the neighbor's house was this object, about 5 degrees north of due east.

"It was a cigar shape...Coming from underneath, above it and the ends was this glow, almost like rays. At the two ends, shooting up and down were long streaks of brilliant light and it was pulsating at the same rhythm I had been hearing."

Mrs. DeWitt said that after watching about three minutes, she called her hus-

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Sighted By Local Couple

band.

She said they called police to see if anyone else reported a strange sighting, and that her husband contacted the citizen's band radio emergency base unit at Metro Tower. Nothing had been reported, she said.

Mrs. DeWitt said it was while her husband was on his car CB that the "craft" returned. "I sighted it again, farther south and east, but it was the same object nonetheless."

The light around the object resembled "the brilliant rim you see around dark thunderheads when the sun is behind them," she noted.

DeWitt, a Lubbock architect and engineer, is a trained sky-watcher from past Navy days and knows that what they saw could not have been a stellar phenomenon, Mrs. DeWitt said.

non, Mrs. DeWitt said.

"He said this morning, 'If anybody tries to say that's a star, there would have had to be about six of them holding hands,' and they wouldn't move up the way it did."

Checks with the National Weather Service office here, Lubbock Regional Airport, Reese Air Force Base and Moody Planetarium turned up no other reported sightings.

The NWS said it had no weather balloons in the air at the time.

Planetarium director Ronald Johnston suggested the DeWitts saw noctilucent, or low-lying clouds which pick up ground light.

"They appear quite eerie sometimes...It's quite easy to mistake them for something else," he said.

Johnston also theorized that perhaps the Goodyear blimp was in the area.

Goodyear officials, contacted in Houston, said the blimp currently is in Tulsa, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt swear that what they saw could not have been clouds.

"We could see clouds of course, but this wasn't one," DeWitt said.

"It was too distinct...you could actually see these pulses of light, bright rays...And we saw the craft go up slightly and move behind some clouds when it left," Mrs. DeWitt added.

The woman said she has always tried to keep an open mind on the possibility of UFOs. "I have always felt we either have something so sophisticated they're not telling us about, or someone else is visiting and watching us."

RACINE, WISC. - JOURNAL-TIMES
*****JULY 19, 1977*****

Airplane billboard no UFO

Hugh Wheeler hoped to attract attention. But his airborne electronic billboard turns up as an Unidentified Flying Object in reports to law enforcement and aviation authorities. "From a distance," says Wheeler, "the lights seem to pulsate. The movement of the message is what seems to cause it." Wheeler, of 3400 Southwood Drive, started flying his illuminated, night-time messages last week, with such destinations as Milwaukee County Stadium and Milwaukee's Summerfest. The 40-foot long electronic billboard — a grid of wire

and aluminum tubing with about 340 light-bulbs attached — is carried under the wing of his Cessna 150, which he flies out of Sylvania Airport along I-94. He said he's alerted local law enforcement and Federal Aviation Administration officials who have received UFO reports from citizens. Wheeler teaches mechanical drafting at Gateway Technical Institute and an aerophysics course at Gateway's Aviation Center in Kenosha. He calls his electronic billboard venture Starshine Advertising.

Journal Times Photos by Arthur P. Haas

PLAIN DEALER - CLEVE. OHIO
*****AUG 20, 1977*****

Earth sends a message on Voyager

By Robert C. Toth
Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — A unique phonograph record will ride on two Voyager spacecraft past Jupiter and Saturn and beyond the solar system into interstellar space, carrying messages from man to anyone "out there."

*'On chance
someone
is out
there'*

The first of the Voyagers — identical 1,820-pound planetary probes — is to be launched this morning from Cape Canaveral, Fla. The second launch is scheduled for Sept. 1

The 12-inch copper disc, called "Sounds of Earth," was placed on the spacecraft "on the chance that someone is out there," the National Aeronautics and Space Administration said.

It contains greetings in 60 languages, from Aramaic (Christ's tongue) to Vietnamese; sounds of music and animals, from a Brandenburg Concerto to the noise of whales, surf and a baby; and video data that will show pictures if played through a television set.

The 115 photographs include a nursing mother, the Taj Mahal and Monument Valley.

The earliest that the Voyager record might be played is in about 40,000 years, when the craft passes within about a light year (six trillion miles) of the first star it comes to, but more likely it will lie unheard for millions or billions of years.

Odds are overwhelming that the Voyagers, like "bottles in a cosmic ocean," will never reach another planetary system but will be found, if at all, by "advanced spacefaring civilizations in interstellar space," according to Cornell astronomer Carl Sagan.

The idea for the record was conceived by Sagan, who has often theorized about intelligent life beyond Earth. Its repertoire was selected by prominent scientists, musicians and educators. Included on the record is a message from President Carter saying in part:

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"We cast this message into the cosmos. It is likely to survive a billion years into our future, when our civilization is profoundly altered and the surface of the Earth may be vastly changed. Of the 200 billion stars in the Milky Way Galaxy, some — perhaps many — may have inhabited planets and spacefaring civilizations . . . (which) can understand these recorded contents . . ."

"This is a present from a small, distant world, a token of our sounds, our science, our images, our music, our thoughts and our feelings. We are attempting to survive our time so we may live into yours . . . This record represents our hope and our determination, and our goodwill in a vast and awesome universe."

The main Voyager objective is to investigate the giant planet of Jupiter and five of its moons in 1979. Then it will go to the ringed and frigid Saturn and seven of its moons in 1980-81, and possibly the planet Uranus (1986) before leaving the solar system in 1989, when the spacecraft will cross Pluto's orbit to wander indefinitely among the stars.

The records are in gold-colored protective jackets attached to the side of the spacecraft. The jackets contain information in scientific language on how the record is to be played, using the cartridge and needle provided.

Of the two hour "playing time," 90 minutes are taken up by the music that represents the different cultures and eras on Earth. Selections include Melanesian pan pipes and "Melancholy Blues" by Louis Armstrong.

Depicted among the video photographs and diagrams are mathematics, chemistry, geology and biology of the Earth, including descriptions of genetic material (deoxyribonucleic acid, or DNA) and human chromosomes.

WILMINGTON, N.C. - STAR
*****JULY 20, 1977*****

City police receive UFO report

The Wilmington Police Department received a call Tuesday night from an area resident citing the appearance of an unidentified flying object around Masonboro Loop Road.

Mrs. James Kirk, 513 Greenwood Road, told the Morning Star she was talking to a neighbor outside at approximately 10:15 p.m. when she saw the object. Mrs. Kirk, who insists her husband's name only coincidentally matches that of a famous "Star Trek" series character, gave the following account:

"My neighbor said to me 'what is that up in the sky,' so I turned around and saw the blinking lights and watched it for a few minutes, and I ran inside and got my two girls and a nephew — all teenagers — and we

went back out in the yard and this thing was coming toward us. You could see it was totally round and as large as an airplane.

"It got within 150 yards of us over the top of the pine trees, but there was no sound whatsoever. It had no definite pattern; it would fly forward then it would go sideways. But it never got out of our sight.

Mrs. Kirk said the object never landed. "After 30 minutes it flew behind a pine tree and disappeared.

The neighbor, who prefers to remain anonymous, confirmed the sighting. The New Hanover Sheriff's Department and the U.S. Air Force station at Fort Fisher received no reports of UFO sightings Tuesday night.

UFOs sighted over Milton

MILTON CAN. CHAMPION, ONT. - CANADA
*****JUNE 1, 1977*****

UFO Believers Look to Israel

By Peter Mattiace

Cape May, N.Y. —AP— Robert D. Barry says he is convinced that Israel has a secret weapon. He says unidentified flying objects, some of them flown by angels, have turned the tide for the Jewish state in four wars.

"I believe that godly or angelic pilots of UFOs could be on the side of the Israelis," says Barry, 55, a radio advertising manager from Pennsylvania and director of the 20th Century UFO Bureau.

Barry's group, sponsored by the Rev. Carl McIntire, widely known fundamentalist radio preacher, held a conference here this week. About 185 believers — in Christianity and UFOs — attended.

Barry said Israel's four wars have coincided with the great flying saucer "flaps," or sightings, in 1947-'48, 1956, 1967 and 1973.

"Every time there has been a war between Israel and the Arabs, there have been worldwide sightings of JFOs," he said.

Barry says many biblical passages link religion and JFOs. For example, Luke refers to "fearful sights and great signs from heaven" before God returns, he said. This, he says, could mean JFOs.

Barry says a line from Exodus shows Israel is protected by UFOs: "As birds fly, so will the lord of hosts defend Jerusalem."

Barry maintains that secret Israeli and American reports show that Israeli troopers were saved during the 1967 war by "miracles" when JFOs were reported over the battlefield.

Once, a sudden whirlwind

in the Sinai Desert exposed Egyptian land mines to the Israelis, he said. In another case, thousands of Egyptian soldiers surrendered to 100 Israelis after the Arabs had visions of thousands of Israelis and hundreds of enemy tanks, Barry said.

"God's nation is Israel, and He's going to take care of them one way or another," Barry said.

BRANTFORD EXPOSITOR, ONT. - CANADA
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UFO sighting claimed by 12 city residents

Aliens out for a Sunday drive?

That's one possible explanation for a sighting Sunday night near the Brantford Airport of an unidentified flying object.

Kevin McIntyre, 22, of 2 Westview Avenue, and Tim Murray, 19, of 6 Westview Avenue, were sitting outside about 9.45 p.m. when both spotted an oval-shaped craft turning in the sky about two miles up.

"It looked like a white flare," said Mr. McIntyre. "It was sort of floating in the sky and it seemed to be burning there for about five minutes before it started moving directly to the airport.

"When it got half-way there, we saw rotating red, green and white lights," he said.

The object, witnessed by about 12 residents in the Westview Avenue area, was in the sky for about 45 minutes.

"At first we thought it was a plane, but after we'd watched it a while we were sure it wasn't. And it wasn't a weather balloon," said Mr. McIntyre.

A spokesman for the Brantford Airport said that no unusual aircraft were logged in at the airport Sunday night.

Does Mr. McIntyre believe in UFOs?

"Sure, why not?," he said. "But I don't know where they come from. If I did, I'd know a lot of other things, too.

"I don't really care if people believe my story. I know what I saw, and that's sufficient for me," he said.

Milton may have been under the observation of alien beings as two separate unidentified flying object sightings were reported last night.

The first sighting was made by 12-year-old George Crisci, Steeles Ave., a UFO buff who is making a report on that sub-

ject for a school project at Holy Rosary School.

At about 8:45 p.m. Friday George left the Roma Social Club Hall to pick up some glue he had left outside, when he noticed an orange object hovering over the CP railway tracks across from the club.

"At first I was scared because I thought it was going to land," said the youngster.

George yelled for his mother to come outside but she didn't, so he went inside the club to find a camera and his binoculars.

When he returned the object had disappeared.

"I don't care if no-one believes me, I saw it," he said.

The boy claims he saw another object near the same spot Sunday night through his binoculars. He described the object as doughnut shaped.

Two other Milton residents claim to have observed for almost two hours what they considered to be a UFO on Friday night.

A woman said she and her husband first spotted the object in the sky at about 10.45 p.m. and continued to watch it through binoculars until shortly after midnight.

"I've never seen anything like it before," said the woman, who wouldn't give her name because she was afraid other people might think she was "crazy".

She said the object was very small and far away, but looking through the binoculars the couple observed green, red and orange lights revolving around the UFO.

While they watched the object, it slowly moved east across the sky.

The lights on the object were different from an airplane's, she explained, adding that the object moved too slowly for that type of aircraft.

"If it were a helicopter, then why was it hanging around for so long?" she wondered.

The couple later reported their sighting to the police and two cruisers joined them.

When the woman pointed out the UFO to one of the policemen, he spotted a second similar object in the sky.

We've Seen UFOs From Other Planets, Say Pilot, Crew and Passengers

By GRANVILLE TOOGOOD

A senior pilot for the Colombian airline Avianca is convinced he has seen UFOs from other worlds on three separate occasions — and his sightings are confirmed by radar, crew members and passengers.

Even more remarkable, he says two of the strange, glowing and multi-colored craft actually responded when he blinked his landing lights.

"I have no doubt these three instances were spaceships from another planet," declared Capt. Gustavo Ferreira, a veteran of 22 years experience, who says he sighted:

- An enormous, zigzagging light glowing red, green and yellow that traveled at fantastic speed.
- A cigar-shaped UFO twice as big as his 727 jet.
- A spectacular, pulsating light that seemed to lead his jet to its destination.

The first sighting was recorded Jan. 21, 1977, on a night flight within Colombia, from Bogota to Pereira. "Our instruments had just gone haywire when I spotted this intense light in front of me," Capt. Ferreira recalled. "It moved backward and forward at incredible speed."

Startled, Capt. Ferreira turned his landing lights on and off — and was shocked when the UFO responded.

"The UFO changed from green to red to yellow and back to green. Every time I (signaled), it followed suit."

As the flight approached Pereira, the UFO vanished to the south "at an incalculable speed," he said.

But Bogota air traffic controller Jorge Jimenez, 52, who had been following the UFO across his radar screen, calculated the object's speed at between 2,500 and 3,000 m.p.h.

"I was amazed at the speed of the object compared with the speed of the plane," he told The ENQUIRER. "It zigzagged and flew at fantastic speed . . . it was not an earthly flying object."

Added stunned radar supervisor Jaime Torres: "What we have seen is the concrete fact (of a UFO) on radar, which was borne out by the people on the plane."

Passengers Mrs. Lucia Miller de Vargas and her sister, Mrs. Libia Miller de Pardo, were dazzled by what they described as a "vivid, stationary

light" which changed colors "from red to yellow to green."

The second sighting was on March 3, about 9:05 p.m., at 21,000 feet on a flight from Pereira to Bogota. Abruptly changing course to circle a glowing UFO, Capt. Ferreira couldn't believe his eyes.

"I saw a big, cigar-shaped fuselage twice as big as our plane," he remembered. "It was a shiny yellow color. When I turned my (landing) lights on and off, it responded like the first UFO."

Air traffic controller Pablo Rozo, meanwhile, was baffled by an unidentified blip on his screen. "The UFO was 10 times faster than the normal speed of a plane," he stressed.

The third UFO incident was reported March 10, on another night flight, from the port city of Barranquilla to the Caribbean island of San Andres.

"The UFO was green, changing color to yellow and red," Capt. Ferreira said. "And it flew ahead of us all the way, moving from left to right — as if it knew our destination."

"Over San Andres, the object suddenly disappeared at a 45-degree angle straight down toward the sea."

Stewardess Sarah Palacio, 24, was called into the cockpit by Capt. Ferreira and startled by an eerie display. "He pointed to a very bright light," she said. "It accompanied us all the way to San Andres."

Copilot German Rincon, 26, told The ENQUIRER:

"I could make out the UFO inside the intense light . . . it seemed a dark oval shape."



MAP shows area where pilot saw glowing UFOs.

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PAWTUCKET, R.I. - TIMES
*****JULY 27, 1977*****

Two More Report A UFO

There are at least two other Pawtucket residents willing to stick their necks out and report seeing the "UFO" that a Pawtucket woman claims she saw Sunday night.

On Monday morning, the woman (who asked not to be identified) called the Times and reported seeing a flying object with two bright headlights twinkling like diamonds.

A spokesman at the North Central State Airport in

Lincoln and Smithfield said the configuration of the craft, as reported by the woman, sounded like a private small aircraft, although he could not verify that any planes were in the air in the area at the time.

Monday afternoon, two more Pawtucket folk reported seeing the craft, at the same time in about the same area.

But they embellished the story, a little. These two, who were in a

car when they saw the craft, said that not only did it look like twin headlights and twinkling lights, but it also seemed to hover in one spot for three or four minutes.

Meanwhile, a small plane came along and the two men heard the motor of that plane. They heard no motor sound from the mystery craft.

The two said they watched the craft for a full 20 minutes before it took off in a northerly direction.

FOSSTON, MINN. THIRTEEN TOWNS
*****JULY 21, 1977*****

Information sought concerning UFO activity in the area

by F.V.

It is a notable coincidence that, with the revival of interest in UFOs around the area, one has been sighted near here.

Ray Kaster, who lives 2 1/2 miles east of Winger, reports having seen a bright light about 3:20 a.m. on Friday morning, July 7, and he said it was apparently moving in the direction of Fosston.

A few years ago there were a number of sightings of unusual lights or objects in the Fosston area but none, or very few, have been reported in recent years.

The following article concerning UFO studies at the University of North Dakota was received this week:

Have you ever seen a UFO? If so, you're among the 15 percent of the general population who have, according to Richard Faflak of CUP -- the Center for Unusual Phenomena -- at the University of North Dakota at Grand Forks.

Faflak added that 90 percent of these sightings are some type of phenomena, and that 40 percent of the population does believe in UFO's, although they may not have seen one.

CUP began nearly two years ago when there was a considerable amount of UFO activity in the area. The original plans were to file all of the sightings and then do a spatial analysis using the statistics and a computer.

These plans, said Faflak, have been hampered because UFO activity is no longer as prevalent as it was a year and a half ago, and because people are afraid of being ridiculed if they do mention seeing one.

Faflak added, however, that "the tendency now seems to be for less ridicule - people aren't laughing at UFO's or at the people who sight them anymore."

One of the sightings in North Dakota took place in Regan earlier this year. A "mysterious light" followed a Regan native and her daughter as they drove to their farm, they reported. Other persons in that area have also reported that they were followed by a globe of light, or that they have seen it at a distance.

This occurrence, as most of the others in North Dakota, took place at night, but occasionally there are reports of a daylight discus, according to Faflak. He also added that a close encounter is much rarer, but that there apparently has been one recently in northwestern Minnesota.

Faflak asks that anyone observing unusual phenomena should contact him by writing to the Geography Department, University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, N. Dak. 58202. All reports, he stressed, are kept confidential. /

OTTAWA LE DROIT, ONT. - CANADA
*****JULY 27, 1977*****

Un OVNI en France

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LORIENT, France (AFP) - Un OVNI (objet volant non identifié) a été aperçu, lundi soir, dans le ciel de Lanester (ouest de la France) par deux témoins.

L'un des témoins, M. Christian Goello, a déclaré que l'objet, une masse lumineuse cylindrique, est resté visible durant trois minutes environ.

C'est de son balcon situé plein ouest à Lanester qu'il a pu suivre le trajet de l'OVNI. "Un déplacement vertical vers le sud suivi d'un retour au nord à vitesse lente avant de disparaître en accélération soutenue et toujours horizontale sur l'est nord-est", a-t-il précisé.

Ce déplacement a également été suivi à la jumelle par l'épouse de M. Goello. Ces deux témoins ont en outre souligné que l'engin volant, qui brillait d'une lumière blanche et stable, n'avait aucun feu de navigation et n'engendrait aucun bruit dans son déplacement constitué de mouvements différents.

Vingt-quatre heures plus tôt, l'apparition de deux OVNI avait été également observée dans le ciel de Larmor Plage, près de Lorient.

STANDARD FREEHOLDER, CORNWALL, ONT.
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^{T-249} THREE UFOs SEEN IN AREA

By MICHAEL HEBERT
Staff Writer

Three Unidentified Flying Objects (UFO) were sighted over Long Sault Sunday night.

The eye witness and his wife, who prefer to remain anonymous, stated that they spotted the first UFO at approximately 10:30 p.m.

They said it was circular in shape and a bright yellow as it flew at a high rate of speed from the north to the south.

"We saw it clearly," emphasized the eye witness. "It was not a falling star. There was no diffusion of light around the edges, it had to be a UFO."

He added that he and his wife saw the other two UFOs at around 11:15 and that they flew in from south to north in a zig-zag fashion and then headed off in an easterly direction.

"We're not sure what they were, but I sure scared my wife," he said.

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Leary Now Pushes Space Trips

Timothy Leary, the former Harvard professor who urged young people of the 1960s to trip out on LSD, is now advocating space trips instead. He has been touring the country for the last eight months declaring that mankind's future is in space colonization.

Leary, 57, says outer space, which he says has an unlimited supply of everything we need, is the only logical place to explore because Earth soon will be unable to support human life.

"Space travel is hippy, dippy stuff," he said, adding that only the elite were in touch with the potential of outer space.

Leary, who is out on bail appealing a 1969 federal marijuana conviction, says right now he is not advocating use of drugs.

Clarence Fuller's world — right out of a magazine

Fascinated by the subject of UFOs, Curtis Fuller of Lake Forest speaks with all the erudition of a college professor. It was he who pulled together the International UFO Congress held at Chicago's Pick-Congress Hotel a few weekends ago, on the thirtieth anniversary of the first UFO sighting.

Fuller is a publisher by trade and is Chairman of the Board of The Woodall Publishing Co. in Highland Park which publishes 14 editions of a Directory of Campgrounds, a Directory of Retirement and Resort Communities and three monthly publications—"Trailer and RV Travel"; "The Family Food Garden", a tabloid; and "Campground Management" a small trade magazine.

As a personal venture, he also publishes "Fate" (Clark Publishing Co.) a strange little magazine laden with advertisements of an occult nature. His wife, Mary Margaret, is the editor.

Asked to comment on the UFO Congress, Fuller was disappointed that the three-day event drew less than a thousand people. "We mistook the intensity of interest for breadth of interest," he said.

FULLER REMARKED THAT ufologists tend to fall into two separate camps—those who think that there are psychic components involved in what is being perceived.

He is clearly in the latter group. He feels that whatever is there isn't being properly perceived and that we are dealing

with an anomaly that can't be explained by present day science.

He likens it to the occasion in the early part of the 19th century when there was a heavy fall of meteorites in the south of France and the French Academy scoffed at the idea that these stones were from outer space. He thinks the explanation of UFOs could be that simple.

A former editor of "Flying Magazine", Fuller said that during World War II a lot of the fighter pilots were seeing lights off their wing tips which they called "Foo fighters". These did no harm to the aircraft. And after the war the German archives divulged that their pilots also saw them. He also knew of secret aircraft developed by us with circular wings but they were never used.

"It is too bad to realize so late (in life) that the world is full of mysteries. We are brought up in a rigid mold so that we don't question the description of the world that is handed to us," said Fuller.

He mentioned that in the private meeting the day before the UFO Congress began one psychologist suggested that perhaps the mind itself can create a physical reality—that what is really being dealt with is the nature of reality. Perhaps, he said, parapsychologists should attend such a meeting. Pretty heady stuff all this.

MEANWHILE, FULLER keeps up interest in UFOs through his magazine "Fate" which was begun 29 years ago, a year after the first UFO sightings.

Readers are offered a fare of incredible tales to boggle the mind. In addition to stories about UFOs, there are stories about the supernatural, spiritualism, and psychic healing.

And from its pages of advertisements readers can also order off for aura goggles, pyramid products, tarot readings, voodoo power chants, astrology forecasts, Egyptian anulets, or a book of witchcraft.

Strange Object Seen In Teslin Lake

Loch Teslin is the place to be. That's where Menno Bosma of Teslin was on Sunday when he and two others sighted a strange object in the lake.

An object just at the surface of the still lake water at 11 a.m. Sunday morning attracted his attention when he was turning his boat around.

Only part of the object, between 25 and 35 feet long, was above the surface. It was a darkish thing with black spots on it. It moved slowly and steadily

across the waters, unlike a fish or several fish, pushing the water in a swell ahead of it.

Bosma has lived in Teslin for four years, and fished the lake for that long, too.

"I've never seen anything like this," he told The Star.

"There isn't any kind of fish that I know of that could make any disturbance like that...A whale-type fish would do the same thing."

Bosma and his two fishing companions had a good look at the thing, although it was 200 or 400 feet away. He had spotted it when he turned his boat around, and pointed it out to his two friends.

"It was there when I turned around and we looked at it...for more than half a minute," says Bosma.

He headed his 14-foot boat towards it. When they got within 100 yards, it slowly submerged.

The sighting occurred in the lake nearby the town of Teslin. The lake is 90 miles long.

Bosma, who says he would be skeptical if he had heard the story and not witnessed it, theorizes that it might be a sea-going creature that made its way up the Yukon and Teslin rivers from the Bering Sea.

WHITEHORSE STAR, YUKON
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MILTON CAN. CHAMPION, ONT. - CANADA
*****JUNE 8, 1977*****

—Other residents have confirmed the UFO sightings over Milton May 27, which were reported in last week's Champion.

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Scientists Take Jab at Astrology

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New York, N.Y. — A group of scientists, philosophers and others, concerned about what they see as rising uncritical belief in astrology, parapsychology and other scientifically unfounded subjects, have warned that this could lead a gullible populace to accept pernicious doctrines and "virulent programs of dangerous sects."

The group, called the Committee for the Scientific Investigation of Claims of the Paranormal, issued an appeal to the mass media to provide more balanced and objective presentations on such subjects.

Paul Kurtz, co-chairman of the committee and professor of philosophy at the State University of New York at Buffalo, told reporters that the group had lodged complaints with NBC-TV and Reader's Digest for presenting paranormal subjects as if they were scientifically credible.

"NBC treatment in 'documentaries' of such subjects as 'The Bermuda Triangle,' 'In Search of Noah's Ark,' and 'The UFO Incident' constitutes in scientific terms a scandal," Kurtz said.

Kurtz said the committee also took issue with Reader's Digest. He cited an article in the latest issue entitled "What Do We Really Know About Psychic Phenomena?" He said the article presented as fact a number of claims and anecdotes for which there was little or no documentation and claimed that certain experimental results were positive when, in fact, they were negative.

Another example of acceptance of astrology, Kurtz said, is the fact that the New York Telephone Co. now offers "Horoscopes by Phone" as a public service. The service is advertised in The New York Times.

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Hynek Sight

J. ALLEN HYNEK, professor of astronomy at Northwestern University and director of the Center for UFO Studies in Evanston, Illinois, has maintained his credibility as a UFO investigator for 29 years by adhering to a scientific approach to the question of extraterrestrial visitors. But after "U.S. News & World Report" disclosed that the CIA holds "unsettling" information about UFOs and the brush fire of public interest sparked by "Jaws" director Steven Spielberg's forthcoming UFO film, "Close Encounter of the Third Kind," Dr. Hynek apparently feels free to discuss his views on the mystery.

Speaking before a leadership seminar of outstanding high school students this spring, Hynek stated that there have been increasing numbers of reports of contacts between humans and "extra- or metaterrestrial" beings. Pressed for a theory as to how UFOs are able to travel across galaxies, apparently appear and disappear and avoid radar detection, Hynek replied, "I would have to say that they travel interdimensionally. Although our current scientific techniques are incapable of doing more than sending solid objects on a line through three-dimensional space, the laws of higher physics provide, at least theoretically, for there to be an infinite number of dimensions intersecting, overlapping and co-existing.

"There are stars millions, even a billion years older than the sun," he concluded, "and it is entirely possible that civilizations exist that are millions of years older and, hence, more advanced than ours. Couldn't they have learned to manipulate space and time in a manner totally unknown to us?"

UFOs seen in Milton

Two possible UFO sightings have been made at Milton in the last couple of weeks.

An orange doughnut shaped object was observed hovering over the CP railway tracks near a social club, by a 12-year old boy on May 27.

The object hovered briefly and disappeared. On the same evening a couple observed through binoculars green, red and orange lights revolving around a UFO.

The lights moved slowly across the sky. Police were unable to explain the lights.

PENTICTON HERALD, B.C. - CANADA
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UFO reported over city

A Penticton man has reported seeing what he believes was an unidentified flying object in the sky over the western part of the city Wednesday evening.

Stan Fulton said he and a friend were standing on Van Horne St. at 11:10 p.m. when they saw what resembled a delta-winged (triangular shaped) object travelling from north to south at a high rate of speed.

He observed the object for about 15 seconds before it disappeared. He said it made no sound as it flew over the city at an altitude of about 2,000 feet. The object had lights on all three tips.

Mr. Fulton was a pilot during the Second World War. He said this was the second time he has made such a sighting, the first being over the Mediterranean Sea while he was in the armed forces.

The control tower at the Penticton airport reported nothing out of the ordinary in the skies above the city Wednesday night.

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UFO spotted at Bracebridge

Four Bracebridge men say they saw an unidentified flying object at 10 p.m. Sunday night. They spotted a strange light between Rainbow Ridge and Bracebridge.

"What I saw at first looked like a white light, like a quick pulse," James Ketch told the Packet and Times. "I thought it was a light at the airport, but it was quite a bit bigger than a regular light."

"There were rays coming out both ways from the light," said Ketch. "I saw it about six times. It turned to a red glow at the end."

Ketch was eating supper in the company of his wife, Glenadine, Donald and Louis Napolitano and Alex Commandant, when he looked out the window and saw the light.

Police say they haven't identified the source of the light yet, however, they pointed out that there were fireworks in Bracebridge last night.

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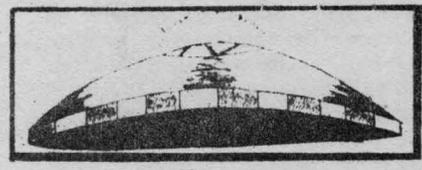
NEW SOUTH WALES - AUSTRALIA
*****1977*****

Strange sights at Tyringham

The small northern NSW town of Tyringham experienced its own UFO wave in 1973.

In a four-month period witnesses saw 74 objects.

It started on Tuesday, May 29, when Mrs F brought her husband's attention to a strange light south-west of Tyringham.



This was sighted at Tyringham on June 14, 1973. It had a lemon light at top, a dull grey surface and, below, a rotating red light on a green background.

It consisted of two flashing lights, green on the left and red on the right.

The objects were surrounded by a bluish glow.

The object was watched for more than two hours and was described as very agile.

The reports continued almost daily for the next four months.

UFO Investigation Centre members studied the objects and reports and found that many daily reports were similar.

On Saturday, June 2, two UFOs were seen at about 11 pm. According to a group of witnesses, the two joined and performed synchronised antics.

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Tren one stopped, looped the loop, then dropped behind a mountain, where witnesses could see a brilliant bluish glow.

Subsequent reports showed that most sightings came from the area near Boney Mountain.

The only troubles caused by the objects over the period were interruptions to power when they crossed high tension wires. Farm animals were also disturbed.

The incidents were investigated but were classified unexplained.

This is in contrast to the majority of UFO "sightings."

About 90 per cent of the 815 reported to the RAAF between 1960 and 1973 were found to be weather balloons, space debris, aircraft, meteors, stars and planets.

Another seven per cent could not be identified because of in-

By SHANE MAGUIRE

sufficient information.

The UFO Investigation Centre last year was plagued by the same problem — people seeing something but not recording details.

Both the Centre and the RAAF stress the importance of detail — how big, what color, any lights or any markings?

When the RAAF investigates a report the findings are usually very formal, cold hard facts.

But the reports of sightings are far more exciting than the findings.

Here are some examples.

BLINKING

At East Kew in Victoria, on February 15, 1973, a round object with a reddish light in the centre and amber colored lights around the circumference was observed. Finding, a balloon.

At Darwin on April 3 a blinking light of several colors was sighted to the south west at an elevation of about 30 degrees.

The object disappeared overhead. The car's lights flickered on and off with a clicking sound. Finding, a reflection from power line insulators. Circuit breaker in car faulty.

Numerous reports made to the RAAF are found to be re-entry of space debris.

One typical report found to be space

debris was a group of white lights travelling in a straight line from west to south, elevation about 30 degrees.

In 1975 the RAAF received only 18 reports of sightings, while the Centre received about 355.

Eighty-six were found to be UFOs. The reports made by the Centre were not as clinical as those made by the RAAF.

At about 5.45 am on March 22 a Murrurundi couple were parked under a street light, opposite the Nemingha Hotel,

They noticed a small white car with its headlights on approaching from Tamworth.

The couple stepped from their car to get directions when suddenly a bright greenish light descended and completely covered the approaching car.

The car drifted and stopped on the wrong side of the road, completely covered in a thick ball of white haze.

The car's lights were no longer on.

After about two minutes the haze disappeared and a woman stepped from the car to clean the windscreen.

A few minutes later the car lights came back on.

After the woman cleaned the windscreen she threw the rag she used to the side of the road and it burst into flames.

The woman drove away with her car still covered in a thick white substance, nothing like mist.

A co-ordinator for the Centre, Mr Michael Smyth, believes that the mystery of UFOs could be solved in about 10 years.

"In that time we should be able to make some decision as to what they are," he said.

He is anxious to hear from anyone with information. He can be contacted by letter at the UFO Investigation Centre, PO Box 6, Lane Cove 2066.

Un "O.V.N.I." aurait tué 15 poneys en Angleterre

LONDRES. - La mort mystérieuse de quinze poneys en Cornouailles, au sud-ouest de l'Angleterre, serait imputable aux "OVNI", a estimé hier le président d'un club britannique spécialisé dans l'étude des objets volants non-identifiés.

Les corps des animaux ont été découverts couchés les uns près des autres, dans une petite vallée des Landes de Cornouailles. Ils avaient des os et des côtes brisés et l'un d'eux avait le cou rompu. De plus, les chairs s'étaient décomposées plus vite que d'ordinaire, ne laissant que les squelettes.

Le président du club qui enquête dans la région, pense que les poneys ont été écrasés par le champ anti-gravité d'une soucoupe volante. Des cas semblables, liés au passage d' "OVNI", auraient été signalés au Etats-Unis.

Armés de compteurs Geiger, de détecteurs de métal, et le visage couvert d'un masque, le président et trois assistants ratissent la campagne à la recherche d'une trace des éventuels extra-terrestres, jusqu'ici sans succès.

them had the neck which was broken, More, fleshs were rotted more quickly than usually, leaving only the skeletons.

Director of the group who is inquiring in district area, thinks that ponies were crushed with anti-gravity field of a flying saucer. Some like cases, bound to UFO passages, would have been report in U.S.A.

With geiger counters, metal-detectors, and their face covered with a mask, the director and three assistants are raking the district area to find tracks of possible extra-terrestrial-men, up to the present time without result.

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"LE PARISIEN" FRANCE - JULY 16, 1977

A UFO WOULD HAVE KILLED 15 PONIES
IN ENGLAND.

London: The queer death of 15 ponies in Cornwall, in the south-west of England, would be attributed to UFOs, has stated yesterday the director of a British UFO research group.

Hides of animals were found, lying some close to tohers, in a little valley of Cornwall. They had bones and ribs fractured and one of

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"LE PARISIEN" FRANCE - JULY 9, 1977

TERROR BROUGHT ABOUT WFOS

Presence of several UFOS has been the beginning of a terror in fullnight among inhabitants of SOCORRO village, in Columbia province of SANTANDER.

According to some witnesses, some flying saucers which shot red and white flashes, flew over the

village to low altitude and with an extraordinary speed. Numerous people left their home to dash in streets.

"At a given time, it seemed that these strange oval-shpaed engines, were going to land", stated one of the witnesses.

blancs ont survolé le village à basse altitude et à une yitesse fulgurante. De nombreuses personnes ont quitté leur foyer pour se précipiter dans les rues.

"A un moment donné, il a semblé que les étranges engins, de forme ovale, allaient toucher terre", a affirmé un des témoins.

PANIQUE CAUSÉE PAR DES O.V.N.I.S.

BOGOTA. - La présence de plusieurs OVNIS (objets volants non identifié) a été à l'origine d'une panique de nuit parmi les habitants du village de Socorro, dans la province Colombienne de Santander.

Selon des témoins, des soucoupes volantes qui lancaient des éclairs rouges et

SERIO TESTIMONIO DE DOS MARINOS: OVNI EN URUGUAY

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CRONICA - BUENOS AIRES, ARG.

SERIOUS REPORT OF 2 MARINERS: UFO AT URUGUAY

MONTEVIDEO, 14 (UPI). — Un objeto volador no identificado (OVNI) fue avistado en las cercanías de las playas de Montevideo por el capitán de un buque mercante uruguayo y el práctico que en esos momentos se encargaba de la maniobra de entrada al puerto local. El OVNI fue localizado en la madrugada de ayer.

El capitán Carmelo Granito dijo que "aproximadamente a las cuatro de la madrugada apareció sobre la

zona de la ramba sur de Montevideo, a la derecha de nuestro barco, un objeto volador redondo, con potente luz amarillenta, que se desplazó hasta quedar ubicado sobre las instalaciones de la Compañía de Gas (a unos dos kilómetros de ese sitio).

"Estábamos en la cabina de mando con el práctico Miguel Gari y ambos observamos el hecho con real curiosidad, porque era totalmente inusual".

One UFO was seen over the beaches of Montevideo by the captain of a ship of Uruguay and the harbour pilot while they were arriving to Montevideo's harbor. They saw the UFO at the first hours of June 13th.

Captain Carmelo Granito saide that "it was about 4a.m. when the UFO appeared over the south beach of Montevideo, on the right hand of our ship. The UFO was circular-shaped and bright yellow. It flew until it was over the installations of the Cmpoania Uruguaya de Gas. We were about two kilometres from that place."

Captain Granito also said that he was with Miguel Gari when he saw the unusual phenomena. The UFO flew at high speed, then it stopped and was stationary for a few seconds until it flew away.

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CRONICA - BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA

UFO

◆ OVNI

LA PAZ, 22 (UPI). — Tres personas dieron cuenta a la policia de Santa Cruz que el sábado último, durante horas de la noche, vieron un objeto volador no identificado (OVNI), cuando viajaban en camion por la región de Tararendá.

Three persons told to the police of Santa Cruz de la Sierra that on last Saturday, during the night, they saw a UFO while they were travelling near Tararendá.

Fue Visto en Rosario un OVNI per una Gran Cantidad de Personas

ROSARIO (De nuestra agencia) — Un extraño objeto sobrevoló la ciudad de San Lorenzo y localidades vecinas, sin que hasta el momento se haya podido establecer su origen. Dicho elemento iluminado se deslizaba aproximadamente con rumbo nordeste a 518 grados de latitud, a gran velocidad y en forma circular. Aparentemente sería un OVNI que se mantuvo estático en varias oportunidades sobre las grandes industrias del área, como Yacimientos Petrolíferos Fiscales, Petroquímica Argentina, Gas del Estado y otras.

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LA RAZOR - BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA

A LOT OF PEOPLE SAW UFO AT ROSARIO

An strange object flew over San Lorenzo and other localities of the province of Santa Fe but nobody could identificate it until this moment. The illuminated UFO flew to NE at very high speed. The UFO was circular. Apparently it was the same UFO that flew over the most important industries of the zone, like Yacimientos Petrolíferos Fiscales, Petroquímica Argentina and Gas del Estado. The UFO also was stationary a few minutes.

SOUCOUPES SATANIQUES

(LONDRES)

LES « soucoupes » sentent le soufre. Elles sont d'origine satanique; elles prennent leur essor de la géhenne et de nulle part ailleurs.

Celui qui l'affirme a présent — après pas mal d'autres —, est l'ancien président de la « Société anglaise des soucoupes », l'Honorable Robert Stanway. Il a démissionné de son poste une fois parvenu à cette conclusion de l'intervention diabolique, en disant qu'il préférerait se consacrer, désormais, à un « renouveau de la chrétienté ».

Il ne regrette qu'une chose, c'est que les soucoupes se déplacent à aussi grande vitesse. Sans cela il leur aurait donné la chasse et rallumé pour elles le bûcher des sorcières.

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SATANIC SAUCERS

The "saucers" smell sulphur! They are from satanic source! They come out from hell and don't come from elsewhere!

The one who says that today, after many others, in the ancient director of the "British saucers society" the honourable Robert Stanway.

He has sent his resignation when he was manage to this inference about diabolical interference, saying that he liked better to devote his time, henceforth, to a "religious revival of the Christendom".

Nevertheless, he regrets a thing: it is that saucers are moving so quick. Without that, he would give chase to these strange crafts and would have relighted for them, the wood-shed of sorcesses!

"ABSORBÉ" PAR UNE SOUCOUBE

RIO DE JANEIRO

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"ABSORBED" BY A SAUCER

Rio de Janeiro: - The list of strange phenomena is never closed in Brazil. Here is the latest story which is spreading abroad in the present time.

One inhabitant, Sydney Walker, 33 years old, would have been "aspirated up in the air" in surroundings of Rio, and would have been found again in the north of country, some thousands kilometres from spot where he was "absorbed".

Some countrymen, would have discovered him, with haggard face, in coconuts-palm forest, while he was repeating, "I have been absorbed by a saucer".

He added that his transfer had been instanttanous and that it elapsed any interval of time between his taking off and landing.

It is a record, probably! But, in this inventive country, where everybody things Carnival all the year, these sorts of records never hold out a long time!

A liste des « phénomènes étranges » n'est jamais close au Brésil. Voici la dernière en date des histoires qui se colportent à plaisir : un habitant de 33 ans, Sidney Walker, aurait été « aspiré vers le haut » dans la banlieue de Rio, et se serait retrouvé dans le nord du pays, à des milliers de kilomètres de là.

Des paysans l'auraient découvert, hagard, dans une forêt de cocotiers, alors qu'il ne savait que répéter : « J'ai été absorbé par une soucoupe. »

Il ajoutait que son transfert avait été instantané et qu'il ne s'était écoulé aucun espace de temps entre son décollage et son atterrissage.

Un record, sans doute. Mais, dans ce pays inventif où l'on pense carnaval toute l'année, ces sortes de records ne tiennent jamais longtemps.

'UFO LIGHT SHOCK THROWS BOY BACK

By Anne-Marie
Strickland

A 15-year-old boy claims he was thrown three metres backwards by a shock from a column of light in secluded bushland at Salisbury North on Friday.

His two companions dived to the ground in fright when they saw their friend, Brenton Clark, thrown violently backwards after touching the beam with his right hand.

Thirty seconds later, said the three boys, they had watched in amazement as a bluish-green, conical-shaped object rose rapidly from a tall gum in a group of trees 20m to their right.

Alex Medaras, 14, said the object had made a noise similar to the muffled sound of a jet taking off.

"It was a low-pitched vroom sort of noise," Alex said today, when he and his friends took photographer Bob Cunningham and me to the scene, a clearing near a creek bed at Salisbury North.

The object, which rose from the trees, had sped off in a different direction from the original beam of light, the boys said.

The beam, about 3 m across, had surrounded three bicycles the boys had put down in the clearing while they had lain on the grass about 10 m away.

Inspected

"The bikes gave off a metallic glow while the beam was on them," Alex said.

Brenton Clark said he had race forward when the beam had first appeared, thinking he could put his hand through it.

Seconds later, when he

had picked himself up off the ground, he knew he couldn't put his hand through it.

According to Colin Norris, public relations officer of the Australian Flying Saucer Research Society, the UFO sighting had all the ingredients of a typical, genuine UFO report.

Colin accompanied us to the clearing today with Frank Robbins, a friend of the three youths, and the man who notified Colin and the Sunday Mail.

Frank went to the clearing about 6.45 Friday evening, when the boys had told him about the incident, to check it for himself.

With a powerful spotlight, he inspected the area among the trees where the boys said a greenish-

blue cone-shaped object had rocketed out of the trees.

He found the gum tree in a wilted state, similar to the effect a fire nearby had on a tree. There was no charred grass, but parts of the tree showed a slight singeing.

'Same story'

Carole Robbins, Frank's wife, said she was shocked when the boys came home to tell her the story.

"But I believe it," she said.

"Each of the three boys told me the story independently, and each told me the same story.

"If they weren't telling the truth, they couldn't have been so unanimous on the details.

Colin Norris said the object which shot out of the trees might have been a monitor sent by a mother-craft at the top of the beam, to test the reactions of the boys.

"It's a shame none of the boys thought quickly enough to look up, to try to see what was at the top of the beam," he said.

The area where the boys say they saw the beam and the cone-shaped green object was an ideal entry point for unidentified flying objects he said.

"First, there are power lines in the bushland, and

these objects are interested in our power supply," he said.

"There is also a creek bed, which is common to many sightings, because they are interested in our water supply as well.

"They may want to draw on our power and water for their needs.

"The remote control object which came from the trees, and the stillness which the boys say they noticed immediately after the beam disappeared, are also consistent with many other reported sightings."

Today, at Salisbury North, there are three young boys who never believed in flying saucers — until now.

And for the record, Bob Cunningham and I are convinced that what the boys saw was real.

LATE ARRIVALS!!

HOUSTON POST - TEXAS
****JULY 22 1977****

Bright light baffling to deputy

PORTER — It was a very bright, intense light moving erratically without sound across the dark, morning skies here.

"I was not able to determine any shape or size, only the light, only one, very bright, intense light," Montgomery County Deputy John Bruner said.

"It was dim and intense at times. It went from light to bright."

Bruner, 43, knows something about aircraft — he spent four years in the U.S. Air Force doing helicopter maintenance.

"It was very unusual," he said. "I do not believe it was a balloon or a helicopter."

Others witnessed this mysterious light and reported it to the sheriff's office in Donroe, Ellington Air Force Base and the Harris County sheriff's office.

But officials at Ellington, William P. Hobby Airport, Houston Intercontinental Airport and the National Weather Service said nothing to indicate a flying object was detected on their radars.

This enigmatic experience for Bruner and his partner, Deputy John Coogler, began about 5 a.m. Thursday when they spotted the light in the sky near Loop 494 and Ford Road in southeast Montgomery County.

The two officers, Bruner said, observed the light for a few minutes before he shined the patrol car's spotlight in the direction of the object.

"The object moved in my direction approximately 10 degrees east," he noted. "It stayed in the same spot approximately 45 degrees (above the horizon) before moving 10 degrees west, which brought it in line with the Little Dipper (constellation)."

The object, he added, was stationary or about 40 to 45 minutes before it disappeared behind clouds.

Harris County dispatched a helicopter, and news photographers converged on the area, but by the time they arrived, the UFO was gone.

BEAVER FALLS, PA. - NEWS-TRIBUNE
*****JUNE 27 1977*****

UFO sighted by countians near Butler

Are Unidentified Flying Objects (UFO) alive and well? Brownie Wrona, of RD 1, Elmbrook Road, South Beaver Township; and Kenneth Camp of North Sewickley Township, elementary physical education instructor with Blackhawk School District, reported their sighting of June 21.

According to Wrona, he and Camp were driving home at about 1 a.m. and were just south of Butler when they saw what appeared to be a shooting star. Wrona said the whitish-bluish object came in close at a high rate of speed as if it were going to crash, then it crossed in front of them horizontally.

The men almost dismissed the sighting at first, but became convinced that it was a UFO when it reappeared again near Fombell, said Wrona. The night was clear and bright, he added.

SHELBY, N.C. - STAR
****JULY 14 1977****

UFO Sighted Locally

By LOU NEAL
Star Staff Writer

An unidentified flying object (UFO) was sighted at 2 a. m. today by two young Shelbians and a Shelby police officer.

Johnny Hayes, 18, and his 13-year-old brother, Douglas, were on the porch of their residence at 304 Lineberger St., when they saw the object in the sky. Johnny Hayes said today.

"I had taken a bath and my brother and I were cooling off on the porch before going to bed. I read books on astronomy and like to watch the sky. I looked up and saw this big, strange object that kept changing colors hovering up there," Johnny Hayes explained.

After watching the object about 30 minutes, the brothers decided to call police. Johnny Hayes said.

DELAVAN ENTERPRISE
JULY 14 1977

It's not often that this newspaper gets calls from the "Center For UFO Studies" and so when the man at the other end of the line said that he was calling from that place, we asked him to repeat it, just to be sure.

We'd heard right the first time. It was Allen Hendry from the UFO Studies Center in Evanston, Ill.

His question: Did the Enterprise have any information on a possible UFO sighting during the fireworks program July 4?

We had none, but Hendry did. Seems a party of 12 persons all agreed that they observed a bright light in the sky and watched as that light moved sharply to the right. And this happened during the annual fireworks program sponsored by the Delavan American Legion post.

We refrained from making an obvious comment, i. e., that there were a lot of bright lights in the sky during the fireworks program. But it occurs to us that others might have seen what Mr. Hendry's party of 12 saw and that there actually was a UFO in the sky here that night - probably, trying to dodge the fireworks.

Whatever, leaving snide comments aside, if you did see anything that might be interpreted as a UFO the night of July 4 in Delavan, at or near the Athletic

field in Veterans' Memorial Park, we suggest you report same to Mr. Allen Hendry at the Center for UFO Studies, Evanston, Ill. Sorry we don't have a more complete address.

Officer Leo Shores was dispatched to the Hayes residence. Shores watched the object about five minutes. Hayes said, left and returned with two other officers and continued to watch the UFO for another 25 or 30 minutes until it disappeared. Johnny Hayes said.

The following report was filed at the police department by Shores. "Hayes pointed out an object in the western sky at about a 40-degree surface-to-air angle. The object appeared to be larger than a star. It would change colors, that is, purple, red, blue, etc. The object appeared to be stationary. The object was not an airplane and did not appear to be a star. No other stars were present around the object. The only explanation I can give is that there was smog and moisture in the air. It is possible that a large star was reflecting and causing the colors. However, it did eventually disappear."