

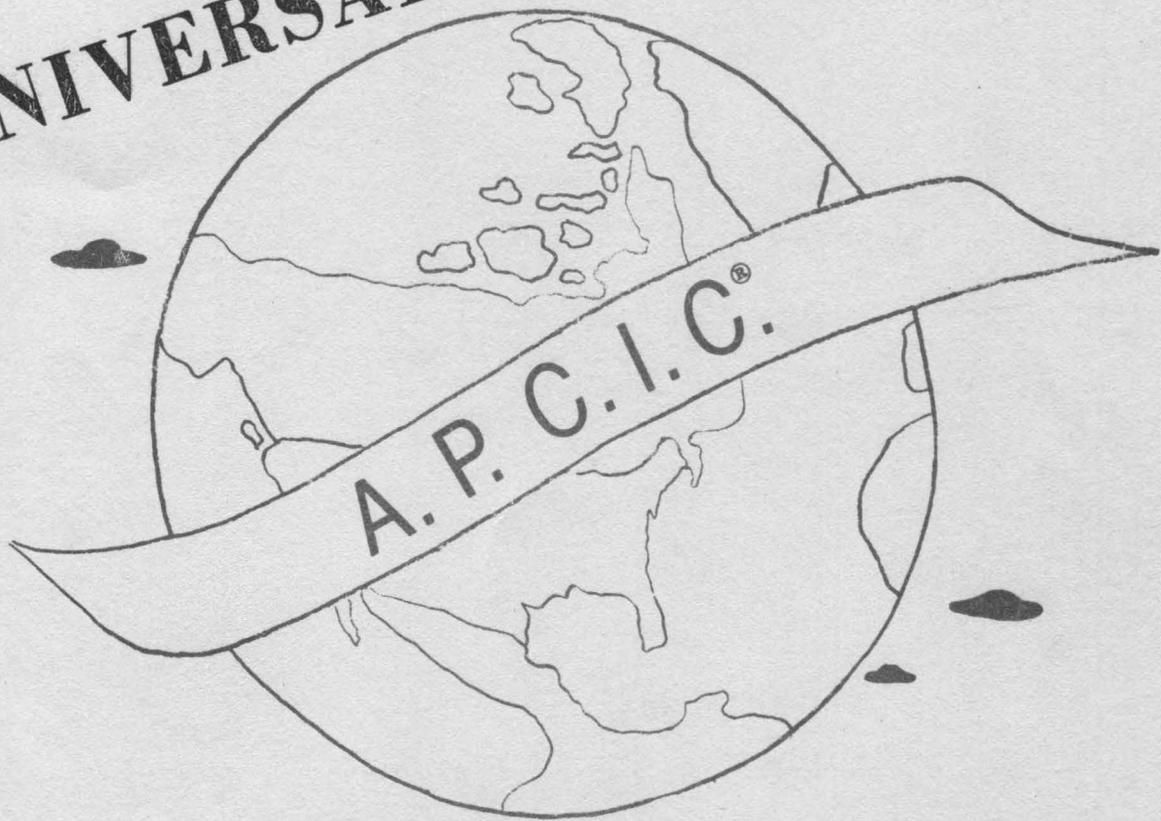
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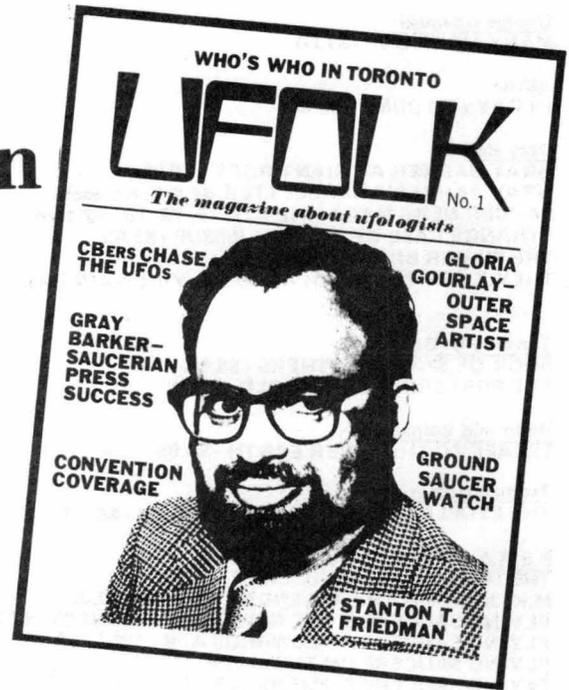
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UFOs leave vivid memory for area witnesses

By JEAN BURNS

Keeping pace with an automobile on I-35 near Encinal, moving slowly above Malinche Street, hovering near a restaurant patio and maneuvering over a Nuevo Laredo residential area, unidentified flying objects (UFOs) have been sighted by Laredoans.

Accounts of the sightings as recent as two months ago and as far back as 1971 recently were related by four eyewitnesses. All four had different experiences and all discounted the possibility that they might have seen an airplane, a blimp, a helicopter or a meteor. All classify what they saw as a UFO.

The terms UFO and flying saucer are not necessarily synonymous. A UFO could be a flying saucer, some natural phenomenon such as a meteor, or a man-made object such as a weather balloon.

It wasn't too far from Nixon High School that Joe Villarreal and a friend, now in the U.S. Navy, saw what Villarreal firmly believes was a flying saucer.

He recalls that they were driving south on Malinche Street about 11 p.m. one August night in 1974 when they heard a strong humming sound.

"It was the kind of noise you hear at an electric power plant," Villarreal says. "Then, about a block and a half away we saw the flying saucer. It was ahead and above us, a little higher than a telephone pole."

He describes it as cigar-shaped and silver, smaller than a blimp and more slender, with a steady glowing light on top but no lights on the bottom.

"But it was not a blimp, a helicopter or an airplane," Villarreal states emphatically.

He estimated the speed to be 10 to 15 miles per hour, about his own rate of speed. The UFO moved toward them and within 15 or 20 seconds had passed overhead.

"We went about a block further, discussing it, and decided to turn back," Villarreal says. "We couldn't find it, though. We drove to the air base and then north on the freeway but it had disappeared."

Villarreal, a Yearly Library clerk, was on circulation desk duty a month later when a Uvalde girl checked out a UFO book.

"She said that she and other Uvalde students were driving home from Laredo one night and had seen something," Villarreal says. "She described the same thing we had seen, and they saw it on the same night we did."

Villarreal has related the experience to others and confesses that most are skeptical.

"They ask if I'd had any beer," he says. "I don't drink beer. I don't care if they believe that I saw a flying saucer. I know what I saw."

Thirteen years ago two other Laredoans saw a UFO and at first they, too, talked to others about it. Today only one is willing to describe the event and only on condition that his name not be used. He holds a responsible position and his background gives credibility to his report.

"After a while you don't tell people," he explained. "Some of them listen very seriously, but next time they kid you about it."

Washington, however, took it seriously enough to send an officer to interview him and his co-witness.

He said that they were on the patio of a cafe on Cortez Street at dusk one autumn evening, facing the direction

where Laredo Air Force Base aircraft were taking off. The planes were about 150 feet in the air as they passed overhead. The men noticed a bright light about 40 to 50 feet above the ground, moving slowly toward them.

"We kept telling ourselves, 'That is a helicopter,' but it didn't make any noise," he said. "Those helicopters are so noisy you can hear them a couple of blocks away."

The elliptical object stopped about 150 feet from them, hovering, close enough that he could see windows about 18 inches wide and 24 inches high. A very bright white light was within, which he likened to burning magnesium, a light that did not stream out the windows as ordinary light would.

He described how the top part with windows rotated counterclockwise and how different colors arced about the top and bottom of the craft, much as electrical current arcs in an electric motor.

"It stayed there about 15 seconds and then, at a right angle, moved off right through the flight pattern," he said, as if marveling over such foolhardiness. "Planes were taking off and it went right under one plane."

"I never saw a UFO before and I haven't seen one since. I do not think I saw something from outer space. I really think it's something our government has," he concluded.

John Hickey, now a Laredo architect, and Dick Allen of Long Beach, Calif., were driving on I-35 near Encinal about 9 p.m. one April evening in 1971 when they spotted a glowing object moving beside the highway.

"It was like a glowing light, a burnt orange color with smokey gray haze around it," Hickey says. "It was ahead of

us and above us, about 50 yards away. Because it was a hazy thing it is hard to estimate the distance or to make out the shape, but it appeared to be about the size of a small airplane."

It definitely was not a reflection on the car window, Hickey declares, because the car window was rolled down. For about 10 minutes the object kept pace with the car, giving off neither sound nor heat. Finally it veered away at the same speed.

Hickey's first reaction was surprise, followed by appreciation of the object's beauty. He was not shocked or frightened, perhaps because he has met others who have reported seeing UFOs.

"These might not be from outer space but there is something to the sightings," Hickey says. "Maybe they are some as yet unexplained natural phenomena."

One of Hickey's acquaintances who has witnessed strange flying objects is Aquiles Villarreal, also an architect.

"About two months ago at about 1 a.m. I was standing outside my house in Nuevo Laredo talking with my brother-in-law, a chancellor with the Mexican Consulate in McAllen," Villarreal said. "Suddenly we saw a strange thing that was flying horizontally in the sky. It was not too far off and it was the size of an airplane, except that this object was round and gray. It was opaque and did not give off any kind of light."

"We had not been drinking since I don't drink," Villarreal stated. "The next day we told our families about it and they believed us. However, other acquaintances did not give our comments any importance."

A week later, Villarreal told a friend from Houston about the incident.

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"He was shocked because on that same day he also had seen a similar object," Villarreal reported.

Other Laredoans have seen strange things in the sky, some identifiable to knowledgeable person and some still unexplained.

Excitement was generated a few years back by a bright light which traveled the sky from northeast to southeast. Samuel Meyer spotted it as he stood in front of his house bidding guests goodnight.

"It glowed white to yellow with red tinges and gave off sparks," he said. "As an amateur astronomer I recognized that it moved too slowly to be a meteor. It was the burned out hulk of a Russian launch vehicle, I learned later. Generally these burn up before reaching the Earth's atmosphere."

A fire in south Laredo fed the rumor that the object had fallen in or near Laredo. Meyer investigated and found a pile of burning tires. The "space trash," he said, had gone beyond Laredo and fallen into the ocean.

Still unexplained is the object Bonnie Hopson and her mother, Mrs. Ben Hopson, watched from their Del Mar back yard about three years ago. For about 20 minutes, to the best of their recollection, something the size of a shooting star zigzagged across the sky at tremendous speed, making sudden stops and direction changes.

Dr. Hopson, returning from their ranch on the Zapata Highway, countered with a tale just told him by a ranch hand. The man had related with great excitement how a small red light had zipped back and forth through the sky. The next day, Mrs. Hopson recalls, The Laredo Times received several calls from other puzzled observers.

Laredoans who have witnessed UFOs are in distinguished company. President Jimmy Carter, then

governor of Georgia, was in a group which saw a UFO and his handwritten account is on file at The Center for UFO Studies at Evanston, Ill. In a telephone interview with Estelle Postol, Center administrator, she notes that 70,000 sightings have been fed into the Center's computer. All are investigated and about 5 per cent cannot be explained away as natural or man-made objects, she said.

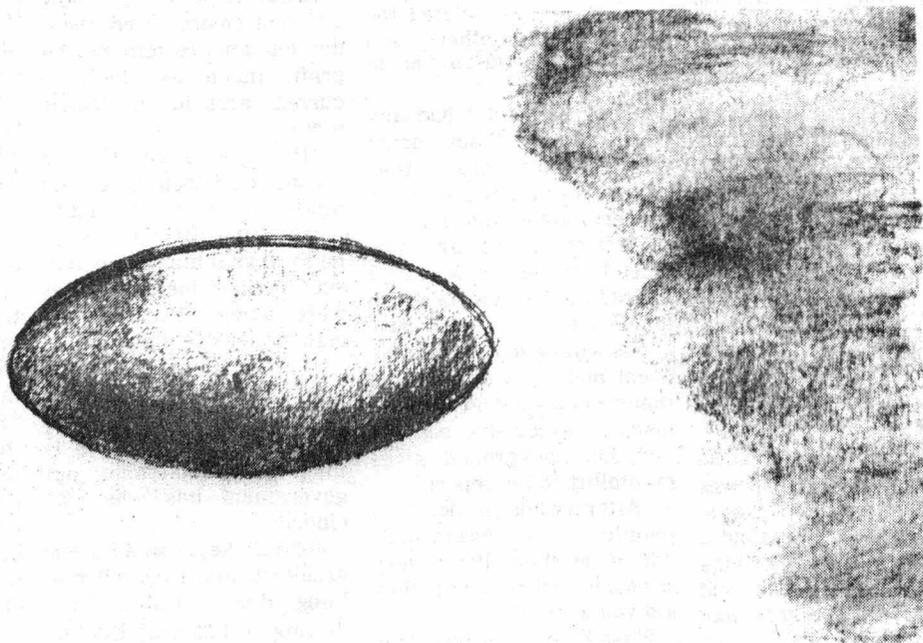
This year has been average, she said, with about four telephone calls and several letters coming in each day. The Center, supported by gifts, was founded in 1973 by Dr. I. Allen Hynek, Northwestern University astronomy chairperson, former Air Force Project Blue Book consultant and the Center's scientific director.

Are people more willing to discuss their sightings than in the past? "Definitely yes," Postol replies. "There has been a definite change. We receive reports from people of sightings from many years ago. They feel that now there is a place where they will be taken seriously."

Postol quoted figures from a 1973 Gallup Poll indicating that 11 per cent of the 1,550 adults surveyed claimed to have seen a UFO. The poll revealed, too, that 51 per cent of those interviewed believe that UFOs are real and not just a figment of the imagination.

Among those who support the flying saucer theory is Stanton T. Friedman, nuclear physicist who will present an illustrated lecture, "Flying Saucers ARE Real," at 8 p.m. Thursday (October 27) at the Laredo Junior College Kazen College Center (KCC). Sponsor is the LJC Community Interest Program. The same lecture will be presented at 10 a.m. for an audience of elementary, junior and senior high school students at Nixon High School gymnasium.

Admission is \$2 for adults and \$1 for students or those with LJC or Laredo State University activity cards. Tickets are available at KCC service desk, Munden Discount Center, HEB Food Stores and Mac's Toys downtown and in Mall Del Norte.



A drawing by Aquiles Villarreal shows the UFO he reports he and his brother-in-law saw two months ago as they visited

outside Villarreal's home in Nuevo Laredo. It was about the size of an airplane but made no noise, he said.

'I'd have to see one

BY AL ROLLEFSON AND
JENNIFER WATTS

A circle of light overpowers the sky, as a silver object shoots quickly overhead, skimming the treetops. This scene may be similar to one many people have experienced when they sighted a UFO.

Unidentified flying objects, more commonly referred to as UFO's, are a topic of great controversy as there are

many different viewpoints on the subject.

In the Clear Lake-Mason City area there was a UFO reported just recently, as a resident of Mason City reported the sighting and a weather station also picked up a trace of the UFO on it's scanner. This being unusual as they stated that UFO's do not normally register in their equipment and that the UFO was moving at a much faster

speed than that of an airplane.

Some people support their belief in UFO's by reference to the "Bible," particularly the book of Ezekial 1:4-5. It says, "And I look and behold, a whirlwind came out of the north. A great cloud and a fire enfloating itself and a brightness was about it and out to the mist thereof was a color of amber out to the mist of the fire; also out to the mist thereof came the likeness of

four living creatures and this was there appearance. They had the likeness of a man."

Various students at CLHS offer their opinions on the subject.

Senior, Lori Dunn states, "I wish I didn't believe in UFO's but there is too much evidence that proves they do exist."

"I refuse to believe in such things as UFO's until one lands in my own backyard," laughs junior, Dan Linahon.

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Liz Peart, foreign exchange student, states, "I do believe in them, but in the near future they will be able to explain them as they are able to explain marages."

Cindy Chenault, senior, concludes, "Only if the occupants are 6'4", tall, dark, and handsome. No, really I'd have to see it to believe it."

Brad "Lindsay" Bales, junior, says, "I think there is something out there but I don't know what it is. Maybe if I had the opportunity to

encounter one of these odysseys of the outer world, I may be inclined to believe such...."

Senior, Mark Gallaher comments, "Only boxhead humanoids do not believe in coneheads, Lord Vadar and star cruisers. That is why we coneheads have invaded your galaxy, to prove there are, in fact, more intelligent beings, such as us, the coneheads."

Dawn Theilen, sophomore

says, "I would believe it if I saw it."

Beth Jandebeur, junior, comments, "I don't believe in them now, but if I saw one I would probably change my mind."

Jane Heeman, sophomore says, "I think they're a figment of everyone's imagination."

Junior Jeff Borrill, sums it up quite frankly, "They're for real."

According to "Science Digest," May '76, "Believers and non-believers all agree that some where between 80 and 99 percent of all sightings have mundane (ordinary) explanations."

One of the most academically inclined freshman, when asked about UFO'S REPLI-

ed, "What's a UOF?" Indeed - that's the question. |

EAST PALESTINE, OHIO - LEADER
*****NOV. 19, 1977*****

Did UFO visit Negley area?

By CAROL
RATKOVICH

Last Saturday, Nov. 12, Madge Dyke of Rte. 154 west of Negley, called to tell me of a strange sight that her and her husband Gilbert,

daughter Diana and son-in-law Larry Crawford saw on the morning of Sunday, Nov. 6, at 10:30 a.m.

She said Gilbert was out in front of the house raking dirt that had

been dumped for fill, and he has a habit of every now and then looking up at the sky.

He was looking up in the direction of Rogers when an object appeared in the sky headed toward Negley. It was traveling west to east and looked so strange that he called for Madge to come and have a Diana and Larry out to take a look, and they were baffled as to just what the object was

that they were looking at.

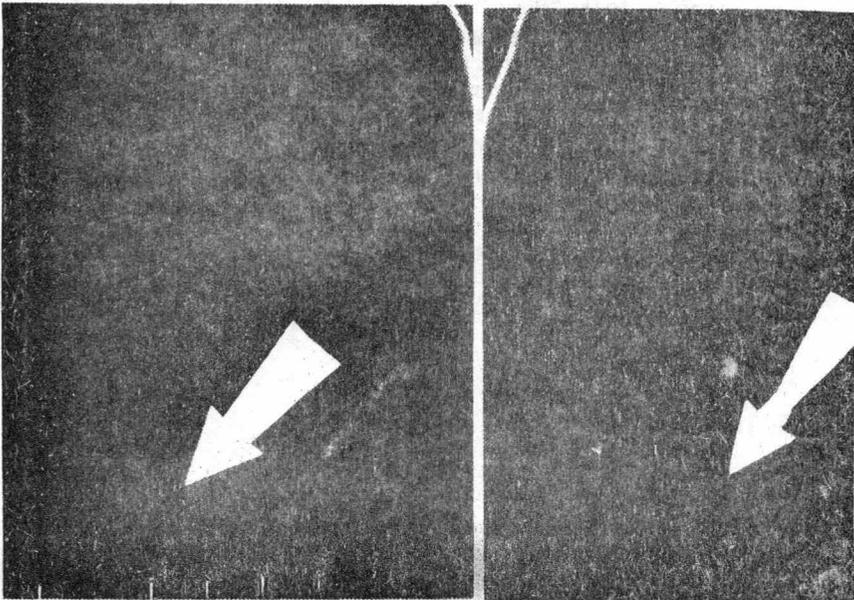
They described the airborne object as looking sort of like a boomerang; or the last quarter of the moon. It was a dull gray in color, with no lights of any kind, and all around the edges, it seemed to look "hairy." The group said it was flying just a little higher than a normal twin-engine plane would fly, but not as high as a jet. It moved at what

seemed a low to medium speed and they watched it come and go in a matter of 10 minutes or so.

BAKER, LA. - OBSERVER
****OCT. 6, 1977****

IN PASSING

By Bryant Conway



In the lower left center of the polaroid night photographs above, perhaps you can see a white dot about twice the size of a pencil point. The photographs were taken by one of our friends from a man's pasture near Norwood, La. about Sept. 15. The photographer and his friends have been enjoying the early evening hours outside, under the stars. Some of their interesting observations, we record here.

The light in the photograph is from a source unknown. It is extraordinary in that it suddenly appears in the sky, and moves slowly like some airplanes. It can almost as suddenly disappear, except it seems to cool off and stop glowing. Twice this writer has observed such characteristics.

Our friends, both of whom are retired, say it can move at right angles and most of the time is only several hundred feet above the ground. It may come closer to the ground. Sometimes after it cuts off, it will suddenly appear in the opposite side of the sky.

We are going to get the exact log times on its appearance but note here that in June it appeared around 10:30 p.m., in July it was noted at around 10 p.m., in August it started appearing around 9:40 p.m., on September 13, 14 and 15,

it appeared at exactly 8:05 p.m. going southerly and at 8:25 p.m. appeared going northerly.

Several times they have observed a bluish light extending to the ground with pin-point precision. Twice they observed a cigar-shaped UFO and once a flying wing with blinking red lights on top.

Airplanes fly in the area and one can see the blinking lights and hear the sound of the engines. The object of their attention, the mysterious light, makes no sound. It can be explained away as an airplane, whose noise is not heard and which is merely testing its landing lights without the running lights on. Our friends argue against this proposition because of the longevity of the sightings. Two years and the vertical movement. In time we will report to you subsequent findings.

A strange light has been reported appearing over Baker since the second football game at about 8:45 p.m.

We should also report that analysis of the "angels hair" has been positively identified by electron microscope as pure aluminum. The Air Force uses it to cause radar controlled guns to shoot the "angels hair" instead of the plane.

GREENFIELD, NO. - ADVOCATE
*****OCT. 13, 1977*****

UFO's Create Busy Night For Watchers

UFO sightings about nine o'clock Tuesday night created several hours of intense activity by Dade County Deputy Sheriffs. Mrs. Judy Mitchell of Everton was the first to sight the objects and reported them to Joe Rushing, Everton city police. Rushing reported to the Sheriff's office, who in turn requested radar information from Springfield.

No sightings were made by the radar unit according to reports. However, a news team from KYTV television in Springfield came to the scene as well as several area residents.

Reports Wednesday morning indicated that as many as four UFO sightings were made and the objects were said to be hovering over the lake area northeast of Greenfield. Flashing red and green lights were noted by the observers for several hours before finally disappearing.

A Walnut Grove resident indicated to some of the investigators that he had made similar sightings about a week ago in that area.

MEDINA, NY. - REGISTER
*****OCT. 3, 1977*****

UFO Reported In Royalton

ROYALTON - A "box-car shaped" unidentified flying object was reported to the Niagara County Sheriff's office Thursday night at 8:30, but the caller wouldn't leave her name.

Authorities said a woman called the office and said a big illuminated UFO hovered for about 10 minutes at treetop level before moving east. The incident was reported in the area of Freeman and County Line roads.

The UFO was estimated by the caller to be 35 to 40 feet long and 10 feet high, the sheriff's office reported.

The caller said the object had long narrow windows.

Local boys view UFO

Three Monroe youngsters Friday sighted an unusual object traveling across the sky at slow speed and one photographed what may be a UFO or — whatever. It was between 4:30 and 4:45 p.m. and getting a little dark.

The boys had been playing with their walkie-talkies when they saw the object. Mark Field, 12, 2114 13th St., dashed into his home and brought out a Polaroid Land camera. He snapped one picture, which apparently captured only the sky; and a friend Gordon Ostrander, 11, took a second, this time more successfully. With them too was Dan Lynch, 11.

The object, which was believed as large as a car or plane, and as high as the telephone co. tower, seemed to be in sections with connecting tubes. The sections were egg-shaped and two dots were visible in each. The ovals were blackish white and at times reddish orange. Another smaller object, seen in the upper left of the picture, was also traveling with the larger formation. After the picture was taken the object "just vanished."

The boys took the picture to the police station where they were given a number to call, if

interested. On Saturday night they planned to watch the TV special on UFO's to see if anything new was to be learned.

A "large ball of fire" was reported in widely scattered areas over Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota Friday about 2:35 p.m. and was apparently a meteor that crashed to the ground in several pieces.

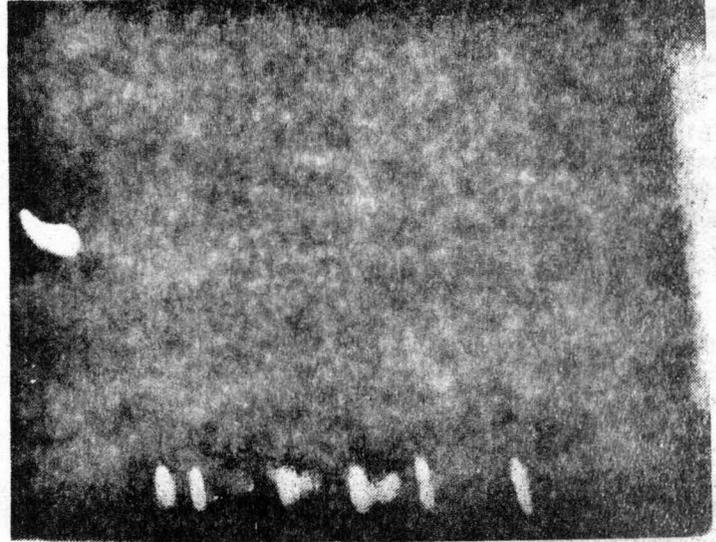
Officials at the Robert T. Longway Planetarium in Flint, Mich., said the meteor was unusual because of its brilliant vapor trail which made it visible in bright sunlight.

In Green Bay, the Brown County Sheriff's Department said it received several calls from persons who saw mysterious flaming material falling from the sky.

A burning fragment of the meteor, about half the size of a compact car, was reported to have plunged into Northport Bay in northwest Michigan. One worker described the sight as "fantastic."

Whatever the local object was, the boys have a picture of the object, reddish orange against a dark green background of sky. It is reproduced here in black and white.

The boys are sons of Mr. and Mrs. Arleigh Field, 2115 13th St.; Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Lynch, 2120 11th St.; and Mrs. Gert Ostrander, 2214 13th St.



COMPASS COMMENT - MYSTIC, CT.
*****OCT 28, 1977*****

Several Report Seeing UFO

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Mystic — Groton real estate agent Donald Ross wasn't the only local resident who spotted some strange objects over Mystic

last week.

Additional calls to The Compass indicated something unusual was in the sky around 10:30 p.m. October 17, and callers share Ross' belief the two fast-moving blue lights were Unidentified Flying Objects.

Christopher Dunklee, 13, of Pawcatuck was so impressed with the phenomenon that he made a pen-and-ink sketch of the lights.

"We thought he was crazy when he told us about them, but I guess he really did see them," Julie Dunklee, his mother, says.

The sight so frightened the boy that he locked himself in his grandmother's garage until the blue lights disappeared over the horizon.

A nurse living in Fieldcrest claims to have seen the lights on her way home at about the same time and a North Stonington woman reported she viewed the lights that evening and has seen them on and off for about three weeks.

Unusual sightings may be reported to the UFO Reporting Service at (206) 722-3000.

SOUTH MIDDLESEX NEWS, MASS.
*****OCT. 19, 1977*****

Shooting star alarms southwest

DALLAS (AP) — An enormous fireball that seared the evening skies over Texas and Arkansas and provoked hundreds of phone calls in five states apparently disintegrated without hitting earth.

The light from the fireball, believed to be a meteor, was so intense that that residents in three Texas cities hundreds of miles apart swore it hit near them.

"It lit up my cockpit and I saw it split up into bits and pieces," said Air Force Capt. William Latham, who spotted the fireball while flying a jet at 16,000 feet. He estimated its altitude at 50,000-60,000 feet.

But astronomers gave conflicting opinions on whether the fireball struck the ground or burned up in the air.

The fireball was sighted at about 8:15 p.m. CDT in portions of Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Missouri. One witness in Texarkana, Tex., described the object "as big as a house." Other pilots in Louisiana and Texas also spotted it.

EAU CLAIRE, WIS. - LEADER TELE.
*****OCT 21, 1977*****

Report UFO sightings

AUBURNDALE — Two Wisconsin Rapids radio station employees have reported seeing unidentified flying objects Wednesday at the Mead Wildlife Area near here.

Cliff Borden, news director of radio station WFHR at Wisconsin Rapids, said he and WFHR sports director Terry Stake were leaving a marsh at the wildlife area when they spotted an object in the sky. The wildlife area is located about seven miles northeast of here in Wood County.

Borden, 47, said the light appeared at about 7 p.m. and flashed at times.

The sighting apparently appeared before two separate sightings were reported to Clark County authorities.

Mr. and Mrs. Doug Larson, owners of the Moraine Motel, three miles west of Neillsville, reported they had observed an unidentified flying object hovering near a television tower for about 45 minutes. They reported the first sighting at about 8 p.m.

The sighting took place just after Mark Grap and a companion, Paul Vornholt, had reported seeing a similar object.

Grap, 14, reported that he had seen an object that appeared to be rectangular in form. He reported that he watched it for five minutes. Last week, he said he observed a similar object for a longer period of time.

Grap claimed that as Vornholt went to try to get other observers, the object came quite close to them. Grap said the object had what appeared to be square windows. Grap also reported the object was emitting a red light from the rear.

EL CENTRO, CA. - IMPERIAL
*****OCT. 18, 1977***

QUESTION: We have not seen anything in the paper but my parents and some of our friends swear they saw a flying saucer the night of Oct. 6. Now I have heard there were several calls to the sheriff's office, that two California Highway Patrol officers saw it, and that the Federal Aviation Administration turned its spotlight on it and the flying saucer took off very fast. Is the government covering this up? — Suspicious, El Paso

We don't think so. If any official types saw the flying saucer, they did not make an official report of it.

The sheriff's office did get 10 to 15 reports, according to a dispatcher, but none of the reports was logged.

And we talked to a handful of people who say they saw the saucer but ~~and was held in place with a Juliet cap.~~

The bride carried her mother-in-law's white Bible and a cascade of yellow roses and white satin ribbons.

Maid of honor was Sandra Renne, the bride's sister. Bridesmaids were Nancy Renne, another sister, Peggy Kurtz and Norine Jenkins. The attendants wore light blue polyester dresses and white hats trimmed with yellow ribbons and yellow and white daisies. They carried white baskets of yellow roses, yellow and white daisies and baby's breath greenery.

Best man was Jerry Homme, the bridegroom's brother. Groomsmen were seen the object and had attempted to approach it with drawn guns but it zoomed away.

They also said they heard the Federal Aviation Administration at the Imperial County Airport had reports of the object and had thrown its spotlight on it.

There was no record of either incident at the CHP office or the FAA but maybe the incidents were not logged.

We do not discount the stories. We have never seen a flying saucer. If and when we do, we do not intend to say a word about it.

who do not want to be identified.

"I told a couple of people and they looked at me as if they did not believe me," said a young man who said he saw the saucer twice, once as he drove home and again about 2 a.m.

It was misting rain and cloudy all day.

The young man who saw the saucer said he was driving home when all of a sudden an oval shaped object, gray in color and throwing off a red glow appeared over the road about 200 feet away and 200 feet high and sped away faster than a jet.

He said he arrived trembling in fear at his house and loudly calling his wife. She and the people next door came outside to watch.

The neighbors said they saw a white light in the sky. The man next door said the object in the northwest appeared half as big as a house and about 12 miles away.

The neighbor's wife described the object as not a plane but something with blinking red and green lights.

About 2 a.m., the young man and his wife went outside again and by now the clouds had lifted and it was a bright moonlight night. In the east, the couple say they saw an oval shaped object, silver, according to the wife, gray to the husband.

WAYNESBURG, PA. - DEMOCRAT MESSENGER
*****NOV. 3, 1977*****

UFO here under study

The Center for UFO Studies at Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill., Wednesday said it was investigating several unidentified flying objects spotted recently in Western Pennsylvania.

Reported UFOs were seen at three different times Saturday in Erie County. Another was spotted Monday night near Indiana, Pa.

At about 2 a.m. Saturday, police and residents in the Erie County communities of North East Borough and Millcreek Township saw a blue revolving light in the sky.

But Alan Hendry, chief investigator for the Center for UFO Studies, said the object apparently was a star.

"The majority of the sightings at about 2 a.m. we believe were caused by the same stimuli which cause the single largest category of reports received by the center," Hendry said.

UFO Spotted Here

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(A number of persons reportedly observed an unidentified flying object, commonly known as a UFO, in the eastern sky late Wednesday.

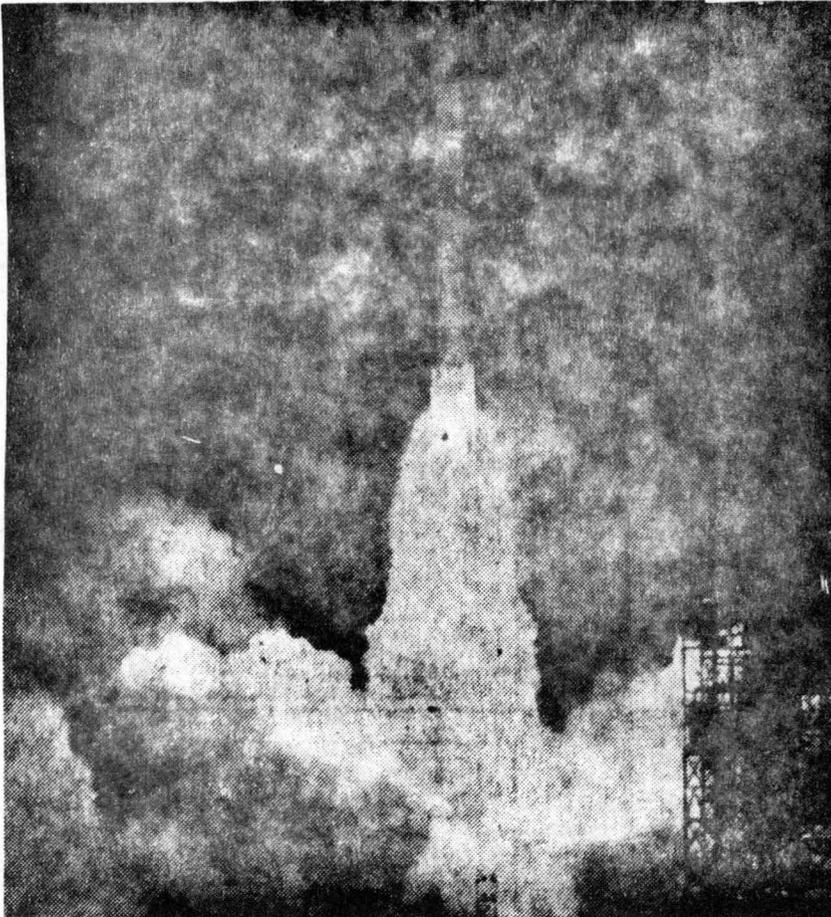
Leona Cunningham of Ogdensburg, a field investigator for Aerial Phenomenon Research Organization (APRO), a nationwide flying saucer reporting service, said the object was first observed at about 8 p.m. by an employee at the St. Lawrence Psychiatric Center.

Mrs. Cunningham said she was notified at about 11 p.m. and observed the object, described as circular in shape and emitting white and reddish glows, until about 12:30 a.m. today. Also a member of REACT, Mrs. Cunningham said she contacted a number of persons by radio in the Potsdam and Parishville areas, who confirmed the sighting.

"It was definitely a UFO," she said this morning. "We had a clear view of the UFO, which was low in the sky. It seemed to be watching something in the Potsdam area although I don't know what."

Mrs. Cunningham said a star is normally visible in the same area but that a check of star maps found that the star was not above the horizon during the sighting.

CLEVE. PLAIN DEALER - OHIO
*****NOV. 24, 1977*****



SATELLITE LAUNCH — The European METEOSAT weather satellite was launched from Cap Canaveral Tuesday night after a two-day delay caused by the interception of strange radio signals received by the command destruct system of the Delta rocket. (UPI)

CLEVE. PLAIN DEALER - OHIO
*****NOV 23, 1977*****

Strange signals scrub launching of ESA satellite

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — (UPI) — Air Force and space agency investigators today began an inquiry into mysterious radio signals that caused cancellation of the scheduled launch of a European weather satellite.

The launch of the Meteosat 1 satellite was scrubbed last night because of unidentified signals received on the command-to-destruct system of the Delta rocket as it was readied for the launch.

A command-destruct system is built into every rocket so the vehicle can be destroyed if it goes off course or malfunctions after liftoff. Officials said the signals were discovered during a test of the rocket's electrical system last Wednesday.

The source of the signals must be determined before a new launch date can be set, they said, because they could have an effect on the destruct system.

No details on the signals themselves were disclosed, but officials said they have not been picked up again since Wednesday.

There was no explanation why cancellation of the launch was announced only a few hours before the rocket was scheduled to be fired.

The 1535-pound, drum-shaped satellite is owned by the European Space Agency (ESA), which expects it to greatly improve weather forecasting across Europe. It is designed to transmit weather photos every half hour. European weather forecasters now depend on twice-daily photos from an American satellite.

"We will save lives by early warning of storms and have greatly improved weather forecasting," said ESA Program Manager Dr. Dieter Lamertz of West Germany.

ESA is spending \$240 million on the Meteosat program, which includes three satellites, ground stations, launch costs paid to NASA and operating costs for the next three years.

Aside from Europe's immediate needs, Meteosat 1 will be part of a projected five-satellite, worldwide weather forecast network.

The network includes two American satellites and a Japanese satellite, which are already in orbit, and a Russian satellite. The Russian space vehicle was supposed to be launched next year but Moscow has announced it will be delayed until 1979.

That delay could affect the international "World Weather Watch" experiment, scheduled to begin in December 1978, unless a substitute can be found for the Russian satellite. ESA officials have proposed use of a second Meteosat until the Russians can launch theirs.

"The whole window was filled with this luminous silvery figure — and the face was black. You could see no eyes or features. I jumped up and my wife started screaming. She had seen it, too."

This chilling episode — which police say was not a hoax — was among an astounding series of encounters with towering, silver-suited humanoids, lacking facial features, in a rural area of Britain.

"The remarkable thing about the sightings is the similarity of detail, reported by people who do not know each other," declared Randall Jones-Pugh, an investigator for the British UFO Research Association.

Jones-Pugh exhaustively studied UFO sightings and confrontations with humanoids in an approximately 35 square mile area of southwest Wales, from the end of January 1977 to April.

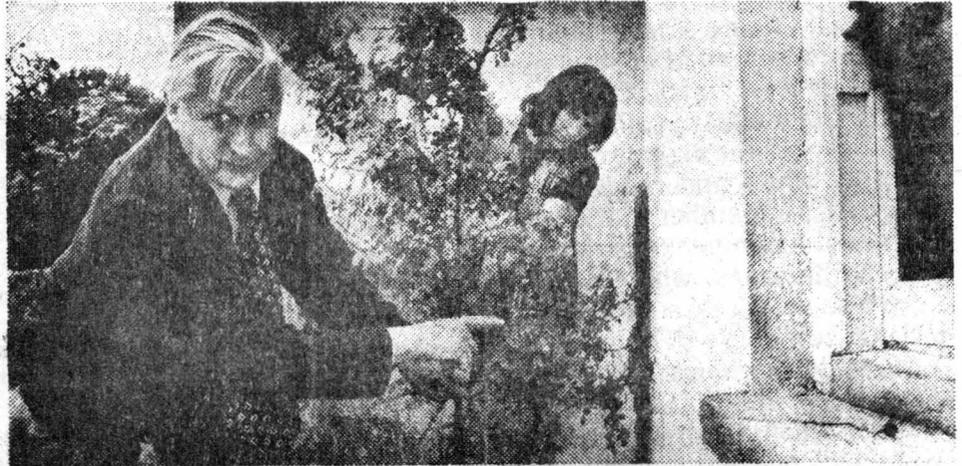
"We can find no earthly explanation for the sightings," he said. "My only conclusion is that the figures sighted are alien beings from outer space or from another time dimension."

And a spokesman for the Royal Air Force in the British Defense Ministry admitted:

"There have been reports (of UFO sightings) from a Royal Air Force base in the area — but we never make known the results of investigations."

It was at a farm in the area, near the village of Broad Haven, that a real-life horror show exploded while Bill

Villagers Terrorized by UFOs And Horrifying Humanoids



UFO INVESTIGATOR Randall Jones-Pugh and Pauline Coombs search near window where she saw silvery figure seven to eight feet tall.

Coombs and his wife Pauline were watching a post-midnight TV movie on April 22.

Without warning, Coombs said, the window "seemed to light up" with a silvery figure.

The terrified couple called the police. But when they arrived, the figure had vanished.

Police constable Ernest Jones told *The ENQUIRER* that Coombs was "hysteri-

cal" and his wife in tears when the lawmen arrived.

"Coombs told me he and his wife had seen a silvery-suited figure, seven to eight feet tall, at the window of their living room.

"It appeared to have a squarish black head with no features. Mrs. Coombs told me the same story.

"There is no doubt they had seen something unreal. I am satisfied it was not a hoax."

Another bizarre encounter unfolded at 2 a.m. on April 19, when hotel owner Rosa Granville's radio suddenly went dead.

A few minutes later, she heard a loud humming noise outside, and was dazzled by a "huge moon lighting up the area, moving about like a seesaw.

"Then it came down at unbelievable speed, landing in a field about 100 yards behind my hotel.

"It was round with flames coming from the top of a dome. There was a light on it, like a pulsating star.

"Two creatures, at least eight or nine feet tall, emerged from the dome through the flames. I got out my binoculars. They had long arms and legs, and were wearing creamish jump suits. I could see no hair, and there were no facial features.

"They looked as though they had hands, but not fingers. I thought their feet were webbed.

"They walked around for 15 minutes. I wanted to scream — but I had lost my speech."

Mrs. Granville finally managed to awaken one of the guests in the hotel. But by then the object and humanoids had disappeared.

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WHEELING, W.VA. - INTELLIGENCER
*****NOV. 1, 1977*****

Saucer Said Seen Near Triadelphia

A Triadelphia man who declined to give his name said he saw "something red, I think a flying saucer" shortly after 7 p.m. Sunday "traveling over Triadelphia. He was the second person to report such an incident.

A Wheeling woman Sunday said she reported to police what appeared to be an unidentified flying object in the sky to the east of North Park. The Triadelphia man said what "looked like an airplane but was real red" seemed to be heading away from the Cameron area and toward North Park.

He said the first time he observed the object it "was going real fast and later I looked up and it seemed like it went only so far and stopped."

He said when the object appeared to be hovering it began to change colors

"to mostly green, then after that back to red. Then all the lights went out," he said, "and the thing went white."

He said he and his son and a daughter-in-law watched the object for between 10 and 15 minutes "and it never seemed to move." His son said it looked like an airplane but the caller said an airplane would have moved away "much faster than that."

He said he believes in flying saucers because he has seen four in his lifetime, the last one a few months ago. That one he viewed with binoculars, he said, and it appeared to have colored rings around it.

A spokesman for the police department said they had received a call from the Wheeling woman but were unable to locate the object in the sky.

'Changed my life' UFO sightings no joke

ST. LOUIS (AP) — The pursuit of "flying saucers" can be a difficult thing for a scientist, especially if he becomes convinced he has found what he was looking for.

"It's changed my life completely," said Dr. Harley D. Rutledge, head of the physics department of Southeast Missouri State University in Cape Girardeau and a man, colleagues say, who is not prone to exaggerate.

Rutledge began as a skeptic in 1973 when it was suggested that he investigate a rash of sightings of unidentified flying objects in southeast Missouri. Now, after more than four years of firsthand research and observation, he has reluctantly admitted that he cannot debunk the stories.

The information gathered by Rutledge, including more than 700 photographs, is a result of hundreds of nights spent in the air, in fields and on hillsides, accompanied, always, by other observers and equipment which includes telescopes, cameras and a spectrograph.

At 51, married, with five children, he is laying his reputation and career on the line and saying that there really is something up there that cannot be explained by conventional logic.

"Now I know they are up there. What they are or where they came from, I have no way of knowing. But they are there," he said in a recent interview.

Rutledge himself has made more than 140 sightings, both in broad daylight and at night. At least 25 of those sightings he labels as "incredible."

Three of the most convincing sightings came within two weeks of

each other in May of 1973. The first, from the air, involved what he calls "a 45-second metamorphosis" involving 10 balls of light that had no business being where they were, in the air near the small town of Piedmont, Mo.

The second and third sightings, which he believes to be conclusive because he was so close to the objects, were made near Farmington, Mo., about two weeks later. On the night of May 24 Rutledge and several other observers spotted an object with a triangular shaped light pattern passing over them. Rutledge tentatively labeled the object as an airplane, but said that later evidence discounted that possibility.

The next night, he said, he and his colleagues observed a huge object that had nearly passed over them before they spotted it.

"It had four lights, two red and two white," the professor said. "It was close enough that I could see parts of it through my 80-power telescope. It had a metallic skin and I could make out a ribbed pattern in the red lights."

Rutledge's colleagues point out that he is an intense man, but rational and conservative.

"Anything he does has lots of effort put into it," said Dr. Donald Fromsdorf, dean of the College of Sciences at SEMO. "Everything is done professionally, scientifically."

"I have no qualms about his professional integrity or the way he goes about things. But he has taken on a monumental task."

Much of the work has been funded through grants from the university and a special grant from the St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

STATEN ISLAND ADVANCE - N.Y.
*****NOV 21, 1977*****

2 cops, 2 nurses spot UFO

The report of a "large orange oval" in the sky led four Staten Islanders — including two police officers — from Tottenville to Woodbridge, N.J., in search of the object this morning.

The women, Dianne Diaz of Greeley Ave., Grant City, and Toni Carlo of Seguin Ave., Princes Bay, both nurses at Richmond Memorial Hospital, told police they were driving west on Hylan Blvd. at 1:20 a.m. when they saw an "orange object" in the sky. At first they believed it to be a plane but then decided, police reported, that the object was moving much faster than aircraft. The area is immediately under the approach path to Newark International Airport.

When the object appeared to be preparing to land, the women flagged down a police car from the 123rd precinct, Tottenville.

The officers, Sgt. Edward Stanulis and Police Officer Frank Chiarello, both reported seeing the object, which they described as "a huge orange oval."

At first, they said, it appeared to be stopped and then began a slow descent in the direction of Perth Amboy.

Sgt. Stanulis conferred with police in Perth Amboy who reported receiving no information about a UFO sighting.

Stanulis and his partner drove to Perth Amboy with the two women in the radio car and brought back Sgt. Gus Dynove of the Perth Amboy Police. "We brought him back to where we saw the object go down," Stanulis said, "so he could get an idea of where it might have landed."

Stanulis described the object as "very large and round and glowing." The sphere, he added, changed color, going from a pale orange to a deeper orange as it descended.

Recognizing the fact that people are skeptical about such sightings, Stanulis said: "All I know is that the four of us observed it. We don't know what it was, but it was there."

ROCHESTER, N.Y. - COURIER
*****OCT. 19, 1977*****

UFO's Seen in Area

Many UFO's have been seen lately around the area of Most Precious Blood School. These Unidentified Funny Objects are busily preparing for a "Spaced Out Halloween Day" that will be "launched" on October 30, at the school hall at 1 p.m. til. Hots, hamburgers, sausage, beverages and "way out pizza

fritta" will be served throughout the day at the "Space-a-teria." A "galaxy of games for adults and children, variety booths, and a spook house will be featured in this miniature universe. If you've always been curious about UFO's be sure to attend this brilliant event."

2 OVER NORTH EAST

UFO Sightings Called Genuine

The Center for UFO Studies says a "brown, cigar-like thing" and a "pancake object with a light on top of it" seen Oct. 29 in the sky over North East Borough will both be recorded as genuine unidentified flying objects.

The cigar-like UFO was seen by Officer Gary Rogers of the North East Borough Police Department about 7:30 a.m.

He saw the object at the intersection of Eaton and Skelly drives as it cruised at a slow speed about 700 feet above the ground.

Rogers, observed the object for several minutes at a one-fourth mile distance and described it as an elliptical cigar-shaped vessel. It had a tail fin and dark brown against the morning sky was

Following the North East sighting by Rogers, there were reports that a similar UFO had been tracked for about 40 minutes by the Erie International Air Traffic Tower on Oct. 29.

But that rumor was dispelled Monday by Richard Peiffer, chief air traffic controller.

"I had heard that we were tracking a UFO that day," Peiffer said. "I even got a call from the UFO Center, wanting to know more about it. But I got out the logs and there was nothing recorded regarding a sighting.

"I then questioned just about all the

people on duty at that time, including the supervisor, and no one knew anything about a UFO."

The other UFO that the center is recording as genuine is one reported by two teenage girls. They described the object as "a pancake object with a light on top of it." Police saw the same craft taking off from the field in North East where the girls saw it.

Both of the sightings are considered genuine by the UFO Center because the UFO's deviate from known characteristics of normal aircraft, meteors, stars or other stimuli that give rise to UFO reports.

Another UFO reported Oct. 31 over Indiana could possibly have been a helicopter and will not be recorded as a genuine flying object, according to the UFO Center.

unidentified
"Whether the object spotted near Indiana was a genuine UFO is certainly questionable," said Alan Henry, chief investigator for the Center for UFO Studies at Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill.

The object's described movements were "relatively in the bounds of what helicopters could do," he said.

The object had been described as a "bright, white light . . . first seen moving from the south and heading westbound very slowly."

ERIE MORNING NEWS - PA.
*****OCT. 31, 1977*****

3 UFO SIGHTINGS REPORTED TO COPS

At least three Unidentified Flying Objects were reported in the Erie area Sunday by residents and police.

The first U.F.O., reported about 8 p.m., was cited directly east of Erie. It consisted of orange and blue lights floating up and down in the sky.

The second came later and consisted of green and white blinking lights, according to police, and was visible in south-west Erie about midnight.

A third consisted of a silver bird-like object hovering over the bay shortly after midnight.

Astronomer Tom Whitting of Erie had some answers Sunday night on what people might be seeing.

"I'd caution anybody on seeing anything on the horizon, because the thickness of the atmosphere you're looking through will play all kinds of tricks on you, much more than looking straight up."

Whitting also said high cirrus clouds the past few nights, coupled with extremely clear skies, also play tricks./

CROSS COUNTRY NEWS
FORT WORTH, TEXAS
OCT 20, 1977**

People
Are
Saying . . .

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BACK IN AUGUST '77 up in Oklahoma, three Del City residents were having a slumber party. Del City is near Tinker AFB, which is near Oklahoma City, same zip code. They were young, non-drinkers, lived near Tinker AFB and were used to planes.

Suddenly in the middle of the night, three of the girls spotted a UFO. Mark Tusetano, also an area resident, reported he was driving home about 1:30 a.m. and he spotted the "object."

There was no sound, no aircraft noise — remember they lived next to Tinker AFB and were used to aircraft sounds. The object flew within a quarter of a block from the girls.

They were bewildered. The next day they decided to search the area, and in a field covered with weeds near to the slumber area lay a series of diamond-shaped, slightly burned areas.

"They were burned down to around knee high," said 15-year-old Juni Mouldy, who along with friends Julie Burkhart, 15, and Rhonda Fuller, also 15, spotted the objects.

Julie asked her father, Kerr Junior High School principal, Guy Burkhart, to see their findings. That's when Charles Rhodes, of the New Age Center in Oklahoma City, became involved. Hayden Hewes, a UFO investigator, asked Rhodes to come to the site, take some pix, look them over and then decide if a full-scale investigation was warranted.

After studying the photos, Hewes and Rhodes concurred — and investigation was launched. Photographs were sent to Phoenix for study by a computer. Hewes said soil samples were taken and a giger counter was used to determine if the spots were radioactive. They were not.

Hewes and Rhodes agreed, there is no evidence to indicate any hoaxing on the girls part.

UFO sighting reported locally

A local man reported to Portage County Sheriff's Department deputies that he spotted an unidentified flying object (UFO) southwest of the Stevens Point sewage treatment plant about 10:45 p.m. Thursday.

Wednesday evening the news and sports directors of a Wisconsin Rapids radio station and one of its reporters said they saw a UFO to the east as they left the Mead Wildlife Area. Several other UFO sightings were reported Wednesday night in the Neillsville area.

UFO reports continue in Cape area

By CHARLES J. OSWALD
Globe-Democrat Staff Writer

Those strange UFOs continue to be seen zipping over southeastern Missouri, according to Dr. Harley Rutledge, chairman of the physics department at Southeastern Missouri State University in Cape Girardeau.

The most recent sighting was about 7:15 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7, about five miles north of Jackson, Mo., where witnesses watched a bright white object being chased by a military fighter plane, Rutledge said.

Rutledge said one of the witnesses, John Hickam, a former Air Force electronics expert watching through a rifle telescopic sight, gave this account:

THE BRIGHT LIGHT appeared to move north-erly, following the route of Interstate 55. It was very bright, made no sound and appeared to be about 5,000 feet high. The object dimmed considerably about the time a commercial airliner passed overhead.

Seconds later a jet fighter which sounded like a McDonnell Douglas F-4 Phantom went into after-burn and cracked the sound barrier while pursuing the light.

Both flew out of sight over Illinois. The fighter then returned and made a figure-eight search of the area and flew east.

Rutledge, originally a skeptic, started a scientific UFO field investigation program called Project Identification after strange lights were reported over Piedmont, Mo., in April, 1973.

THE INVESTIGATION was partially financed with a donation from The Globe-Democrat.

"Not only have I seen strange vehicles and lights both by day and night, but they appear to be intelligently controlled and seem to interact with human beings," Rutledge said.

One of the most significant sightings took place from the second floor window of Rutledge's campus office on Sunday, Sept. 4, 1976, he said.

"I turned to look out the window and a glint of reflected sunlight revealed a disc shaped object hovering at a 60-degree angle a distance away," he said.

RUTLEDGE SAID the object almost immediately shot upwards at a steep angle, accelerating with great speed and backing away almost instantly.

Rutledge, who said he has made more than 140 UFO sightings since 1973 and classified 25 as "incredible," will speak on his research at 1:15 and 2:45 p.m. Thursday at the Missouri State Teachers Association Convention in room 272 of the St. Louis Gateway Convention and Exhibition Center.

He is working on several papers on the subject of UFO research.

Where Were You Aug. 2, 1977?

Magazine Reports

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'Saucers Loot & Burn Chester, Ill. Aug. 2, '77'

Where were you on Aug. 2, 1977, when Chester, Ill. was looted and burned by flying saucers?

That's what the January, 1978, issue of Official UFO magazine indicates on its front cover. Printed on the front cover of the magazine is the following "Saucers Loot and Burn Chester, Illinois: Story Suppressed by Officials." The inside story is entitled "The Night An American City Died of Fright."

In editorial comment about the story, the magazine relates that compelling testimony came from Chester and that dozens of reports sent individually by various residents all point to "the same fact": it is indicated that on August 2, 1977, the entire village was attacked by a fleet of flying saucers and the entire town was in a state of panic. It is also indicated that at one point the local TV airwaves were taken over by aliens piloting ships which hovered over the TV station.

In further editorial comment in the magazine about the incident it is said the story has been conclusively authenticated although apparently the government has attempted to put a lid on it and personal on-the-spot investigations are hampered by government interference.

The story is indicated to be "By City Sheriff Luke Gris-holm" although it is pointed out that the actual author "asked us to change his name and location so that he won't be bothered with the media

once this story is published." Maybe it wasn't Chester, Ill.

Accompanying the story is a picture of a detective waiting while his associate questions a Chester resident "who was one of the first to see the saucers." The Chester resident is partially hidden and not identifiable in the picture.

The story also says that "In Chester we have formed a committee to get ourselves heard." In addition the story says "we" have not been permitted to talk about the night of hell on radio or television. It is also said that "editors won't print our story" and that air time is not available to them.

Where were you the night of Aug. 2, 1977? If you know anything about this incident in Chester, please tell the Herald Tribune. We must have missed it.

In the early part of August a lot of things were going on in Chester. Plans were being made for the opening of schools on Aug. 30, work was about to begin to repair the bridge to Kaskaskia Island, Danny James and his wife bought the ceramic shop on State Street in downtown Chester and renamed it House of Ceramics, the 23-day strike of workers at Illinois Power ended, the American Legion met to make final plans for their Homecoming, the City Council voted to purchase 3 new pick-up trucks and also voted to repair the roof of the Water Plant. There were, of course, many other things going on. But, nowhere locally has the Herald Tribune been able to find any evidence that saucers looted and burned the City of Chester, Ill. on Aug. 2, 1977.

Authorities report Clark UFO sightings

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NEILLSVILLE — Clark County authorities said today they received reports of at least one unidentified flying object near here Wednesday night.

A group of teenagers returning from a choir practice at about 8 p.m. said they saw an object with green, white and red lights, ports that looked like windows, and a red light on a pointed tail.

Mark Grap, Neillsville, one of the youngsters, said he saw the object a week ago, but reportedly watched it again last night for about five minutes, on the city's west side.

Mr. and Mrs. Doug Larson, owners of the Mcrairie Motel, three miles west of here on Hy. 10, reported sighting the object also.

Alerted by a friend who heard police reports on a police scanner radio, Mr. and Mrs. Larson went outside and reportedly observed the object for about 45 minutes.

Mr. Larson reported the object, whose size he said he could not determine, appeared to have revolving red, white and light green lights on it. He said it made sudden movements around a television tower and appeared to look "like a tilted ferris wheel."

He also reported that he had seen flares coming from the direction of Fort McCoy, about 40 miles to the south.

Larson reported these flares are sometimes seen from that direction in the summer, but never with the intensity he observed Wednesday night. He said,

however, the flares appeared to be more from the direction of Black River Falls.

Mrs. Larson said the object appeared to be in the form of a disc, but because of distance, it was difficult to determine its exact shape.

According to a public affairs official at Fort McCoy in Sparta, range firing operations continued at the base until 8:50 p.m. Wednesday. He said illumination rounds, known also as flares were fired, and this may have been visible in the Neillsville area. No military aircraft from Fort McCoy were in the area at the time.

A spokesman from Volk Airfield at Camp Douglas reported that no activity from that airfield could have been seen in Neillsville. /

RAVENNA-KENT, OHIO - COURIER
*****NOV 15, 1977*****

UFO groups investigate sightings here

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Area UFO societies are investigating reported sightings of an orange "egg-shaped" object which hovered over a Brimfield home and then disappeared into the night sky Sunday.

Alvin Branham of 2145 Tallmudge Rd. said a frightened couple came to his door about 8:30 p.m. Sunday and asked him to come outside. He said he and his wife ran out to discover the large object circling the house.

He said the object circled for a few minutes in about a quarter-mile radius, then moved to the southeast where it appeared to stop and discharge three smaller objects. While Branham and the man went inside to call the sheriff's office, their wives remained outside and saw two more of the smaller objects drop from the mysterious vehicle which then "disappeared."

Branham said the man, reportedly a Ravenna area teacher, told him he first saw the object in a field on the south side of Tallmudge Road.

The man told Branham he believed it to be a drilling rig, but then it "took off" and rose above the car. The couple reportedly stopped their car and the object stopped above it, Branham said.

Seeing lights in the nearby Branham home, the couple rushed there for help.

"At first I wondered what kind of party this guy had come from. Then I saw it, too," Branham said.

Portage County sheriff's deputies reportedly found nothing when they went to the scene.

UFO sighted in Sycamore

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SYCAMORE — Sycamore residents reported sighting an unidentified flying object Friday night about 6:45 p.m.

Liz Lohr of Sycamore said her neighbor had observed a strange object in the northern portion of the sky and called her to look.

She said the object remained in one spot and appeared to be rotating and changing colors from red to blue to a bright white. She added she checked the object through binoculars and could see that it was not an airplane.

Mrs. Lohr said the object first appeared to be about the size of a basketball and later shrank to the size of a baseball.

A spokesman at the Greene County Airport said no planes had landed at the airport during the evening and therefore the airport had no reports of the object. /

Officer disputes spacemen visited

HASTINGS, Neb. — (UPI) — Deputy Sheriff James Stutesman says a mutilated 400-pound sow found north of Juniata died of ordinary causes and then was attacked by wild animals, ending speculation the animal had been attacked by aliens from outer space.

Residents had speculated that aliens were responsible for the hog's mutilation because there were no traces of blood around the sow, no tracks and "strange" incisions on the animal.

left front leg to determine the cause of death. The animal was examined by a veterinarian after Stutesman had left town for a vacation, but the cut could not be explained.

Reports by two veterinarians who conducted separate examinations indicated that the other wounds on the carcass, found Nov. 19, were caused by predators after the sow had died. One report said the sow's nose was badly chewed and torn, which he said was typical of animals feasting on a

Recently Declassified Air Force Files Reveal: 3-Month UFO Siege at Top Secret Atom Plant

UFOs spied on America's most secret atomic research plant for more than three months back in 1950-51, evading all attempts by U.S. fighter planes to intercept them, according to recently declassified Air Force files.

The once-sealed files of Project Blue Book, the Air Force's official investigation of Unidentified Flying Objects, reveal that the UFOs were sighted repeatedly over the Atomic Ener-

By WILLIAM DICK

gy Commission's supersecret atomic installation at Oak Ridge, Tenn., between October 1950 and January 1951.

Air Force radar screens also picked up the eerie objects. And on one occasion, as a flight of UFOs darted overhead, radioactivity in the area soared — although no radioactive material had been released at the plant.

The mysterious wave of UFO sightings began on Oct. 12, 1950, when 11 objects, possibly more, appeared on the radar scope of an Air Force unit at nearby McGhee-Tyson Airport.

A fighter plane was scrambled to intercept the UFOs, but the pilot radioed back he couldn't see them, either visually or on his airborne radar — even though they were still clearly visible on ground radar.

Three days later, one of the strangest sightings in the history of UFO reports was made by an AEC security guard.

Trooper Edward Rymer. He and an attendant, John Money-maker, said they saw a bullet-shaped object descend from the sky — then miraculously it assumed the shape of a "two-by-five-inch grayish-colored card," according to Project Blue Book files.

"Attached to the object was a ribbon-like tail about 20 feet long and an inch wide," the files say. The object was moving slowly, about three miles per hour, Rymer estimated.

When he approached to within 50 feet of the weird object, it speeded up slightly and flew over a nine-foot fence. Then it rose sharply again to clear a 30-foot tree, changed to a pear-shape, and vanished over a ridge.

Another similar-looking object was seen shortly afterward by Trooper Rymer and the captain of the AEC Security Patrol, Joe Zarecki, files say.

And the same day, the Air Force picked up UFOs on radar, flying from 40 to 100 m.p.h. A fighter plane was scrambled but the pilot said he saw nothing in the sky.

Strange loud noises, described as similar to a jet engine's roar, were reported on October 15 and 16, by an Army instructor and by security guards at Oak Ridge, but they said the sky was empty.

The astounding flurry of sightings over the Oak Ridge AEC plant continued:

October 16 — At 1:30 p.m., security Trooper John Isabell saw a fast-flying round object.

November 5 — At 11:55 a.m. an employee of Fairchild Engine and Airplane Corp., which had a plant at Oak Ridge, saw a huge gray object which changed shape rapidly, six miles away. Astounded officials calculated the object must have been as tall as a three-story building — and a half-block long!

November 29 — At 5:15 p.m., three UFOs popped up on radar scopes, moving at only six miles an hour. For more than two hours they were observed on radar, but an F-82 fighter plane failed to locate them.

Afterward, Geiger counters measured a pronounced rise in radioactivity.

"These readings are unaccounted for," the Blue Book files report.

"AEC officials state that no unusual release of radioactive particles was made from their installations."

December 18 — Seven officials of Fairchild aircraft saw a UFO, while at the same time radar screens picked it up. Again, fighter planes failed to intercept it.

More sightings were reported on January 16 and 21. Finally, Air Force intelligence experts from Wright-Patterson Air Force Base flew into Oak Ridge to investigate. They reported "no malfunctions in the (radar) equipment or operational errors on the part of the radar crews."

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UFO sighted

Was it a UFO? Thus far it is. A resident living on Rt. 93 today reported seeing an object she could not identify. It was a brilliant ball of white light, she said, that stood still for about five minutes then moved away when red lights shown from it. No other report has been received of the sighting which occurred about 5 a.m.

LONGVIEW, TEXAS - JOURNAL
*****NOV. 13, 1977*****

Man Spots UFO

Longview police received a call early Saturday concerning what appeared to have been a possible unidentified flying object.

Aaron M Sawyer of 1807 Live Oak Drive reported seeing a bright, silver object hovering near the ground in North Longview.

Sawyer said the sighting occurred at approximately 9:20 a.m. Saturday. He said the object appeared to turn a full circle and left at a high rate of speed.

The sighting had been unconfirmed late Saturday night.

UFO's Create Busy Night For Watchers

UFO sightings about nine o'clock Tuesday night created several hours of intense activity by Dade County Deputy Sheriffs Mrs. Judy Mitchell of Everton was the first to sight the object and reported them to Joe Rushing, Everton city police. Rushing reported to the Sheriff's office who in turn requested radar information from Springfield.

No sightings were made by the radar unit according to reports. However, a news team from KYTV television in Springfield came to the scene as well as several area residents.

Reports Wednesday morning indicated that as many as four UFO sightings were made and the objects were said to be hovering over the lake area northeast of Greenfield. Flashing red and green lights were noted by the observers for several hours before finally disappearing.

A Walnut Grove resident indicated to some of the investigators that he had made similar sightings about a week ago in that area.

MASSILLON, OHIO - INDEPENDENT
*****NOV. 3, 1977*****

Once-Secret Air Force Files Reveal . . . Thousands Saw UFOs Over Atomic Base

Mysterious bright-green "balls of fire" were seen by thousands of people over the supersecret Los Alamos atomic and rocket research station in 1948-49, recently declassified government files reveal.

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Top scientists and investigators, after ruling out rockets, flares, conventional aircraft and meteorites, admitted they had "no plausible explanation" for the flurry of strange green objects in the sky.

Details of the intensive probe into the green fireball mystery are disclosed in the once-sealed files of Project Blue Book, the Air Force's official probe of Unidentified Flying Objects, now open to the public.

During December 1948 and January 1949, the eerie green objects were sighted over Sandia Base at Albuquerque, N. Mex., and nearby White Sands Proving Grounds by pilots, astronomers, other scientists, federal investigators and security inspectors, as well as by thousands of residents.

Astounded scientists calculated the objects were streaking through the skies at incredible speeds of up to 27,000 miles per hour — fast enough to overcome earth's gravity forces and to hurtle into space.

Blue Book files reveal that Air Force intelligence chief H.M. McCoy, in a report to the

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Air Force Chief of Staff, said investigators could find "no plausible explanation for the presence" of the green fireballs.

In a confidential memo dated Jan. 19, 1949, investigators said: "On at least two occasions reports definitely show that the main luminous object was followed at a fixed distance by two trailing lights."

Observers described the color of the main object as "brilliant green, similar to a green traffic signal," and about as big as a basketball, while the trailing objects were either green or red, and as big as a baseball.

"In my opinion, they are definitely nonmeteoric," stated Dr. Lincoln LaPaz, then director of the Institute of Meteoritics at the Univ. of New Mexico, who took a leave of absence to investigate the sightings.

At a top-secret meeting at Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory on Feb. 16, 1949, Dr. LaPaz told Army, Air Force and FBI investigators: "This thing apparently ignores air resistance and gravity, and goes blissfully on its way." He also told the group he had personally

seen one of the objects.

"Its color was a hue of green or yellow-green such as I have never observed in meteor falls," Dr. LaPaz said.

Two special agents of the Air Force's Office of Special Investigations, John Stahl Jr. and Melvin Neef, both pilots, reported they spotted one of the weird objects while they were flying on Dec. 8, 1948.

"A brilliant green light was observed coming toward the airplane at a rapid rate of speed," and an altitude of about 8,000 feet, they reported.

"The object was definitely larger and more brilliant than a shooting star or meteor flare . . . the trajectory dropped off rapidly, the object seemed to burn out, and a trail of glowing fragments, reddish-orange in color, fell toward the ground."

A thorough search was made on the ground in that area, but nothing was found, the once-secret Blue Book files report.

A diamond-shaped green object with two trailing red lights was seen on Dec. 13, 1948, by a truck driver and his wife, and a week later, December 20, by two Atomic Energy Commission security inspectors.

Again on Jan. 6, 1949, two sentries at Sandia Base saw a diamond-shaped object flying at 1,500 to 2,000 feet, faster than a jet plane. There was no sound, no smoke and no vapor trail, they reported.

And baffled investigators found no explanation for the mysterious wave of "green fireball" sightings.

EL CERRITO, CAL. - JOURNAL
*****OCT 12, 1977*****

UFOs sighted by citizens in Walnut Creek

WALNUT CREEK — Three people have reported seeing an unidentified flying object, "flying saucer type," over a home in this city.

The object, sighted last night about 7:30, was described as 15 feet high, 25 feet wide and shaped like a top. It had flashing white lights and was ringed by a blue light, witnesses told sheriff's deputies.

The object was sighted over Bagwell Lane by Timothy Mooney and Patricia and Janette Register, all of Walnut Creek.

They said the object hovered about 300 feet over Bagwell Lane and finally left at a high speed. It also emitted a high-pitched whine.

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When were UFO's first sighted? —C.D.

Who really knows? The first documented sightings were in 1896-97. Cigar shaped forms resembling airships were reported from coast to coast, according to *The UFO Controversy in America* by David M. Jacobs.

PUBLISHERS WEEKLY - N.Y.
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Weird occurrences, such as unexplainable psychic phenomena and purported UFO sightings, are the curious subjects of NAL's December title "The Book of the Strange" (\$2.25) by the editors of the World Almanac. The original release will attempt to provide some of the known facts about the eerie things that happen around us, also touching on such experiences as dreams, déjà vu, strange religions and coincidences.

By LEON FREILICH

Expect a rash of UFO reports soon—and not because of the movie "Close Encounters of the Third Kind." "Every five and a third years there's an upsurge of people sighting unidentified flying objects," said aerospace engineer William Spaulding.

"This has been going on since 1947. What's behind it? Simply this: enough of these sightings—and they've been made by responsible people all over the world—are so similar that there can be little doubt that UFOs are swooping in toward earth every fifth year.

"But we're going beyond sightings. Now we're starting to collect physical traces of the presence of UFOs."

Spaulding, one of the scientists who make up Ground Saucer Watch in Phoenix,

AZ., told MIDNIGHT/GLOBE that UFO evidence is divided into three kinds.

"The first kind is a sighting," he explained. "Thousands of these have been made since a businessman named Kenneth Arnold sighted a strange object over Mount Rainer in Washington.

"The second kind of evidence is physical. Plenty of individuals have seen the metal disks. The latest development is that the disks are leaving behind traces on the ground."

This second-kind evidence includes ground markings, radiation and electromagnetic effects, he said. When found, they're rushed to the lab.

"The most recent ground markings came to this lab from Delphos, KS.," he said. "Four witnesses observed a small craft land, make a loud sound, then fly off.

"It left a circular imprint in the ground. The round traces glowed like nothing ever seen in Delphos.

"After several hours the phosphorescence disappeared, and the witnesses dug up the soil and shipped it to our group. We did a soil analysis.

"We discovered two things. One, this soil, unlike all the surrounding soil in Delphos, was sterile. Absolutely nothing could grow in it anymore. And two, its calcium content was up 10 times over normal.

"The conclusion was clear. Something totally unknown had induced this effect. The possibility of hoax was nil."

Spaulding said he had 10 other cases of lab-verified ground markings left by UFOs.

"My organization also has 43 documented cases, all within the U.S., of radiation evidence. Reliable Geiger counter readings were made within 24 hours of UFO sightings and proved five to seven times higher than surrounding areas."

Further evidence takes the form of 31 computer photos, he said. "Scientists at this center have diagnosed 31 photographs of UFOs and shown them to be authentic."

There isn't enough known yet to explain why UFOs approach earth in a five-year pattern, according to Spaulding. "It may have something to do with the mathematical formulation of how the planets are aligned," he said.

"But we won't know until we find evidence of the third kind. This involves actual contact with... well, we'll know when we contact it, or them.

"It may occur soon. If so, it'll happen in Ohio, Washington, Texas or New Mexico."

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MYSTIC, CONN. - COMPASS
*****OCT. 1, 1977*****

Several Report Seeing UFO

Mystic — ^(PAGE FIVE) Groton real estate agent Donald Ross wasn't the only local resident who spotted some strange objects over Mystic last week.

Additional calls to The Compass indicated something unusual was in the sky around 10:30 p.m. October 17, and callers share Ross' belief the two fast-moving blue lights were Unidentified Flying Objects.

Christopher Dunklee, 13, of Pawcatuck was so impressed with the phenomenon that he made a pen-and-ink sketch of the lights.

"We thought he was crazy when he told us about them, but I guess he really did see them," Julie Dunklee, his mother, says.

The sight so frightened the boy that he locked himself in his grandmother's garage until the blue lights disappeared over the horizon.

A nurse living in Fieldcrest claims to have seen the lights on her way home at about the same time and a North Stonington woman reported she viewed the lights that evening and has seen them on and off for about three weeks.

Unusual sightings may be reported to the UFO Reporting Service at (206) 722-3000.



THIS may become a common sight in 1978. The UFO was photographed in Calgary, Canada, after witnesses had spotted and reported it.



THESE are computer examinations of the photo. According to scientist and UFO expert William Spaulding, they prove this UFO is authentic.

C'mon eastern Story County,

(Editor's note: Recently there have been several reports of strange things appearing in the east Story County sky. An investigation of the matter by staff writer Diana Pounds produced the following assessment of the situation.)

By DIANA POUNDS
Staff Writer

It's about time UFOs showed up around here.

After all, we don't exactly live in the sticks. Presidents and rock stars, even an Arab prince and a baby iceberg have all managed to find their way to the Ames

area. We are a cultured people, strong and healthy, fine specimens of the human race.

Surely it was an oversight for us to have been ignored for so long while UFOs frittered away countless years, perhaps light years, flitting around stagnant farmponds on the East Coast and charring intricate patterns in Southwestern wheat fields.

Of course, a disturbing rumor has it that UFOs have been hanging around the Colo and Collins area for a number of years and that the people there have been keeping their fellow Story Countians in the dark about the whole matter.

Those who have actually seen the bright, other-worldly blobs of orange in the eastern Story County sky make excuses for their tight lips. They claim they are upstanding community members with good reputations and are anxious to keep it that way. They say those who have not seen will not understand if they go public about the orange thing that can vanish in the twinkling of an eye; that mischievously trails you as long as you are moving, but darts into the blackness of space the minute you stop; that performs mysterious, ethereal tricks, like making a

share your UFOs

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corn crib light up as if from within when there is no outside beam of light on it.

They say if they talk giggling friends and neighbors will be ringing them up at all hours of the night, talking in high, squeaky voices and pretending to be Martians.

However, the rest of us Story Countians are not likely to be taken in by those excuses, no matter how plausible they sound. It is obvious that the people in Colo and Collins have been stonewalling in order to keep their UFO all to themselves these past few years.

Haven't they been chumming up to the

thing for a long time, affectionately nicknaming it "Corky," allowing it to play tag with their cars, sitting out on the road in lawnchairs attentively watching it go through its routine of aerial acrobatics—who knows?—perhaps even applauding at the end?

Those who are shaking with indignation at this cover-up will be pleased to know there is every indication the rest of us will soon have our chance to get in on the act.

Last week something more flamboyant than "Corky", something that fluctuates from green to pink to red, showed up in the

sky over Nevada, according to police reports. That's only a scant 9 miles from Ames and probably only a trillionth of a second of travel time to them.

At last, it looks as if they're coming this way. So spruce up all you Amesonians, and you Rolandites and Slaterites and Story Citians, too. When that hatch glides open and the dull click of a shutter interrupts the still night, be sure your part is straight, your teeth white, and most of all, that a look of high intelligence rests upon your countenance. Remember, you are representing earthlings everywhere.

UN group views film about UFOs

NEW YORK — (UPI) — About 100 UN diplomats who will discuss unidentified flying objects this week whetted their appetites for the topic by viewing the new science fiction film, "Close Encounters of the Third Kind."

The special viewing of the film yesterday was attended by UN panel members, friends and families.

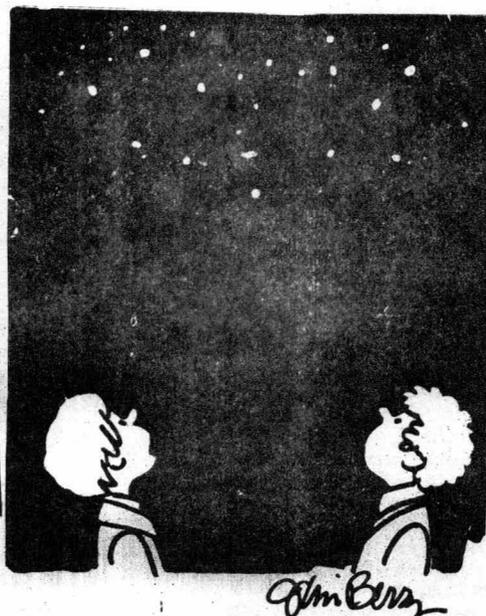
The topic of UFOs was assigned to the UN Special Political Committee, which has recently considered such topics as a peace settlement in the Middle East.

Wolfgang Rudolph, the West German delegate to the committee said, "The delegates took about six to 10 tickets," for the movie, "but I wonder if most people are taking it (the issue) seriously."

Discussion on the subject is to begin this week.



THE THOLIA A HAT WORN BY WOMEN OF ANCIENT GREECE, RESEMBLED A FLYING SAUCER.



Jim Burns

"Don't be silly, that's no UFO. It's probably just a laser-armed killer satellite."

SOLDIERS GROVE, WIS. - SCOUT
*****NOV 10, 1977*****

Before dusk last Friday, November 4, village residents began sighting a number of strange colored lights in the sky.

Those who kept the vigil into the night observed what seemed to be activity between the unidentified objects, with smaller lights traveling to and from the larger ones.

If you were a first-hand observer, or if you have heard anyone speak of this incident, please report it to your Kickapoo Scout, 624-5205.

Next UFO Meeting November 12

Persons from eleven different locales of Ohio were present for the 29th public monthly meeting of the Tri-County UFO Study Group held at the Lakeside Pines Restaurant in North Benton.

Chairman James Rastetter of Sebring reported on the recent public UFO exhibit the group sponsored in Warren last month, which also included UFORA of

Alliance and Page Research of Cleveland. Rastetter noted that many attended from Pennsylvania and there were requests by several to hold and exhibit in this state next year.

The latest UFO report was received this past week from a Sharon Herald (Pa.) newspaper reporter, Jerry Sanatto. He received a report that three Pennsylvania men witnessed two strange objects Tuesday evening, October the 4th at 9:30 p.m. The UFO's were diamond shaped and had a red glowing light at each point and an amber light in the center. They were following behind each other by approximately 50 yards, and moved very slowly giving off a low frequency rumbling sound.

Another report was shared during a discussion period Saturday evening at the Tri-County meeting. The sighting prompted a gentleman from Canfield to attend his first UFO meeting. He stated that on September 2 at approximately 1:00 a.m. he and a fellow worker were standing outside the G.M.'s Lordstown Plant enjoying a coffee break when they noticed a very large UFO, shaped like a saucer with a dome, diving toward the truck plant, but it stopped and leveled off and hovered approximately 200 feet above the plant. The dome glowed green and the brightness bothered his eyes. He stated that the bottom was flat and a dull gray, as was the bottom rim below the dome. The craft then raised a little, extinguished the green light and shot off leaving behind a shower of red sparks emitting from the rear of the craft at the bottom. No sound was heard at any time during the brief sighting.

Field investigator Pat Kaforey of Akron told of several reports and showed slides of satellites. At the next public meeting Paul J. L. Rozich of UFORA and field investigator Jim Carnes of Warren will have on display some of the items that were part of the exhibit at Warren last month. The meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. November 12 at the same location. Cameras and tape recorders are also permitted at the meetings and there is no admission charge to attend.

WAVERLY, KANS. - GAZETTE
*****NOV. 3, 1977*****

Orange UFO Reported

WAVERLY--A 62-year-old woman reported seeing an Unidentified Flying Object here early Saturday morning.

"I have never seen anything like that in my life and I hope I never see it again," commented Joyce Shaw who lives with her 89-year-old mother a few blocks from the downtown Waverly area.

She explained that shortly after midnight Saturday, she was embroidering Christmas presents when her dog started barking. She got the feeling someone was watching her so she went to her bedroom.

"There was no wind then but my curtains were really blowing," she stated. Looking out one of her bedroom windows, she saw a dim light and turned her lights out.

She saw a light that appeared to

be a flashlight going back and forth near her neighbor's house. Then a bright light flashed into her bedroom window, one so bright it hurt her eyes.

When she got the nerve to peek out the window again, she saw a round object at about tree level over a neighbor's house. It was a dark orange color and appeared lighted from the bottom. It disappeared to the west.

"I didn't report it," she explained, "Because you know what people think of you. I did hear on the television that a woman from Wichita reported seeing something later Saturday morning. I bet it was the same thing."

She added that she is still shook up from the sight. And her elderly mother is mad that she was not awakened to see it, too.

From The Ottawa Herald

MARSHFIELD NEWS-HERALD - WISC
*****OCT. 24, 1977*****

UFO Sighting Told

A Marshfield man told police during the weekend that he spotted a UFO (unidentified flying object) last Tuesday evening.

Herman Dickol, 102 Parkview Terrace, told police that as he was leaving his trailer he saw two bright lights approaching from the west. The object hovered above him, Dickol said. He described the object as being mushroom shaped with bright orange lights.

Police turned the report of the sighting over to the UFO Center, Appleton.



Manufactured objects shown on the moon's lunar surface are visible proof that life exists.

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Government Recognizes Eerie UFOs

The government of France has provided funds for an agency to study the baffling phenomenon of unidentified flying objects (UFOs).

This is important, explains Professor J. Allen Hynek, astronomer and director of the Center for UFO studies at Northwestern University, because it is the first UFO study to be sanctioned by an official government agency.

"The implications of this step taken by the French government are far-reaching," Hynek explains. "It points up to the growing interest on an official level and recognition of the serious nature of the UFO phenomenon."

"There will now be an official government group—unfortunately not in the U.S.—that is going to take this seriously."

"All of our data is available to them," he adds. "We (the Center) have computer data on 60,000 UFO incidents. The great difference between our work and what the French are doing is they will be properly funded. It is now impossible to call people who see UFOs crazy."

NASA Hiding Proof Of Life On Moon: Expert

The National Aeronautics And Space Administration (NASA) and other government bodies are hiding proof that there is life existing on the moon, charges one of the foremost experts in the field.

George Leonard, a well-respected Washington writer and former federal agency executive, explains NASA has numerous pieces of solid proof in his book, **SOMEBODY ELSE IS ON THE MOON**.

In compiling his book, Leonard carefully documents everything he claims and his conclusions were drawn after thousands of hours of analyzing lunar photos, watching the movements of the moon itself and studying crucial information given to him by former NASA scientists.

"We have seen clearly that intelligent, purposeful residents are on the moon. We have seen results of their efforts, as well as indications that they are there now," Leonard told **MODERN PEOPLE**.

Leonard also speculates "the moon has been occupied for a long, long time, perhaps thousands upon thousands of years."

In discussing why he feels NASA has proof of moon life, Leonard notes "many phenomena observed on the lunar surface appears to have been devised by intelligent beings. U.S. and Russian moon

probes have photographed two such 'constructions' at close range.

"The professionals choose to ignore these signs. They do not fit into the orthodoxy. It is more fun (and safer) to fiddle with shards of pottery and a stray jawbone or two."

"Discoveries have not been announced. The professionals will perhaps debate a little behind closed doors, but for the most part they will ignore the data which confuses the old beliefs or keep it under wraps."

"The wheels of science grind exceedingly slow. And sometimes, without a piece of something to study in a laboratory, they do not grind at all. If the Wright Brothers had waited for flight to be authenticated, we would still be crossing the Atlantic by paddle boat," he fumes.

Leonard also notes many of the professionals are frightened. "They brought scientists together from many countries back in the spring of 1975. The meeting was in England. They wanted to talk privately about extraterrestrials and what they're up to. A lot of people at the top are scared."

The expert was also critical of NASA scientists for not explaining the strange rays which come out of supposedly dead craters and the mysterious spots of the moon's horizon which are over a mile in length in some cases.

MUSCATINE, IOWA - JOURNAL
*******OCT. 18, 1977*******

UFO sighted

MASON CITY — Mason City police said they received reports Monday night of an unidentified flying object.

The woman caller told police the object changed colors several times, hovered for a short period, then moved rapidly to the west. Police received the call about 10:30 p.m.

Authorities said they notified the National Weather Service of the sighting. In Des Moines, the weather service Tuesday reported that it did detect a flying object in the area, but that it evaluated the radar blip as an airplane. |

UFOs Spotted at Nuclear Bases And Missile Sites

Mysterious UFOs flew near or hovered over nuclear bomb storage areas of two Strategic Air Command (SAC) bases and near at least 10 missile sites during a three-week period in 1975, The ENQUIRER has learned.

Several times the Air Force scrambled jet fighters and helicopters to chase down the UFOs but failed to intercept them.

One pursuing helicopter was guided to within 1,000 feet of a UFO hovering over a SAC base, but the men aboard said they couldn't see the intruder object — even though men on the ground could see both craft.

In several instances the mysterious UFOs were first reported to be helicopters, but an Air Force spokesman admitted: "The overflights were not identified as helicopters. Unsuccessful attempts were made to trace the craft."

The ENQUIRER uncovered these UFO sightings by digging through official Air Force documents available under the Freedom of Information Act.

On October 27, 28 and 31, 1975, a UFO invaded the security of Loring Air Force Base in Limestone, Maine, hovering over the weapons storage area.

The first night the UFO was seen visually for 35 minutes

By **BOB PRATT**

and tracked on radar for 40 minutes more. The next night the object hovered only 150 feet over the weapons storage area. A helicopter was sent up and flew to within 1,000 feet of the UFO — but the crew could not see it.

On October 30, a UFO was also seen over the weapons storage area of another SAC base, Wurtsmith Air Force Base at Oscoda, Mich.

It was tracked by an Air Force plane on radar. Later the plane's crew reported "visual contact" with two UFOs.

But as the plane approached the UFOs they sped off.

On November 7, officers at a Minuteman missile launch control facility near Lewistown, Mont., were startled to see a large UFO with red and white lights hovering 10 to 15 feet off the ground.

The next night, after a UFO

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was spotted at eight missile sites in Montana, two F-106 jet fighters were scrambled. But as the jets got close to the UFOs, their lights went out — then went on again when the jets left.

On November 10, a bright object the size of a car passed silently 1,000 to 2,000 feet above a radar station at an Air Defense Command installation, Minot Air Force Station, Max, N. Dak.

Three people saw it, the Air Force reported.

Two days later, November 12, Air Force headquarters in Washington, replying to a question from the North American Air Defense (NORAD) headquarters in Colorado Springs, Colo., regarding "unknown air activity," instructed NORAD and SAC on how to handle queries about the sightings. The message said, in part:

"Unless there is evidence which links sightings or unless media queries link sightings, queries can best be handled individually at the source and as questions arise. Responses should . . . emphasize that the action was taken in response to an isolated or specific incident."

Thus, newsmen inquiring about UFO incidents at one base were not told about similar incidents at other bases.

JOHNSTOWN, PA. - TRIBUNE
*****NOV. 1, 1977*****

UFO Had A Posse In Indiana

INDIANA — An unidentified flying object flew with three planes in pursuit Monday evening west of her according to a call received by the state police at 9:10.

The police said the caller whose name was not released had reported sighting the UFO from the Ben Franklin Road in White Township. According to the caller, a bright light in the western sky flew from the end of the horizon to the other and made two right turns before leaving with a three plane posse on its trail.

Similar Report

The police said an anonymous call giving a similar report — minus the posse — had been received at 6:10 p.m.

"I didn't take him (the anonymous caller) seriously but then this other one came in," said one state trooper. The trooper later suggested that it might have been a character from "Star Wars" checking us out."

The reports were to be passed along to the Westmoreland County UFO Study, the police said.

HYANNIS, NEWS - NEWS
*****NOV. 3, 1977*****

Another UFO Sighted At Arthur

Excitement was at an all time high last Monday evening at the Norm Kramer Ranch, north of Arthur. Norm Kramer was leaving the barn when he spotted what appeared to be a bright star south of the house. When it began to move at a fast speed, Kramer realized that it was not a star. By this time Rodger Beeken was on the scene.

They watched the object for around 20 minutes through binoculars as it moved straight across the sky. According to Beeken the UFO was dome shaped and flew straight across

the sky at an angle, until it finally vanished from sight. The object was a bright fiery orange, moving much faster than an airplane could travel.

This is the second time that an UFO has been sighted in this area recently. Janet Magnuson reported seeing a UFO on August 17th. Mrs. Magnuson's UFO was seen only a few miles from where the Kramers UFO was sighted. Many other Arthur residents have seen UFOs, but are not prepared to face the skeptics.

UFO reported by local man

ARBUTUS, MD. - TIMES
*****OCT. 13, 1977*****

A resident of the 1200 block Seven Oaks Road told Wilkens police he sighted an unidentified flying object Wed., Oct. 5 at 8:15 p.m., according to a report by Officer T. R. Thompson.

Sitting on his front steps, the man saw a "small bright round object traveling at a high rate of speed come to a stop in midair," the report said.

Two other small bright round objects traveling at a high rate of speed on both sides of the first object also came to a stop at the same time, the man said.

All three objects lingered in midair for several seconds, then left in a "zigzagging manner" through the sky, according to the police report.

UFO's are what they seem to be

MENLO PARK — "Although some Unidentified Flying Objects are real, not all UFO's are what they seem," stated Sri Darwin Gross, spiritual leader of ECKANKAR (a non profit religious educational organization), the Path of Total Awareness.

The world renown Living ECK Master recently shed light on the origin of UFO's and why some people see them and others do not.

"ECKANKAR," he says, "teaches that there are other worlds and dimensions beyond this physical universe, the first of which is the astral plane of existence. Some beings dwelling in this world can project astral images into our physical universe. Those that can project images of UFO's from the astral world are not very spiritually advanced. If they were, they would be aware of and interested in reaching the God plane where Total Awareness or God Consciousness can be found."

The leader of the worldwide movement claims that

those who do see UFO'S generally have a high I.Q. and possess some clairvoyance which gives them an insight that others do not have. "Flaming engines roar," he pointed out, "red and green lights flash, and they move with

incredible speed but only in the minds of those who project and receive the images."

The ECKANKAR Inter-

national Office is located in Menlo Park, California and there are ECK Centers in most large cities throughout the world.

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Evidence shows that UFOs are from outer space, says expert

EVIDENCE proves that Unidentified Flying Objects really do come from outer space, says the nation's top investigator of UFO landing sites.

Ted Phillips, an associate of the Center for UFO Studies at Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill., said there are three features common to all confirmed UFO sightings:

- The UFOs are all circular and have flashing lights;
- They dehydrate trees and plant life when they are near the ground and the effect lasts as long as five years;

• They temporarily stall engines of cars and electrical appliances in homes they pass over.

The consistency of this evidence points to only one conclusion, said Phillips, who lives in Columbia, Mo., and is a state highway department engineer:

"The Earth has been visited by extraterrestrial beings."

Phillips said evidence from his investigations leads him to believe UFOs may weigh as much as 10 tons and have a diameter of 35 feet.

Besides studying 1,100 reported

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If the theory is right, the scientists said, it has "profound biological, medical and sociological implications." If life did start that way, invasions of earth by fresh biological material from the debris of comets is likely still to be continuing, they reasoned.

Such an explanation, they said, could account for past epidemics and plagues, which spread quickly around the world at a time when travel was painfully slow. It would also mean fresh epidemics could come the same way.

Hoyle is professor of astronomy at the Royal Institution of Great Britain, one of the country's most respected scientific bodies. Wickramasinghe is professor of applied mathematics at Cardiff University.

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2 scientists think life originated in the outer reaches

LONDON (AP) — Life on earth could have come from outer space and major epidemics like influenza and the plague may still be coming from there, two distinguished British astronomers said yesterday.

Sir Fred Hoyle and Prof. Chandra Wickramasinghe presented the theory in an article in the weekly magazine New Scientist.

They speculated that the essential building blocks of life were not formed in the "primeval soup" of primitive earth — the accepted theory — but in the core and tails of comets.

About four million years ago, their article suggested, a comet could have crash-landed on earth, bringing the primitive organisms from which all life has evolved.

UFO landings in the United States, Phillips has also studied reports of sightings in 57 other countries.

All the authentic ones have the same pattern in common, he said. He believes the world is now on the verge of taking UFOs more seriously. Until now, fear of ridicule has kept many people from reporting UFOs and it has kept scientists from admitting their belief UFOs are from outer space.

"About 100 sightings around the world are reported every day, but this number is far smaller than the actual number that are sighted," he said. "In any group of 10 people, at least two will usually admit they have seen a UFO."

Phillips is convinced the U.S. government — because of public pressure — will soon abandon its attitude of skepticism about UFOs.

Before the end of the year, he predicts the government will reveal some startling information proving that UFOs do exist and are outer space vehicles.

Flu bugs are really invaders from outer space, say two astronomers

By DOUGLAS THOMPSON

FLU, COLDS and other epidemics are caused by outer space comets spewing germs over the Earth's atmosphere, two British astronomers believe.

And their theory could lead to a way of controlling the epidemics, say Sir Fred Hoyle and Chandra Wickramasinghe, professors in the department of applied mathematics and astronomy at University College in Cardiff, Wales.

"It might be possible to get the actual viruses into the hands of laboratory people two or three months ahead of the arrival of the stuff. That's long enough to get a vaccine made," Prof. Hoyle said. "It certainly would be a very powerful weapon against disease." The virus

finding is part of a belief by the two astronomers that life on Earth was started by a comet which made a soft landing four billion years ago.

The comet triggered evolution, say the professors, who currently are conducting extensive research at the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena.

At intervals, they say, the Earth picks up debris from "new" comets by way of micrometeorite showers.

They believe it is those showers which carry the bacteria and viruses which cause disease and epidemics.

"We came to this entirely from the

astronomical point of view, just as we have now come to the view that we doubt very much the usual attitude about how life evolved," Prof. Hoyle said.

"We think it evolved in big steps and that viruses are very occasionally added to our genetic structure at the rate of about one every 1,000 years.

"Our genetic structure is just a monstrous collection of the viruses from space that have been accumulated."

Prof. Hoyle said people who deal professionally with epidemics were expected to be skeptical, but he added:

"In general, medical consultants are very interested in the work. Obviously, they are noncommittal but they do say there are a lot of very mysterious things. "Our point of view would really be that the whole evolution of the Earth has been guided by this sort of business.

"So-called genes are simply viruses which we add from time to time to our genetic structure."

He proposed a "microbiological vigil of the stratosphere" to spot the viruses there, gather some of them and return them to Earth so the vaccine could be made before the germs struck in force.

He said detection and action before a disease "invasion" from space was within the scope of present-day technology and he added:

"There are many people who would like to go to a comet and have a look at the stuff, but of course, that's an expensive business. Collecting particles in the upper atmosphere is not so expensive."

The professors say the first infection of the dust from comets is the most lethal.

Later transmissions from person to person are not as virulent and reduce the amount of disease to a limited timescale.

"I have a map of how the influenza epidemic of 1968 spread in the United States. It didn't go along the air routes," Prof. Hoyle said. It spread geographically.

"We found that during the 1918-19 influenza in the U.S., the Army gave volunteers enormous doses of what they thought would infect them—from people on the verge of dying from influenza—and not one of the volunteers came down with it.

"What the cold people tell us is that they observe waves of colds lasting about three weeks sweeping across countries without any measurable transmission from one person to another.

NASA not too anxious to take over inquiry into mysterious UFOs

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WASHINGTON (AP) — The National Aeronautics and Space Administration is being asked to take up where the Air Force left off a decade ago: investigate reports of unidentified flying objects.

The resumed inquiries come at the request of President Carter, who in 1973, while governor of Georgia, reported sighting a UFO near Griffin, Ga.

Dave Williamson, NASA assistant for special projects, said Friday that the agency is "not anxious" to get into the UFO controversy because "it's not wise to do research on something that is not a measurable phenomena."

"There is no measurable UFO evidence such as a piece of metal, flesh or cloth. We don't even have any radio signals," Williamson said. "A photograph is not a measurement ..."

But Williamson said a group of technical experts which he heads will recommend by the end of the year what NASA should do about the White House request to establish a UFO panel of inquiry.

The Air Force cut off its investigations into UFO sightings 10 years ago after a decade of study and considerable expense because it said that without any significant findings, continuation was unwarranted.

Dr. Frank Press, Carter's science adviser, asked for the renewed investigations in a letter to NASA administrator Robert A. Frosch because of what he called a "national revival" of interest in the reports of UFO sightings.

At this time, NASA answers UFO let-

ters it receives with a form letter which cites the main findings of the Air Force investigation:

That there is no evidence of the existence of extraterrestrial vehicles; there is no evidence that UFOs pose a threat to the United States; and there is no evidence they represent a technological development beyond known technology.

The agency is considering several actions it could take if it decides to pursue the matter in some form:

☐ Ask the private community of UFO specialists to supply the five best examples of sightings or encounters for official study.

☐ Urge the public to send NASA all material on UFOs and maintain an open file.

☐ Hold a national symposium on the subject.

☐ Announce that NASA stands ready to perform laboratory analysis of any physical evidence of UFOs.

☐ Establish about 15 "go getters" teams to fly to locations where someone has reported a UFO sighting and take measurements and investigate.

The effort appears to have the personal interest of the president.

In 1973, Carter reported seeing an object in the sky near Griffin, Ga., which he described at the times as "bluish at first, then reddish, then luminous but not solid."

"I don't laugh at people anymore when they say they have seen UFOs because I've seen one myself," Carter was

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Pelham Man Says Confronted With Space Ship, Alien Beings

Tom Dawson, a retired 63-year-old former automobile dealer living just outside Pelham on the Vada Road, has drawn a flurry of attention his way with his narrative of a Saturday morning confrontation with a space ship and seven alien beings.

Dawson is pictured above at the secluded pondside spot where he says the space ship landed Saturday morning and five alien beings touched the earth and held him prisoner for several minutes.

The former Lakeland, Fla. resident tells his admittedly farfetched story with a straight face and a calm which emphasizes his belief in what happened. He knows there are those who say he is either crazy or drunk, but he tells his story anyway.

"I don't care what they say. This is the truth as I know it. I'm not crazy. I wasn't drinking. I've never had a mental condition. This is the first time I've ever seen anything like this.

"The whole time it happened my mind was alert. I knew what was happening. I have not doubted since that it happened. I don't blame people who say I'm nuts. I've heard stories like this before and I've said the same thing.

"But I do know what I've seen. I do know what happened."

With that prelude, here is what happened to Tom Dawson Saturday morning:

It was a leisurely Saturday morning around the trailer he shares with his wife and seven-year-old daughter. Tom Dawson stopped by next door at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Kolbie. They're good friends and he spoke to Mrs. Kolbie for a few moments and played with their baby son some.

His daughter Myra was with him then, about 8:00 to 8:15 in the morning, when he said he wanted to walk to the nearby pond in the woods and if it looked good, he'd do some fishing.

It was a beautiful morning for it and the woods were quiet and natural while Dawson walked the two hundred yards or so to the pond set back behind a stand of pines. The route took him through a pasture and the 50 or so cows, accustomed to his presence, took little notice. His two dogs romped along with him



Tom Dawson Stands At Spot Where Space Ship Landed.

It was just like any other Saturday morning until Dawson had taken about two steps inside the gate which sits approximately 100 feet from the pond's edge. And then the day ceased to be anything but ordinary.

Suddenly, too sudden to use elements of time to tell how quickly, a circular space ship set down only a few feet in front of him. He was

petrified, partially from fear but from an external force also. He was unable to move. Neither were the dogs able to move. One was frozen in position with a leg cocked up. 40 or so head of cattle on the other side of the fence also froze in position.

The virtually soundless craft hovered approximately four feet from the ground. There were no wheels or

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ramps to connect it to the ground or to provide it support. It was a beautiful machine, approximately 12 to 14 feet high and 40 to 50 feet in diameter. It was circular with one protrusion which was evidently the cabin on the top of the ship. The ship was of no particular color. It seemed to lack a definite color, instead seeming to be a part of several colors without being any particular one.

Almost as soon as the craft stopped its descent, a hatch opened and out came five definitely humanoid beings. They were very beautiful and shapely beings, two women and three males. Their skin was powder-puff white, almost bloodless it was so white. Their noses were small and turned up at the end. Their ears were sharp and they had no neck, their heads sitting directly onto their shoulders. They were completely hairless with no trace of body hair anywhere, even on their heads.

The individual who appeared to be the group leader emerged from the hatch first, stepping hesitantly and tentatively to the ground, as if this were the first time he had touched the earth and was unsure about what would happen. Finding the ground secure, he motioned for others to follow and the four other humanoids quickly emerged from the hatch. Two sentries almost simultaneously appeared on top of the ship.

Two of the beings, one male and one female were nude. The other three were clothed. The woman's breasts were located much higher than expected and were farther to the sides, almost under the armpits. The vagina was located at a spot which would approximate with that of the human navel. The man's sex organs were small, much like that of a six-year-old boy.

The clothing worn by the other three was beautiful, of a material so foreign as to be indescribable. The males and female were dressed alike with shoes that appeared to be of some silken material. The shoes had sharp toes turned up about an inch at the end.

They appeared to be hesitant about approaching Dawson, almost as if they were afraid. But they did approach him and began what must have been a medical examination of an alien species.

They placed a skullcap-like device on his head. It had several cords leading from it to a large ring about the size of a hula hoop. A complex array of dials was on the ring.

They stepped up to within two feet of Dawson, observing him closely. They

pulled his trousers down to determine his sex.

While the examination was proceeding, a voice suddenly came from the ship with the simple sentences: "I am Jimmy Hoffa. I am Jimmy Hoffa. I am Jimmy Hoffa and I'm in this ship. I am --" A fourth attempt at repeating the sentence was cut short. The voice was not heard from again.

Their portions of the examination completed, various of the beings returned to the ship. The last two completed their work, removed the skullcap and walked off to about ten feet away and engaged in conversation.

During the examination, the beings had continuously emitted high pitch gibberish which must have been conversation. One of the females seemed to repeat a phrase which sounded like "Jupiter." The voices were very shrill. The two males seemed to be discussing something, as if they were trying to decide whether or not to take Dawson with them. The decision made, the leader waved to him, not in the usual fashion but by passing his open palm across his chest, and they returned to the ship.

Almost immediately, the hatch closed and the ship disappeared with virtually no noise at all. Dawson had one glimpse of the vessel about 75 feet in the air but it disappeared from sight in a heartbeat.

With the disappearance of the ship, Dawson found he was free to move again and move he did. He ran the distance back to the Kolbie home where he gasped out his story to Linda Kolbie. His distress increased and he was eventually treated by Dr. Braswell for hysteria.

His nerves are better now, several days after that terrifying, bewildering Saturday morning but he hasn't gotten completely over it yet. Dawson remains mystified by the whole incident and knows he will remember those few moments for the rest of his life with an intensity that will never diminish.

"I'm not crazy. I wasn't drinking. I don't have a mental condition. I know what happened. There is no doubt in my mind that it did happen just as I've told it."

extended the family.

Mrs. M. G. Shiver also attended the wedding of Jenny Lee Griffin and Thomas Gerald Hancock Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Moyer and girls enjoyed as their guests Saturday Mr. and Mrs. David Call, Laura, Lisa and Dana of Macon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Pounds left Saturday to visit Jimmy's mother, Mrs. Joe Pounds, in the hospital in Atlanta.

Mrs. William Taylor and Mrs. Bessie Peavy of Arlington visited Mrs. Annie Lee and Miss Lilla Stewart Wednesday afternoon.

I learned Mr. Grady Lee killed a rattle snake measuring 6 ft. and 2 inches long in Calhoun County last Sunday. I sure hope one like that doesn't get down to Patmos.

Mrs. Mildred Kidd's niece and children, Mrs. Joyce Strickland, Beverly and Scotty, of Brunswick visited her several days last week. Mrs. Kidd and her guests enjoyed a visit to Plains last Friday. She was amazed at the improvements made in the little town of Plains during the past year - that is in the physical aspects, but we wonder from all reports how are the Spiritual lives of many there. So many times when prosperity comes God is forgotten.

Mr. and Mrs. John McKinney visited Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Shiver last weekend. After attending the Homecoming and Sing at Patmos they took little John Myron home with them after the Shivers had him for the week. Edith and Bud are really going to miss him this week, I know.

Mr. and Mrs. David Craft have moved to Americus where David has been named manager at a Harveys.

Rev. and Mrs. Joe Jenkins are away this week on vacation visiting his family in S.C.

Col. Norman Denny, head of the Detective department in Albany filled the pulpit at Milford Baptist church Sunday morning and evening. All who heard him were blessed.

Mr. and Mrs. K. O. Hudgins, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Griffin and Mrs. Elise Lunsford attended the Griffin Reunion in Colquitt Sunday. They reported a great day was enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Hudgins attended the Lindsey reunion in Phenix City, Ala. Sunday. Their grandsons, Dereck and Drake DeLucca of Columbus returned home with them for several days.

She doesn't know what, but it wasn't a plane

UFO's AGAIN!

It's been a long time since I've heard any mention about unidentified flying objects but last week several people in Clark county reported seeing an object they all described as having white, green and yellow lights, ports that looked like windows and a red light on a pointed tail.

Perhaps this sighting was a return trip since one man, who should be considered as reliable since he was returning home from choir practice, saw the same thing a week earlier.

At first it was thought that the object might be part of some military exercise from Ft. McCoy, forty miles to the south, but it was not.

An interesting sighting caused some concern in Wood county, to the east of Clark, when two men spotted a mysterious light moving erratically, unlike an airplane or a helicopter and too low to be a satellite. It was flashing, similarly to a strobe light, standing still and then moving. Stars, planes and sputniks don't do that!

Many people who see strange objects with glowing or flashing lights never dare tell about it for obvious reasons. Therefore....I'm not ready to tell you what I saw.

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They're at it again. Who are they? Well, that's tough to say, since they haven't been seen much.

But somebody saw one of those round, lighted vehicles they travel in again over the weekend.

Science has a rather clinical name for them... Unidentified Flying Objects.

"It definitely was not a plane ... it was not a plane," Cheryl Clapp of Mill road said about four times over the phone to the Chronicle on Monday.

She's not quite ready to say what it was, but she remembers pretty vividly what she saw Sunday night. And she doesn't think it was a pre-Halloween prank.

"I was driving along Mill road ... at about 6 o'clock I drive along it a lot since I live there," she said, "and it is always very dark since there

aren't many streetlights.

"So these bright lights really caught my attention. I have no idea how big it was, but it was round and it had red and white flashing lights around it."

Cheryl says she knows she is not the only one who saw the object, which she estimated was off the road a distance of "about three houses," because the car in front of her stopped to view it also.

"And there was also a car coming the other way that stopped," she says.

"I rolled down my window to look at it and to see if it was making any noise, but I couldn't hear a thing."

The object, she says, was right above the tree line, but she could not tell exactly how big it was.

"Then it seemed to disappear right below the trees," she says, "and the other cars took off. I wasn't going to stay there by myself, so I took off too. I wanted to ask the people ahead of me about it but they wouldn't stop. I gave them my high beams and everything."

So far, Cheryl thinks she's the only one who has told anyone else about it. She went first to the Hamilton police, who said they would send a cruiser out to check the area.

"I wondered if anybody else reported it to them, but I guess they didn't," she says.

And she also spoke with area UFO expert Raymond Fowler of Wenham, who says she may have had what he terms a "close encounter."

"It's possible that she saw one of these new advertising planes which have recently been built," he says.

"They're quite spectacular and they can move in funny directions ... they just look really weird, so they've been causing a lot of reports."

"But if the plane wasn't in the vicinity, and she thinks she was within 500 feet of it, I probably try to get some more information from her. I maybe visit the site."

Fowler, whose interest in UFO's goes back to 1947 and the first widely publicized sighting at Mt. Ranier is no director for the Mutual UFO Network in Massachusetts.

He said he has had very few reports which interest other authorities, since they are mostly interested in daytime sightings or the so-called "close encounters."

"It's been a pretty dry year," he says.

Cheryl Clapp is convinced at least for the moment however, that her experience may have livened up the dry year.

She's willing to believe it was a plane if she hears that one was in the immediate area.

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Window to the world Hubertus women 'goes crazy' after viewing a ball of fire in the sky

HUBERTUS— Pat Mohan, of 4195 Hubertus Road, Hubertus still isn't sure what she saw flashing across the sky Friday afternoon, but now she believes it might have been a meteorite. Several reports of meteor sightings came in from across Wisconsin and Michigan Friday afternoon about 2:30.

"I was looking out my kitchen window, which faces east, when I saw this ball of fire followed by a stream of smoke go across the sky," said Pat. "At first I thought it was a piece of an airplane engine. It looked about as big as a laundry basket."

Pat thought she saw the object land in a field just east of the Richfield town hall. "I sent my husband, Michael, out to look for it but he came back without finding it and had to leave for work."

Pat later set out to search for the strange object with her children after they came home from school. They didn't find it either.

"I called a neighbor after I sighted the object and asked her if she saw it also," continued Pat. "She thought I was crazy, and I was beginning to think so, too. Now that I hear it was a meteor I feel much better."

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UFO Reports Grow In Southeast Area

Those strange UFOs continue to be seen zipping over southeastern Missouri, according to Dr. Harley Rutledge, chairman of the physics department at Southeastern Missouri State University in Cape Girardeau.

The most recent sighting was about 7:15 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7, about five miles north of Jackson, Mo., where witnesses

watched a bright white object being chased by a military fighter plane, Rutledge said.

Rutledge said one of the witnesses, John Hickam, a former Air Force electronics expert watching through a rifle telescopic sight, gave this account:

The bright light appeared to move northerly, following the route of Interstate 55. It was

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very bright, made no sound and appeared to be about 5,000 feet high. The object dimmed considerably about the time a commercial airline passed overhead.

Seconds later a jet fighter which sounded like a McDonnell Douglas F-4 Phantom went into afterburn and cracked the sound barrier while pursuing the light.

Both flew out of sight over Illinois. The fighter then returned and made a figure eight search of the area and flew east.

Rutledge, originally a skeptic, started a scientific UFO field investigation program called Project Identification after strange lights were over Piedmont, Mo., in April, 1973.

The Investigation was partially financed with a donation from The Globe-Democrat.

"Not only have I seen strange vehicles and lights both by day and night, but they appear to be intelligently controlled and seem to interact with human

beings," Rutledge said.

One of the most significant sightings took place from the second floor window of Rutledge's campus office on Sunday, Sept. 4, 1976, he said.

"I turned to look out the window and a glint of reflected sunlight revealed a disc shaped object hovering at a 60-degree angle a distance away," he said.

Rutledge said the object almost immediately shot upwards at a steep angle, accelerating with great speed and backing away almost instantly.

Rutledge, who said he has made more than 140 UFO sightings since 1973 and classified 25 as "incredible," will speak on his research at 1:15 and 2:45 p.m. Thursday at the Missouri State Teacher Association Convention in room 272 of the St. Louis Gateway Convention and Exhibition Center.

He is working on several papers on the subject of UFO research.

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Two See UFO Near Arthur

ARTHUR—A longtime Arthur rancher and a high school student observed what they believe to be a flying saucer between 7 and 7:30 Monday evening.

Norman Kramer was at his ranch as was Rodger Beekin, a high school student. Mrs. Kramer was inside the house but did not see what the two others saw.

Kramer came in and said a UFO appeared to be south of the ranch house. Beekin said: "Oh, sure!"

However, he went outside and he saw what Kramer was talking about, a bright orange "star." It appeared to be at the top of a hill.

It moved to the east and then straight north. Both looked through binoculars and watched it. When they no longer could see it they compared what they had seen.

To both it appeared to be a disc with a higher portion in the center. Both agreed it did not move level but seemed to be tilted forward. They also agreed that it moved faster than any airplane they had ever seen.

They estimated it had been in view or 20 to 25 minutes from the time Kramer first saw it until it disappeared to the north. |

County Residents Observe Odd Light

Some Utah County residents sighted an unidentified flying object Monday night as it treated them to a show of bright green and white light.

But they weren't seeing things. Utahns from Cedar City to northern Utah saw the UFO. But

the object has been identified as a meteor.

Maurice Marchant, Provo, was driving on Provo Canyon Road when he observed a greenish light streak earthward from the north.

Jeff Lindsay of Payson said he, his mother and his brother saw what was apparently the same object at about 5:45 p.m. Mr. Lindsay said the object appeared to travel straight down, greenish in color but leaving a bluish streak in its wake.

Officials at Salt Lake City International Airport has said the meteor seemed to break up in the north. There were no reports of pieces of the meteor hitting the ground.

The bright light was first observed at about 5:50 p.m. at the airport streaking from south to north.

Observers said the main ball seemed to be surrounded by two small balls and a trail of reddish sparks.

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JOHNSONBURG, PA. - PRESS
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The area abounded with UFO reports last week as all sorts of queer red and green lights, and other things were witnessed by a whole lot of people....If John P. Hester didn't win the superior court judgeship on Tuesday it wasn't Dan Brahaney's fault—he did plenty of campaigning around the county for his former law classmate at Duquesne.

In Bethany Chapel area

Flying saucer spotted Sunday

By ED WAGGENER

A number of residents of the Bethany Chapel area on US 61 north of Columbia reported seeing a large, blue light in the sky at about 5:00 p.m. Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Ruby Keltner, the wife of Philip Keltner, said that she saw the light at that time and that it was also witnessed by Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Cox and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Rogers.

"We've heard about the weather balloons," Mrs. Keltner said, "but this was definitely different." The light was in the northern sky, beyond Bethany Church, the observers said.

Mrs. Keltner's daughter, Cathy, Mrs. Jimmy Cox, said that she saw a similar light which appeared just west of US 61 in the area of Dixie Cash & Carry. "I looked over and saw this big flat object, with a huge light which looked like a headlight, and it had red and blue lights around the edge of the thing," Mrs. Cox said.

"When I saw it, it was about 1,000 feet off the ground," she said. "It appeared to hover. I was frightened and floor-boarded the car to get to Columbia," Mrs. Cox said.

When Mrs. Cox regained her composure, she returned to her

parents' home on US 61 and told them of the experience. "She was visibly shaken," Mrs. Keltner said. They called the Kentucky State Police to report the sighting.

Mrs. Cox said that the object looked to be as big as a large house. She had planned to draw her conception of the flying object, but on Monday morning, she said later, she couldn't draw what she had seen.

Mrs. Keltner said that Cathy told her that the object was coming after her as she rounded the curve at Tommy Nobles house.

Mrs. Keltner said that others in the neighborhood had seen such a

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afternoon in Adair

light before, but they had never reported it. "People are going to think we're crazy," she said, "but we all saw it and we think it ought to be investigated."

The Kentucky State Police sent the news of the sighting to the UFO Center at Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois, according to Dispatcher Ronnie Powell.

"We have a hot line to the center," Powell said. He noted that the center will decide whether or not the Columbia sighting warrants further investigation.

A call to the center Tuesday night reached only the center's

answering service.

Mrs. Keltner said that in the first sighting Sunday afternoon, the witnesses saw the object rise and move slowly toward them. It was silent, she said, and could not have been a helicopter.

"We had forgotten about it until Cathy told us about her experience," she said, "then we decided we ought to report it."

Mrs. Keltner said that she had talked to at least two other people in Columbia who had seen it, but the phone at that home was busy for quite some time when an interview was attempted.

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How 'Voice' Got on TV

Southampton, England —UPI— The mysterious "voice of Asteron" that delivered an "intergalactic" message to startled television viewers last weekend was really a skilled earthling with a radio transmitter in the North Hampshire woods, a

Southern Television spokesman said Thursday.

"We haven't found him," the spokesman said. "But we know a hoaxer jammed our transmitter in the wilds of North Hampshire by taking another transmitter very close to it."

VIROQUA, WISC. - BROADCASTER
*****NOV. 24, 1977*****

Pair of lights puzzled Viroquan early Tuesday

Two bright lights before dawn Tuesday puzzled B-C pressman Clayton Hanson.

They were light yellow-yellow lower than the new sodium street lights—and were quite far above the horizon west of Viroqua.

The two lights reminded Hanson of airplane landing lights, but they had a jerky movement and suddenly disappeared.

He was going up the long hill from the Sidie Hollow park boat landing and saw them. At the top of the hill, he stopped near the Odean Hanson mailbox.

Those lights were slightly to the left but more ahead of him. He reached for binoculars, and the lights were gone. Thinking then about sound, he shut off his car motor, but there was none at that time.

That was about 6:30 a.m. Tuesday. A normal plane was seen lower toward the horizon toward La Crosse. People up at that time recall the sky was cloudy.

He went around to the picnic area of the park, and two hunters said they hadn't seen the pair of close-together lights.

Maybe someone else did and can help put the pieces together of this Unidentified object story.

Did City Man Sight UFO In Skies Over Duquesne?

UFO reports continue in Cape area

By CHARLES J. OSWALD
Globe-Democrat Staff Writer

Those strange UFOs continue to be seen zipping over southeastern Missouri, according to Dr. Harley Rutledge, chairman of the physics department at Southeastern Missouri State University in Cape Girardeau.

The most recent sighting was about 7:15 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7, about five miles north of Jackson, Mo., where witnesses watched a bright white object being chased by a military fighter plane, Rutledge said.

Rutledge said one of the witnesses, John Hickam, a former Air Force electronics expert watching through a rifle telescopic sight, gave this account:

THE BRIGHT LIGHT appeared to move north-erly, following the route of Interstate 55. It was very bright, made no sound and appeared to be about 5,000 feet high. The object dimmed considerably about the time a commercial airliner passed overhead.

Seconds later a jet fighter which sounded like a McDonnell Douglas F-4 Phantom went into after-burn and cracked the sound barrier while pursuing the light.

Both flew out of sight over Illinois. The fighter then returned and made a figure-eight search of the area and flew east.

Rutledge, originally a skeptic, started a scientific UFO field investigation program called Project Identification after strange lights were reported over Piedmont, Mo., in April, 1973.

THE INVESTIGATION was partially financed with a donation from The Globe-Democrat.

"Not only have I seen strange vehicles and lights both by day and night, but they appear to be intelligently controlled and seem to interact with human beings," Rutledge said.

One of the most significant sightings took place from the second floor window of Rutledge's campus office on Sunday, Sept. 4, 1976, he said.

"I turned to look out the window and a glint of reflected sunlight revealed a disc shaped object hovering at a 60-degree angle a distance away," he said.

RUTLEDGE SAID the object almost immediately shot upwards at a steep angle, accelerating with great speed and backing away almost instantly.

Rutledge, who said he has made more than 140 UFO sightings since 1973 and classified 25 as "incredible," will speak on his research at 1:15 and 2:45 p.m. Thursday at the Missouri State Teachers Association Convention in room 272 of the St. Louis Gateway Convention and Exhibition Center.

He is working on several papers on the subject of UFO research.

"I don't know what it was, but I know it was something I've seen before."

So said McKeesport resident Raymond Birmingham, a man who has joined the not-so-exclusive ranks of thousands throughout the world who have cited unidentified flying objects.

Mr. Birmingham, of 516 Park St., a scrap stocker for basic oxygen furnaces at U.S. Steel's Duquesne plant, had his brush with the unknown yesterday morning, shortly after leaving work.

Suddenly, in the brightening morning sky over Duquesne shortly after 7 a.m., "it" appeared — a bright object — moving, but with no sound.

"I was standing at the bottom of Library St. waiting for my bus," Mr. Birmingham explained. "I was looking up the hill watching for the bus."

"Then, all of a sudden, I saw the object in the sky. It was moving across the sky from behind a building."

Mr. Birmingham said it is "hard to describe in words" exactly what he saw, but he knows that he saw it. He said it was "somewhat" saucer-shaped but its configuration on its sides distinguished it from a saucer.

What he is able to recall, however, is the color.

"It was pinkish-white, a fluorescent pink," he said. "It really stood out from everything else."

"I'd say it was moving rather fast," he continued. "Probably faster than 200 miles an hour. But there was no sound. That's what got me."

Mr. Birmingham said he observed the object for about 10 to 15 seconds before it disappeared behind a church building up the hill. At that point, he said he turned to a woman who was standing about 15 feet away from him and asked:

"Did you see that?"

"See what?" he said she asked.

Then Mr. Birmingham said as he pointed up the hill, the object reappeared, still moving in the same direction.

Mr. Birmingham said he recognized the woman as a worker in a cafeteria at the Duquesne Works. However, initial attempts by The Daily News to contact the woman today did not succeed.

"It was after dawn and it was light," Mr. Birmingham said. "I could see everything around me. There were no shadows and visibility was perfect. The sky was a light blue with a few clouds scattered around."

Mr. Birmingham said he first contacted the district office of the Federal Aviation Agency yesterday morning to report his citing. He said he was told the FAA does not take UFO reports anymore.

Then he said he went to an Air Force recruiting station in Pittsburgh where he received a similar story.

"Then I decided to come to you people at the newspaper," he said.

Contacted today, Duquesne police said they did not receive any reports of UFO sightings over the city either yesterday or today.

WARREN, OHIO - TRIBUNE CHRONICLE
*****NOV. 3, 1977*****

Four UFOs sighted

Two of the four unidentified flying objects sightings reported in Western Pennsylvania recently may be genuine, the Center for UFO Studies at Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill., said Wednesday.

Reported UFOs were seen at three different times Saturday in Erie County. Another was spotted Monday night near Indiana, Pa.

At about 2 a.m. Saturday, police and residents in the Erie County communities of North East Borough and Millcreek Township saw a blue revolving light in the sky.

But Alan Hendry, chief investigator for the Center for UFO Studies, said the object apparently was a star.

✓ We have another report on the U.F.O.s. Two residents of upper Charles Street reported seeing three very bright objects in the sky Sunday night about 9:15 p.m. They said they were not in formation and appeared to be descending into the woods beyond that area. They said they couldn't determine the distance from their home. They thought there might be a forest fire after they appeared to disappear in the woods, but nothing happened.

UFO's Are For Real

According to the Gallup Report this was the status of his survey on whether or not people believed in UFO's as of November 29th '73.

Here is the first question asked in the survey:

"Have you ever heard or read about unidentified flying objects—UFO?"

Almost everyone (95%) has at least heard or read something about UFOs. For something so highly publicized, this finding may, at first, not seem unusual. However, in terms of the history of the public's awareness of other incidents or events, this figure is extraordinarily high. In fact, this awareness score is one of the highest in the 37-year history of the Gallup Poll.

This question was then

asked of those who said they have heard or read about UFOs:

"Have you, yourself, ever seen anything you thought was a UFO?" Here are the key findings:

Per Cent Saying They Have Seen A UFO	
Nationwide	11%
[Projected: 15 million people]	
Col. Background	12
High School	10
Grade School	10
East	5
Midwest	13
South	14
West	10
1 million & over	6
500,000-999,999	6
50,000-499,999	11
2,500-49,999	14
2,500-49,999	14
Under 2,500	13

The aware group was then asked this question:

"In your opinion, are they something real, or just people's imagination?"

Here are the latest national results compared with those recorded in 1966, showing a slight increase in the percentage saying real:

	Latest 1966	
	%	%
Real	51	46
Imagination	28	29
No opinion	21	25

This question was then asked of all persons in the survey:

"Do you think there are people somewhat like ourselves living on other planets in the universe, or not?"

Here are the latest findings compared with those recorded in 1966:

	Latest 1966	
	%	%
Yes	46	34
No	38	46
No opinion	16	20

Most inclined to believe there is human life on other planets are persons with a college background. A majority of this group, 57%, hold this belief.

A Gallup survey in 1971 of top leaders in 72 nations found 53% expressing a belief in the existence of human life on other planets while 47% ruled out the possibility. The survey was of leaders in science, medicine, education, politics, business and other fields, selected by careful sampling methods from "the international who's who."



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

UFO's Spotted Over Cemetery Saturday Night

CATSKILL - Residents of New and Thompson Streets, reported seeing about 20 Unidentified Flying Objects between 8-10 p.m. Saturday night.

According to one witness, a mass of 20 to 30 blinking lights appeared over the Thompson Street cemetery. The witness said the lights were very high in the sky and were difficult to see at times because of the clouds.

Occasionally additional lights would dart into the mass of other lights, according to the witness.

MASSILLON, OHIO - INDEPENDENT *****NOV. 4, 1977*****

Two more UFO sightings

Two more UFO sightings were reported to The Evening Independent today by persons who read in Thursday's paper of a sighting near Ohio 93.

A resident of Moffitt Heights area reported sighting a UFO Wednesday between 8 and 9 p.m., also near Ohio 93 west of here. Her description was similar to that reported in Thursday's paper.

And a resident of Brewster said she saw a strange light in the sky about 10 days ago which moved very fast and "disappeared in no time."

MEMPHIS PRESS-SCIMITAR - TENN.
 *****NOV 29, 1977*****
UFO Fans Unite

While other world leaders grapple with the Middle East and the arms race, the tiny Caribbean nation of Grenada worries about flying saucers. Yesterday, Ambassador-at-large Wellington Friday took the matter to the United Nations where he urged establishment of a UFO research center. Friday said, "UFOs have been frightening experiences for thousands of people around the world. . . . We see in the UFO a vast new hinterland with significance for all mankind." Sir Eric Gairy, the prime minister, backed him up, charging the superpowers have concealed evidence of UFO sightings for years. Their presentation was greeted with silence.

UFO Saps Hospital's Lighting

A small group of UFOs menaced numerous residents of San Diego recently, causing astonishment and panic to the area.

Efforts to explain the weird phenomena have proved fruitless. The episode occurred at 4 a.m. and was witnessed by a number of persons, including waitress Kathleen Canterino.

"It must have been a UFO," she asserts. "It couldn't have been anything else. It hovered above Grossmont Hospital not doing much, just staying still. It was pulsating with its lights flicking off and on.

Lights seemed to be dimming all around the hospital—street lights and parking lot lights. It was almost as if it was draining energy from those lights."

Kathleen's attention was first drawn to "two things that looked like stars." Upon closer examination, she discovered they were not stars at all, but mysterious UFOs.

"There was another one over the hospital," she continues. "It was completely white and had an outline like a saucer. It was very visible. The other ones seemed to be protecting it."

Kathleen's parakeets were worried: they went into a frenzied display in their cage, creeching as if they were being eaten alive, and neighborhood dogs were barking. Two of her neighbors also witnessed the UFOs before the objects shot straight up and disappeared into space.

A security guard at the hospital reported he saw a red light and heard a humming noise about the same time, but assumed it was a sheriff's helicopter and did not investigate. However, it was after discovered there wasn't a helicopter in the air that night.

Another witness was Marnazar. She reports she saw the object twice. It made a loud vacuum-cleaner-type hum, she explains.

WALTERS, OKLA. - HERALD
*****NOV. 17, 1977*****

Flying Saucer Is Believed Man Made

Eddie Laxson reported seeing a UFO on the morning of March 23, 1966 as it blocked highway 70 approximately one mile west of junction highways 70 and 65 or eight miles south and one mile west of Temple.

This sighting and reporting same to Glen Shelton, employee of Wichita Falls Times and Record News started a barrage of telephone calls from near and far after Associated Press stories appeared. The calls, all hours day or night, caused Laxson and his wife, Pearl, to resolve never to mention UFOs again should they see one or a hundred.

This story is not another sighting incident but deals with a letter received from Leon Davidson on stationary bearing the heading, BLUE-BOOK PUBLISHERS, 64 Prospect Street, White Plains, N. Y.

Enclosed with the letter was four pages containing part of the evidence that the C.I.A., under Allen Dulles, was the builder and operator of the flying saucers seen in close encounters. In 1966 Laxson was asked by high ranking military officials and personnel responsible for materials appearing in THE BLUE-BOOK, a record of UFO sightings kept by the United States Airforce, if he believed the so called Unidentified Flying Objects were from other planets. His answer was,

"No, I think this mode of transportation is spawned by American developers."

Now, since so many UFO reports have been recorded bearing either letters, numerals, designs or a combination of these, private individuals have become interested in trying to prove the UFO is strictly an American product.

During a lengthy telephone conversation with Davidson at 9:30 p.m. November 5 Davidson told Laxson of a report investigated in 1971 near Oklahoma City with the number IX-1478 and another near Amarillo, Texas with one digit difference form the TL-4138 or TL-4738, Laxson reported.

The first page of four-page brochure has an insignia drawn by patrolman Lonnie Zamora of Socorro, N. M. on April 24, 1964. According to Davidson his analysis of the two foot square insignia is strong evidence Flying Saucers are made in America and sightings of individuals seen entering or near the UFOs bear this belief to be true.

More than one sighting report describes these individuals as being U. S. military personnel. Laxson believes the person under the UFO on highway 70 had the stripes of a Master Sergeant.

SIMA VALLEY, CAL. - SUN & NEWS
*****NOV. 11, 1977*****

Another UFO is seen here

Queenie started barking at 4 a.m. Thursday morning. Queenie doesn't usually bark at 4 a.m.

The noise, understandably, awoke Cheryl Riddell who owns the collie-terrier, along with two other dogs.

Her other pets, supposedly sleeping in the backyard, were also awake and barking. The ruckus brought Cheryl to the yard where, when she turned to the east, and saw a glowing light that was "sitting on top of the mountain.

"At first, I thought it was a fire, and then I realized it could be a UFO," she said. "But when I turned my head back after telling my dogs to be quiet—it was gone."

Cheryl described the glowing light as being fire-orange in color and said it lasted for only a few seconds.

"I was going to call the fire department," she said. "Then I saw it was gone so I didn't call.

"After I saw it, I went back to bed and thought about what I should have done. Everytime I talk about it, I get shivers up and down my spine."

Cheryl believes in USOs and said, "They may be sitting somewhere and watching us right now."/

UFOs: Case studies in the unknown

By CAROL SIYAH
DAILY GAZETTE staff writer

Some 2,000 people's cases of abductions aboard Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) currently are under investigation by various UFO organizations across the country.

And 900 documented UFO landing sites show physical effects to the surrounding areas which are not typical of earthly phenomena.

Local UFO buff Richard Hoffman is among those involved in investigating these cases, and he tells many strange stories of reported cases of alien visitations to this planet.

Hoffman is state section director of the national and international Mutual UFO Network, investigator for the national Ground Saucer

Watch and investigations director of the Ohio UFO Investigators League. The organizations are dedicated to solving the mystery of UFOs.

A former Bellbrook resident, Hoffman spoke Wednesday in Bellbrook at the first of this year's lecture series sponsored by the Friends of Winters Library.

Hoffman, an insurance investigator with Equifax Inc., Dayton, began researching the UFO phenomenon 13 years ago, when he was given a science project on the subject.

BEGINNING AS a skeptic, Hoffman said it wasn't long before he became a believer, even though he himself has never seen a UFO.

Certain common

characteristics surround what are believed legitimate sightings and experiences with UFOs and interplanetary beings.

According to Hoffman, sightings usually are of disk-shaped objects, which look much like saucers. They most often are seen and reported to land in rural areas.

Where they have landed, root systems of vegetation are destroyed, sand is turned to a glass-like state, a depression usually is evident at the center of the landing area, surrounding vegetation is blistered or singed and often radiation is detected there.

Many strange stories have come out of reported encounters with UFOs. One of the strangest involves a

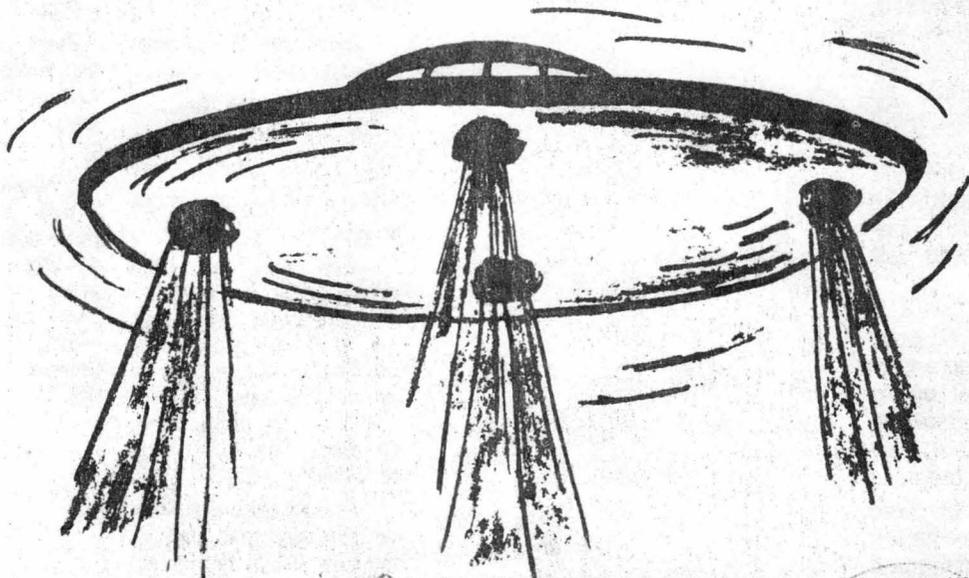
Kansas farm boy named Ronnie Johnson.

As Hoffman tells it, in 1971 the boy heard an explosion behind the family's barn. Going to investigate, the boy and his dog were paralyzed by intense, bright colored lights.

They could not move and could not see anything but the lights, but the boy heard tree limbs breaking and another explosion.

They were "let go," Hoffman said. Still blinded, the boy stumbled back to the house, and the dog, disoriented, rammed into the fence and was knocked unconscious.

WHEN THE boy got to the house, his parents saw him dazed, his eyes red and watering profusely. The boy



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told his parents what he had experienced.

His parents went outside and saw an object they couldn't explain rising up over the road. This was confirmed by other witnesses, Hoffman said.

Behind the barn where the incident had occurred, the soil in a circle eight feet in diameter was glowing. The glow lasted four nights and was witnessed by a number of people.

The third day after the incident, the tree beside the spot began glowing. All the moisture had been drawn out of the tree. It also was badly blistered and another nearby tree had been felled.

The boy touched the soil there, and for two weeks after that, he had no feeling from his finger tips to his shoulder, Hoffman said. The boy brushed his hand against his pants, and also lost the feeling in his leg where he touched it.

Laboratory tests on the soil there have not produced an explanation for the unusual crystalline structure of the changed soil. Fourteen inches into the soil, all the moisture had been drawn out, while all around the spot, the earth was muddy.

Two years after the 1971 incident, Hoffman said, the soil there still was impermeable and could not support growth.

IF YOU were to pour water on the spot, the water would bead and roll off to the side, he said. And unlike other landing sites, no radiation was detected.

Even stranger tales have been told of people abducted aboard UFOs and examined by beings from other planets before being let go. The people abducted are unable to recall most of what occurred, but under hypnosis, they are able to describe their captors and what happened, Hoffman said.

The most frequent description of the aliens is as follows: between 4½ and five feet tall, large foreheads and eyes, pointed ears, slits for nose and mouth. The aliens are reported to not speak with their mouths, but through telepathy, Hoffman said.

In each case of an abduction, the victim is hit by light, often a blue light, or a sound, and undergoes a memory lapse. More and more of these incidents are occurring, Hoffman said.

THE UFO phenomenon hit the U.S. in 1947, Hoffman said, when airplane pilot Kenneth Arnold spotted nine UFOs, described by Arnold as saucer-like, near Mt. Rainier. From this incident, the term "flying saucer" was coined.

In 1952, reports of UFOs hit a high point, with as many as 352 UFOs tracked on radar or seen from the ground or from aircraft in a single night over Washington D.C., he said.

THE ARIZONA REPUBLIC - PHOENIX
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U.S. studies renewal of UFO probe

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The White House, whose chief occupant once spotted a strange glowing blob in the sky, wants the National Aeronautics and Space Administration to look into reopening the government's probe of unidentified flying objects.

But NASA officials aren't eager to do it without some solid evidence such as a "little green man," or at least a piece of metal from a UFO.

"We're not anxious to do it because we're not sure what we can do," said Dave Williamson, NASA assistant for special projects. "It's my personal opinion that it's not wise to do research on something that is not a measurable phenomenon. Spending public money for such research is questionable."

"There is no measurable UFO evidence such as a piece of metal, flesh or cloth. We don't even have any radio signals," he said. "A photograph is not a measurement..."

"Give me one little green man - not a theory or memory of one - and we can have a multimillion-dollar program," he said. "It's a scientific dilemma. How do you prove something that doesn't exist?"

"It's like the Loch Ness monster revisited. Everyone sees it, but there is no physical evidence," he said.

Williamson heads a group of technical experts who will recommend by the end of the year what NASA should do about a White House request that it establish a UFO panel of inquiry. The

panel would take up where the Air Force left off 10 years ago when it closed its UFO investigation, Project Blue Book.

The Air Force concluded after a decade of study and considerable expense that, in the absence of significant findings, continuation of the project was unwarranted.

Williamson will make the recommendation to NASA Administrator Robert A. Frosch, who then will pass along his own decision to President Carter's science adviser, Dr. Frank Press.

Press, in a letter to Frosch, asked that NASA become the government's focal point in a "national revival" of interest in the reports of UFO sightings. Frosch noted that setting up an inquiry panel would cost a lot of money and suggested his technical staff determine whether it is justified.

Press said his office had received an upsurge of letters, especially from young people, asking about UFOs. And Williamson says he expects even more interest because of a popular new film.

Press said his staff is too small to answer all the letters and assigned the job to the space agency.

A NASA official said the letters average two or three a day. He speculated Press might have acted because some of them suggest that Carter carry out a campaign promise to investigate UFOs.

Outer-Space Beings Will Contact Us Within 40 Years, Says NASA Physicist

NATIONAL ENQUIRER
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Superintelligent alien beings will contact us within the next 40 years — and guide the earth into the galactic community, declares a renowned physicist.

And, says Dr. Robert Jastrow, director of NASA's Goddard Institute for Space Studies in New York City, because of their tremendously advanced evolution these creatures won't resemble humans. "They may be black boxes filled with electronics or they may be rivers of electricity with very little bodily form. It depends on how many billions of years beyond us these beings are," he said.

Dr. Jastrow, who is also an author and professor of earth science at Dartmouth College, said he believes that "other life" exists elsewhere in the cosmos.

As for contacting these other beings, he said that since we began broadcasting with radio and TV, high intensity signals have been moving into space at the speed of light.

These signals have already swept past about 100 stars, some of which may be sustaining life, he said.

"Word has reached these distant beings that there is something going on here," Dr. Jastrow asserted.

After deciphering the broadcasts from earth, he continued, "I am pretty sure these advanced forms of life will be interested in contacting their

brethren in the community that makes up our galaxy.

"It will take 20, or 30, or 40 years for their reply to reach us. That means, within the lifetime of most of us, we may expect to hear something."

Dr. Jastrow dismissed as "really nonsensical" the science fiction idea of the existence of alien beings with warlike intentions.

Dr. Jastrow believes the space beings will welcome the fresh ideas of earthlings, since our planet is much younger than the rest of the galaxy.

The alien creatures will be so advanced, Dr. Jastrow predicted, that "their command of natural forces and communication would be far beyond our comprehension."

Armed with these tools, Dr. Jastrow maintained, "they would give us subtle guidance on our morality and behavior so as to prepare us for crossing the threshold and entering the galactic community."

— MILLICENT BROWER

CHICAGO TRIBUNE - ILL.
*****NOV. 24, 1977****

Followup

IT WAS ABOUT 11 p.m., on Oct. 18, 1973, when Lawrence Coyne saw it—the UFO with the "gray, metallic-looking hull about 60 feet long" that approached his helicopter in the skies over Ohio at an estimated 690 miles an hour, pulled the helicopter up toward it, as if with an invisible hand, and then vanished.

Four years later, Coyne remains convinced his eyes did not deceive him.

And his experience has gone into the books as one of the most mystifying—and best documented—UFO encounters on record.

Coyne is an army major and a veteran helicopter pilot—a trained observer.

Moreover, he was not the only one to see the mysterious flying whatzit: Three other men aboard his Bell UH-1 Huey helicopter saw it too and verified Coyne's story.

One of the three witnesses, Sgt. John Healey, was a detective with the Cleveland Police Department. Another, Sgt. Robert Yanacsek, is a computer repairman. The third, Lt. Arrigo Jezzi, is a chemical engineer.

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KALISPELL, MONT. - INTER LAKE
*****OCT. 11, 1977****

Boys see strange object

GREAT FALLS (AP) — Two young boys say an object with rotating, flashing lights hovered over the Phillips refinery here before dawn Sunday, moving in ways that an aircraft could not match.

Bill Maney, 11, of Black Eagle and Tommy Mans, 12, of Billings said they were delivering Bill's newspaper route about 5 a.m. when they saw the lights.

The boys said the rows of red, white and blue lights, flashing irregularly, extended across the body of a rotating, oval-shaped object. The object moved in circular motions that an airplane could not manage, they said.

The boys estimated the object was smokestack high, about a mile away, and they could hear no sound. After watching a couple of minutes, they ran for the Maney boy's home and the object sped away toward Vaughn, southwest of Great Falls, they said.

Bill's mother, Mrs. William Maney, said the children were "so scared" when they reached home that she is sure they did not make up the story. ☐

WASHINGTON POST
***NOV 20, 1977*

CARIBBEAN UFOS: Here is an interesting letter from Puerto Rico, and the writer probably never even heard of Columbia's movie, "Close Encounters of the Third Kind," but the coincidence is uncanny:

"We had a UFO sighting recently, some 3,000 people, the police and the radar screen, which is the world's largest and was erected by the U. S. for specific reasons in Puerto Rico. I find it odd that the defense and air service closed the books on UFO sightings in the states, but in P. R. they opened an office for just that purpose.

"The Coast Guard took soundings at the spot the UFO was sighted in a place called Mayaguez where reliable onlookers said it had dropped into the water. They found nothing; it was about 8:30 p.m. when the UFO made several runs over the beach. Officials feel the UFO didn't fall into the sea but dropped past the horizon of vision at sea level, which is about 26 miles."

This brings us to the movie itself. There's no question that Cary Guffey is the star of "Close Encounters." The 4½-year-old had never seen a movie before, but after working with director Steve Spielberg, he was asked his opinion of acting. Said Cary: "I love it, but Steve cut some of my best scenes."

NOV. 26, 1977

UFO Tracker

'Flying saucers' scientist's favorite dish

By ED SCHAFER

ST. LOUIS (AP) — The pursuit of "flying saucers" can be a difficult thing for a scientist, especially if he becomes convinced he has found what he was looking for.

"It's changed my life completely," said Dr. Harley D. Rutledge, head of the physics department of Southeast Missouri State University in Cape Girardeau and a man, colleagues say, who is not prone to exaggerate.

Rutledge began as a skeptic in 1973 when it was suggested that he investigate a rash of sightings of unidentified flying objects in southeast Missouri. Now, after more than four years of firsthand research and observation, he has reluctantly admitted that he cannot debunk the stories.

The information gathered by Rutledge, including more than 700 photographs, is a result of hundreds of nights spent in the air, in fields and on hillsides, accompanied, always, by other observers and equipment which includes telescopes, cameras and a spectrograph.

At 51, married, with five children, he is laying his reputation and career on the line and saying that there really is something up there that cannot be explained by conventional logic.

"Now I know they are up there. What they are or where they came from, I have no way of knowing. But they are there," he said in a recent interview.

RUTLEDGE HIMSELF has made more than 140 sightings, both in broad daylight and at night. At least 25 of those sightings he labels as "incredible."

Three of the most convincing sightings came within two weeks of each other in May of 1973. The first, from the air, involv-

ed what he calls "a 45-second metamorphosis" involving 10 balls of light that had no business being where they were, in the air near the small town of Piedmont, Mo.

The second and third sightings, which he believes to be conclusive because he was so close to the objects, were made near Farmington, Mo., about two weeks later. On the night of May 24 Rutledge and several other observers spotted an object with a triangular shaped light pattern passing over them. Rutledge tentatively labeled the object as an airplane, but said that later evidence discounted that possibility.

The next night, he said, he and his colleagues observed a huge object that had nearly passed over them before they spotted it.

"It had four lights, two red and two white," the professor said. "It was close enough that I could see parts of it through my 80-power telescope. It had a metallic skin and I could make out a ribbed pattern in the red lights."

Because of the delicacy of his position, Rutledge said he has been reluctant to talk about the phenomena. Now, he said, he believes he can survive the scoffing he will hear — and he says he believes he has an obligation to tell the public what he knows.

Rutledge's colleagues point out that he is an intense man, but rational and conservative.

"ANYTHING HE DOES has lots of effort put into it," said Dr. Donald Fromsdorf, dean of the College of Sciences at SEMO. "Everything is done professionally, scientifically."

"I have no qualms about his professional integrity or the way he goes about things. But he has taken on a monumental task."

Much of the work has been funded through grants from the university and a special grant from the St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Rutledge reviews, but will not include in his research data, reports from laymen. He also refuses to be associated with amateur UFO clubs, which he says he has learned are usually run by persons who are seeking no more than cheap thrills or publicity.

"I really didn't ask for the position in which I now find myself," Rutledge said. "But now, if I am to perform a service, I suppose it must be to prepare people for the various possibilities."

The professor emphasizes that he does not know the origin of the objects that he has seen. But he does say that he has documented evidence that they have performed aerial gymnastics that seem far beyond what any known manmade aircraft can do.

"Not only have I seen strange vehicles and lights by both day and night," he said, "but they appear to be intelligently controlled and seem to interact with human beings."

Have the experiences frightened him? "I don't like the word frightened," he said. "They have made me uneasy. When I returned from Piedmont after the first conclusive sightings, I was in the dumps for about two weeks. But I got a lot of support from the university and from my family and I was finally able to say, 'If this is the worst, well, then we're all in it together.'"

"But it has changed my life. I have no social life to speak of because of the time required for the research. But I guess I can't stop now. I feel I must try to make people gain a little better understanding of it."

CHICAGO TRIBUNE
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They all agree on what they saw. "It was shaped like an airfoil, or a streamlined fat cigar," Coyne told a reporter in recounting his experience soon after the incident. "There was a red light on the front. The leading edge glowed red a short distance back from nose. There was a center dome. A green light at the rear reflected on the hull."

"I'm a military commander. I don't believe in UFOs, little green spacemen, and all that stuff," he said. "But I had to file an official report in detail to the Army on this thing."

In a recent interview with a Tribune reporter, Coyne said: "I had to make that report. We almost were involved in a mid-air collision."

He explained that "we were flying at about 2,500 feet" when Sgt. Yanacek that report. We almost were involved in ly approaching the helicopter on a colli-spotted a red light on the horizon rapid-course. Coyne said he immediately put his chopper into a controlled descent "to avoid a collision."

He recalled that the mysterious object approached "in excess of 600 knots [690 miles an hour]," and that "it came from the horizon to our craft in about 10 seconds."

The mystery craft "stopped right over us," he recalled.

And his own helicopter's altimeter, which had indicated 1,700 feet altitude after the descent, suddenly began to show an increase in altitude. The helicopter was being drawn upward—toward the UFO.

"I braced myself for impact with the other craft," Coyne said. But there was no crash. The UFO simply flew off.

Coyne—now in charge of the U.S. Army [Helicopter] Flight Facility at Cleveland Hopkins Airport, married, and the father of two children—has become philosophical about his experience.

He says he has not seen any more UFOs and has given up trying to convince people that what he saw was real.

"Suppose you convince the whole world," he said. "So what? I seriously doubt that would change anything."

"I mean, I seriously doubt that we—mankind—have the technological or tific abliity to deal with this phenome-non."

"Meanwhile, we all have to go on making a living."

There is a footnote. A UFO investiga-tor, Mrs. Gordon Zeidman of Columbus, Ohio, who since 1953 has worked for Dr. J. Allen Hynek the UFO expert at Northwestern University, found an Ohio woman who with her four children was driving to their home in rural Richland County the night of Oct. 18, 1973.

At about 11 p.m., in the sky near Mansfield, Ohio, she and the children saw a UFO with red and green lights.

It was hovering just above a helicop-ter.

Peter Reich

OVNI SE PASEA COMO EN SU PROPIA CASA

ROCHA, Uruguay, 20 (UPI). — La policía de este distrito departamental distante 200 kilómetros al este de Montevideo, confirmó oficialmente que un objeto volador no identificado (OVNI) fue avistado en la noche del domingo en la región y que durante su evolución se interrumpieron las comunicaciones radioeléctricas entre esa unidad y la red policial.

El informe consigna que el OVNI fue avistado sobre

la costa Atlántica y sus desplazamiento fueron corroborados entre las 7.25 P.M. y las 8.07 P.M. por observadores policiales de comisarías cercanas, quienes fueron alertados del fenómeno por vecinos del lugar.

Pero cuando los radiooperadores policiales intentaron comunicar la novedad a la estación central de policía, "inexplicablemente los equipos quedaron mudos", dijo un vocero policial.

ROCHA, URUGUAY, OCT. 20, 1977

UFO OVER URUGUAY

Police Department of Rocha, 200 kilometers East from Montevideo, declared that an unidentified flying object (UFO) was seen last Sunday nights in the district of Rocha.

During its flight, the communications by radio between that police department and the police network were out.

The report said that the UFO was seen over the Atlantic coast and its displacement were observed between 19:25hs and 20:07 hs (7:25 and 8:07 PM) by several witnesses from the police stations of the region, who were alerted by neighbours of the vicinity.

When the radio-operator wanted to communicate the news to the Police Central Station, "the equipment was dead", said a police announcer.

Foreign Clippings

UN PETIT HOMME VERT MÉDECIN

UN PAYSAN PORTO-RICAIN a révélé lundi à la presse qu'il avait été soumis à un examen médical par un extra-terrestre il y a quelques jours dans une localité située près de la ville de Corozal à quelque 45 kilomètres au nord-est de San Juan.

Le paysan, Luis Sandoval, âgé de 74 ans, qui a fait cette révélation au quotidien porto-ricain « El Vocero », a raconté avec un calme étonnant qu'un petit homme, dont la taille ne dépassait pas un mètre, était descendu enveloppé d'une flamme verte à l'endroit où il avait l'habitude de se reposer dans la soirée. Le petit homme, a poursuivi M. Sandoval, après lui avoir examiné les pieds, la tête, les genoux et la poitrine, a disparu en un éclair dans un bruit semblable à celui que produisent les avions lorsqu'ils atterrissent.

"OUEST" RENNES, FRANCE - SEPT. 21, 1977

THE LITTLE GREEN MAN WAS A MEDICAL-(EXTRATERRESTRIAL MAN)

A Porto-Rican country-man, has stated Monday to the press that he has been subjected to an examination by an extra-terrestrial-man, a few days ago, in a little town located close to COROZAL, a few Kilometres to the north-east from San Juan.

This country-man, Luis SANDOVAL, 74, who has made this disclosure to the Porto-Rican paper "El Vocero", told with an astonishing cool, that a little man, about one metre i height, had gone down rounded with a green flame, on the place where he was in the habit of reposing every evening. According to Mr. SANDOVAL, after having examined feet, knees, chest and head of the witness, the little man disappeared like a flash with a noise like the one of aircrafts when they are landing.

HELP, THERE ARE MARTIANS AMONG US!

Madrid: Inhabitants from the spanish village of Almonasta la Real can't be shaken of their belief that martians are living among them. He state that two creatures dressed in a foreign-looking but shiny uniforms giving off a stron light attacked a woman, and stealing her watch. Besides, a flying saucer was supposed to have been observed a few days earlier.



● „Hilfe, bei uns sind Marsmenschen!“

MADRID. - Die Bewohner des spanischen Dorfes Almonasta la Real sind nicht von dem Glauben abzubrin-

gen, daß bei ihnen Marsmenschen ihr Unwesen treiben. Es heißt, zwei Wesen in fremdartig glänzender Kleidung, die kraftvolles Licht ausstrahlten, hätten eine Frau überfallen und ihr die Armbanduhr geraubt. Überdies sollen vor einigen Tagen am Nachthimmel „fliegende Untertassen“ beobachtet worden sein.

"LE PARISIEN: OCT, 12, 1977 FRANCE

Des O.V.N.I. en Charente-Maritime

LA ROCHELLE. - Le gardien du château de la Roche-Courbon, situé à trois kilomètres environ de la commune de Saint-Porchaire (Charente-Maritime), ainsi que son épouse et sa fille ont observé, entre 21h10 et 23h30, trois curieux « objets », qui se déplaçaient dans le ciel en suivant une direction nord-est.

C'est la fillette de M. Guilbeau qui, la première, aperçut les engins, au moment où elle fermait les volets. Moins d'une demi-heure plus tard, le commandant par intérim de la brigade de gendarmerie de Saint-Porchaire et un gendarme se rendaient sur les lieux, où ils observèrent, à la jumelle, les trois engins.

- Nous avons aperçu un objet qui avait la forme d'un parapluie, et nous avons observé la cabine de l'un d'eux, ont déclaré les témoins. Il avait un diamètre d'environ un mètre et oscillait, présentant une queue en tronc de cône, rattachée à la plus petite partie. Il émettait des scintillements allant du vert tendre au rouge orange, puis au jaune. Des lumières clignotaient dans la partie arrière, tandis que des flammes, semble-t-il, s'échappaient.

Pour les deux gendarmes, comme pour la famille Guilbeau et plusieurs de leurs voisins, il ne peut s'agir que de « soucoupes volantes ».

Le propriétaire d'une auberge située à une dizaine de kilomètres de là a affirmé, pour sa part, avoir entendu, à la même heure, des sifflements et des bruits étranges, au-dessus de Saint-Porchaire.

Fait étrange: le lendemain soir, à 20 heures, deux engins mystérieux survolaient une nouvelle fois le château de la Roche-Corbon.

then yellow. Some lights were winking in its back part and some flames which were bursting out. All witnesses (Policemen and Guilbeau family) are thinking that these objects were flying saucers. An inn proprietor living 10 kms from the sighting spot, stated having heard in the same hour, some whistles and strange noises, over Saint-Porchaire. Eery fact: the next evening, about 8:00 p.m., two queer objects flew over again the Roche-Courbon castle.

UFOs IN CHARENTE-MARITIME DEPARTMENT

LA ROCHELLE: -The caretaker of Roche-Courbon castle, located about 3 kms from Saint-Porchaire, in Charente-Maritime Dept., his wife and daughter, have sighted, between 9:10 & 9:30 p.m., three queer objects, which were traveling in sky towards the north-west. It is the Mr. GUILBEAU's daughter who, first say these objects when she was putting up the shutters. About 30 min. later on, the commanding-officer of Gendarmerie from Saint-Porchaire with one of his gendarmes, reached on the sighing spot, where they could see the 3 objects with binoculars.

"We have sighted an object which was shaped like an umbrella and we have sighted another with a kind of cockpit or a cabin. It had about one meter in diameter and oscillated. It had a back like a frustum of a cone, bound to the smaller part. It gave off flickerings which became green, then red-orange,

Urlauber sahen „Ufo“

exp Palma - Zahlreiche Urlauber haben in der Nacht zum Sonntag über der Ferieninsel Mallorca ein „Ufo“ gesehen. Die dreieckige Lichterscheinung war eine halbe Stunde lang mit bloßem Auge oder dem Fernglas zu erkennen, bevor sie verschwand. In Santander hatte kürzlich ein „Ufo“-Kongreß stattgefunden.

"SEITE" WEST GERMANY - AUGUST 8, 1977

TOURISTS SEE UFO

PALMER: Numerous vacationers watched a UFO over the holiday isle, Mallorca, Sunday night. The triangular bright light was visible for half an hour with the naked eye, or binoculars before disappearing. Shortly prior, a UFO conference took place in Santanur.

LA CORUNA, - OCTOBER 30, 1977

REPORT ON UFOS

INFORME SOBRE LOS OVNI

LA CORUNA, España, 30 (EFE). — Los "OVNI" proceden de la Via Lactea, donde hay cien mil planetas con posibilidades de vida inteligente, declaró hoy en La Coruña el ingeniero español Bernardino Sánchez Bueno, que hace unos días fue testigo del vuelo de un Objeto Volador No Identificado.

Sánchez Bueno es natural de extremadura y reside actualmente en Portugal. Recientemente fue designado presidente del Centro de Es-

tudios Cosmológicos y Parapsicológicos de Lisboa y director del grupo de estudios ovnilógicos de aquel centro.

Según este ingeniero extremeño, los OVNI recogen muestras de plantas, animales y de tierras, "tal vez porque vienen de un lugar próximo a extinguirse".

En sus declaraciones, Sánchez Bueno llega a la conclusión, tras los estudios realizados, de que los tripulantes de OVNI "son buenos y no hay razón alguna para que sean malos".

"UFOs come from the Milky Way, where there are one hundred thousand planets with possibilities of having intelligent life", said Spanish engineering Bernardino Sanchez Bueno, who say, few days before, the flight of an unidentified flying object.

Sanchez Bueno was born in Extremadura and now lives in Portugal. He is the Pres. of Centre for Cosmological and Parapsycological Studies at Lisboa, and Dir. of the Ufology Division of the Centre. He said

— that UFOs collect samples of plants, animals and minerals "because they could be from a dying world". Sanchez Bueno con-

cluded that the UFO tripulatas "are good and there is no reason to think they are harmful".

MONTEVIDEO, October 22, 1977

UFO OVER URUGUAY

En Uruguay los OVNI se Pasean Como por su Casa

MONTEVIDEO, 22 (APP) — Una "invasión" de objetos voladores no identificados (OVNI) es detectada estos días sobre territorio uruguayo y mereció ya un inusual informe policial.

El fenómeno OVNI se registra en forma repetida últimamente en distintas zonas rurales y urbanas del país y aun en la capital, Montevideo, en presencia de numerosos testigos y con secuelas de marcas o quemaduras en los campos y perturbaciones electromagnéticas.

La habitual reticencia de muchos medios de opinión a aceptar el OVNI fue operada ahora por un comunicado de la oficina de Relaciones Públicas de la Policía del Departamento de Rocha en el que se informa sobre dos observaciones.

La Dirección de Seguridad de esa repartición informó el avistamiento, el lunes pasado, de "un objeto

no identificado el cual destelleaba colores rojos, azul verdoso y amarillo, cuyas dimensiones correspondían a las de un pequeño plato de mesa". El OVNI "se desplazaba en forma lenta por el horizonte, en forma rasante".

Un fenómeno "de similares características, el cual se desplazaba en dirección Sur a Norte" también fue registrado en la noche del lunes en zona próxima a la primera denunciada, expresó la policía.

Los OVNI realizaron entonces maniobras zigzagantes de aproximación a la Tierra durante más de una hora para luego alejarse y "desaparecer ambos trazando una estela color rojo".

Los testigos oculares particulares fueron numerosos puesto que la presencia de los OVNI se produjo a las 19.30 hora local.

An "invasion of unidentified flying objects is going on over the URUGUAY and it has already originated an unusual police report.

The UFO phenomenon has been registered lately in different rural and urban region and even at Montevideo, the country capital, and was seen by several witnesses leaving traces and calcinated grass at the landing sites and causing electromagnetic disturbances (EM effects).

The usual reticence of the press to accept the UFO phenomenon was now overcome because a communication of the office of Public Relations of the Police Department at Rocha about two strange sightings. The Security Division of the Department informed about the Monday, Oct. 17th sighting of an unidentified object which sparked red, greenish-blue and yellow colours and which dimensions corresponded to that "a little saucer"

The UFOs made zig-zag movements and approached to the ground during more than an hour and then "flew away leaving a red trail" The eye's witnesses were several because the phenomenon took place at 7:30 PM, local time.

DAILY NEWS - AUSTRALIA
*****DEC. 5, 1977*****

UFO RIDDLE FOR TOWN

MELBOURNE, Today: Leitchville, a little town 300km north of Melbourne, seems to be attracting a strange breed of tourist . . .

. . . Such as little green men, perhaps. The town, near the Murray River, has been subjected to some unusual phenomena lately, like UFO sightings, weird lights in the sky and mysterious burnt patches in fields.

Yesterday farmer Tom Church found a circular burnt patch in a paddock on his dairy farm. The circle was about 9m across with a 45-cm-wide burnt outer ring.

"There were patches in the ring that were burnt black and looked like they were made by jet engines or something," said Tom's son, Ken (17).

PERTH, AUSTRALIA
NOV 11, 1977

Preparation for a possible confrontation

THE sighting on October 16 of a silver object and a smaller red one at Meekatharra, according to reports, brought a reaction of fear ("we were all in a state of panic") and many on the golf course "would not say anything."

As it seems that this type of sighting—where an object remains in view for long periods—is in-

creasing in WA, some of us think that what is needed is much more information from official quarters so that we all become aware of developments, in preparation for a possible confrontation between our populations and those of so-called "alien" planets.—G. A. Hume (UFO Research and Public Relations) Bedford.

DAILY TELEGRAPH - ENGLAND
*****NOV. 7, 1977*****

'UFO' caught in act

Schoolboys Peter Roden and Stephen Hitchins hope they have "snapped" a UFO . . .

They spotted three silvery objects flying high above an old reservoir near their homes at Cheslyn Hay, Cannock.

And the quick-thinking

pair manage to snatch a picture with Stephen's camera.

"We are now sending the film away and keeping our fingers crossed that something will come out," said Peter, aged 14, of 6 Woodland Drive.

The boys say a number of mysterious objects have been seen over the village during the past few weeks.

"They could well be satellites, but have certainly become a big talking point at school," said Peter.

Peter is a pupil at Great Wyrley High School, and Stephen, aged 13, also of Woodland Drive, goes to the new Cheslyn Hay High School.

Fishing boat reports UFO

LISBON, Wed: An unidentified flying object flew over a Portuguese fishing vessel for several minutes off the southern African coast on November 15.

The captain of the 500-tonne refrigerated fishing vessel Pardelas said that the object reflected an intense light on the ship for about eight minutes.

During this period, the ship's alarm system started operating as if electric circuits and nautical instruments had broken down.—AAF PERTH

2 reports of UFO

The RAAF received two reports of an unidentified flying object over Perth last night.

The reports were received about half an hour apart from residents in Mt Pleasant and Bedford and both made some reference to a white or silver-tailed object moving across the sky.

Mrs W. Kinsella, of Bateman Road, Mt Pleasant, said she and her 12-year-old son, Stephen, were walking home about 7.55pm when he saw a stationary object in the sky pulsating red and green lights.

Another sighting of a similar object was reported by Mrs M. McCallum, of Edward Street, Bedford, about 8.30pm.

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DEC. 5, 1977

WILTSHIRE GAZETTE, ENGLAND
*****OCT 11, 1977*****

PAIR SEES UFO

HERDSMAN Derek Clifford should have been seeing cows as he walked to work on Tuesday morning. Instead he saw a flying saucer—but there was no milk in it.

He was so surprised he dashed back home and got his 22-year-old wife Lorraine to convince him that he wasn't "seeing things."

As they watched the object, which emitted a strong orange glow as it hovered in the sky above Broad Town near Wootton Bassett, kept changing its shape.

"It would be almost circular and then the sides seemed to go in as it elongated downwards. I watched it for about 15 minutes and then heard a plane coming. As it approached the object the light faded and the object disappeared.

"The plane then went away. But as it did the object re-appeared and moved in the direction of Marlborough for about another 15 minutes before finally disappearing," said Mrs Clifford on Tuesday at her home in Marlborough Road, Broad Town.

"I have always been sceptical about these things but don't care what people say. This was definitely no natural phenomenon."

A spokesman at RAF Lyneham confirmed that they had received a report of the UFO but denied they had sent a plane up to investigate it.

"A plane left Lyneham at 4.25 a.m. for a destination in the UK but was not sent up to investigate anything. In any event the timing is all wrong.

"It would have been well clear by the time you say Mrs Clifford saw the object at 5.30 a.m. The trouble is people assume any aircraft round here are all from Lyneham,

PERTH - AUSTRALIA
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