

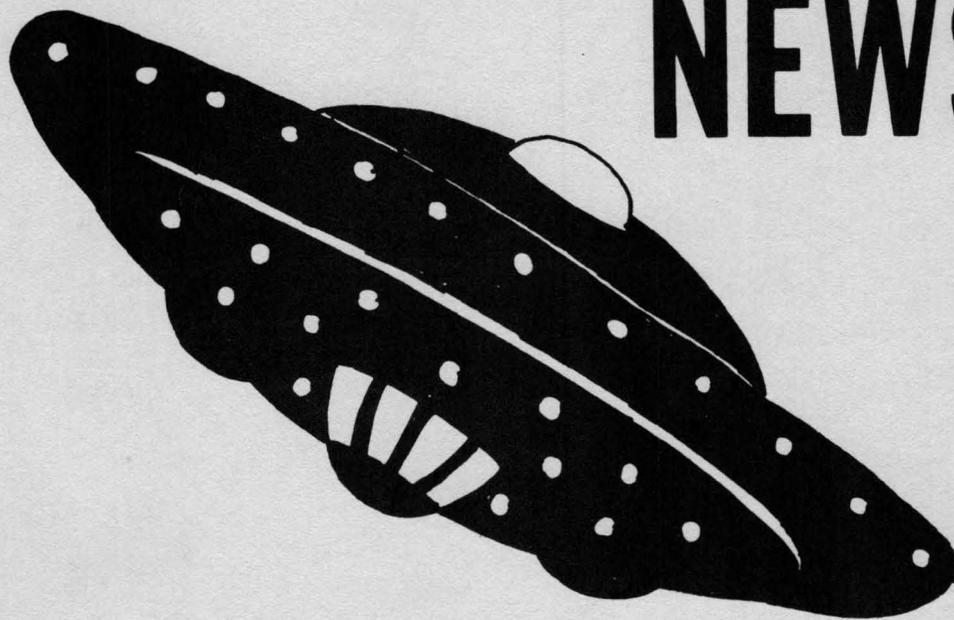
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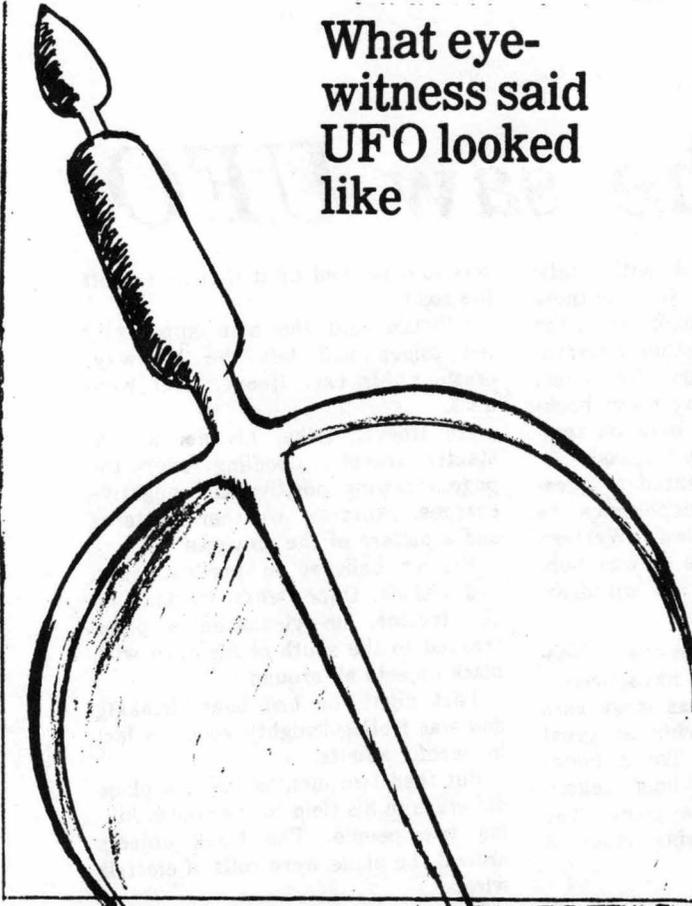
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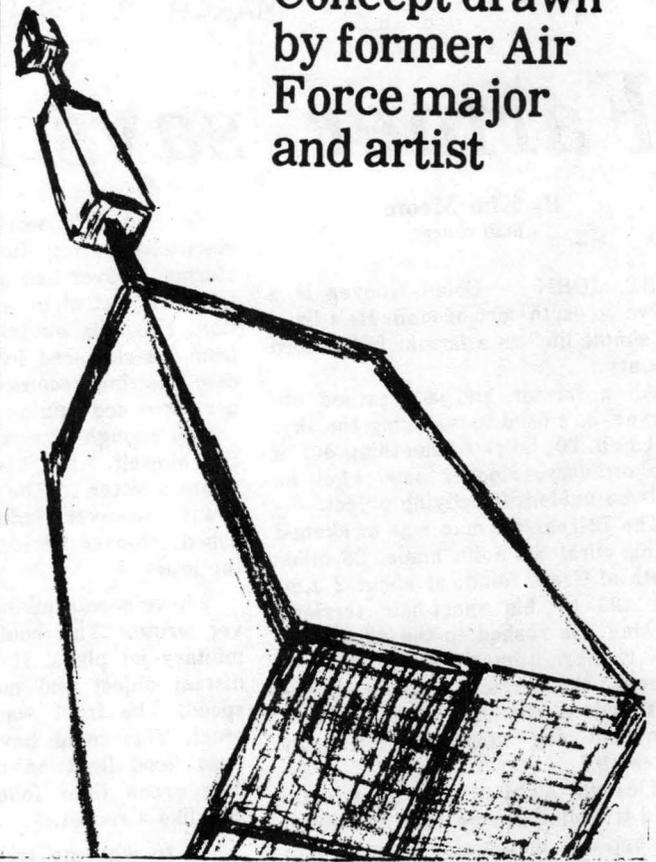
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What eye-witness said UFO looked like



Concept drawn by former Air Force major and artist



UFO SEEN HERE — These sketches are what Bucyrians say they saw in the sky just after dark last night. The UFO looked like some sort of large molded kite, perhaps in the style of a hang-glider. The sketch on the left was drawn by Jim Cronels from a description given by John Gebhardt. Gebhardt and Tom Moore (WBCO) spent some time watching the object that seemed to hover over the south end of Bucyrus at an altitude described to be "about a mile." The

object had a green body with yellow ribs. A bright red treatment was seen in the center and on the protruding parts. A sketch drawn by a former Air Force major from the description is the physical shape of what a lighted object as described would look like in the night sky. This description looks much like a box kite when drawn out.

Kite-like UFO is sighted over city

FRONT PAGE

Too many south end Bucyrus residents saw an "Unidentified Flying Object" last night for it to be a complete hoax. The brightly colored object hovered over Bucyrus for "over an hour," eyewitnesses say.

John Gebhardt, local insurance agent, used binoculars to get the description of the "kite-like object" and sketch his idea for the T-F. John's neighbor, Tom Moore, WBCO radio, and others watched the eerie object hover over the southern part of Bucyrus for over an hour at an altitude of about one mile.

A phone call from John to his son, Dave, provided no visual contact by his son because of the trees near his home, giving rise to some thought that the object perhaps was at a lower altitude. Estimates of 1,300 to 4,000 feet have been heard from sighters.

Bucyrus police noted no reports of the sighting on their morning report.

Reports indicate that the object could very easily be a kite of some sort. Many space age "Star Trek" style kites are currently on the market. Observers note that if the object is indeed a kite it's a big one.

In a cylindrical shape with what looked like molded edges, the kite was eerie due to its bright hues. A green body was accented with yellow ribbing and bright red accent on center rib and forward parts.

Whatever it was, more than one resident watched the object with interest for over an hour last evening. It disappeared as quickly as it appeared.

HUTCHINSON KANS.
NEWS
MARCH 9 1981

Farmer says he saw UFO

By Kim Moore
Staff writer

ST. JOHN — Colen Hoover is a down to earth sort of man. He's lived "a simple life" as a farmer in Stafford County.

As a farmer and a weather observer, he's used to watching the sky. But Feb. 20, he saw something out of the ordinary. Hoover saw what he calls an unidentified flying object.

The 72-year-old man was awakened at his rural St. John home, 28 miles south of Great Bend, at about 2 a.m. Feb. 20 by his short-hair terrier's barking. He rushed to the window of his trailer home where he saw George, the terrier, running to the north side of the home, and his Newfoundland dog standing "nervously watching."

"I caught sight of a strange meteoroid traveling due north in the direction opposite meteoroids travel (north to south)," Hoover said. "It remained in a straight line at a speed of 1,000 miles per hour. This meteoroid if 30 seconds away would have been 81 miles or at the Oklahoma-Kansas border.

"This made me judge the object was making a cruising travel over our location and was not a meteoroid on a straight course," Hoover continued. "It first became visible at a right angle with a crystal white bright head followed by a turquoise blue tail. There was no red or orange color and was a beautiful sight lasting for about four seconds."

The distance, the size and the shape were hard to judge, Hoover said.

"A fella awakened quickly from his sleep isn't active," Hoover explained. "And lights in the night are deceptive."

Hoover calls himself a scientist of sorts. A "Science for Better Living" textbook sits on his table and a cloud code chart decorates the wall.

He said he's worked with static electricity during dust and lightning storms. Hoover has training from the Civil Air Patrol in weather observation. He pulls out chart after chart from his cluttered living room bookcase showing recorded data on temperatures and rainfall in Kansas.

He's enough of a scientist to question himself. After his experience, he wrote a letter to The News' Western Front. However, before it was published, Hoover decided to withdraw the letter.

"I have been thinking it over," Hoover wrote. "This could have been a military jet plane. It was large as a distant object and moving at great speed. The front was like a meteoroid. This could have been caused from flood light on the plane. The blue green light following made it look like a rocket..."

"As to why my terrier awoke me just before it showed up is a mystery, for he was upset," Hoover continued. "But this did actually take place."

Hoover recalls the English used dogs and cats during World War II to alert them of bomb raids. He offers this as a solution to his dog's agitation.

But Hoover couldn't hear any noise even when the object was in his view.

"Outside the trailer home that is upon ten pedestals, it was calm as death," Hoover said. "There was no noise like a jet. As I leaned my arm upon the plastic window sill, I noticed an unusual vibration. It was like blowing your breath upon your arm."

"I have worked with static electricity during dust storms and it is my belief the air's static electricity, the positive and the negative, had been disturbed," he continued.

Hoover discovered an account of an automobile accident killing a man near Cairo Feb. 20 at about the time Hoover spotted the UFO. He wonders if the man also viewed the UFO and

was so disturbed by it that he ran off the road.

Officials said the man apparently fell asleep and left the roadway, crashing his car. Hoover still wonders.

As Hoover talks, his pencil constantly travels, doodling over the page, drawing positive and negative charges, Antarctic weather patterns and a picture of the universe.

Hoover believes in predestination and visions. Once, while working on the tractor, he visualized a plane crashed to the south of his barn with black objects all around it.

That night, he had been drinking and was feeling "mighty good," a fact he readily admits.

But then two months later, a plane did crash in his field to the south, killing two people. The black objects around the plane were rolls of electric wire.

Likewise, he believes in UFOs. He said they may be military aircraft from our country or from a foreign nation. But he doesn't eliminate the possibility of interplanetary travel.

"This galaxy of ours is awfully large," Hoover said. "I believe we could find life outside our universe. The main thing would be finding another place with water. Water is the foundation of all creation, at least, creation as we know it."

Whether people think he's crazy or not doesn't really bother him; he said he's too old to let it concern him.

"The dreamers, that's where you get your ideas," Hoover said. "One man's mind can absorb only so much, but a group of minds can accomplish anything. That's why I wanted to tell about what I saw and share it."

"I ain't a religious person," he continued. "But it says in the Bible that God created man of his own image. But there's got to be a whole lot of us to even get close to the power of God. We can only do things and accomplish things by all working together."

Investigators eye 'close encounter'

By CATHY GORDON
Courier Staff

PAGE ONE

Betty Cash's thoughts were numb and vague as she accelerated her car on her way home toward Dayton. Trees were swaying in the winter wind, cars were passing — yet everything seemed to be at a standstill.

Of greatest concern to her was a throbbing headache and a sharp, burning sensation that seemed to suddenly penetrate her entire body. Passenger Vickie Landrum's only thoughts were of the unbearable pain in her eyes, and of her hysterical grandson, Colby, who had buried his face in her lap, refusing to look out at the night skies.

Cash and Landrum shared his fear, but they scanned the sky nevertheless for some sign of the strange-looking object they had previously encountered that night along a lonely stretch of FM 1485 coming from New Caney.

By aerial investigator's terms, what the three had just experienced 20 minutes

before was a Close Encounter, a UFO sighting, where objects or very brilliant lights come close to the observer — in general, less than 500 feet away.

By the description the three gave of the incident, the "blinding" object had hovered just above the treetops, not half a block away from them.

"It's an incredible yet unimpeachable case of three common people who find themselves suddenly caught up in events stranger than the wildest of science fiction," said Bill English, an investigator with the Aerial Phenomenon Research Organization (APRO) in Tuscon.

APRO is said to be the oldest UFO agency in the world with a consulting staff of 50 medical doctors and scientists.

English and other case workers from APRO have been investigating the "sightings" near New Caney in con-

junction with NASA to find out what this object was that was said to shoot "torch-like" fire along the treetops that Dec. 29 night.

In the course of his investigation, English says, he has located three people from Liberty who are collaborating witnesses to the fact that there was a "genuine sighting" on FM 1485 that night.

"I scouted all the newspapers in that general area and it's seemed to have paid

off," English said. "Three people from Liberty saw the same thing that night. They've substantiated Betty and Vickie's story."

The only difference between accounts was that they saw the object 30 minutes later and from a greater distance, he said.

"Because of this particular case, I've reopened cases nearly 40 years old," English said. "It's an exceptional case in

that Betty and Vickie became so ill so soon after their encounter."

English said the burning sensation and loss of hair that Betty now suffers from is a typical symptom of radiation poisoning, a common result after a "Close Encounter" with a UFO.

Speculating on the object's origin, English said it would be "premature" to label the object "extraterrestrial." "To say something is extraterrestrial is a touchy thing," he said. "However, we do have hints that it could have been. I personally favor that possibility."

English said through connections at the Pentagon, he has checked with airbases near Houston and the surrounding area in an attempt to find who, if anyone, dispatched 23 helicopters up to that area on Dec. 29.

In Cash's account of the incident, she counted 23 helicopters encircling the object when it began its ascent into the sky.

"I've found no one so far who had helicopters up there that night," he said, adding that Ft. Hood Army Base, near

Killeen, which has the UH-1 "Huey" type helicopters Cash described, was also checked.

"I've checked with the air traffic controllers at Houston Intercontinental Airport — nothing," he said. "They have no reason to lie to me. I can go in there any day of the week and request their transmission tapes which could show that there were helicopters up there that night. Under FAA regulations, they'd have to give them to me."

English said he thinks the helicopters were actually unmanned mariner probes in some way "attached" to the mysterious object, which were here to "scan" the earth for samples.

"It's more likely that they too were extraterrestrial," he said. "We've had reports of other objects that look like choppers or some type of plane that stay close to the main object."

"Rarely is the object noted to which the light is attached," English said. Neither Landrum nor Cash could define a shape to the object, they said, because of the "blinding" light projected from it. "In the majority of reports we get, people describe their encounter this same way — just a blinding light, no shape to the thing. Nocturnal lights form a sizeable group of the UFO reports," he said.

English said Cash and Landrum's answers to "secret questions" squared with what others have reported about the same

type of UFO sightings. "There's positively, absolutely no question in my mind that they encountered a UFO," he said. "Anyone in this line of work will tell you the same thing."

Allen Menz, also an investigator for APRO, said he feels the government knows more about these flying objects than they are letting on.

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"Uncle Sam knows an awful lot more than he lets us know about," Menz said. "Whatever it was that those people saw — probably wasn't a government secret weapon or anything like that — but the military probably knows something about what it was. It wouldn't make sense that it would be a military weapon. Testing of those type of things are done in highly restrictive test range areas."

Menz said he is also "puzzled" over the 23 helicopters Cash described surrounding the object. "I've heard of such a thing happening, but not in a while," he said. "That's why some of the older cases have been reopened. They are very similar to this one."

"This has all the makings of a very significant case," he said. "It sounds to me like Betty has a classic case of some sort of overexposure to radiation — what kind, we don't know for sure."

John Schuessler, the manager of space flight operations at NASA who is also investigating the UFO reports, said he knows of several such "encounters"

similar to this one that have happened all around the world. He believes there is a good chance they are extraterrestrial.

"If it was something the military was doing, why would they call attention to it by surrounding the thing with 23 helicopters? That doesn't make sense," he said.

Schuessler said after meeting with Cash, he is certain she saw the helicopters. "She's so insistent about it, so sincere — she is telling the truth — totally."

He said her description of the helicopters definitely sounds like the "Huey" type the army uses.

He is skeptical, however, of the air controller's reports showing no helicopters in that area the night of Dec. 29.

"We've had trouble getting correct information from the controllers before," he said. "They can be very tight-lipped when they want to be."

Schuessler recalled an incident that occurred three years ago where a Houston airplane pilot had to make a forced landing because of an encounter with a UFO. "A Metro pilot flying nearby heard the whole thing on the radio and got in touch with me," he said. "I went to air traffic control at Intercontinental and requested transmission tapes so I could see if the UFO had been up there and find out what happened. I never did get those tapes — even under the Freedom of Information Act I didn't get the tapes."

Schuessler said he is "intrigued" by Colby's insistence that the object was "diamond-shaped." "I've been following a lot of diamond-shaped objects that have been reported," he said. "I've had reports from all over the world about diamond-shaped objects."

He said the Houston area is not "productive" in UFO reports because of lack of places to report them. "I've personally handled about 40,000 to 50,000 reports from all over the world, but very few from the Houston area," he said. "There just aren't enough places to report them and the city is so spread out. I hear about a lot of reports in this area from other people — sometimes long after it's happened."

Schuessler said he expects to continue working on this case until some questions are answered. "Right now, all I know basically is what Betty and Vickie have said about the encounter," he said. "I believe fully that they saw a UFO. To not believe them would be foolish, especially after seeing the physical pain they've experienced from it."

"There are just too many UFOs reported from all over the world to disregard their word," he said. "And besides that, Betty's loss of hair is characteristic of such an encounter. It's just a shame it had to happen to them."

WEEKLY WORLD NEWS FEB 24 1981

Housewife watches calf mutilation aboard UFO

A housewife watched aliens from outer space mutilate a calf — then medical-ly examine her daughter!

And the two strange beings aboard the UFO said they did it to benefit all mankind.

The incredible, eyewitness account came from Judy Doraty of suburban Houston, Tex., who made the astounding disclosure while under hypnosis.

Her eyewitness account is the most amazing since the wave of thousands of cattle mutilations began in the 1960s.

Judy witnessed the bizarre scene in 1973 — but it was only recently that she was driven by constant headaches, and was hypnotized to get at her problem.

Dr. Leo Sprinkle, a widely respected UFO expert and director of counseling and testing at the University of Wyoming, hypnotized the woman and recorded the astounding report.

Judy said she was returning to her home from a bingo game in Houston when she saw a strange bright light.

"It's like a spotlight shining down on the back of my car. It was like it had substance in it. I can see a calf being taken up in it. I can see it squirming and trying to get free. It is being taken into some sort of chamber, a little, round, tiny room — and I could not bear watching how they cut it apart," Judy told the hypnotist. She said she was psychically told that she must not talk about

what she had seen — and that she was witnessing the mutilation by accident.

Later in the session, Judy described the aliens she saw in the UFO.

"There appear to be two little men. Their hands are funny. They have long claw nails. They have very large eyes. They are very hypnotic — they don't blink," she recalled.

After cutting the eyes, tongue and sex organs out of the calf, the poor beast was lowered back to the ground.

Judy said the aliens told her they were performing the examination for the good of the people on Earth — and for themselves.

Then, incredibly, Judy's little daughter, Cindy, 5, was on the examination table.

Judy says the aliens examined her briefly — then suddenly mother and daughter were returned to their car. Neither could remember what happened.

Dr. Sprinkle says he is certain Judy's story under hypnosis was the truth.

BELLEVILLE KANS.
TELESCOPE MAR 5 1981

UFO Seen at Delphos?

Two young Delphos women were driving just southwest of Delphos on February 19 of the past week when they encountered a lighted object which they said appeared as a light blue fog and made a humming noise similar to the sound of an electric fan.

The two drove into Delphos immediately and contacted Ottawa County Undersheriff Ann Sweezer who returned with them to the scene. By this time several other persons had gathered near the Delphos Grain Co. to watch what they described as whirling discs in the sky.

Undersheriff Sweezer said the disc-like lights were visible for quite some time. She said two discs seemed to be revolving counter-clockwise, sometimes close together and sometimes farther apart, "as if they were playing tag."

Sweezer said she and a deputy drove east on K-41, and the lights were equally visible from that location. The lights would appear, then disappear, then appear again, at intervals.

Ottawa County Sheriff Dean Dunham said he patrolled in other areas of the county that evening, but saw nothing unusual. He said the lights may have been reflections from beacons at Salina.

NEWBURGH N.Y.
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Heavenly daze! More UFOs seen

BEACON — Spring is in the air... and so are reports of flying saucers, or unidentified flying objects.

Beacon police received two calls at about 8:45 p.m. reported unusual objects in the skies above Mt. Beacon Monday.

Lt. Richard L. Williams said he went outside police headquarters and took a quick glance, but was unable to spot anything unusual. He radioed to a patrol unit in the vicinity of the Forrestal Elementary School on Liberty Street, which affords a good view of the mountain, but the officers on patrol scanned the skies and reported back that they couldn't spot anything unusual.

LANTANA FLA.
WORLD NEWS
MARCH 17 1981

Gigantic UFO spies on metal smelting plant

A massive UFO mysteriously swooped out of the sky and hovered over a copper smelting plant so its crew could apparently study the plant's operations.

Workers on a labor gang which was repairing one of the 625-foot-high stacks to the plant near Morenci, Ariz., said the boomerang-shaped flying machine beamed some kind of light ray down the stacks.

Members of the four-man work team said the object was as big as four football fields.

"It flew directly over the smokestack and it looked like the big light was shining right into it," said Randel Rogers, 20, a member of the repair crew.

"It just sort of stopped in mid-air above the smokestack."

Rogers said the object had 12 smaller red lights dotting its surface and the one large white

beam. Another member of the work crew, 40-year-old Larry Mortensen, said the UFO seemed to be carefully inspecting the two giant smokestacks with the light.

"I have never seen an airplane stop in midair before," he said. "I've never seen anything like that before. I wish it would come back."

"I got the feeling that it wasn't aggressive."

"Certainly, it did nothing to frighten us. Whoever was in it was friendly."

While making its inspection, one of the red lights at the tip of the boomerang suddenly detached and flew off at a "fantastic rate of speed" and then returned, said worker Kent Davis.

As the repairmen watched in awe, the object suddenly turned without warning and shot away

at rocket-like speeds. The workers were afraid to report their sighting to authorities because they didn't think anyone would believe them.

But the UFO appeared shortly after only a mile away over the football field of Morenci High School.

There the strange object startled 100 members of the high school marching band which was holding an evening practice.

"I looked up and saw all these lights shaped in the shape of a 'V,'" said Bruce Smith, director of the band.

"There was no sound. The lights were red and white. It just stayed in one place."

After hovering for a few minutes, the object again shot off and disappeared high in the sky to the amazement of the shocked band members.

Airport UFO claim linked to quakes

FAIRFIELD N.J.
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By Robert Hof

Fairfield UFOs Similar To Michigan Sighting

FAIRFIELD — A series of UFO (Unidentified Flying Object) sightings reported by township residents in August and September of 1980 have excited the interest of an aerial phenomena investigator in Michigan.

While *The Chronicle* traced many of the Fairfield sightings to small aircraft displaying electronic billboards for promotional purposes, several other sightings—particularly those involving “inverted bowl” or “squashed bell” shapes, glowing with “dull orange” light—were never explained.

Those are the sightings that most intrigue Dan Wright, Michigan State Director of the Mutual UFO Network, an independent research group. Wright is especially interested in establishing a correspondence with Fairfield residents Lillian Kramer, Mary Ellen Levy, and Mark Cedielnik because their reported observations “were strikingly similar to an investigation which three associates and I conducted nearly a year ago.”

That incident, witnessed by two neighbors and their teenage daughters near Laingsburg, Michigan on March 10, 1980 involved an “oval ball” glowing “pale yellow-orange” which was observed for more than two hours.

Recently one of the witnesses, Betty Carlisle, was shown copies of the Fairfield accounts. She found details in those reports which matched her own experience “precisely.”

Investigators are now seeking additional information to tie the Fairfield and Laingsburg accounts together. Those local witnesses cited above are encouraged to write to: Dan Wright, State Director, 113 Sandstone Creek No. 17, Grand Ledge, Michigan 48837.

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The recent sightings of UFOs at San Jose Airport at Interstate 80 may have had something to do with a mysterious earthquake-related phenomenon, according to County Geologist John Berkland.

On Jan. 9 strange red lights still unidentified were spotted by two pilots and the air traffic control tower above San Jose Airport. They did not appear on any radar screen.

About three weeks ago a Burlingame man said he saw glistening lights moving in the skies above Interstate 80 near Vacaville.

A segment on a recent 20-20 television show explained that many UFO sightings could be caused by earthquakes. The theory is that the quakes cause large chunks of rock, especially quartz rock, to rub together and produce electricity that may manifest itself as balls of light.

That's quite possible, Berkland confirmed, though he admitted the 20-20 segment was the first time he had heard the theory. He added no quakes were reported at the time of the airport sighting.

He said anyone can get a similar effect, called triboluminescence, simply by rubbing together two pieces of quartz in the dark.

“They'll glow,” he said, and what they're producing is electricity. In fact, they also give off the smell of ozone, caused by the charged air.

And quartz is the most common mineral in the world, he added.

Berkland is well known for his seismic window theory, that states quakes occur most often in the week after the full moon, or when the sun or moon and earth are lined up or are closest to each other in space.

In making his predictions he also takes into account reports of lost cats, much as the Chinese do. It's possible, he said, that animals see the balls of electricity, causing them to hide or run away.

Berkland also pointed to historical evidence that UFOs could be caused by quakes. On June 29, 1947, he said, numerous UFOs were reported in the same period several earthquakes occurred.

MODERN PEOPLE
FRANKLIN PARK ILL.
APRIL 1981



UFO aliens are apparently interested in studying Elvis' body.

Shimmering UFOs have been spotted over Elvis Presley's grave in Memphis, Tenn.!

Family members, employes and late-night passersby have reported at least 13 sightings of unidentified flying objects since last fall above The King's burial place on the spacious grounds of Graceland Mansion.

Several times, orange-lit saucers have hovered as close as 20 feet over the silent tomb and shone laser-like lights onto the cold stones before zooming off into the clouds.

Current occupants of Graceland are Elvis' Aunt Delta and his grandmother. Servants, employes and security personnel also are there in round-the-clock shifts.

"Use my name and I'll lose my job, but this place is getting to be like CLOSE ENCOUNTERS OF THE THIRD KIND," mutters a night security guard at Graceland's rear gate.

"I have seen the spacecraft around here several times. They always come between 2 and 4 in the morning, when hardly anyone's around.

"The first time I saw one was on a drizzly night last April. I heard a strange noise near the grave—like an electrical popping, like a high tension wire that's been blown down.

"I ran out there and saw a strange

FLYING SAUCERS HOVER OVER ELVIS' TOMB

glow in the clouds just above the tomb. Then a saucer-shaped object dipped out of the clouds, came down within a few yards of the grave.

"Then the whole area was lit up by a ray of light that came from the underside of the ship. Now, my job is to protect that tomb with my life if necessary. But I was so scared I couldn't reach for my gun. After a few seconds the light suddenly went off and the ship zoomed away."

The guard reports he attempted to call for help on his walkie talkie but the device was full of interference and he couldn't get through to the front-gate guard for two or three minutes. The other security man had seen and heard nothing.

"All of us who work here have seen the UFOs," confides the original witness. "But we're under strict orders not to talk. I've told you too much already."

Three suburban Memphis teenagers who make constant vigils at Graceland also claim they saw UFOs there one night.

"I like to sneak out in my mama's car and drive there late at night," relates 16-year-old Sandy Lee Smith. "I was one of Elvis' biggest fans and I feel close to him when I can park outside the fence late at night and look toward his grave.

"The night I saw the UFO, I was with my friends Debbie Barnes and Rhonda Flowers. We saw the flying saucer dart down from the sky. There was a strange humming in the air.

"It was raining and the tomb is a good distance from the street, but there was no doubt about it. A beam of light lit up the tomb. I jumped out of the car. The UFO started to go away, but it came back and hung around for 10 seconds or so before disappearing.

"We drove to the gate and told the security guard, but he said to get the hell out and not tell anybody. We called the police but they threatened to run us in for smoking pot."

Miss Barnes, 16, and Miss Flowers, 17, agree with their friend's version of the event. The former admits she attempted to take a picture of the UFO with her Polaroid camera, but the film came up blank.

Told of the mysterious events at

Graceland, a leading UFO researcher, Dr. Victor Clausewitz, guesses that the aliens either are attempting to study Elvis' body or steal it.

"It has always been my contention that UFOs are here on a long mission to study every aspect of human behavior," he declares.

"Perhaps they are looking for ways to penetrate Presley's tomb, possibly in an effort to steal the body to study it. They may have powers to study a man even in death. And they could accomplish this with their laser-like beams without the necessity of actually removing the body from the tomb.

"It cannot have escaped their attention that the man who lived in Graceland Mansion was one of the most important on Earth. The bizarre scenes at Presley's funeral must not have gone unnoticed. It is natural they would be curious about someone who caused so much commotion."

BEACON N.Y.
NEWS
MARCH 4 1981

UFO sighting claimed by 2

BEACON — Two local residents returning home from a bingo game Monday evening about 10:30 p.m. claim that they saw an unidentified flying object hovering in the sky in the vicinity of Spoor-Lasher on Route 52.

The two, who asked not to be identified, described the object today as round with three spotlights underneath and two red lights in the back. They said it seemed to generate a humming noise as it hovered over them.

The pair said that after remaining in the same position for a few minutes, it glided away into the night.

Beacon police reported no calls regarding the object.

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UFO sighting

ON Sunday, November 9th at dusk I happened to look out as I drew the curtains and out of the west shot a brilliant white 'blob' of light.

Its tail was halfway across the sky, dwindling but terrifically white. It had no real shape.

It was far larger than any plane and flew lower and faster than anything I've ever seen.

I've been waiting to hear or see other people's reports of that UFO.

MRS. MARY WHITE, Trewithen Parc, St. Newlyn East, Newquay.

BOURNEMOUTH EVENING
ECHO NOV 14 1980

Did soccer boys see a real UFO?

PLAYING football with his pals, nine-year-old Anthony Rayment ran to fetch the ball—and found himself staring at a bizarre flying object, changing colour.

And he and his friends are anxious to know if they had a close encounter with a real UFO.

Anthony, of Denmark Road, Poole, said he and five friends were playing a game of soccer on The Baiter shortly before tea-time yesterday when they sighted the flying object.

"It was round with lumps on it and had a black ring round it," he said. "It was red, yellow and blue, changing colour, and what looked like a black pole with a light on the end, came out from it."

"It was only about 18 feet from me, in the air," he added.

Anthony's friends confirmed that they had seen the strange object too.

More UFOs spotted

MARTIAN madness has continued to spread in Worcestershire with reports of UFOs over the Vale of Evesham.

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UFO fan tells of 'black spot'

Bus driver David Caines has been a lifelong believer in UFOs and now he reckons he's seen one.

Mr. Caines, 49, of Agbrigg Road, Sandal, Wakefield, was driving his bus through South Hiendley at about 4.30 p.m. when he saw a light in the sky.

"It was a white flicker, irregular at first and then regular, and I could see a black spot above it," he said. "At first I thought it was a helicopter because it was hovering, but there was no shape to it."

EVENING NEWS
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UFO may have been a balloon

TWO EYE-witnesses who spotted the mysterious flying object on Worcester's skyline on Wednesday believe they saw a balloon.

"It was travelling very slowly with psychedelic lights. I'm sure it was a balloon," said one man who watched the object travel from Blackpole to Warndon.

An alert was raised after two schoolgirls saw the object in the sky at 4.45 p.m.

The Ministry of Defence said they were unaware of any planes flying over the area at the time.

Vale UFO spotter, Mr Gordon Gregory, told the *Evening News* he had heard of reports of strange flying objects in the district over the last five weeks.

"Judging from people's descriptions, they seem to be quite like the UFOs spotted recently in other parts of the county," he said.

Mr Gregory, who lives in Elmley Castle, said the circular silver objects had been seen hovering at between 200 and 300 feet above the ground.

"They seem to stay in one position for a while and then shoot off very fast," he said.

SOUTH DEVON
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They saw a UFO...

A SUDDEN series of short, sharp, jolts shook the car, then the engine cut out.

This was the report received by Mr Eric Maurice, leader of the Plymouth District U.F.O. Organisation, based at Bretonside.

Minutes before at 4.45 p.m., on Monday, he had been driving along the A381 road from Dartmouth to Totnes, when, between Halwell and Harbertonford, he saw a car which had broken down. He stopped his car and offered assistance, the occupant, a doctor and wife from Yorkshire, who wished to remain anonymous claimed that they had seen a U.F.O. They had been driving along, when suddenly a silver, glowing, pencil shaped object appeared in the sky in front of them. Their car started to malfunction for no explainable reason and then stopped.

They got out and continued watching, the U.F.O. was brightest at its centre, it seemed to be only a couple of hundred feet in the air, yet they heard no noise. Its two, blunted ends vibrated about its centre, while the object continued to hover motionless in the sky.

The couple continued to watch for a few minutes more, then as suddenly as it appeared it vanished.

The visibility that evening was excellent, but as yet there have been no reports of similar sightings.

HEADLAND, ALA.
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First of a series

UFOs reported sighted over the Wiregrass

By RICK THOMASON

Editor's Note: This is a composite of stories from several Houston County residents who claim they have seen a UFO. Each of the witnesses asked not to be identified for fear of the teasing they might receive from friends and associates due to disputed opinions concerning the existence of UFOs.

The nights are not always hot and muggy when these objects appear, but often this is the case. They are usually seen at night in this part of the world, but not always. They are often accompanied by a loud whirring sound, but exceptions do exist. UFOs follow no rules.

The afternoon this sighting occurred was calm and cool with a slight breeze blowing from the south. The countryside was quiet but for the sounds of water in the small pond lapping at the bank. The sun glowed brightly above the earth in a brilliant cloudless sky.

The young married couple had gathered a picnic lunch and headed for their favorite spot to get away from all their problems and to just relax together for a few hours. Other than a few annoying ants that invariably invade a picnic site, the afternoon had gone wonderfully.

Farmer terrified by UFO pilots

A Brazilian farmer was terrified when a flying saucer glowing with an eerie light landed and two strange beings got out.

The farmer, Domingos Monteiro Brito, of Camaracu Island, said the beings resembled humans and began peppering him with questions in his own language.

The beings questioned him about the number of people in his village and if there were any large uninhabited areas nearby.

He said he was so paralyzed with fear that he could not remember if he answered or not. The beings told him they would return, then went back into their craft and took off.

He described their craft as saucer-shaped and made from a greyish material. It made no sound at all.

Brito said he first noticed the UFO as a small bright spot in the dawn sky which rapidly grew larger as the craft approached at a fantastic rate of speed.

CAUGHT HIS EYE

As the day wore on and the reality that they had to go back and face the world set in, the two collected their belongings and began to pack them into the car when something at tree top level caught his eye. By the time he looked around the object had gone and it was dismissed as being just a bird.

As their small car wound down the narrow dirt road, something appeared just off the passenger side of the car. The dark object drew the glance of the young woman and she sat mystified and stared. Her husband noticed her trance-like state and gave her a gentle nudge to snap her out of it. She quickly turned her head and looked at him with a distant, horrified look in her eyes. He questioned her about her obvious fright but received no answers. She only stared out the window.

Finally he stopped the car to find out just what the problem was. When he leaned over to speak to his wife he saw the object hovering a few yards from the car.

"I was stunned," he said as he remembered the day. "It was like nothing I had ever seen. I remember saying to my wife 'It's really a UFO.' Suddenly I was as stunned as she was."

He put the car back in gear and sped down the road much faster than was safe. The UFO kept up with the car seemingly effortlessly. "The faster we went, the faster it went," said the young woman. "But the most amazing thing to me was that the thing didn't make any noise at all. It just kind of hovered there without any sound."

When the car was still about one mile from the end of the road, the UFO sped ahead and disappeared around the bend. The couple sighed a collective sigh of relief, but when they rounded the last curve before reaching the main road there sat the UFO hovering no more than two feet off the ground.

"We thought that thing had finally decided to leave us alone," explained the man, "but when we rounded that turn there it sat. I thought my wife was going to faint. She just turned so pale."

The couple sat and stared at the UFO for about three or four minutes before it slowly lifted to treetop level and shot off directly over the car and vanished.

"I'd always heard tales about so-called UFOs, but I never really believed any of them," the woman said as she shook her head, still not quite believing it had happened.

UFO authority to probe Alexandria sighting

A leading authority on the UFOs told an audience here Friday night he would begin investigating Saturday an encounter reported in Alexandria.

Dr. J. Allen Hynek, Air Force adviser for Project Blue Book and technical adviser in the science fiction movie "Close Encounters of the Third Kind," spoke to about 200 residents at Broadmoor High School.

Hynek told the group an Alexandria family reportedly made contact with a UFO one night while winding up a family picnic.

The family said they were packing their picnic gear into a station wagon when they

heard a low frequency sound and then spotted a strange-looking ship hovering over the area, he said.

"Here was this large disc-shaped object gliding toward them," Hynek said.

Hynek said the family described a blue halo of haze that surrounded the object.

The object transmitted a similar haze to the family until "their bodies began to glow," he said.

"That's the part I want to find out about."

Hynek said he could not go into more detail about the incident because it is a confidential investigation.

Nearly half the audience raised their hands as Hynek asked how many persons had witnessed a UFO phenomenon.

Hynek called these persons members of the "legion of the bewildered silent" because many said they hadn't reported the incidents to the proper authorities.

Hynek said the bulk of persons who have reported UFO experiences are sane and rational persons and that too much publicity has been given to false UFO sightings.

"There are too many people who will tell you they went to Venus on a flying saucer or that they receive messages," Hynek said.

"They're not crackpots, but they're close to it."

In a slide presentation, Hynek explained that a mechanical device was designed to play one of the aliens in "Close Encounters of The Third Kind."

However, little girls were cast as the crew of the ominous space vessel in the movie, he said.

"The director tried midgets, but they didn't work," he said.

"He tried little boys, but they were too gamy. They didn't have the right movements."

NEWBURGH N.Y.
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UFOs cross Hudson

NEWBURGH — Beacon area residents have been seeing UFO's during the past several days, and now the elusive objects have been spotted by a city resident.

Henry Schipp, of 282 First St. here, said he had a close encounter at about 5 a.m. Saturday when an object which he described as round, about 20 feet wide and with flashing blue lights appeared over his house.

Schipp said the object "flew by and disappeared very fast" and that he felt weakness immediately thereafter although the sensation passed "within a few moments." He said he was taking out garbage cans when he saw the UFO.

Numerous persons in the Beacon and Cold Spring area have called The Evening News with similar sightings in the past two weeks.

Schipp said he called Stewart Airport after spotting the UFO and was told by officials there that nothing unexpected appeared on their radar screens. But Schipp is unconvinced. "They're not going to tell you anything they don't want you to know about," he observed.

JEWELL, KANS.
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UFO Seen At Delphos

Two young Delphos women were driving just southwest of Delphos on February 19 when they encountered a lighted object which they said appeared as a light blue fog and made a humming noise similar to the sound of an electric fan.

The two drove into Delphos immediately and contacted the undersheriff who returned with them to the scene. By this time several other persons had gathered near the Delphos Grain Co. to watch what they described as whirling discs in the sky.

Undersheriff Ann Sweezer said the disc-like lights were visible for quite some time. She said two discs seemed to be revolving counter-clockwise, sometimes close together and sometimes farther apart, "as if they were playing tag".

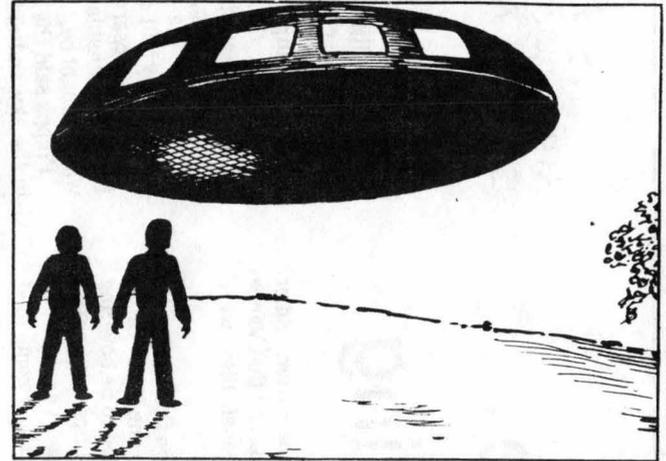
Sweezer and a deputy drove east on K-41, and the lights were equally visibly from that location. The lights would appear, then disappear, then appear again, at intervals.

Ottawa County Sheriff Dean Dunham said he patrolled in other areas of the county that evening, but saw nothing unusual. He said the lights may have been reflections from beacons at Salina. - Belleville Telescope, March 5, 1981.

SPECIAL REPORT

UFOs in America

EXPERT FEARS ALIENS SET UP MIDWEST BASE



●Ufologist thinks aliens are plotting destruction of food supply

PROMINENT UFOLOGIST is worried sick that a recent wave of UFO sightings in America's agricultural heartland means aliens are pitching camp there.

"It's no coincidence that four out of five of recent sightings have been in America's breadbasket," Herbert Meadows of Chicago told the Examiner.

"There's little doubt in my mind that aliens have set up a base somewhere in the Midwest.

"And that could have ominous implications for all of us."

Meadows told the Examiner of an incident that took place in Greenfield, Ind., last summer.

Cathy Wilfong and her friend Cindy Bridges were tending to routine chores on the Wilfong farm at dusk.

STORY By JERRY CABOT

Suddenly, both teenage girl were virtually blinded by the intense glow emanating from a cylindrical object that hovered 50 feet above ground, just 100 feet away.

"When I saw all those lights," said Cindy. "I thought there had been an airplane crash. Then my eyes

focused on the object. I started honking the truck horn to get my father's attention."

The two girls watched the object for a full 12 minutes. It had two intense white lights and a single red one, and seemed to have fins sprouting from each side.

The girls ran into the house to call for help. Both Mr. John Wilfong and deputy sheriffs from Hancock County ridiculed the report.

But the next day Cindy and Cathy proved they had seen something. In the Wilfongs' wheat field was a perfect circle, 44 feet in diameter, in which every blade of wheat had been totally crushed.

Damage

Meadows says at least 13 other people witnessed the same phenomenon.

But the incident was hardly the only one in which a UFO left evidence of its presence in the midst of crops.

Curtis Olson was mowing

hay on his farm near Lake City, Minn., last summer, when he noticed damage in a neighbor's field.

Upon closer inspection, the astounded farmer discovered a perfect circle, 50 feet in diameter, right in the middle of the corn field. The corn was completely flattened.

Scorched

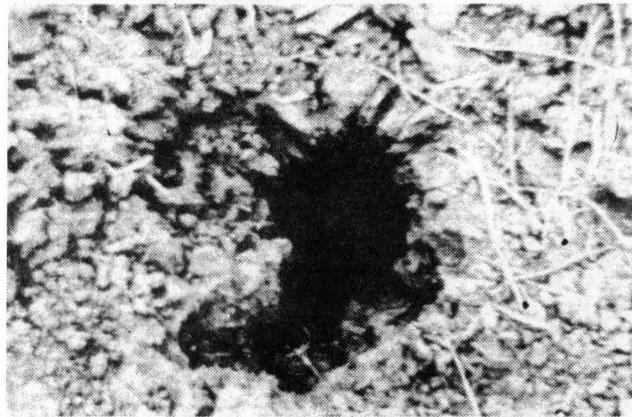
"It looked like someone had taken a giant hair dryer and scorched the entire area," Olson reported.

The farmer found a second circle of flattened corn, 20 feet in diameter, but the area was not burned out. Olson says the corn seemed to have been shucked.

"I myself believe we've been visited by UFOs," Olson concluded.

Matt Metz, the Wabasha County agricultural agent, said weird footprints had been found in the area — they were neither human nor any animal known to man.

UFO LANDED HERE



●Landing gear of alien craft left imprints on Iowa farm

The aliens also were spotted in Lyon County, Iowa.

Farmer Harlan Berg went out to his fields one morning and got the surprise of his life. An immense swath, half a mile long and 30 rows wide, had been cut through his corn field near Rock Rapids, Iowa.

Four indentations were found where a craft had landed on pods.

Lyon County Sheriff Craig Vinson is convinced aliens were the culprits.

Strategic

"If I could find some tracks or footprints anywhere," said Vinson, "I'd think somebody was having some fun.

"But this certainly was no animal, and no person. If it was, they were walking on air!"

Meadows thinks the sightings in America's richest

agricultural area bode ill for the future.

"If aliens are getting ready to attack," he said, "it would be an obvious strategic move to try to destroy the source of our food."

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UFO seen by police March 5 in Kremmling

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No explanation has been forthcoming for an unidentified flying object seen by two Grand County police officers early on the morning of March 5.

Deputy Sheriff Roger Vance reports that while on patrol on County Road 33 at 1 a.m. he observed a flying object he thought might be a helicopter, two or three miles southwest of Kremmling, and one-half to one mile off the ground.

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the local airport. Soon thereafter, Edler replied he could see the lights and that Vance seemed correct in his belief they were heading for the landing field.

Vance then turned north on County Road 3, toward Parshall, at which time Edler called back to say the lights seemed to be hovering in the same location he had first seen them. Driving to a point of vantage, Vance turned his binoculars on the object and confirmed Edler's opinion.

Heading back toward Kremmling, Vance was about two miles from town when Edler radioed a report the object had moved west to the Gore Pass area, where it again seemed to be hovering. At that point, the lights went out and no further contact was made.

KIRKSVILLE MO.
EXPRESS AND NEWS
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Reports Sighting Of UFO Near LaPlata Saturday

Ray Phipps of LaPlata reported to the Adair County Sheriff's Department that he spotted a large, red, glowing object in the sky at approximately 5:01 a.m. Saturday.

Officials observed the object but were unable to determine what it might be.

Phipps said the object was low in the sky and did not appear to be near the ground. Officials said a plane was flying at an altitude of 20,000 feet over the area about the same time, but doubted if the plane was the same object that Phipps claimed to see.

Officials are continuing their investigation into the incident.

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UFO seen nearby

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UFO claim at airport linked to earthquakes

By Robert Hof

The recent sightings of UFOs at San Jose Airport and Interstate 80 may have had something to do with a mysterious earthquake-related phenomenon, according to County Geologist Jim Berkland.

On Jan. 9 strange red lights still unidentified were spotted by two pilots and the air traffic control tower above San Jose Airport. They did not appear on any radar screen.

About three weeks ago a Burlingame man said he saw glistening lights moving in the skies above Interstate 80 near Vacaville.

A segment on a recent 20-20 television show explained that many UFO sightings could be caused by earthquakes. The theory is that the quakes cause large chunks of rock, especially quartz rock, to rub together and produce electricity that may manifest itself as balls of light.

That's quite possible, Berkland confirmed, though he admitted the 20-20 segment was the first time he had

heard the theory. He added no quakes were reported at the time of the airport sighting.

He said anyone can get a similar effect, called triboluminescence, simply by rubbing together two pieces of quartz in the dark.

"They'll glow," he said, and what they're producing is electricity. In fact, they also give off the smell of ozone, caused by the charged air.

And quartz is the most common mineral in the world, he added.

Berkland is well known for his seismic window theory, that states quakes occur most often in the week after the full moon, or when the sun or moon and earth are lined up or are closest to each other in space.

In making his predictions he also takes into account reports of lost cats, much as the Chinese do. It's possible, he said, that animals see the balls of electricity, causing them to hide or run away.

Berkland also pointed to historical evidence that UFOs could be caused by quakes. On June 29, 1947, he said, numerous UFOs were reported in the same period several earthquakes occurred.

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Two pilots have close encounter with UFO

TWO PILOTS flying a light aircraft late at night are convinced a mysterious object that buzzed them was a UFO.

And they have been backed up by two veteran air traffic controllers who also saw the flashing red UFO — even though it didn't show up on their radar screen.

The two pilots were practicing landing exercises in a rented Cessna over San Jose Municipal Airport, California, last month when they had their weird experience.

Gary Rounds, a 21-year-old student, was flying the plane and had fellow licensed pilot Charles Shackelford, 20, along with him.

Rounds said: "We were climbing out at about 600 ft. when we saw an object coming straight towards us.

"It was just one pulsating red light getting dimmer and then brighter, like a heart was beating.

"I couldn't see any outline above or below it. I think the light was some kind of craft."

The UFO, which the witnesses estimated to be about 10 ft. in diameter, passed about 800 ft. above the Cessna.

"It went over us and then came back at a right-angle turn," said Rounds, of Cupertino, California. "As we turned towards the airport, it followed in behind us.

"I was thinking maybe it was a balloon or a hang-glider, but it couldn't have been either one because of the size of the light and the maneuvers it was making."

Fearful of a collision, Shackelford, who is also from Cupertino, radioed in to the airport control tower.

The mystery deepened when the tower reported that no other craft was showing either on their radar or in the wider area of the Oakland Bay Radar Control.

Then the two controllers radioed that they could see the mystery red light themselves, although it was still not being picked up by radar.

"At that time they were really excited about it," said Rounds. "They just didn't know what it was. They really acted amazed. Then they said 'It's leaving the airport area at incredible speed.'"

Rounds said later that though the sighting was officially reported by the tower he was reluctant at first to talk about his "close encounter."

"I figured they would think I was nuts and take my license away," he said.

Shackelford said: "Whatever it was really did appear to be following us. I was worried that it was going to descend on top of us.

"When it finally took off at that incredible speed we knew it was something not known on Earth. We knew we were witnessing something not known to man."

The two air traffic controllers who saw the UFO were Randy Blount and Rich Gutterud.

Blount recalled: "I walked out on the catwalk and saw it — a large red light pulsating three or four times every five seconds."

Because of his long service in air traffic he was skeptical.

But he admitted: "I don't know what it was. I have no explanation."

Gutterud said: "Together we have 20 years of experience with the Federal Aviation Administration and neither of us have seen anything like it before."

3 Form Task Force To Investigate UFOs

SOUTH SHORE, Ky.—Bernie Parsons of South Shore, and his brothers, Dwight of Ashland, and George Jr. of Argillite, members of Mutual UFO Network (MUFON), have formed an organization called

the UFO Task Force. The group plans to investigate reports of unidentified flying objects (UFOs) and related phenomena in the tri-state area. The organization will work closely with MUFON, an international organization headquartered at Seguin, Tex., and the Center for UFO Studies at Evanston, Ill. Of the recent reported

sightings investigated to date, two were found to be airplanes, one a weather balloon, and two remain unidentified. The unidentified sightings were reported over Upper Twin Creek Rd., near Buena Vista, Ohio, and over South Shore. Two other cases still are being investigated, Parsons said. He asks that anyone who may have sighted a UFO over Portsmouth

or South Shore on Dec. 17 or 27 call him at 932-4683. Help from local airports and the local office of the National Weather Bureau also is being sought.

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Residents excited over UFO sighting

MENASHA — An unidentified flying object with a green light was reported over State 47 near Airport Road about 7:50 p.m. Wednesday night.

Police said several people called the station shortly before 8 p.m. Wednesday to report a sighting of an unidentified object.

Zane Huff of Neenah said he was driving on 47 near Airport Road when he spotted the light. "I looked up and said, 'What is this,'" Huff said. "At first, it was a light-colored light and then it turned bright green.

"It was coming out of the northeast at kind of a 45 degree angle and then went to the west, and it was moving," Huff said. "It appeared to be a plane but it was just too fast. That's why I called the police station because I wanted to find out what it was."

Huff said he thought it was coming at too sharp an angle toward the ground to be a plane. "When it disappeared, it disappeared like it had gone behind some buildings," he added.

Barb Kudrna of Menasha, who was riding in the Huff car, also saw the green light.

"This sounds really weird and I'm not into this at all," Kudrna said. "It was like a green light. At first I thought it was a plane coming down.

"It came down low over 47 and then it went west behind the houses and disappeared," she said. "There wasn't any flashing or noise."

She said the light appeared to be like one on a small plane and was "maybe a couple stories above the telephone lines. It was kind of a small light and it went kind of fast when it went past.

"I didn't see it more than two or three seconds," Kudrna added. "We didn't get a chance to see it twice.

Police said several other persons reported seeing a similar light but did not leave their names.

UFO pilots knock out man & kidnap his dog

A fisherman claims that he was knocked unconscious by the strange powers of a space alien who then kidnapped his dog and took off in a saucer-shaped UFO.

Alan Morris, of Bethesda, Wales, says he was fishing in a river with his dog when he was startled by the approach of a ball of pulsating light.

"It hovered for a while over where I was fishing and then landed in a nearby field," he recalled.

Moving closer with his dog to get a better look, Morris was startled when a hatch opened and a metal ladder dropped from the strange craft. Three beings with antennae on their heads climbed out.

"To my horror, I realized that they must have been at least seven feet tall with antennae and seemed to be carrying a bucket and spade each."

The three creatures began digging when Morris' dog suddenly took off after them.

Morris said he stood up to stop his dog when for no reason, he suddenly blacked out.

When he came to, Morris said the saucer and his dog were gone and only burn marks on the earth remained.

a vessel lying on the flat, motionless water.

"No matter how hard the oars were rowed, the vessel could not move forward," the ancient document reported.

"Finally, it disintegrated in the vast sea."

Researchers believe that the disappearances are caused by monstrous whirlpools which suddenly sprout due to mysterious currents in the sea. They are comparing the area to the famous and deadly Bermuda Triangle.

'Friendly' UFO Sighted Over

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Morenci



MORENCI — A boomerang-shaped UFO that witnesses plain is larger than several football fields has been making appearances in the Clifton-Morenci area — and it seems to be friendly, say local residents.

The UFO has been spotted at least three times above the giant Phelps-Dodge Smelter Plant smokestacks. Many witnesses, including the Morenci High School band and its director, Greenlee County Sheriff Ralph Gomez and dozens of local businessmen and residents have reported UFO sightings between October and January.

"It's definitely not a plane," said Joe Nevarez, a repairman for Phelps-Dodge. Nevarez was with four other repairmen on their lunch break when they saw the UFO swoop over the sky last Oct. 23.

"I'm always looking into the sky," said Nevarez. "I saw this huge thing flying over us and told the driver, 'Stop ... Everybody look!'"

He described the UFO as "V-shaped with lights all around it. There was one real bright light, a kind of searchlight."

Nevarez said the UFO stopped above the smelter and shined the giant light into the smokestacks.

He added, "We were amazed and happy. It took off at a tremendous rate of speed, and came back. It acted kind of friendly. I wasn't scared."

About 100 members of the Morenci High School Band also spotted the UFO while they were holding band practice at the football field, about a mile from the smelter.

One student said, "I looked up and saw all these lights shaped in a V. There was no sound, but the lights were red and white, shaped like a boomerang. It just hovered in one place."

Some of the students became frightened and

fled from the area in their cars, he said.

Nevarez said the object seemed to be nearly as large as the smelter, which is a half mile long.

Kent Davis, 19, another Phelps-Dodge worker, was with Nevarez.

"It looked like it was right on top of us," he said. "It couldn't have

been more than 200 yards above the smokestacks. The lights were in perfect formation. They never wobbled or dipped."

Davis added, "I've never believed in UFO's before, but if there are such things, I believe that's what it was."

He said one of the red lights on the boomerang's wing-tip "just took off from the light formation, sped off toward Safford, and then came back again."

The oldest member of the Phelps-Dodge crew, Larry Mortenson, 41, described the incident as a "strange experience."

He said, "None of us reported what hap-

pened to authorities because we didn't want anybody to laugh at us."

He said the UFO seemed to be investigating the smokestacks with an intensely bright light.

"While we were watching, it suddenly accelerated away," he said. "In seconds, it was nearly out of sight."

A more recent spotting of the UFO was made by Sheriff Gomez who said he saw it while he was leaving the sher-

iff's office and driving to his home.

The distance was "too far away" to get a good look at the object, but Gomez said he is convinced it wasn't a plane.

Asked what he thought he saw, Mortenson, said, "I have never seen an airplane stop in midair before, and I've never seen planes take off with that kind of speed and suddenly be gone."

He said he wishes the UFO would return.

"I got the feeling that it wasn't aggressive and didn't want to do anything to frighten us," he said. "It was a friendly UFO."

Radar technicians at Williams and Davis-Monahan Air Force Base said they haven't noticed any unusual aerial phenomenon in Greenlee County.

Nevarez said some of his neighbors have set up UFO watches.

"I'm going to keep looking up," he declared.

CALEXICO CAL.
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See UFO Over

Westmoreland

Possible UFO sighting was reported by a Calexico man and wife driving northbound at 5:45 a.m. February 10 on Hiway 86 north of Westmoreland...confirmed by an El Centro woman who was traveling several miles behind them.

"It was a bright light, slashing down...steady", stated Ray Molina. '45 Grant St. was driving to Los Angeles in his truck, accompanied by his wife.

He explained that the object, "round circle of light" was located west of the highway, an up in the sky. "All of a sudden there was a puff of smoke and it disappeared," he stated.

Confirmation of the sighting was made by Yvonne Smith. El Centro, who was also northbound on Hiway 86...her description varied, as she described as "beautiful thrilling sight...flourescent blue green, shaped like a bucket turned upside down...flat on top and bottom and flat on the sides..." "beautiful", she emphasized.

Miss Smith said she reported the sighting to the UFO tracking station at Seattle, Washington, and they accepted her report and advised they would investigate the report.

Both Molina and Smith stopped at the Border Patrol check station just north of where they had seen the UFO, both had asked whether inspectors had seen anything, but report was negative. But they told Miss Smith about Molina driver of the truck which had stopped before her" was excited about seeing something. Later she asked him on the way north and took down his license plate number. She got in touch with him to confirm what she had seen.

"It was big", she commented, said it was not a vapor trail.

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UFO report east of Delpha

FRONT PAGE

It was on Friday the 13th that an unidentified flying object (UFO) sighting was reported to Delphos police.

A Delphos resident, who asked that he and his family not be identified, said his wife and four-year-old daughter saw the UFO as they were travelling in a car on Grone Road east of Delphos about 8 p.m. Friday.

The man, who did not see the object himself, said his daughter first saw the "two-foot long, glowing green" object and alerted her mother.

The UFO reportedly came to the ground and disappeared in a field about 200 to 300 yards behind the Delpha Chevrolet-Buick garage.

Delphos police and other law enforcement officers were notified and they, along with the man who reported the sighting, searched the field.

The man said he found nothing in the field but a yellow plastic bag of Morton salt crystals. He said he would be searching the field again this morning. "I don't know what we'll find," he said.

He said Allen County sheriff's department had also received reports last night of sightings of a glowing object near the Lima Vistron plant.

The sheriff's department denied receiving any reports of UFO sightings.

not landing lights on a plane, and not any cloud formation as the sky was clear. "Quite high and quite a distance". As an amateur painter she described the colors as "thrilling". She said she watched it for several minutes before it just disappeared. She said she had binoculars in the car and was looking for a place to pull off the highway in order to get a better view...when she looked up it was gone

An ex-bobby spots flying object

Seen any
UFOs recently?

WITH reference to the recent UFO sightings, the British UFO Society investigates reported incidents of unidentified flying objects. Whilst many sightings can be explained in mundane terms, i.e. aircraft, balloons, plants, satellites etc., there remains a high proportion of reports that defy rational explanation.

We would be interested in hearing from any readers who are interested in UFOs or who think they may have had a sighting. A confidential sighting report form will be sent on request.

The British UFO Society hold no firm views as to what UFOs are, although it is popularly believed that they are visiting spacecraft from a technologically superior planet somewhere in space.

The possibility is not as remote as may first appear when one considers the advances Man has made in space during the last twenty years.

**KEN ROGERS, Director,
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A RETIRED policeman has sighted a UFO similar to the one spotted recently hovering over Harlow.

Mr Ken Eittle of Alconbury, Bishop's Stortford, wrote to the Gazette after reading about the mystery square-shaped spaceship in our issue

two weeks ago. A motorist saw it on his way home to Harlow.

Mr Eittle says he spotted "exactly the described flying object" on the A120 road between Braintree and Dunmow.

He saw it moving eastwards at about 1,500 feet. And Mr Eittle, who also served in the Royal Naval Air Service, has never seen anything quite like it in his life.

He is convinced the flying object was neither an aircraft nor a satellite. He says it made no noise and had various coloured lights.

He spotted the UFO on Christmas Day, and can think of no logical explanation.

He adds that although it was the festive season when he sighted the flying spaceship, it certainly wasn't alcohol that prompted the vision!

Pupil's UFO shock!

SOMETHING is stirring in the dark, menacing skies over Offerton—and it could be from another planet!

Three Goyt Bank School pupils had the shock of their lives when they spotted a strange round object hurtling through the air over their heads. They chased it along Turncroft Lane towards Portwood, picking out its orange lights against the sky, until it "suddenly disappeared"

into nothing after staying in view for about four or five minutes.

"It was round and had things sticking out of it", said Janine Horsefield, 12 Knowsley Road. "We were sitting outside the youth club listening to the radio when my friend suddenly saw it, high up in the sky. There were lights around the side of it and also three more in a triangle shape underneath."

"It was swirling round in the air for most of the time but then we saw it in one place

for a bit — then it just appeared upwards into the sky."

The sighting is being looked into by the Manchester Aerial Phenomena Investigation Team, one of whose members, Mr. David Rees, lives in nearby Hillcrest Road.

"I got to know about this on February 17, a couple of days after it happened and we have been investigating it since then. We would like to hear from anybody who saw something similar and may be able to help us," he said.

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Police, CBer report UFO

An investigator with the Center for UFO Studies in Chicago will be dispatched to Portland later this week to look into the reported sighting of an unidentified flying object Tuesday morning near the town of St. Helens.

An Oregon State Police trooper, a St. Helens police officer and a citizens band radio operator in Ridgefield, Wash., all claim to have seen two large orange balls hover over the Columbia River about 4:25 a.m.

The CB operator, Donald Atkin, transmitted the sound made by the second object over his radio, and state police Trooper Tom McCartney recorded it.

"The recording is like nothing I've heard before," said Mark Rodeghier of the Chicago center. "It's a rather odd sound like a high-pitched machine. It's not the sound of a helicopter or a plane."

The center is a non-profit association of scientists formed in 1973 to act as a clearinghouse for information on UFO sightings. Investigators have some technical background and are given instruction in questioning witnesses. Some investigators for the center live in Washington and Southern Oregon, Rodeghier said, and one will be sent to Portland this week.

"We are going to get a tape of the sound and bring it to Chicago, where an acoustical expert on our staff will analyze it," he said. "He will be able to tell if it is a hoax."

The incident began when McCartney was in the St. Helens police station. He heard, via the police radio, St. Helens police Sgt. Russ Yokum say that he had spotted an orange ball in the sky. Yokum said he wanted someone to confirm the sighting.

McCartney went to the Columbia County Courthouse and met Yokum. From there, they said, they saw a bright orange dome.

While watching the object, McCartney and Yokum, via a radio in McCartney's patrol car, heard Atkin report that he saw an orange object near his home in Ridgefield, which is across the river from where McCartney and Yokum were standing.

The two officers moved to higher ground and said they spotted a second orange ball, which appeared to be on fire and looked like a downed plane. They said the first ball disappeared.

McCartney called his dispatcher, who checked with the Portland airport, which reported no planes in trouble.

Atkin then reported that the craft had gone into the river but said he had taken a picture of it before it hit the water. A U.S. Coast Guard boat was sent to the scene but was recalled after Atkin reported that the craft had taken off.

Atkin and Yokum could not be reached for comment Tuesday. McCartney released all information about the incident through a written news statement.

A Federal Aviation Administration official in Portland said his agency would not investigate the incident.

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They saw a UFO fly over their house

Hey, maybe we're not alone.

That's what an Attica family is wondering after spotting a strange flying object last Thursday night.

"It was about 9 p.m. and we were playing Uno, the card game," the man told The Press, "when we saw it coming out of the east."

"It" — until someone can come up with a better explanation — was a UFO. And because of that, the family doesn't want to be identified.

"We happened to notice the big flood lights out our window," he added. "It was lighting up the ground, they were so bright. We were thinking it might be a plane or a helicopter, but then it suddenly turned the spotlights off."

What happened next really threw the 9-member gathering for a loop.

"It started moving toward the house," he explained. "So we went out on the patio to watch. It had red, green, white and amber lights. The lights were vertical. And it was hardly making any noise at all, sort of like a small airplane at idle."

That's what befuddled the Attica clan because the strange craft was only 100 ft off the ground. That estimate was made when it passed over the family's CB tower, which is 60 ft high.

Then the nighttime visitors decided to fly over the house.

"It moved at about 5 mph," the man said. "There was a full moon so we could see that it was flat and triangular-shaped, with rounded corners. But we couldn't see any wings."

After putting on the eerie show, the craft veered off to the northwest and went out of sight.

The Attica man called the Lapeer County Sheriff's Dept. Deputies told him it was the only UFO report they'd received and referred him to a UFO reporting center in Washington.

"I talked to them for about 15 minutes," he said. "They told me they'd call back if there were any reports of planes or experimental crafts in the area."

So far, Washington hasn't called.

UFO is seen

FRONT

Strange object frightens Chestnut Flat Ridge folks

By CHARLES PEARL

What was it? UFO

The folks who live on Chestnut Flat Ridge near the Rocky Ford area of Casey County aren't sure. But five people--Kathy and Arlin Gilpin, Roy and Judy Kirkland and Candy Wethington--are positively certain they saw something, around midnight last Wednesday, which they had never seen before.

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Cathy Kilpin says she never goes to bed early. Her husband, Esker, works the second shift at a factory in Danville and she always waits up for him.

Last Wednesday night, Mrs. Gilpin and her 19-year-old son, Arlin, who was just recently discharged from the Army, were

watching television when they heard a noise outside.

"It wasn't real loud at first," Arlin recalled last Friday. "But it kept getting louder and louder."

"It sounded sort of like an electric drill or sump pump running," Mrs. Gilpin added.

"I went and opened the back door," said Arlin. "And around the ridge, by the farm, I could see this big bright orange light."

Mrs. Gilpin, at first, thought it was a reflection from the lights of a truck. Thinking that possibly someone had driven off the road and had gotten hung up, she got in the car and started driving toward the orange light. Driving slowly with only her parking lights on, she said in a few minutes she realized

that the lights were not from a truck or car.

"Just the light was all that was there," recalled Mrs. Gilpin. "Then, all of a sudden, I felt this real weird sensation, like the light was pulling me toward it."

"I thought, there ain't no way I'm going any further. I managed to get the car turned around and said Lord, please let me get back home without wrapping this car around a tree. I was moving on."

Meanwhile, at the Gilpin house, Arlin had telephoned his aunt and uncle, Candy and Carroll Wethington, who live nearby, to tell them about the strange sound and light outside.

After that, Arlin got a gun and walked outside. "As soon as I got to

this little path, I saw something, but I can't really say what it was. It was like two pairs of orange eyes glowing. I shot at it and then it was gone."

When Mrs. Gilpin returned to the house, she and Arlin went to the Wethingtons' house, where Roy and Judy Kirkland (relatives) are also residing temporarily until they get their log cabin completed (on the same ridge).

"We were inside drinking coffee when I got this strange urge to go outside," said Arlin. He went out, looked behind the house, and saw the light, again, in a pine tree thicket.

"This time when I saw it, it didn't scare me as much as it did the first time. I could hear something, like it was trying to talk, but I couldn't make nothing out of it."

"It kept getting closer," Arlin continued. "I tried to pull the trigger, but couldn't. I couldn't move. Then, all of a sudden, I felt like it touched me. It was like a

shock went all the way through my body, but I didn't see anything touch me. That really freaked me out. I was really torn up."

Arlin said he heard someone inside the house yell at him. "I turned around to look toward the house. Then when I looked back toward the pine thicket the light was gone."

As he returned to the house, the others noticed that the right side of his face was "puffed out and reddish."

"And his hands were green," said his mother. "You know how it looks when blue jean material fades on you? That's what it looked like, except the color was green rather than blue."

"His hands didn't look green," said Mr. Gilpin, who arrived shortly after the orange glow vanished the second and final time. "They were green. And Arlin was wild when I got there. He was scared to death, absolutely terrified."

They said it was 3:30 or 4 a.m. before everyone finally calmed down. And the next morning, Arlin's hands and face looked normal again.

"Now, what I saw doesn't actually scare me," said Arlin, Friday. "But it doesn't make me feel too good, either. I don't think I want to get that close to it again. I haven't the slightest idea what it was I saw. It wasn't anything of bodily form."

"I know one thing, I'm not going to be as brave and go follow it the next time, if there is a next time," said Mrs. Gilpin. "I do know it had a sensation over my mind and body. Something was trying to pull me to that light."

"I heard some racket outside, and about five or 10 minutes later I heard it again," said Carroll Wethington. "But I didn't think too much about it. I had to get up and go to work early the next morning. I figured that if something wanted me, it could come in the bedroom and get me. There was something out there, but I don't like to dwell on things like that."

"I do," said Mr. Gilpin. "I'm interested in it. I don't think it's over. I think it'll be back. I think it was something from the U.S. government or something from outer space."

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UFO encounters police, douses light, flies away

Two Bessemer police officers saw the light and it flew away. Apparently, the Birmingham airport caught a blip of it, too. "But it left at a high rate of speed and they couldn't track it," said Officer Tommy Bedford.

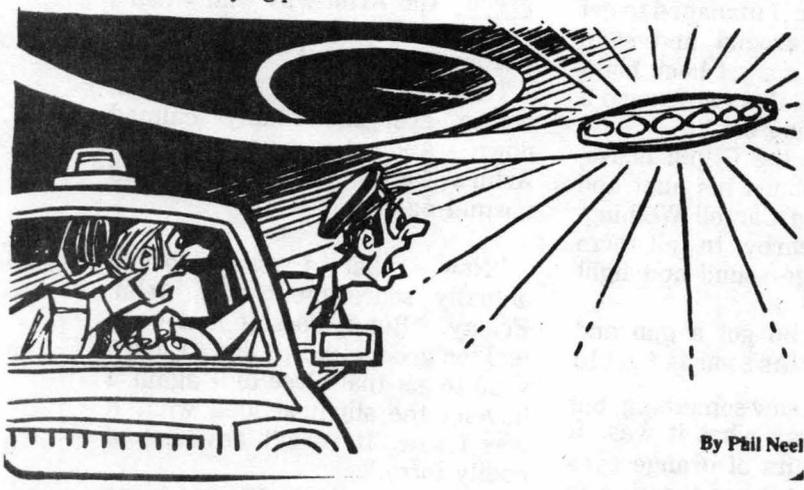
He and Officer Jimmy Bates were on routine patrol driving south on Fourth Avenue in Bessemer when they had their encounter.

"We noticed a strange white light shining on the pavement over by the old airport (about two miles from downtown Bessemer)," Bedford said.

"The light was so bright we couldn't see anything. It passed over the patrol car and we stopped to look. Then the light went out and all we could see was a dark vehicle just fly out of sight."

But Andre Diggs, Birmingham control tower supervisor, said he spotted a blip on the radar shortly after the policemen called. It was six miles from the Bessemer airport and he managed to track it for about a minute.

Diggs never made radio contact but said the strange light could have been a low-flying plane.



By Phil Neel

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Orange ball in sky still buzzling to authorities

Richard Spiro
Daily News

ST. HELENS — Was it a space ship from another solar system, a flaming orange ball seen about 4:30 a.m. Tuesday over the St. Helens and Ridgefield areas?

Trying to come up with an earthly explanation, police are continuing to investigate the incident.

They speculate the object, seen by local police and a CB operator in Ridgefield, Wash., might have been a helicopter engaged in drug trafficking or some other illegal activity.

Helicopters normally are fitted with bright white, not orange, flashing lights, and police doubt that a helicopter bent on illegal activity would draw attention to itself with lights.

Oregon State Police Trooper Tom McCartney, who had reported seeing the object, and St. Helens Police Sgt. Russ Yocum described a bright orange light, dome-shaped, as if a moon was coming up from behind a hill.

Two other police officers and several bystanders saw the same light.

The CB operator, Donald Atkin, said he saw the light over his home in Ridgefield, thought he saw the object crash into or near the Columbia River, then later heard it take off again. He recorded the noise, which was picked up through his radio by McCartney's tape recorder.

Played in the Columbia City office of the state police detachment, it sounded like static, a garbage grinder or food mixer, not a helicopter.

It was still dark, which rules out National Weather Service balloons, which are not equipped with orange lights.

It wasn't the moon, officials say, because the moon was high in the western sky.

There was no sign of any landing or crash when McCartney went to check the area where the object was thought to have come down.

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Second UFO sighting reported

A second unidentified flying object emitting a "motor-like noise unlike an airplane or helicopter" has been reported in the Portland metropolitan area.

Glenn Turner, 6901 SE Division St., said he saw a red light, appearing to be about two feet long, moving from northeast to southwest about 10 p.m. Wednesday near SE 168th Ave. and Division St. He added that it moved with a foreign sound, but he thought it was some kind of

combustion engine. "I worked 16 years at Moffatt Naval Air Station and am familiar with aircraft noises and this didn't sound like them" Turner reported.

Tuesday night, Oregon State Police officers, St. Helens policemen and a CB operator at Ridgefield, Wash., reported seeing an orange light descend into the Columbia River and later become airborne again. As it rose, it emitted a whining noise.

Tyler spotter records UFO sightings in East Texas

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By DON SHARON
Staff Writer

Somewhere . . . they exist.

From nowhere they appear, linger then disappear into the unknown.

They are the unknown. Some claim they are real. Some not. Many call them UFOs.

For years, decades, centuries and millenia, man has recorded visions of beings and mechanical devices appearing from the heavens. These objects were mysterious. They remain a mystery.

"I don't expect to solve the mystery any time soon," said Jean Fuller, a UFO researcher in Tyler. "I'm convinced something is there, but I don't know what it is."

Fuller, who has never seen a UFO nor been on a UFO hunting expedition, belongs to the international Mutual UFO Network (MUFON).

MUFON, founded two months to the day before Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin first stepped out onto the moon, is a non-profit organization unconnected with the government or any other group. It is the only Texas-based UFO research organization.

She is one of many people across the world who believe and research the phenomenon of unidentified flying objects.

Fuller, who is the section director for Smith County and surrounding areas, works with another Piney Woods researcher in Paris. They are the only two in this part of the state working with MUFON.

"The reason we do it (research UFO reports) is for scientific reasons," she explained.

"I don't know who it is, what it is or where it comes from," Fuller added. "I haven't decided (what UFOs seem to be). Maybe that's very chicken of me, but I haven't decided.

"I investigate. I don't interpret."

Her investigations began

several years ago when she joined MUFON. However, she has been interested in the unexplained phenomenon for over 15 years and is a member of other organizations devoted to ufology.

About 90 percent of the UFO reports are explained as natural or man-made occurrences, Fuller said. "The 10 percent is what we're interested in."

Their findings go on file with MUFON headquarters

Air Force no longer conducts these investigations.

Currently, she is probing a report "by three young men" who described an object hovering over a field last fall.

"I've had quite a few reports turned in," Fuller said. "Sometimes I feel like I've got UFO cases coming out of my ear." But, "I don't mean we've been deluged with reports."

One of the more recent re-

But, Fuller added, the incident "is still under investigation.

"We haven't gotten the final report yet. We're not sure we have all the potential witnesses."

As to the various reports she receives or hears of, "some are good. Some are irrefutable."

One of the more widely known UFO encounters came in 1979 near Quitman — otherwise known as the Tyler Abduction Case. A Tyler man, according to reports and photographs, received a burn on his chest in the shape of a diamond.

Current reports also claim UFO sightings around area lakes, especially Lake Palestine.

"As for Tyler, I'd say it's been pretty active recently." However, Fuller said she has not received any reports from the Marshall or Nacogdoches areas, "but that doesn't mean they're not there."

Many 'encounters' or 'sightings' go unreported, Fuller said. "Before, when you told somebody, they thought you were . . . (circling a finger to the side of her head). People used to be very shy about telling people about it," she said.

"Today, it doesn't have the stigma it used to."

That stigma may be wearing off. A week ago, Fuller and other MUFON representatives from Dallas held the first meeting in East Texas where people could come forward to relate their experiences. "Once they've told someone about it, they feel better," Fuller commented. Although some 30 people were there, including Fuller and the state directors, about eight people spoke up. Those tales came from Tyler, Longview and other area residents. One incident occurred in 1947.

Getting someone to come forward, though, still presents problems. Most wish to retain anonymity and confidence on their report.

What to do if you should spot a UFO

By DON SHARON
Staff Writer

Many people who spot UFOs don't know what to do, and their ignorance could possibly cause them injury.

Jean Fuller, a Tyler member of the Mutual UFO Network, offers the following suggestions for those who think they see a UFO.

"Some of them appear to be directed by intelligence," she says. "They appear to react to human beings. If you get too close they move away."

Her advice to others includes:

- Don't wreck your car while staring at a UFO.
- When you can, safely watch the object, preferably in your car while pulled off to the side of the road.
- Don't try to outrun a UFO.
- If there is more than one person in the car or at the sighting location, separate after the appearance and each person write down their own version and draw a picture of it. ("It's like going into court and each witness sees the accident differently.")

● Get as many interviews from other observers as possible.

● Some people have been 'sunburned' during the encounter. If this happens, she says, go see a physician and get the 'burn' documented.

The main thing, she said, is "don't panic and run away at a high speed (if you're in a car)."

So when some strange, foreboding object descends upon your presence on this meager earth and you look up to view a spectacular object, "I don't want anyone to be afraid."

in Seguin and shared with scientists and other UFO research groups. One organization MUFON works closely with is the Center for UFO Studies (CUFOS) in Evanston, Ill., (CUFOS). The director of CUFOS was once consultant to the U.S. Air Force when that branch of the military investigated civilian UFO reports. The

ports came from a White Oak woman who claims to have seen an object near Owentown. The woman described a tall building-shaped object which appeared a month ago Monday.

"I'm convinced they saw something," Fuller emphasized. "I find it fascinating. We've got some very credible witnesses," she said.

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"They're confidentiality is respected," Fuller said. "The witness's name remains confidential if the witness requests it."

Sometimes, Fuller explains, people do not report their sighting, because they think it may turn out false. "We appreciate all reports. It's okay if it's a mistake," she assures. "We have to look everything over."

During interviews with sighters, the UFO researcher gets a description from the witness of the object, check out the sighted area and determine if there is any conventional explanation for the sighting.

"When you have eliminated everything, if it turns out as an unknown, you classify it as an unknown. If there is any evidence, we'll try to analyze it."

The organization currently uses a computer program to correlate sightings and arrive at some kind of pattern, whether it be in appearances, cycles, behavior or whatever.

Over the years, the trend in sighting objects seems to change, Fuller said.

In the 1940s, the famous cigar-shaped disk appeared during daylight.

Then came the closer encounters at night, although the actual appearance of the object(s) has not changed all that much over the years, Fuller explained.

"It appears during the 1970s, there were sporadic sightings in this area, but the people didn't know who to report to."

The latest pattern seems to be encounters in isolated areas close to populated centers and at night — the same type conditions which occurred a month ago to the White Oak woman.

Everyone has their particular theory of UFOs. The most popular is the extraterrestrial. "It may be the real one. Then again it may not."

Others include coming from another dimension (inner space), time travelers, earthbound travelers. Definitely out as far as I'm

concerned."), hollow-earth, spiritual and psychic.

"It's fun to think about theories, but to the best of my knowledge, there is no concrete evidence for any of them."

So where does that leave you. Just as there are believers there are skeptics. "Some of our greatest skeptics are members (of MUFON)," Fuller said. "You don't have to believe to be a member, just interested in what's going on."

Even her four grown children think the subject is interesting, but that seems

to be the extent of their exposure to the subject. Fuller said she has never tried to recruit her children into the UFO fold, but occasionally asks them for their ideas, "but that's all."

Feedback from others usually is limited to 'how interesting.' "I've never got a rude feedback from anyone," she admits.

But UFO research for Fuller is not a 'dry' interest. "I take it very serious, but I'm not solemn. It takes quite a bit of work, but if it wasn't fun, it wouldn't be worth doing."

"I have a very, very curious mind. If you're as curious as I am, then you're going to look into it."

"A person going into UFO research is better off not expecting the mystery to be solved. I would like to see it solved. I would like to see that itch get scratched . . . one of these days."

Even though she has never seen a UFO, "I would love to see one, but they don't make appointments. It's 'don't call us, we'll call you.'"

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'Close encounter' in Philippine province

What appeared to be an unidentified flying object was reported to have been sighted by numerous people in Antique province as it streaked toward the northwest from the southeast last Feb. 3.

A belated report said the object was sighted at exactly 8:20 p.m. by Antique folk, including sangguniang panlalawigan member Enrique Cepe.

It reportedly shone brightly as it glided silently on a straight and ascending course. It left behind a long trail of smoke.

A bright unidentified flying object streaked across the sky early Tuesday evening burning toward the northwest, and leaving trail.

Cepe described the UFO as the only one of its kind to be seen hereabout. "I have seen shooting stars before but never such a mysterious flying object in my lifetime," Cepe said.

At about the same time the following evening a flying object which sparkled as it drifted silently on almost the same course was sighted by Emigdio O. Beriong, provincial administrative officer.

The silent glowing object sighted Feb. 3 moved at minimal speed and emitted greenish tail rays, followed by a straight long line of white smoke, said Cepe.

The UFO disappeared after 30 minutes, Cepe said. Before it vanished into the far horizon, barangay members in Malandog and Maybato in Hamtic and San Jose towns were also reported to have seen the object even up to midnight, Cepe said.

Maybe this fell out of Mork's pocket

I held it. I examined it. I thought about it.

From some remote studio in my mind, the theme from the Twilight Zone was playing. I wished Rod Serling would explain it.

Even if someone does identify this ... this "rock" as something earthly, it was fascinating to think of it as something from outer space.

For now, it just might be.

I believe that even more than Alida Carboneau of Poway does.

"The story is so incredible, I know," says Carboneau, a retired bailiff with the San Diego Sheriff's Department and an artist known as "Dutchess" because she was born in Holland.

She's cautious about naming names or places concerning an event that took place Feb. 7 of this year.

She was at the VFW hall in Poway when a man, a nonmember she'd never seen before, struck up a conversation.

"He said, 'Look what I've got,' and showed me this rock," Carboneau recalls. "I said, 'yeah, sure,' and he said, 'I'll tell you a story.'

"He said he was a prospector on the Mojave Desert and that he had seen this UFO landing. He said he watched it from a distance and when it suddenly took off, it left a glowing mass behind.

"He said the mass glowed for two days and when it cooled he went close enough to see a bunch of silvery stones.

"He said he wanted to fill his pockets with them, but he was afraid they might be radioactive. But he took a chance and put one of the rocks in a leather pouch. He showed it to me.

"The man said he went back later to get more of the rocks and searched for days and couldn't find them. He thought the wind had

blown sand over them."

Carboneau asked the man to let her have the rock for testing purposes and the man obliged, saying she could have half the rock and he'd return in two weeks and take his half.

"I haven't seen him since," Carboneau says. "But I took the rock to a laboratory — I can't say where — and scientists there examined it.

"It was checked for the 15 trace elements known to man and they said it was none of them. They broke a \$300 diamond saw trying to cut it.

"The rock doesn't conduct electricity and they said it was like nothing they'd ever seen before."

Carboneau stores the rock in the safe of a friend and wants to show it to other scientists in hopes it can be identified.

"I'm skeptical," Carboneau says. "I don't believe in UFOs and men from outer space, not really. I'm almost afraid to talk about it. They might haul me off to the loony bin."

The rock looked to me like a metallic piece of coal, except that it had pores, unlike coal.

"The scientists put it in an oven at extreme temperatures," Carboneau says. "It glowed, but it didn't burn."

To demonstrate how hard it was, she ran the rock along the side of a 7-Up bottle. It left a deep gash. "Even a diamond won't cut like that," she said. Alida Carboneau may be looking for an answer that will never come. At least not from anyone on earth. For the sake of mystery, I hope not.

As I left, I glanced up to the sky and pointed. "Litterbugs!" I charged. I hope they heard me.

Columbia River UFO

'Big orange ball' eludes police

By ROLLA J. CRICK
Journal Staff Writer

St. Patrick's Day is a time known for hoaxes, but when people report flying objects like bright orange balls rising behind hills and going into a river, there must be an investigation.

Particularly when the sighting is verified by officers of the law and the Coast Guard with such names as Patrick Gallagher, Thomas McCartney and Dick McGrew.

At 4:44 a.m. Tuesday, the log of the Oregon State Police station at Milwaukie

recorded a call reporting that "a big orange ball" hovered a few minutes and then went into the Columbia River near St. Helens.

Subsequently, the unidentified flying object was "heard" to emerge from the river and fly off into the dawn.

State police and the St. Helens Police Department joined in the investigation. The Coast Guard put a boat into the water at Portland to head for St. Helens and dispatched a helicopter from Astoria.

Trooper Thomas McCartney and "six or seven other officers" saw the objects and recorded the sound of the one that landed,

according to Trooper Pat Gallagher of the OSP district headquarters.

"What I saw first was a bright orange glow from behind a hill on the Washington side of the Columbia River," reported McCartney. "Then this CB man came on, identified himself as 'Lucky 13' and said the object was right over his house and was lighting up his yard. Talking to him, we learned he was in Ridgefield, Wash., and the object he saw was south of us — not the glow we were watching. We looked over Sauvie Island and there was the second orange light. It disappeared and 'Lucky 13' said it had gone into the river.

"The first light was becoming obscured by fog. Then '13' said the thing had started up again and I could hear it over the CB band, so I recorded the sound. It was a whining sound, not like any aircraft engine I have heard.

"I have no answer for any of this. I told Portland there was a possibility an aircraft was down. There were no reports of an aircraft on radar."

"Lucky 13" reported taking a picture of the craft before it went into the river. He said it sounded like a turboprop aircraft.

When the object apparently emerged from the water, fog distorted the view for observers. Warrant Officer McGrew of the Coast Guard said the fog delayed arrival of the Coast Guard boat from Portland.

State police received several conflicting reports about the object, including that its lights were seen to go off and on. In a short period, 10 different entries about the object were entered on the log at OSP headquarters.

Police checked the control towers at Portland International and Hillsboro airports, plus the Air Force and Emanuel Hospital, which has a helicopter ambulance, but no one had a report of an aircraft that might have been in the area.

State Police Cpl. Fred Barmore said there was a chance that a helicopter was involved in some illegal activity, such as making a narcotics delivery or pickup.

"You have to investigate a thing like this," he said.

There were others, however, who suspected leprechauns were at work.

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UFO sighting reported by Spirit Lake citizens

SPIRIT LAKE — An unusual glowing object that changed colors as it moved was seen hovering over Mt. Spokane Thursday night, several Spirit Lake citizens reported to the Press today.

"It would twinkle before moving, turn white when climbing, red when going to the left and light blue going right," said one citizen who asked to remain anonymous.

Citizens said the object, which was reportedly about twice as bright as the North Star, darted about the sky from 9:45 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. at a high rate of speed, stopping from time to time to hover.

Kootenai County Sheriff Lt. Bob Steele said the police had received no reports of UFO (unidentified flying object) sightings Thursday evening.

A spokesman in the Western Washington office of the National UFO Reporting Service, a private organization, said it had received no reports of UFOs in the area of Spirit Lake or Mt. Spokane.

A Fairchild Airforce Base spokesman said the military no longer monitored UFO sightings and could no comment on the Spirit Lake reports. He referred the Press to the National UFO Reporting Service.

At least three Spirit Lake citizens reported seeing the strange flying object Thursday night.

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By THOMAS RYLL
Columbian Writer

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An account of activity by the Uinta County Sheriff's Department as reported by Sergeant Mark Waters.

--Unidentified flying object reported. A ten-year-old girl called in the report, saying a large, flat, white object was seen at about 10 a.m., March 11, in the

Yellow Creek area. Investigating officer did notice a helicopter in the area, but the reported UFO was not to have had running lights, nor was it to have made the noise of a helicopter. The children said the UFO made the dogs bark.

When an officer showed

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MAR, 20 1981

UFOs Said Seen In Lindale Area

HIDE-AWAY LAKE -- Sighting of five unidentified flying objects (UFOs) near Hide-A-Way Lake was reported Thursday night by several residents of the area.

Mrs. C.G. Pace said the round, "bright-like" objects were observed for about 20 minutes to the east of the Hide-A-Way Lake community, moving in a southerly direction.

"My husband and I watched them for some time and a friend of ours across the lake saw them as well," Mrs. Pace said.

She said three of the objects finally faded in a southerly direction while two continued visible for some minutes.

Department of Public Safety radio dispatchers said they had received no calls about the UFOs nor had Smith County Sheriff's Department.

Uinta County Sheriff's Report

up, knocked at the door, and indicated what he was there for, the mother of the children reportedly turned and said, "You children. I'll kill you."

Woman reports seeing UFO

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By KEITH UPCHURCH

Reports that an unidentified flying object (UFO) was sighted over Durham are being investigated by Durham police and by the Center for UFO Studies in Evanston, Ill., officials said today.

The sighting reportedly occurred Saturday night by a driver and his wife.

The woman, Susan Hilliard, told police her husband, Keith Hilliard, was driving south on Duke Street near the Roxboro Street intersection about 9:15 p.m. Saturday when they saw two "very bright white

lights" in the sky. She said the lights were "very close together."

As they stopped for a traffic light at the Duke Street-Horton Road intersection, the lights "went out," she said. Almost simultaneously, she added, "a string of red lights came on."

She said the red lights appeared to be standing still.

Police were called to the scene, but the object reportedly had disappeared by the time they arrived.

Mrs. Hilliard is employed at Duke University's computer center.

The information was forwarded by police to the Center for UFO

Studies in Evanston, a private organization that investigates reports of UFO sightings and publishes articles on UFOs.

Durham police also plan to investigate the alleged sighting.

The U.S. Air Force officially stopped investigating reports of UFO sightings in 1969.

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UFO Reports

A Douglas County sheriff's dispatcher said a sighting of an unidentified flying object was reported Tuesday night in west-central Omaha. The World-Herald received two similar reports from citizens, one saying that her son spotted what he thought was a UFO near 144th and Center Streets.

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Encounter

With UFO

Reported

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Advocate News Service
PORT LAVACA - Mrs. Carroll Hartzog Thursday night reported an encounter with a UFO on her recent trip to Atlanta.

She said she and her daughter, Paula Materanek, were leaving Lufkin en route to Atlanta last Friday about 9:30 p.m. when they saw "a very large, brightly lighted object approaching."

"As it passed over us, I leaned against the glass and had a very good look at it," Mrs. Hartzog said. "It was below the tops of the pines and passed over the car, and continued to follow the highway, passing from our view in making the curve."

"It had bright red lights, alternating with white light, coming out of openings. The bottom surface visible to us was round and a larger object than the length of the car. There were no wings nor extensions, just the round object, with sort of a loud humming noise, unlike anything we had ever seen."

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UFO? Lowell stargazers spot a mystery object

FRONT PAGE

LOWELL - A red, white and blue object appeared high in the sky last night and, according to witnesses and police, it was not the American flag.

The Lowell Police Department was flooded with phone calls early this morning between 2 and 3 a.m. from residents who claim they saw an unidentified flying object.

After about the tenth call, Lowell Officer Ronald Potvin was dispatched to the Lowell-Dracut-Tyngsboro State Forest near the Lowell-Dracut line to espy the alleged UFO.

Sure enough, Potvin reported to his commanding officer, Lt. John Cullen, he saw a "red, white, and blue" starlike object in that area.

Cullen joked that he then "relieved Potvin of duty," but said officers of higher rank have also witnessed UFO's in the area.

Potvin's report prompted police to contact the UFO Control Center in Illinois. The incident has been noted by the center.

Dracut police also received recalls early this morning about the unidentified object "hovering" through the sky.

Tubular Object Spotted in Sky 'Remarkable' UFO Sighting Reported Here

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By CHRIS BATEMAN

Jim Herburger must have thought he had entered the twilight zone when he rounded that curve on O'Byrnes Ferry Rd.

Bathed in an eerie red glow, it hung silently in the early morning sky to his right. The 35-year-old rancher, returning from a late dinner at the Poker Flat lodge in Calaveras county, stared through his windshield in disbelief.

"A huge, brilliant tubular object," was the way Herburger described the craft to local UFO investigator Marv Taylor after the encounter.

Herburger's account of what took place in the next 20 minutes, according to Taylor, constitutes one of the most remarkable UFO sightings ever reported here.

Before somewhat shakily resuming the drive back to his Green Springs Rd. home, Herburger reports, he saw:

- Two more UFO's, these saucer shaped and bright white.
- All three objects at such close range that windows and individual lights could be distinguished.
- One of the two white saucers take off southwest at "stunning speed."
- A linkup between the tubular spacecraft and the second saucer.

"We've never had a sighting in this county where UFO's flew so low or stayed so long," said Taylor, assistant state director for the Mutual UFO network (MUFON). "It was very unusual."

Although saucer linkups have been witnessed, Taylor said, "Never in 30 years have I read a report of one being seen at such close range."

Herburger said the UFO's were at an altitude of no higher than 500 feet.

And, adding credibility to the report, Herburger was not the only county resident to see strange things in the sky that morning.

O'Byrnes Ferry Rd. rancher Garland Henington, out to catch a breath of fresh air at about 3 a.m., saw an object sitting in the sky to the northwest of his house.

"It makes everybody think you're crazy when you talk about things like this," he said. "But it was there and it

wasn't a plane."

Henington described the object as round, high in the sky, having red lights and being "pretty good sized."

"I lined it up with my gate and it wasn't moving an inch," he remembers. "It was just sitting there."

Henington went in to tell his wife, but before he reached the door the object sped off.

And members of the George Bedford family, also Green Springs Rd. residents, report hearing a "whirling" sound also described by Herburger.

Before the sighting, Taylor reports, Herburger was a skeptic about UFO's.

"He told me he had thought they were a crock," said Taylor, "but now he's a believer. I think he'd go on the Johnny Carson show if he was asked."

Herburger described the cigar-shaped spacecraft that first came into view as 50 feet long, 15 feet thick and hanging still in the morning sky about 500 yards west of the road. The saucers, appearing to be about 50 feet in diameter, came into view moments later.

The three craft were reportedly in a straight line.

Overcome by curiosity, Herburger pulled off the road and got out of his car, turning off the engine and headlights.

He told Taylor he saw "individual square light openings like windows" on the saucers and "a series of square window lights on the tubular object."

After a few minutes, Taylor's report reads, "One white object, which had been in a stationary position, took off and flew southwest at such a rapid rate of speed it stunned Mr. Herburger. As the object took off, he heard a whirling noise like a beehive."

Meanwhile, the second saucer remained still in the sky while the tubular UFO moved toward it "ever so slowly" for the eventual link-up.

Once united, the two craft took off to the southwest, Herburger said, again giving off a whirling noise.

Although Herburger's account is the most unusual sighting Taylor has investigated, it is by no means the only one reported in the west county area.

"Fully 40 percent of the sightings here come from that area," said Taylor. "It could have some connection with Table Mountain. I'm not sure."

Herburger's wasn't even the last sighting in the area.

Henington today told The Union Democrat that he and his wife saw another UFO, much like the one he had encountered at 3 a.m., several days after that initial incident.

PORTLAND OR.
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Police, CBer report UFO

An investigator with the Center for UFO Studies in Chicago will be dispatched to Portland later this week to look into the reported sighting of an unidentified flying object Tuesday morning near the town of St. Helens.

An Oregon State Police trooper, a St. Helens police officer and a citizens band radio operator in Ridgefield, Wash., all claim to have seen two large orange balls hover over the Columbia River about 4:25 a.m.

The CB operator, Donald Atkin, transmitted the sound made by the second object over his radio, and state police Trooper Tom McCartney recorded it.

"The recording is like nothing I've heard before," said Mark Rodeghier of the Chicago center. "It's a rather odd sound, like a high-pitched machine. It's not the sound of a helicopter or a plane."

The center is a non-profit association of scientists formed in 1973 to act as a clearinghouse for information on UFO sightings. Investigators have some technical background and are given instruction in questioning witnesses. Some investigators for the center live in Washington and Southern Oregon, Rodeghier said, and one will be sent to Portland this week.

"We are going to get a tape of the sound and bring it to Chicago, where an acoustical expert on our staff will analyze it," he said. "He will be able to tell if it is a hoax."

The incident began when McCartney was in the St. Helens police station. He heard, via the police radio, St. Helens police Sgt. Russ Yokum say that he had spotted an orange ball in the sky. Yokum said he wanted someone to confirm the sighting.

McCartney went to the Columbia County Courthouse and met Yokum. From there, they said, they saw a bright orange dome.

While watching the object, McCartney and Yokum, via a radio in McCartney's patrol car, heard Atkin report that he saw an orange object near his home in Ridgefield, which is across the river from where McCartney and Yokum were standing.

The two officers moved to higher ground and said they spotted a second orange ball, which appeared to be on fire and looked like a downed plane. They said the first ball disappeared.

McCartney called his dispatcher, who checked with the Portland airport, which reported no planes in trouble.

Atkin then reported that the craft had gone into the river but said he had taken a picture of it before it hit the water. A U.S. Coast Guard boat was sent to the scene but was recalled after Atkin reported that the craft had taken off.

Atkin and Yokum could not be reached for comment Tuesday. McCartney released all information about the incident through a written news statement.

A Federal Aviation Administration official in Portland said his agency would not investigate the incident.

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Airport UFO claim linked to quakes

By Robert Hof

The recent sightings of UFOs at San Jose Airport and Interstate 80 may have had something to do with a mysterious earthquake-related phenomenon, according to County Geologist Jim Berkland.

On Jan. 9 strange red lights still unidentified were spotted by two pilots and the air traffic control tower above San Jose Airport. They did not appear on any radar screen.

About three weeks ago a Burlingame man said he saw glistening lights moving in the skies above Interstate 80 near Vacaville.

A segment on a recent 20-20 television show explained that many UFO sightings could be caused by earthquakes. The theory is that the quakes cause large chunks of rock, especially quartz rock, to rub together and produce electricity that may manifest itself as balls of light.

That's quite possible, Berkland confirmed, though he admitted the 20-20 segment was the first time he had heard the theory. He added no quakes were reported at the time of the airport sighting.

He said anyone can get a similar effect, called triboluminescence, simply by rubbing together two pieces of quartz in the dark.

"They'll glow," he said, and what they're producing is electricity. In fact, they also give off the smell of ozone, caused by the charged air.

And quartz is the most common mineral in the world, he added.

Berkland is well known for his seismic window theory, that states quakes occur most often in the week after the full moon, or when the sun or moon and earth are lined up or are closest to each other in space.

In making his predictions he also takes into account reports of lost cats, much as the Chinese do. It's possible, he said, that animals see the balls of electricity, causing them to hide or run away.

Berkland also pointed to historical evidence that UFOs could be caused by quakes. On June 29, 1947, he said, numerous UFOs were reported in the same period several earthquakes occurred.

DUMFRIES & GALLOWAY STANDARD
SCOTLAND
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UFO seen in sky over Lockerbie

Two Lockerbie residents, Mrs Isobel Longmuir, of 2 Glenannan Avenue, and Mr Alex Oswald, of Willow Cottage, Dumfries Road, are certain they spotted a UFO in the sky above their homes on Monday night. Both are equally sure that the object was not an aircraft.

Mrs Longmuir states that she saw the object shortly before 10 p.m. "I thought at first that it was the lights of an aeroplane," she says, "but then I noticed that it appeared to be stationary and was just hovering. At first it was giving off a bright yellow light and later it turned a bright red and disappeared from my view. I watched it for about a quarter of an hour."

Mr Oswald, who is retired, said that he watched the object through binoculars for about half an hour. "My attention was caught by the fact that it was stationary in the sky. It seemed to be of a not too bright yellow colour, and then it glowed bright red for a time before taking

on its yellow shade again. I am quite confident that it was not an aircraft, and there was certainly no sound and no identification light blinking. Nor was there any distinct shape or outline to the object."

Mr Oswald, who regularly studies the night sky with his binoculars, is convinced that the object was not a star or an aircraft. "When I telephoned my son in London later, I mentioned the matter to him and he suggested that it might have been a satellite, but I doubt very much whether I would have been able to see a satellite, even with the binoculars. It was most peculiar, and I was able to watch it for almost half an hour before the light simply disappeared."

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Baffling Flashes Over the Bay

Witnesses as widely separated as Marin County and the South Bay last night reported seeing a pair of flashes along the East Bay shoreline in Southern Alameda County, but local and federal authorities said they had no explanation for the mysterious lights.

The lights — which appeared to be explosions near Fremont or Union City to witnesses in the North and West Bay — flared briefly around 11 p.m., and were visible for miles. One caller said he thought he could see flames leaping into the sky following the flashes, but other witnesses failed to report any fire.

Dispatchers at the Oakland, Hayward, Union City, Fremont, and San Leandro police departments and at the Alameda County sheriff's department said they were baffled by the flashes, and had received no reports of fires or explosions.

A watch supervisor at the Federal Aviation Administration's air traffic control center in Fremont said he had received calls from people who had seen the mysterious flashes, but had no reports of unusual air traffic or downed aircraft.

Watch officers at Moffet and Alameda Naval Air Stations and the Coast Guard station at Yerba Buena Island said they had heard of no unusual activity that could account for the flashes.

The National Weather Service reported no lightning or other electrical phenomena during last night's rain and wind storm.

UFO?

Was it a meteorite or the Oly artesians?

Or simply an unidentified flying object?

No one knows for sure, but two Oregon State Police troopers this morning sighted a light blue object moving through the sky. Troopers Jesse Van Meter and Glenn Kelley reported the object had a long white or light yellow tail.

Kingsley Field Tower personnel also sighted the object, which seemed to fall to earth near the east crest of Hogsback Mountain.

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The troopers searched the area, but found nothing.

Kingsley Tower personnel say the object probably was a meteorite, but the troopers have their own theory: They think the Oly artesians may have been responsible for the occurrence.

Of course, they can't prove their theory, so the sighting officially has been classed in police records as a "UFO Sighting."

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Four Report Seeing UFO

SAN JOSE (UPI) — Two Cupertino pilots said they had a close encounter with an unidentified flying object in the skies over San Jose Municipal Airport.

The object was about 10 feet in diameter, they said, and emitted a bright, red, pulsating light.

The strange object was also seen by two controllers in the airport tower but could not be detected on the radar.

Gary Rounds, 21, who was piloting the rented Cessna 150, and his passenger, Charles Shackelford, 20, also a pilot, said the object appeared to head straight for their plane Monday night as they were practicing landings and takeoffs.

Air controller Rich Gutterud said the object "was coming right at him. He had to extend upward (climb above) from whatever it was."

"It was really wild," Shackelford said. "First it was in front of us. The next thing we knew it was right behind us."

Gutterud and air controller Randy Blount, both of whom saw the UFO, said the light followed the plane briefly, hovered, "then it just took off at an extremely high rate of speed."

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Course on UFO's at West Valley

A mysterious pulsating red light was sighted in the skies above San Jose Municipal Airport by two pilots and an air traffic controller recently.

Unexplained UFO's such as this one, which reportedly buzzed a small aircraft before taking off at an extremely high rate of speed, will be the topic of a new course offered through the West Valley College District.

"UFO's — Forward, Backward and Inside Out" is a non-credit short course offered through the district on Friday nights for six weeks, beginning Feb. 20.

Instructor Thomas Gates will provide an in-depth look at the UFO phenomena, its history, past history (ancient astronauts), effects on society and scientific investigations.

The course fee is \$15 and the class will meet on the West Valley campus.

For registration or more information, contact the district's office of community services, 867-0446. The office is located in the Giurlani House on the campus, 14000 Fruitvale Ave., Saratoga.