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Aftermath Of A Sighting

By George Cunningham-Tee



THE QUESTION of whether UFOs are friendly or hostile, comrades or killers, still waits to be fully answered. But Dale F. Spaur of Portage County, Ohio, was indirectly destroyed by a UFO.

His case was thoroughly investigated by William Weitzel, at that time an instructor in philosophy at the University of Pittsburgh, Bradford Campus.

It all began, routinely, on the night of April 16, 1966, when Spaur, a deputy sheriff, together with Wilbur Neff were dispatched to answer a call about a car that had sheared a utility pole near Atwater Center, Ohio.

While they were engaged in straightening out the mess, their police radio reported that a woman in Summit County, west of Portage, had called in about a brightly lighted object "as big as a house" flying over her neighborhood. It was 4:45 a.m.

The first reaction was to make jokes and to ignore the call. But when heading along Route 224 they saw an abandoned car and stopped to investigate, it was time to take things more seriously.

Spaur saw something rising from behind the trees. He watched it come towards them, getting brighter as it did so, and he called to Neff to look over his shoulder.

"He didn't say nothing, he just stood there with his mouth open for a minute," wrote Spaur in his report. Then as the "thing" got very bright, both men had to lower their gaze.

"I started looking down. I looked at my hands, and my clothes weren't burning or anything when it stopped right over on top of us. The only thing, the only sound in the whole area was a hum . . . it'd sound like a transformer being loaded . . . I was pretty scared for a couple of minutes; as a matter of fact I was petrified."

The two men dashed for the safety of their cruiser and the UFO moved off to the east. Spaur called in on the radio to report that the "bright light" was right there — and the order came back, "Shoot it."

He didn't attempt to comply with that command, and then they were ordered to follow it. Now began the wildest UFO chase ever undertaken as the police cruiser pursued the object for 70 miles, sometimes reaching speeds of 105 miles an hour.

Another officer, Wayne Huston, monitoring Spaur's radio conversation, knew of the chase and had been on the lookout for the flying object: "I saw the thing on Route 14 . . . about 800 to 900 feet up when it came by. It was shaped something like an ice cream cone with a partly melted-down top. The point part was underneath, the top was a sort of dome. Spaur and Neff came

down the road right after it. I fell in behind them — we checked with each other (on radio) what we saw — it was right straight ahead of us, a half to three quarters of a mile ahead."

Three competent men now had the UFO under observation and there was to be a fourth, Frank Panzanella of Conway, Pa., a policeman who spotted the UFO at about 5:30 a.m. while driving down Second Avenue. He stopped and got out to observe it better, and a few minutes later the two chasing cruisers arrived on the scene.

'Half A Football'

"The officers got out and asked me if I saw it. I'd been watching it for 10 minutes . . . the object was the shape of half of a football, was very bright and about 25 to 35 feet in diameter," Panzanella reported.

The four watched as it moved out toward Harmony Township at 1,000 feet, then the object continued to go upward until "it got as small as a ball point pen," and they saw it shoot straight up and disappear.

This case would appear to be a perfect example of a Close Encounter of the First Kind with a civilian observer — four police witnesses, good visual sightings and descriptions — and the incredible cruiser chase. One might say it was an airtight case of a UFO sighting that no one could disprove or deny. But they did.

"They" in this instance were Project Blue Book officials.

J. Allen Hynek, former consultant to the U.S. Air Force Project Blue Book, makes a case against its investigation in "The UFO Experience," maintaining the original inquiry was made of only one witness (Spaur) in a telephone call lasting less than three minutes. That interview opened with the words, "Tell me about this mirage you saw."

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Another Quickie

The second interview, also by phone, lasted 90 seconds, according to Hynek. From these interviews, Blue Book arrived at a solution to the episode — “a misinterpretation of conventional objects and natural phenomena.”

In other words, Blue Book concluded they had seen (and chased) the planet Venus and a satellite. Hynek was not consulted in this case and found it personally embarrassing as consultant astronomer. His own evaluation, when finally he obtained details of the case, was a strong “unidentified.”

The aftermath of this sighting was not pleasant, wrote Hynek.

“Largely because the press and Blue Book concentrated on Dale Spaur almost to the exclusion of the other three witnesses, the public gained the impression that here was a case of one policeman’s having become unbalanced and having experienced a major hallucination . . . Spaur was singled out for unbearable ridicule and the pressure of unfavorable publicity. The combination of events wrecked his home life, estranged him from his wife, and ruined his career and his health. He is no longer with the police force, and, it is reported, subsists by doing odd jobs.”•

ENOSBURG FALLS, VT.
COUNTY COURIER
MAR. 11 1982

*By The
Way...*

More UFO’s were spotted over the weekend in the East Richford area and descriptions of them match those of previous sightings. Many people in the area are beginning to think that these sightings have something to do with U.S. Air Force activities in Paltsburgh. Should you spot one you can report it to the UFO Reporting Station in Seattle, Wash. (206-722-3000) who will pay a lot more attention to you than either the state police or the air force will.

GAYLORD, MN.
HUB
MAR 11 1982

Officers saw something — was it from outerspace?

By Debra Skelley, Staffwriter FRONT PAGE

^{UFO}
Sibley County Deputy Bennitt Bade wasn’t going to say anything about seeing the unidentified flying object until he realized several other police officers reported similar sightings.

Bade was responding to a call at about 2 a.m. Saturday, February 27. He and Ellerd Mathwig, a part-time officer who happened to be riding along, were headed toward Gaylord on Highway 19. They were just west of Winthrop when they saw the UFO.

“All at once we looked at each other,” Bade said Monday. “Ellerd asked, ‘Did you see that?’”

Bade says they saw the object for only five or 10 seconds.

“It had a bunch of green lights that were not flashing,” he explained. “It had like a smog or fog underneath it; and it was clear out that night.

“It was hard to tell the shape of the thing because it was moving so fast. It was flying at about tree-top level. It was moving faster than any plane I’ve ever seen,” he added.

Henderson police chief Norm Pettis was driving toward Gaylord at about the same time February 27, when he reported a similar sighting. He isn’t certain of the exact time as he didn’t check his watch.

He was about two miles west of Henderson on County Road 65 when an unidentified flying object passed directly over his patrol car, he told The Hub.

“It was flying low,” he said. “I couldn’t distinguish its shape, but saw blue, green and white lights.”

He also reported seeing a smog or fog under the object.

“Before I could get the car stopped, it was gone,” he explained. He didn’t hear any noise, he added.

Pettis said Sibley County Deputy Kevin Guggisberg also reported seeing what is believed to be the same object, as did several people in McLeod County.

The Mankato Free Press reported February 28, that LeSueur County Deputy Terry Wento also saw an UFO at about 1:45 a.m. the same morning as Sibley County police. Wento was just east of St. Peter when he and an intern saw a “blue-white light” in the southern sky near Mankato’s airport.

Mankato police and Blue Earth County Sheriff’s Office found no trace of the UFO. Airport officials did not report such a sighting and radar screens detected nothing, according to The Free Press.

Dean Fulmer, airport assistant manager, said it sounded like a hoax to him.

In talking with Sergeant Douglas Ames of Minnesota Air National Guard, Flight Operations Department in Minneapolis, The Hub learned that flight maneuvers done by that organization usually take place on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

“We were not doing maneuvers that night,” he said. “The National Guard uses large four-engined transport airplanes that are easily distinguished.

“If any airplane gets low enough, radar won’t detect it,” he added.

The mystery continues.

UFO that shocked America

A GLOWING, pulsing UFO stunned witnesses from California to Chicago... seven years before the invention of airplanes.

"The great airship sight-

By **NANCY BOLICK**

ing of 1896-97 — almost a decade before the Wright Brothers first flew at Kitty Hawk — caused a general

uproar across three-quarters of the country," science writer Daniel Cohen told GLOBE.

"Newspapers carried eyewitness accounts by people who'd seen a strange light, with a dark cigar shape behind it," says Cohen, who details the amazing episode in his new book, *The Great Airship Mystery* (Dodd, Mead).

Sacramento reported the first sightings in November 1896. The cruising airship moved slowly eastward until it vanished near Chicago in April 1897, says Cohen.

On Nov. 22, Sacramento deputy sheriff Walter Malory saw a "strong, moving white light with a dark body immediately over it."

That night, employees of a San Francisco streetcar line and 30 passengers saw the same light passing over San Francisco Bay.

San Francisco mayor Adolph Sutro reported that his servants saw "a strange, brilliant light not over 500 feet above the ocean, moving swiftly with a rolling motion."

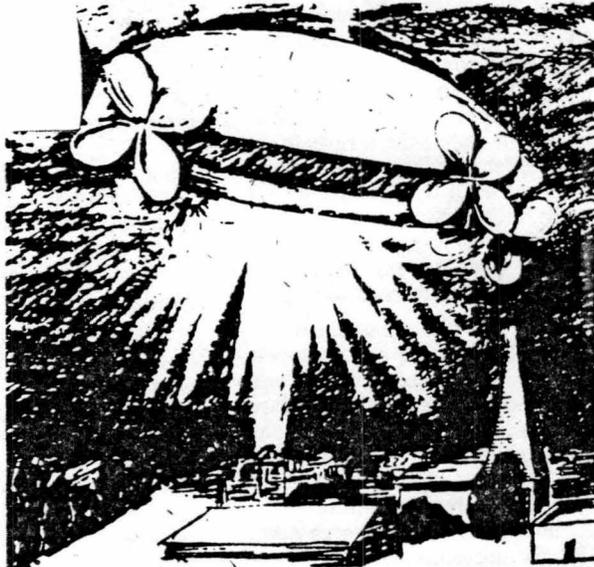
That winter, the UFO appeared several times on a winding route across Nebraska, Kansas, Texas, Illinois and Indiana.

On April 10, 1897, the Quincy, Illinois, newspaper reported "a thing with a long, slender body made of bright metal." Wings jutted from its sides, and a bright searchlight lit its front.

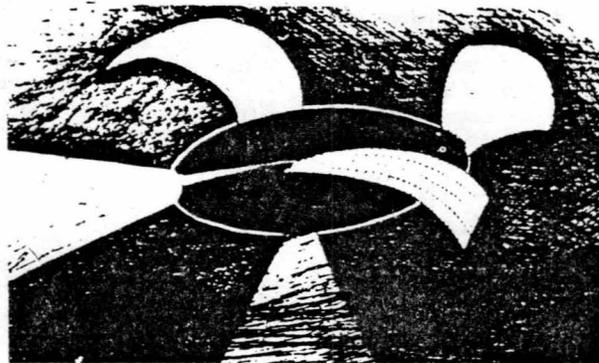
Many observers said they heard voices from the low-

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**-11 years
before
man knew
he could
FLY!**



THESE artists' conceptions of the UFO that was sighted from Sacramento to Chicago in 1896-97 appeared in newspapers of the era.



flying craft. On April 23, Kansas farmer Alexander Hamilton was awakened during the night by an eerie lowing sound from his cattle.

When he and his son, Wall, went to investigate, they saw a massive, gleaming UFO hovering 30 feet above the cattle pen.

Hamilton said the craft was at least 300 feet long, and low enough for them to

observe clearly six of "the strangest beings I ever saw. They were jabbering together, but we couldn't understand a word they said."

A line dangling from the ship was looped around the neck of a two-year-old heifer. The cow was bawling and jumping, trying to escape.

But the UFO climbed slowly upward, dragging the

heifer with it, and disappeared on the northwest horizon. The following day, another local farmer found the cow's hide, legs and head in his field. There were no tracks around it. Hamilton identified his brand on the mutilated hide.

Later, Hamilton and other witnesses, including an attorney and the local sheriff, signed an affidavit attesting to what they'd seen, reports Cohen. "We're still unsure of what UFOs are," he adds, but descriptions of that antique airship and modern craft match incredibly.

"Many ufologists believe the two waves of sightings — then and now — are intimately connected."

Sorting through theories for an explanation of flying saucers

By DR. BRUCE CORDELL

One thing is certain: UFOs are real. Thousands of sightings — from all portions of the globe — have been made by people who saw something they couldn't explain.

Most UFOs are actually common astronomical objects; only 5 percent remain to tantalize the serious investigator. Interestingly, many explanations for the UFO phenomenon are actually more bizarre than the UFO sightings themselves.

A very popular explanation for UFOs is the Extraterrestrial Hypothesis

(ETH). This is championed by individuals from the serious investigator type — Jim and Coral Lorenzen of the Aerial Phenomena Research Organization of Tucson (who have been around for 30 years and consult with dozens of reputable scientists) — to the alleged Contactees — beginning in 1952 with George Adamski (now deceased) — who "know" the ETH is true because they've often talked with "Them."

ETH is attractive because we've "wet our feet in the ocean of space" and can imagine more advanced

civilizations engaging in deeper technological probings. It's never explained (unfortunately) how ET beings trivially traverse thousands of light years of space, when it took our Apollo astronauts an entire week just to reach the Moon — a body less than one hundred-millionth of the distance to the nearest star.

Some UFO buffs dispense with Extraterrestrials and replace them with Ultraterrestrials (UT). UT beings supposedly inhabit a parallel universe which exists adjacent to ours but is undetectable to us.

UTs come in two types: nice and nasty. Good UTs are often associated with biblical heaven, like those who allegedly warned Lot of the impending destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah.

A very well-known UFO investigator (since 1945) — John Keel — believes UTs are evil beings determined to deceive mankind and interfere in human affairs. Unfortunately, confirmatory scientific evidence eludes the proponents of both styles of UT beings.

Leon Davidson (a PhD engineer formerly with Los Alamos) is con-

vinced the Central Intelligence Agency is actually creating (hoaxing) UFOs and duping innocent persons into believing they're experiencing extraterrestrial encounters. The CIA motive? To confuse the Russians about U.S. technological capabilities. (Does the KGB believe in American UFOs?) Interestingly, Davidson did work on top-secret government projects for more than 15 years.

Among the most thoughtful and scientific UFO researchers is Jacques Vallee, a PhD computer expert and astronomer. Vallee believes UFOs are a gigantic deception perpetrated by unknown (probably earthly) powers attempting to encourage a global belief in interventions by beings from beyond the Earth. Although obscure, the goal may be to facilitate social change on Earth.

Clearly, some UFO theorists are wrong. Are any right?

The extraordinary diversity in UFO hypotheses shows we must learn much more about the phenomenon before a realistic theory will emerge. A UFO landing on the White House lawn would certainly help.

MANCHESTER, CONN. JOURNAL INQUIRER
APRIL 3 1982

Teen-agers say they saw UFO

WINDSOR LOCKS — While they didn't say they thought it was a late April Fool's joke, Air National Guard and Bradley International Airport officials were not overly concerned about a local report of an unidentified flying object in the Stevens Road area Friday evening.

A group of eight teen-agers said they saw a large object hovering over a house on John Street at about 7:30 p.m. while they were playing in a field off Stevens Street.

Lisa Daigle, 14, said she and her friends saw a large, somewhat round object about 50 yards across with three blinking orange lights. Once they began to run toward the object, it flew silently away, she said.

Scot McGuire, 16, another witness, said the object's lights changed to red as it flew away. It made no sound or wind as it left, he said.

"This was no helicopter," he said. "We didn't hear anything. It was about 150 yards away from us when we started to run toward it and it started getting smaller and smaller."

Police late Friday said they had received no reports of UFOs, and the Air National Guard at Bradley said the only call they got about the sighting was from the Windsor Locks teen-agers.

An Air National Guard official who declined to identify himself said while his organization received UFO sightings occasionally, it was unusual for one to be reported by a group. He said no Air National Guard aircraft were in the area of the sighting Friday night and a spokesman at the air traffic-control tower at Bradley said no commercial aircraft were in the area either.

State police at the Stafford barracks, however, said they were investigating a report of a UFO sighting in Mansfield at about 8 p.m. Friday. They said the sighting was being investigated by a local constable and they had no further information about the sighting other than the time it was reported.

THE KNICKERBOCKER NEWS
ALBANY N.Y.

MAR 8 1982

Lights in sky unexplained

7-21 UFO
By ANDY DANZO
Knickerbocker News Reporter

SCHENECTADY— Police have been receiving reports of mysterious lights in the night sky, and so far no one's been able to come up with an explanation for them.

It started early Saturday morning, shortly after midnight, according to Ptl. Robert O'Neill, when the police desk received a "barrage of calls." He said officers didn't enter the calls on the blotter, but "There were enough calls that the officers were talking about it."

Mike Porcari, 27, of Becker Street, said he was riding home from work as a private nurse's aide early Sunday morning. He said he was a passenger in a car driving east on Union Street when at the intersection with Nott Terrace he saw four bright lights rising to the southeast.

At first they were in a rectangular formation, then shifted to a triangle with the fourth in the middle, Porcari said. Porcari, who described himself as an aircraft buff, said the lights resembled jetliner landing lights.

"At first I tried writing them off for my own benefit as Air Guard helicopters," he said. "I'm pretty good at recognizing aircraft and there's things that you look for, but none of them were visible."

He said during the five to 10 minutes he watched the lights, the one in the middle of the triangle began dropping what appeared to be molten sparks. "Then the one in the center vanished, it lost its intensity and disappeared," he said.

After that, he said the remaining three began pulsating until they also disappeared.

Porcari said he was convinced he'd seen something extraordinary, but didn't report it until later Sunday he talked to his brother and learned that he too had seen the lights from a different part of the city.

Chris Porcari, 26, an auto painter living on Foster Avenue, was looking south from 1600 block of Foster Avenue when he saw the lights. He said they rose above buildings in the direction of State Street, and he watched them for 60 to 90 seconds.

"They were moving much too slow to be fireworks," he said. "I still don't know what to think about it."

Neither the National Weather Service nor the Albany Airport control tower reported their own sightings or any such reports over the weekend.

STEPHENSON, MICH.
JOURNAL
MAR 4 1982

UFO investigators visit Delta residents

THE DELTA REPORTER: The recent rash of UFO sightings in the Delta County area recently drew the interest of a prominent investigator.

Dr. J. Allen Hyneck, Northwestern University astronomy professor emeritus, traveled to the Upper Peninsula from Chicago to interview several local people about UFOs they had reported.

Dr. Hyneck, who is the ex-head of Project Blue Book, the government's official investigation of UFOs, was intrigued by the reports that there had been six reported sightings of the same UFO.

While 20 persons were interviewed, Dr. Hyneck will not have the results of his investigation completed for quite some time. It is expected his conclusions on Delta County's UFO sightings will be published in the official newsletter of the Center for UFO Studies, the International UFO Reporter, possibly in May. Dr. Hyneck is also astronomy editor of Science Digest.

NEW ULM, MINN.
JOURNAL
MAR. 12 1982

Officers bewildered by their sighting of UFO

WINTHROP — An unidentified flying object in these parts? Yes, indeed, say two law enforcement officials in the Winthrop area, who spotted a low-flying, plane-like object one-quarter mile west of town in the wee morning hours of Feb. 27.

Sibley County deputy sheriff Ben-nitt Bade and a passenger, Ellerd Mathwig, a part-time patrolman for Arlington and Green Isle, were in Bade's patrol car driving near Hahn Implement on Hwy. 19 about 2 a.m. when they claim to have seen a rapidly moving object with green lights flying at about treetop level.

Bade reported being neither scared nor frightened by the incident, but

said he was convinced the object was not a plane. "I've been around enough airplanes in the military to know that wasn't an airplane," he said.

The strange contraption moved in and out of the area in about 10 seconds, Bade said. "It all happened so fast," he commented.

A report of the strange object was later confirmed by three other officers in the area.

Kevin Guggisberg (also a Sibley County deputy), a LeSueur County deputy and a Henderson patrolman also reportedly saw the object.

None of the officers was willing to talk about it until several days after the mysterious encounter.



Forrest S. Clark

BRIDGE WATER, N.J.
COURIER NEWS
MAR. 1 1982

Psychic says he willed UFO crash

A 25-year-old Edison man, a self-avowed psychic, claims he may be responsible for causing an unidentified object to crash into the ocean off Atlantic City last month.

Marc Popelsky of Jeremy Court said he was in Atlantic City on Jan. 12 when a mysterious object streaked across the night-time sky, hit the ocean and burned up.

Many people in Atlantic City and along the shore saw the streaks in the sky and reported them to the Air Force and Coast Guard, but subsequent investigations never confirmed what caused the phenomenon.

Popelsky is a psychology graduate of Cook College who says he can use his mental powers to move objects.

During his visit to Atlantic City, Popelsky said he decided to try to make contact with a UFO (Unidentified Flying Object).

He said he chose the shore for his experiment because previous UFO accounts indicated most such objects fall near or in the water.

Popelsky said he selected a fairly secluded beach, took a stance on the edge of the ocean and tried to concentrate on making contact with a UFO.

After about 15 minutes of intense concentration, he claims he felt a powerful, unexplained force surround his body. He said it was "like an electric or magnetic field" surrounding him. There was "a humming sound" in his mind, he said.

Popelsky said he was thrown onto his back on the sand by the force. He looked skyward and saw the object falling. "Whatever it was struck the ocean and caused a bluish, green fire with streaks of yellow, burning for about one minute," he said.

"Since that time I have felt rather guilty because I feel responsible, but at first I didn't want to say anything about it. But now I feel I must come forward and tell my part in the incident."

Popelsky said there was no one with him at the time and he therefore had no witnesses to what he described.

He said he would like to try to bring down a UFO in the Pine Barrens with members of the media present as witnesses and to make some contact with the legendary Jersey Devil in the Pine Barrens.

Popelsky has set his sights on a more ambitious project, however. He envisions a worldwide network of psychics participating in an effort to slow down Halley's Comet, due to appear in November 1985. He wants to see the psychics pool their powers to cause the mighty comet to slow its advance across the solar system.

Popelsky makes appearances at private clubs, conventions, parties and other social functions as a "psychic entertainer."

MASON CITY IOWA
GLOBE-GAZETTE
MAR. 12 1982

Man reports UFO near Ventura

VENTURA — A Garner man told the Cerro Gordo County sheriff's office he saw an unidentified flying object about two miles west of here Thursday evening.

The sheriff's office was notified of the sighting about 8 p.m. by Larry Huinker, who told officials he saw the object near Highway 18 about 7:35 p.m.

Huinker told authorities the UFO was traveling at low altitude and a great rate of speed.

The sighting was not confirmed.

UFO investigators

GLADSTONE MI
DELTA REPORTER
FEB. 24 1982

visit Delta residents

By DIANE Y. AARON

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Dr. Hyneck, who is the head of Project Blue Book, the government's official investigation of UFOs, was intrigued by the reports that there had been six reported sightings of the same UFO.

A Soo Hill teen, Tammy Utt, started with a report of a UFO on Feb. 10 as she was driving home about 11:45 p.m. that day.

Dr. Hyneck, who is currently the director for the Center for UFO Studies in Chicago, was contacted by Dr. Ken Schellhase of Mar-

quette, reported seeing a UFO Feb. 12 near the Highland Golf Club in the early evening. The following day, Feb. 13, Todd Poquette of Hermansville, told sheriff's deputies he saw lights in the sky, then an oval object just above the tree tops. He said the object then hovered in the air.

The original sighting by Ms. Utt could be closer to a "Close Encounter of the Second Kind," according to the Marquette investigator. Ms. Utt had told the sheriff's department that she saw the object, shapped like an upside down cake pan, land on the road about half a mile from her car.

While official reports don't include that a foot-deep and 30-foot long depression was found in the area of the sighting, Dr.

Local UFO sightings are "significant." — UFO expert.

quette, the U.P.'s coordinator for that organization.

Dr. Schellhase told the Reporter Monday that he found the sightings "significant enough" to call them to Dr. Hyneck's attention. Apparently what had the two investigators excited is that Ms. Utt's sighting was corroborated by five other residents.

James Robinette of County Rd. 414 reported seeing an object on the same night between 11:30 and 11:45 p.m. Bonnie Lee of Escanaba also reported seeing a bright object about the same time and Gary Dubord of Route 2, Escanaba, said he spotted something on Feb. 9 about 1:45 p.m.

Yet another person, Ricky Mercier of Powers,

Schellhase does confirm the depression, but said there "were no signs of a landing. I don't want to jump to conclusions."

Dr. Schellhase did, however, photograph the depression and took samples of the snow to be tested for possible traces of radiation for other unusual deposits not expected to be found in that area. He added that the depression was near a driveway and could have easily been formed by a truck turning around in the snow.

Even with his skepticism about it being a Close Encounter of the Second Kind—that's where physical evidence of a landing is left—he calls Ms. Utt's sighting "very solid," especially with three other residents whose sightings match the coordinates of hers.

A Gladstone youth, Rick Nyberg, was also interviewed by the two investigators. He had taken time exposures of an object he'd sighted Feb. 16 over his neighbor's home.

The Marquette UFO expert said he and Dr. Hyneck are "virtually certain" that what Nyberg recorded on his photographs was the planet Venus.

Nyberg's photos showed an object moving in an erratic pattern which Hyneck and Schellhase had an answer for: the teen had set his tripod on a thick carpet and left the lens open for a time exposure. When he walked near the tripod, the carpet would depress, moving the tripod slightly and so causing the camera to

record the object "moving erratically."

While 20 persons were interviewed this past weekend, Dr. Hyneck will not have the results of his investigation completed for quite sometime. It is expected his conclusions on

Delta County's UFO sightings this month will be published in the official newsletter of the Center for UFO Studies, the International UFO Reporter, possibly in May. Dr. Hyneck is also astronomy editor of Science Digest.

Was it an IFO?

Two years ago on March 12, four Delta County law enforcement officers, sighted a UFO while on duty. That sighting led to national coverage of the incident and eventually to a segment on the TV show, "That's Incredible."

At the time it was felt that four reputable officers, two Delta County sheriff's deputies and two Gladstone Public Safety officers, couldn't be mistaken in what they saw.

Now, Dr. Ken Schellhase, U.P. coordinator for the Center for UFO Studies, based in Chicago, debunks their sighting.

He claims that what the four actually saw was what he calls "nocturnal light," possibly similar to the Northern Lights.

"Most of what people think of as UFOs (unidentified flying objects) are actually IFOs, identified flying objects," Schellhase said this week, "such as stars, planets and film flaws. Ninety-five per cent of the sightings are of this type."

Dr. Schellhase does feel that the federal government has put a clamp on information that might explain UFOs. He points to a lawsuit brought by the Citizens Against UFO Secrecy. That group is now asking the Supreme Court to consider this case after a federal district court rejected it.

EUGENE, ORE.
REGISTER-GUARD
MAR. 20 1982

Police receive UFO reports

About 20 Eugene-area residents reported seeing between one and four red, white and/or yellowish-white lights that buzzed and/or hovered in erratic and/or deliberate flying patterns between 9:30 and 11:30 p.m. Friday, according to a Eugene police spokeswoman.

Weather balloons? Air Force maneuvers? Something to do with the Mount St. Helens eruption?

Police were just as bewildered as the callers after officials from Eugene's Mahlon Sweet Airport as well as the National UFO Reporting Center in Washington were unable to shed light of any color on the matter.

One caller reported that the UFOs were "dropping things," the police spokeswoman said.

MILLERTON, N.Y.
NEWS
APRIL 1 1982

At least two local residents reported sighting unidentified flying objects (UFO) over the general area last week. Charles "Bud" Hoffman, employed at a surgical instrument plant in Canaan, said he stepped outside a building at 1:30 a.m. Thursday morning and said his vision was attracted to a very large blue and white light, moving easterly at a fast rate of speed. He described the object as flying at a very low altitude, which necessitated it to climb sharply to clear nearby mountains. What appeared to be orange exhaust flames, he said, could be seen after it passed but no sound was heard.

Another Millerton resident, Mrs. June Sedlak, also reported seeing a UFO as it passed over here. She has seen three separate objects in the sky over this area in recent months. —
March 30, 1967. + + +

ROUSES POINT, N.Y.
NORTH COUNTRYMAN
MAR 10 1982

UFO's In Vermont

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FAIRFIELD, VT.--Unidentified Flying Object reports continue from throughout northwestern Vermont.

Reports of strange lights in the night skies began a couple of months ago in the Richford area near the Canadian Border and have spread south through the area just east of Lake Champlain.

There were numerous reports of strange objects in the air east and south of St. Albans over the weekend.

Police officials have been unable to explain the reports.

What's up? Is it UFOs or meteors?

Puzzled Eugene residents reported strange darting lights in the sky to Eugene police again Monday night, the fourth night in a row that unidentified flying objects have been seen in the skies.

Eugene Police Lt. Jim Horton said calls have been coming in at the rate of 10 to 15 a night, usually between 10 p.m. and midnight.

"We placed a long-distance call to the UFO Center in Washington, D.C.," he said, "and they told us the probable source is meteors entering the atmosphere, then breaking up and darting toward the earth."

Chris Snyder, of 240 N. Adams St., one of Monday night's observers, dismissed that theory.

"That's a good one," he said. "Do meteors fly in formation? Do they turn their lights on and off?"

Snyder said he and his two roommates watched the objects over the western skies for about an hour. He

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said the three bright orange objects flew in a horizontal formation, darted into diagonal formations and covered a wide expanse of sky. When watching with binoculars, he said the objects appeared to have a flame that flashed when they jetted into new formations.

Roger Ray, controller at the Eugene air control tower, said the tower received a phone call about 10 p.m. asking if radar had made contact with an unidentified object that appeared to be over the airport about 8 p.m. Ray said no radar contact was made.

A former coastal resident remembers when a rash of UFO sightings at Reedsport several years ago turned out to be caused by kids flying kites with candles in them. He speculated that kites and candles are causing the current rash of observations.

"No way," said Snyder. "They were too high, and they moved around in too much of the sky."

Another area UFO sighting is reported

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By STEPHEN COLLINS
Sentinel Correspondent

OAKLAND — A second unidentified object sighting was reported to Oakland police Wednesday morning. Three women described a bright red object that they saw over Kennedy Memorial Drive at about 1:30 a.m. A man who lives in the area also reportedly saw the red light but refused to give details to police, according to Oakland Sgt. Ralph Sabins.

Wednesday's sighting came two days after Sabins and an Oakland storekeeper independently saw and reported a bright, silent light that moved from the area at the outlet of Messalonskee Lake over Waterville Country Club and the Kennedy Memorial Drive area Monday just before 5 a.m., changing directions as it went.

Sabins, who is a regular Oakland police officer and a pilot, said that he had seen red flashes on the bright light Monday morning. He said that he at first mistook the light for a yard and security light at Waterville Country Club but then realized as he approached the area it was too bright for that. He said he could not estimate its altitude.

Another confirmation of the sighting Monday came after publication of a newspaper article yesterday. Sentinel carrier Robert Simpson had told his skeptical family that he had seen a UFO at 4:50 a.m. Monday while delivering papers on upper Main Street in Waterville. His mother indicated that she was more inclined to believe the report following the public disclosure Wednesday. Simpson had said that the light was somewhat cigar shaped and had also remarked on the complete absence of any noise associated with it — a feature that concurred with earlier reports.

N.E. UFO SIGHTING BAFFLES EXPERTS

EXPERTS were today baffled by the reported sighting of a mystery U.F.O. in the sky West of Newcastle.

The crescent-shaped object with pulsating red, green, white and blue lights was spotted at about 11:30 last night by a woman living in

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West Denton, Newcastle.

The close encounter was confirmed by two policemen who said it appeared to be stationary about ten miles west of Newburn before disappearing at about 12-20 a.m.

Officials at Newcastle Airport were today unable to shed any light on the strange phenomenon. They checked all aircraft movements in the area and said it could not have been a plane.

A spokesman at the Newcastle Weather Centre was equally at a loss to give satisfactory explanation although he did put forward one of two theories.

"It was a clear night with almost a full moon. One possibility is that it may have been a meteor shower which tends to change to red before exploding," he said.

"The colour changes could indicate that it was Cirrus, the brightest star, while the crescent shape may point to the planet Venus."

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Arco couple calls 'silver dash' in sky too fast to be plane

ARCO (AP) — Beatrice Condit said that, at first, the mysterious object was a "silver dash of light" streaking noiselessly across the southeastern Idaho sky, then it turned green.

The unidentified object made its brief appearance about 8:15 p.m. Tuesday, said Condit, who manages the Arco Airport with her husband.

No similar sightings were reported by Federal Aviation Administration offices in Idaho Falls and Boise or by law enforcement agencies in Arco and Idaho Falls. But Mrs. Condit said she and her husband both saw the object, nonetheless.

"It was a silver dash of light from east to west; it looked like it sort of broke up and turned green in color," she said Wednesday. "It streaked across very fast. As it streaked across, it appeared to be sort of delta-shaped. Then it went into this sort of green color and disappeared.

"I've seen meteors before, but it was a funny trajectory for a meteor," she said. "My first impression was it was the light on a plane. Then I realized it couldn't be a plane, it was zipping too fast."

Arco Police Chief John Bruce said he didn't see the UFO, nor had he gotten any reports of it. "This was the first time I've heard anything about it," he said.

Face to face with a

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space being

In one of the strangest UFO encounters on record, three children spent terrifying minutes in the presence of a man-like creature beamed to Earth from outer space.

The incredible close encounter has baffled psychologists and paranormal investigators who questioned the youngsters and could find no cause to discredit their bizarre story.

By DICK DONOVAN

"Unbelievable as their story may sound, there is no doubt in my mind it is true," investigator Rafael Baraga told The NEWS. "It is true the encounter could be a fairy tale or the figment of overblown imaginations.

"But the sheer terror that filled their eyes as they recalled the events of that night could not have been faked. There were times when I feared the children would collapse as they told their story.

"I am convinced that these children did witness a visitation to Earth by some super-being from another world."

Professor Vittorio Corradi, director of Argentina's famed Institute of Extra-Human Phenomena Studies, who headed the investigation into the encounter said he was certain the children's amazing story of the encounter was true.

"The children," he said, "have observed a process of materialization of a being they prefer not to call human."

The encounter was experienced one night by 9-year-old Daniel Nunez and his 11-year-old sister, Susan, as they returned from a doctor's office where Daniel was treated for a sore throat.

Unknown to Daniel and Susan at the time, a third child, 11-year-old Maria Montanegro, also saw the space being materialize.

The three children live in the small village of Eugenio Bustos, which is located in the northern Argentinian province of Mendoza.

It was an ideal setting for a bizarre experience and Daniel

recalled the encounter in chilling detail.

"We were walking home and just passing a vacant house," he said. "There is a large open area near the house and, in the sky, we could see a very bright light.

"It was very high and it appeared to be round — like a ball. We stopped to watch it and suddenly we realized that the ball of light was coming down toward us.

"It kept getting nearer and nearer. Then we saw an airplane flying by and we thought the object was going to crash into it. But it didn't and it kept descending."

Daniel and Susan — and Maria a few yards away — stood transfixed, their hearts pounding.

"As it approached us, we could see that it was shaped like a globe that gave off sparks," Susan added. "It was about 9 p.m., and very dark out. But the sparks turned the night into day.

"Then the object stopped and just hovered in the sky near us. It was only yards off the ground. I wasn't very scared until I saw the ball start to change.

"Very slowly, the ball began to take the shape of a body — something like a man, but only from the waist up. That really terrified me and I ran away screaming for my daddy and mommy."

But little Daniel says he was



too afraid to flee. "My fear wouldn't let me move," Daniel explained. "It was as if I had been paralyzed. Even though I willed my legs to move, they wouldn't. But I think it was because I also wanted to see more of the creature.

"As I stood there, the shape became an entire man. He was about 7 feet tall and had been formed between two lights that just came out of the sky.

"He had eyes that seemed to be revolving and he had little antennas of some kind that gave off a shower of sparks. I could see him very clearly.

"Suddenly, everything just vanished — the man, the lights and the sparks. It was like waking up from a nightmare."

Their parents, Francisco and Martha Nunez confirmed that the children came home in a state of shock.

"Daniel's heart was beating so fast that it frightened us," the 28-year-old mother said. "And he has a vision problem that he still hasn't recovered from. Susan was also very upset."

'Close encounter' claim to be investigated

Girls say they saw spaceship

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UFO researcher Mark Brown is to investigate a "close encounter" in Northampton, in which three girls claim they spotted a flying saucer.

Mr. Brown, area representative of the British UFO Research Association, plans to interview the girls about their sighting over Eastfield estate.

The three 12-year-old Cherry Orchard Middle School pupils - Louise Mason, of Upland Road, Headlands, Dawn Cooke, of Eskdale Avenue, Eastfield, and Jane Clark of Broughton Place, Eastfield, say they saw a round object with flashing lights and a pyramid dome on top.

"It made a noise, and was about the size of the base of two houses," said Louise. The object rested over a shop, before zooming off the girls claim.

Mr. Brown said: "All things considered, it sounds a reasonably interesting case, though not what we call "high strangeness."

"We will be sending a representative around in the next week or so, to see exactly what we're dealing with."

Mr. Brown stressed the organisation looked at all UFO incidents as objectively as possible.

"We have to evaluate cases in a very scientific manner," he explained. "We've had only two or three 'true' UFO cases in the last year, out of 156 cases."

The organisation takes witness statements of alleged UFO sightings, and then puts the evidence through a series of tests - including aircraft movements and "space junk" re-entries into the earth's atmosphere, like satellite rocket boosters.

Mr. Brown, a computer company employee from Ashby-de-la-Zouch, added: "I'm totally sceptical myself. I've been in Ufology for six years, but I've never had a sighting."

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It's UFO day for their Lordships

By Political Editor

THOSE trumpet-shaped green men stepping from their inter-terrestrial flying machines have always been good for a laugh.

Fine for a late-night TV film or for those slightly dotty flying saucer buffs.

But now British defence chiefs are officially acknowledging the possible existence of UFOs and the matter is to be raised in the House of Lords today.

While most sightings can be eliminated as mistaken identity or hallucination, a Whitehall report states that a small number have defied scientific explanation.

After an intensive analysis of UFO sightings, the verdict of Defence Ministry experts is that they cannot rule them all out.

Today in the Lords, the issue is being raised by Lord Clancarty who says: "We think there's been a cover-up in Whitehall on information."

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Defence chief denies UFO cover-up claim

A MINISTER yesterday denied there was any cover up by the Ministry of Defence about the sightings of unidentified flying objects.

Defence spokesman, Viscount Long, told the Lords that in the last four years there had been 2,250 such sightings reported, and all had been passed to staff who examined them for possible defence implications.

He told the leader of the Lords, all-party unidentified flying objects group, Earl Clancarty: "If you are suspicious that the Ministry of Defence is covering up in any way, I can assure you there is no reason why we should."

The Ministry was interested in

reported sightings in case they disclosed a Russian aircraft or an unidentified aircraft breaching the security system, he said.

The former Chief of the Defence Staff, Lord Hill-Norton, asked if it was true that records of all the sightings received by the Ministry before 1963 had been destroyed because they were considered to be of no interest.

Lord Long said he thought Lord Hill-Norton was going to reveal that the Royal Navy had seen the Loch Ness monster many times.

But all unidentified flying objects reports since 1967 had been preserved.

Forestry man's 'close encounter' still has UFO experts baffled

By CHRISTOPHER REEKIE

A CLOSE encounter between a forestry worker and two figures from a strange craft in a wood at Livingston in November, 1979, remains a mystery which may not be explained for 10 years.

This is the view of Mr Stuart Campbell, Scottish investigations co-ordinator of the British Unidentified Flying Objects Research Association, who is to address a symposium on the Livingston incident in Edinburgh on Saturday.

BUFORA, founded in 1962, will sponsor the first national UFO research conference in Scotland with the Livingston case one of the main attractions on the agenda.

On November 9, 1979, Mr Bob Taylor, a foreman

forester, now 63, arrived at his home in Broomieknowe Drive, Livingston, shocked and dishevelled, and said he had been working alone in the forest at Dechmont Hill when he discovered a strange machine in a clearing.

Two figures emerged and tried to drag him into the machine, he claimed. He fainted and when he regained consciousness, the clearing was empty.

Later, Mr Taylor and Mr Malcolm Drummond, head of the Livingston Development Corporation forestry department, found a pattern of deep regular marks on the ground.

Mr Taylor was treated at Bangour General Hospital. His trousers were torn and the tops of his thighs were scratched and bruised.

He said yesterday at his

home: "I can't explain what happened.

"About a minute after I saw the craft, two figures which appeared to be mechanical objects controlled from the craft, came out from underneath it and came on either side of me.

"They produced some substance which smelled strongly and which knocked me out.

"They definitely got hold of me, because they had gripped my trousers on both sides. The marks left afterwards showed I had been dragged about 18 inches."

Mr Taylor said the figures, about three feet tall, moved on spikes, which he believed caused holes left in the ground. An impression was also left by

the craft, which he estimated was 20ft. high.

Mr Drummond said yesterday: "Whether the object was from outer space or from a defence system on earth — American, British, or Russian — I have no idea. Something undoubtedly was there."

Mr Campbell, said yesterday in Edinburgh the Livingston incident was well documented and remained the most inexplicable case of unidentified flying objects in Britain.

Mr Campbell did not expect the conference to produce an explanation.

The explanation would have to wait until people like himself could make a proper scientific analysis, and it could be 10 years before he could do this.

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UFO experts to meet 'attacked' man

THE strange case of a West Lothian forester whose account of a close encounter with an unidentified flying object remains unexplained, despite intensive police and scientific investigation, is the subject of a symposium being held in Edinburgh later this week.

Evidence amassed by detectives and forensic scientists, following Mr Rober Taylor's mysterious experience in a Livingston wood three years ago, will be presented to members of the British UFO Research Association in the city for their first national conference in Scotland.

The UFO watchers, who include physicists, computer experts, astronomers, solicitors, and medical men, will be addressed by a senior officer and a police scientist from the Lothian and Borders force who were involved in the inquiry.

"This is one of the most convincing cases in the UK," claimed the association's research director, Mr Peter Hill. "But we have made no assumptions about it since we are a scientific body rather than one of those cult groups. It's such a complex subject that we have resisted coming to any conclusion until we have enough data."

Members will travel to Dechmont Wood where Mr Taylor claims "things" attached themselves to his trousers and tried to drag him towards a large stationary object. As well as meeting Mr Taylor at the site, the UFO watchers will see photographic evidence of tracks in the ground found by police in the area of the sighting.

Mr Hill added that the number of reported sightings varies from year to year. In 1977 they peaked at 500, of which 93% were found to have simple explanations. But the remaining 7% were found to be in need of explanation after investigation.

In the House of Lords this week suspicions of a Government cover-up over UFOs were voiced by the former First Sea Lord and Chief of Defence Staff, Lord Hill-Norton. He was backing the 30-member all-party UFO group in a bid to persuade the Government to list all reported sightings over the past four years.

Police files show that at 10.15 a.m. on November 9, 1979, in Dechmont Wood, Mr Taylor was confronted, he claimed, by a weird object about six metres in diameter with a rim. Two smaller dome-shaped objects hovered stationary above the ground. There was no sound.

Two small objects come towards him and attached themselves to the legs of his trousers and dragged him along the ground towards the round object. He was nearly suffocated by a strange smell, then lost consciousness.

The conference, which is open to the public, is being held in the George Hotel, Edinburgh, on March 12, 13, 14.

WE SAW UFO, SAY CONSTABLES

By ERIC MARSHALL

TWO Northumbria police constables were today making out a detailed report on how they watched an unidentified flying object hover over the Tyne Valley for nearly an hour.

The policemen, both on night duty, watched the UFO through binoculars from 11.30 p.m. last night.

The mystery object hovered just west of Newcastle for about an hour before losing height in the region of the Roman Wall.

Northumbria Police said today there was no logical explanation for what their officers had seen.

And their confirmation came as a relief to West Denton housewife Violet Cardew, who first saw the object.

She said today: "When I telephone the police it was obvious they did not believe me. But the attitude changed when the two officers saw it. They got quite excited about the whole thing.

She added: "At least they cannot say I was seeing things. I have never been interested in flying saucers or whatever but there was definitely something there last night.

Mrs. Cardew was at her home in Links Walk, West Denton when she spotted the object.

Her husband Terry, an engineer, son David and daughter Theresa were all in bed.

She said: "It was about 11.30 p.m. I had just gone outside to let my two Yorkshire terriers run on the grass. I looked up and saw this thing in the sky.

"It seemed to be round and flat but there were

Mystery object over Tyne Valley

bright lights coming from it. They were red, green, white and blue. It was just hovering.

Mrs. Cardew ran back inside and went to her son's bedroom.

"He got up and through his field glasses I could see what appeared to be electrical sparks coming from the side of the object. But it stayed motionless."

Mrs. Cardew roused her husband and he watched it for a while. Then they decided to call the police.

"Two young policemen arrived. They were a bit cynical about the whole thing but they went the back bedroom and then their attitude changed," said Mrs. Cardew. They got quite excited about it.

They reported back by radio explaining fully what the thing looked like.

"After about a hour the object began to disappear as though it was landing towards the Wall.

"It seemed to be going down behind the houses and then it just disappeared."

Northumbria Police said that the officers, Dave Parking and Bob Taylor, both in their 30s had made a full report on what they had seen.

A spokesman for the force said all the routine checks had been made after the sighting.

"There is no indication of what it might have been," said the spokesman.

At Newcastle Airport an official said there had been no aircraft in the air at the time and nothin had gone into the control log.

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—Yet another 'close encounter'—

ALIENS from outer space find Northampton a nice place for a night out, according to a Kings-thorpe brother and sister who have claimed the second UFO sighting in the town within two weeks.

Rita and Raymond Edwards say they spotted an inquisitive flying saucer from their top floor flat at 183 Drayton Walk, hovering some 600 yards away over council flats in

Eastern Avenue North.

Their "close encounter" follows the claim of three schoolgirls who say they saw a flying saucer over Eastfield estate.

The Edwards' sighting happened at 12.30 am on Saturday when they say they saw the UFO hovering about 200 feet from the ground.

"It was a sort of red dome with blue and white flashing lights," said Miss Edwards. "It hovered over the

flats for a while, then moved and stayed over a house with a television aerial."

The extra-terrestrial visitors were visible for about 20 minutes before shooting off into the night skies, said Miss Edwards.

Mr. Edwards was able to study the UFO with his binoculars.

"We got a real shock as you can imagine, said Miss Edwards. "I did not believe in UFO's at all until that night but I certainly do now."

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Close encounter of the terrifying kind

A QUIET drive on a remote countryside ended in terror for a Gwent family when they were involved in a close encounter with a UFO.

A UFO sighting is the only way Mrs Sharon Davies can explain the startling experience.

"What we saw must have been from outer space. I've never seen anything like it before — not even in books or on the television," she said.

"I never used to believe in flying saucers and things like that, but now nobody can tell me they don't exist."

Mrs Davies was with her husband Tony and their three young children when they saw the mystery object.

"We were driving over Bedwellty mountain near Blackwood when these really bright lights appeared.

"They were reflecting from the bonnet and they lit up the whole car.

"I could just make out a sort of circular shadow behind the lights which

were revolving like the ones in a disco.

"The lights were only a few feet above us, but the strangest part was that there was absolutely no sound coming from the object at all."

Mrs Davies said the shape — about 15 to twenty feet in diameter — continued to hover above them for several seconds.

"The children were crying by then and I was terrified. I told Tony not to stop driving, but the lights stayed just above us."

Then the lights vanished just as suddenly as they had appeared. But Mrs Davies, of Rhymney Close, Penllwyn, Pontllanfraith, was in no doubt about what she saw.

"We were on our way to Aberargoed and when we got out we could see just two lights staying in the same position, only much higher up.

"We even called another man over to prove to ourselves that we weren't going mad, and he said he'd never seen anything like it either."

Mrs Davies added: "I was shaking for hours and I never slept a wink that night. I still feel frightened just thinking about what happened."

Mr and Mrs Davies immediately reported what they had seen to Blackwood police. The sighting happened at 6.30pm on Thursday and they called at the police station just after 7pm.

Chief Inspector Terry Osment commented: "The family were clearly distressed by what had happened.

"We have no reason to doubt that they saw something that they have no way of explaining."

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PEERS TOLD

'NO UFO COVER-UP'

By Our Parliamentary Staff

THERE was no Defence Ministry "cover-up" over sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects, Viscount LONG, a Government defence spokesman, answered peers yesterday.

Over the last four years there had been 2,250 UFO sightings reported, and all had been passed to staff who examined them for possible defence implications, he said.

He told the leader of the Lords all-party UFO group, the Earl of Clancarty (Ind): "If you are suspicious that the Ministry of Defence is covering up in any way, I can assure you there is no reason why we should."

The sole Ministry interest in UFO reports was if they revealed, for example, that a Russian or other unidentified aircraft might have breached our defence systems.

'Natural phenomena'

Lord STRABOLGI (Lab.) suggested most sightings could be accounted for by natural phenomena.

Lord HILL-NORTON (Ind.), former Chief of the Defence Staff, asked if it was true that all sightings before 1965 were destroyed as being "of no interest." If that was so, who destroyed them?

Lord LONG said that since 1967 all UFO reports had been preserved. "Before that time, after five years, they were generally destroyed."

UFO EXPERTS PROBE LIGHT IN SKY

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UFO experts are to probe reports of a mystery light in the sky over Fife.

The bright yellow light has been spotted at dusk and in the early morning by three Kirkcaldy men.

They claim it hovers over the steeple of the Congregational Church in the town's High Street then moves out towards the River Forth and disappears over Seafield colliery.

The light was first seen two months ago by Mr John Johnstone (62) of Birnam Road.

He said today: "I think the light comes from a UFO but I haven't reported it — with something like this you can be ridiculed.

He pointed out the mys-

tery object to Mr John Ramsay (51) of Masseren Road and Mr John Crawford (22) of Duddingston Drive. Both men have seen it on numerous occasions since.

Confirming that he would be investigating, Mr Stuart Campbell the British UFO Research Association's regional investigator said: "I am interested and puzzled."

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UFO reported

TWO policemen on patrol have reported seeing an unidentified flying object near Milton Keynes. The policemen said they got out of their car as a large bright yellow object flew towards them. They described the UFO as a lozenge-shaped object with large white lights in the centre and on both sides.—(PA).

NIGHT-DRIVE TERROR ON ISOLATED ROAD

A QUIET drive turned to terror for a young family when they had a "close encounter" with a UFO. 3/28

Tony and Sharon Davies and their three children were driving over a remote hill road near Blackwood, Gwent, when their ordeal began.

"The road ahead was pitch dark when the car bonnet suddenly lit up with a strange bright greenish glow," said Mr Davies, a 22-year-old excavator driver.

"We were taken completely by surprise and I automatically slowed the car down. Through the windows we could see several strips of light floating in the air

about ten feet above the car.

"Behind the lights was a circular shadow, and the whole thing looked like one of the fancy illuminations you see in discos.

"However, the object behaved like nothing I've come across before. Though it made no noise, it remained directly above the car what-

ever speed I drove at.

"Soon Sharon and the children became very scared and I got the feeling that we dare not stop in such an isolated spot or something terrible might happen.

"Just as we were beginning to panic, the object, which was 15 to 20 feet in diameter, vanished as abruptly as it had first appeared.

"We were very relieved when we arrived at the village of Aberbargoed and seeming security soon afterwards.

"The shocks weren't over yet, however. When we stopped and got out of the car for a welcome breather we could still see the UFO much higher in the sky but still hovering over the car.

Passer-by

"We called a passer-by over to make sure we weren't seeing things, and he was as perplexed as we were.

"We were all still watching the UFO when it started to shudder and once again disappeared without warning.

"Immediately we drove to the local police station to report our sighting, and the other witness also came forward.

"Now we have all recovered our nerves but it will be long time before we travel on the same road again."

Blackwood is no stranger to UFO sightings.

Only two years ago strange lights in the night sky above Blackwood were seen by a number of reliable witnesses, including two policemen out on patrol.

None of the sightings has ever been satisfactorily explained.

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Gwent

POLICE in Gwent are investigating two sightings of unidentified flying objects in 24 hours.

The first was at Blackwood and was seen by a policeman yesterday morning. At Cwmbran last night a 16-year-old schoolgirl reported seeing similar flashing lights.

Pc Stephen Gamlin said he saw blue and white flashing lights circling low over Blackwood.

Anthea Bailey, of Turnpike Road, Croesyceilog, has told police she saw the light flashing red, white and blue about 300 feet above the ground. They were travelling in a "sort of stuttering movement."

Gwent police say, however, that although they are investigating, they have constant reports of UFOs. The police say they could be very fast aircraft.

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UFO reports stream in

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Mysterious purple lights were seen moving across the sky last Friday evening to the amazement of witnesses.

Mr Derek Mansell, of Crown Road, Wheatley, said he saw a large red light steadily moving across the sky above his home. The light suddenly shot upwards and disappeared.

"I thought it was an aircraft at first," said Mr Mansell who is UFO research officer for Contact International UK, "but an aircraft could never have shot upwards like that so quickly."

People from Oxford, Maidenhead and Cirencester saw the lights and contacted the police and Mr Mansell.

At 7.29 pm a motorist on the M40 near Oxford saw a

large oval mauve object in the sky.

In Maidenhead at 6.25 pm a family reported seeing three large red lights flying silently over the town.

In Cirencester at 8.10 pm a large oval craft with one powerful bluish light and three large red lights was seen hovering over the town before moving south.

Mr Mansell, who has been cataloguing UFOs since 1964, said the Oxford area was normally quiet but since 1981 sightings have been steadily rising.

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BEAT COPS HAVE CLOSE ENCOUNTER

**Big alert after
they spot UFO**

By JOHN KAY

TWO patrolling policemen started a big security flap yesterday . . . after a close encounter with a mystery object in the sky.

Ministry of Defence chiefs ordered a top-level probe into the lozenge-shaped UFO the cops saw humming and hovering over a town.

They want to know if there are any "defence aspects" to the sighting.

The yellow-coloured object loomed into view in Saxon Street, Milton Keynes, Bucks., at exactly 4.35am.

Patrolmen Sgt Ian Victory and PC Anthony Underwood brought their Panda car screeching to a halt when they saw the object's flashing red and blue lights.

The UFO gave off a low humming sound and

Police spot 'lozenge' over city

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TWO police officers have reported seeing a lozenge-shaped object, emitting blue and red lights from both sides in the sky over Milton Keynes.

Bletchley police issued a statement on Wednesday saying that at four minutes past midnight that morning Police Sgt Ivan Victory and Pc Anthony Underwood were travelling along the V7 by Standing Way when they saw above them over the Fishermead estate a large bright yellow light. The light appeared to move towards them and then moved away.

They stopped by the V7 and H8 and the object passed over them. The officers described the object as "lozenge-shaped".

It was emitting blue and red lights from both sides. There was enough light under-

neath to see some substructure.

There saw a large white light at the centre of the rear and there were two smaller lights on either side of that.

The object appeared to be making a humming noise. The object then passed out of sight travelling south towards Bletchley.

"Apparently there was a civilian there at the time," said the police, "but unfortunately before the officers could take his name and address he disappeared."

The information has been passed to the military authorities at West Drayton who are responsible for air traffic movement in the area.

Inspector John Griffin said: "We have no other reports of incidents of this nature in our area. We have no indication as to the speed, size or height of the object."



Sgt Ian Victory
... "they laughed

they could clearly see its sub-structure before it vanished.

Sgt Victory, 45, said: "They all laughed at us when we told them back at the police station.

"But I definitely saw it—and I've never seen anything like it before."

Milkman Richard Wait, 28, watched the UFO with the two policemen. He said: "There was no way it could have been a plane."

Milton Keynes police chief Supt. John Burton said: "These are two experienced officers and I've no reason to doubt their integrity."

A Ministry of Defence spokesman said: "We are making a full investigation."

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UFO SIGHTINGS 3128 SPARK PROBE

UFO experts are to probe reports of a mystery light in the sky over Fife. The bright, yellow light has been spotted at dusk and in the early morning by three Kirkcaldy men.

They say it hovers over the steeple of the congregational church in the town's High Street then moves out towards the River Forth and disappears over the Seafield Colliery.

The light was first seen two months ago by 62-year-old Mr John Johnstone of Birnam Road.

A keen skywatcher, he said today

"I think the light comes from a UFO but I haven't reported it . . . with some-

thing like this you can be ridiculed."

Mr Johnstone pointed out the mystery object to 51-year-old Mr John Ramsay of Masserene Road and 22 year-old Mr John Crawford of Duddingston Drive.

Both men have seen it on numerous occasions since.

"It was definitely not a plane nor a star," said Mr Crawford.

Mr Ramsay added "It's a UFO, That's all we can say. It is very bright and larger than any star."

Confirming that he would be investigating, Mr Stuart Campbell the British UFO research association's regional investigator said "I am interested and puzzled.

It is more likely to be a natural meteorological phenomenon such as ball lightning whose exact cause has scientist baffled, rather than spacecraft."

Policemen 3128 report UFO in valleys

THREE SIGHTINGS of UFO's — one by two policemen — are beginning to make some people in Gwent think that there could be little green men keeping a "beady eye" on the valleys.

All the reports are similar — red, blue and white flashing lights circling in the night sky.

Two were in the Blackwood area and the third above Cwmbran.

The most detailed report on a sighting was by Police-constable Stephen Gamlin, stationed at Blackwood. He was with a fellow officer.

Their "close encounter" came while they were on early morning duty. They reported seeing blue and white flashing lights circling low in the sky over Blackwood. Pc Gamlin said that he watched the object turn; it headed towards Oakdale, its lights turning red.

At the time the Blackwood Police Station received a call from another person in the area who had witnessed the same phenomenon.

A few days earlier a family called at Blackwood Police Station to report that a similar UFO had been over their car. It was seen by all the members of the family.

The most recent sighting was by 16-year-old Anthea Bailey, of Turnpike Road, Croesyceiliog. She said she was out for a walk when she saw a revolving circle of flashing lights in red, blue and white.

"It was some 300 feet above the ground," she said. "I can only describe the way it was travelling as a stuttering sort of movement.

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"I could see it for approximately three minutes. Then it circled over police headquarters and went off. There was no way it could have been an aircraft."

Cardiff-Wales Airport reported that at the time of the two more recent sightings there was no aircraft in the area.

There is a meteorological experiment in wind patterns taking place in the Sirhowy Valley. This is a long-term project. There were no aircraft connected with it in the air at the time of any of the sightings and there does not appear to be any link.

Gwent Police are keeping an open mind.

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Policeman spots a blue UFO

A GWENT policeman has reported seeing blue flashing lights. But the lights were not on a Panda car — they were in the sky in Blackwood.

P-c Stephen Gamlin was on duty at 7.30 am yesterday when he had a close encounter with the UFO.

He saw blue and white flashing lights, circling low in the sky over Blackwood.

The mystery object then turned, heading off towards Oakdale and the lights turned red.

P-c Gamlin's sighting confirmed an

anonymous telephone call police at Blackwood received reporting a UFO at the same time.

This is the second mystery sighting of lights in the sky in the area in less than three weeks.

And although there is a long-running meteorological experiment in wind patterns taking place in the Sirhowy Valley, no link has yet been found between the planes used and the UFO's.

Chief-inspector Terry Osment says they were keeping an open mind about the sighting.

UFO probe into hovering light

UFO experts are to home in on a yellow light which has been spotted over Kirkcaldy.

For the past two months, three Kirkcaldy men have been studying the mystery. They claim the light can be seen hovering above the steeple of the West End Congregational Church in the High Street at dusk and in the early morning.

The men say it hangs over the steeple for some time then moves out towards the Forth, disappearing over Seafield Colliery.

The light was seen first by 62-year-old Mr John Johnstone, 43 Birnam Road.

He did not report his sightings earlier because of the possibility of ridicule.

A keen sky-watcher, he added: "Quite frankly, I think the light comes from a UFO."

"It seems able to go anywhere at will, then it disappears as if someone has used a dimmer switch."

Mr Johnstone pointed out the light to two friends, 51-

year-old Mr John Ramsay, 140, Massereene road, and 22-year-old Mr John Crawford, 214 Duddingston Drive.

NOT STAR

All three have seen the light on numerous occasions.

"It is definitely not a plane, nor is it a star," Mr Crawford said.

Mr Ramsay added: "It's a UFO — that's all we can say."

"It is very bright, and larger than any star."

The sightings have been reported to Mr Stuart Campbell, regional investigator of the British UFO Research Association.

He confirmed this week that an investigation would take place.

"We shall be interviewing the three witnesses to get as many details as we can from them," he said.

"We want to know the dates and times of the sightings and we will check them against movements of known objects in the area."

Mr Campbell keeps a general watch on UFO sightings in Scotland, and he said there had been a number of reports from the Fife area.

He offered one possible explanation for the Kirkcaldy sighting.

"There is a natural phenomenon that can move in the way those witnesses have described," he said.

"Science does not really understand ball lightning, but these movements are consistent with such a phenomenon."

The causes of ball lightning still had scientists baffled, Mr Campbell said.

He would cover all possibilities to try to discover the truth behind the light.

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Scot's UFO encounter still baffles experts

POLICE officers and forensic scientists who investigated the story of a forester at Livingston, West Lothian, of his close encounter with flying saucer-like objects — said at the weekend that they had been unable to find any satisfactory explanation for his account — or of the evidence to support it.

However, Mr Stewart Campbell, who investigated the incident for the British UFO Research Association, told their annual conference in Edinburgh there could be a natural explanation for the incident — that it may have been caused by an electro-magnetic phenomenon akin to ball lightning.

This could offer in general terms a reasonable explanation of how the forester, Mr Robert Taylor, apparently saw

one large circular object from which two grey balls emanated, attacked his legs, and left him lying unconscious.

Mr Campbell said it was possible these could have been a form of ball lightning; that the holes found at the site could have been caused by electrical discharge and tracks in the grass by the magnetic field, and that Mr Taylor's apparent loss of some minutes by an epileptic fit triggered by the electro-magnetic phenomena.

The event occurred in November 1979. Mr Taylor was patrolling a forest path on foot after leaving his pick-up van when he turned a corner into a clearing and was astonished to see a large dull grey hemispherical object with a flange round it. It appeared to be either hovering or resting on the ground.

Two smaller objects, like naval mines but with longer

spikes, and the colour of emery paper, appeared from the direction of the craft and rolled on their spikes towards Mr Taylor.

They each attached one of their legs to his trousers beside the pockets, and he was alarmed by what he described as a "choking, horrible acrid smell", which resembled burning brake linings. He felt himself being carried towards the main object, but lost consciousness, and when he came to found himself lying on the ground.

When police went to the scene, they found a pair of parallel tracks, as if a giant caterpillar tractor had landed and taken off again.

There was also a set of about 40 holes in the ground. The holes contained simply loose earth and there were no marks or other indications to show how they had been formed.

Mr Campbell, an architect who is now studying electro-magnetism at the Open University to take his investigations further, said it was clear investigators had now reached the stage where they knew something had happened, but did not know the cause.

Sgt. Ian Wark, of Lothian and Borders Police, said they had investigated the incident because in legal terms, Mr Taylor's statement amounted to an allegation of assault.

They had interviewed Mr Taylor and found him to be a straightforward witness and had been unable to find any inconsistencies in his story.

Mr Lester Knibb, forensic scientist with Lothian and Borders Police, said Mr Taylor had been wearing heavy serge police-issue trousers.

The damage to the trousers, to his underclothes, and marks on his legs were consistent with his story.

Mr Knibb felt the marks had probably not been caused by electro-magnetic effects as a magnetic field would have been more uniform.

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Seeing the light

Two Newcastle police officers who saw a "lighted, inverted crescent-shaped object" in the skies, yesterday logged it as a UFO.

KIDNAPPERS FROM OUTER SPACE

A LIENS from outer space are watching every move you make and could pounce at any moment. Hundreds, and possibly thousands, of people have been kidnapped and taken aboard spaceships for examination.

Some had tissue samples taken and bear the scars to prove it.

But the memory of the experience was erased from their minds before they were released to resume their normal lives.

And it takes deep hypnosis to bring it all back.

These claims are made by Bud Hopkins, a UFO investigator.

BORROWED

Hopkins, an American artist, says that even small groups of people have been "borrowed" by aliens making in-depth studies of Earth's life forms.

He says: "UFO investigators have come to rely

They seek human tissue samples for research, say UFO investigators

upon regressive hypnosis as the most efficient method of unlocking the forgotten period—usually an hour or two—and recovering the often harrowing account of what happened."

Hopkins reckons that UFO abductions have reached "epidemic" proportions. Around 500 Americans have been kidnapped and released.

There may be "tens of thousands whose encounters have never been revealed," he warns.

In three cases the victims were abducted as children in 1950, he says. Incisions were made in their bodies and two of the victims were abducted again years later.

Hopkins says that an art student had an uneasy feel-

ing about a stretch of road he used when visiting a girlfriend.

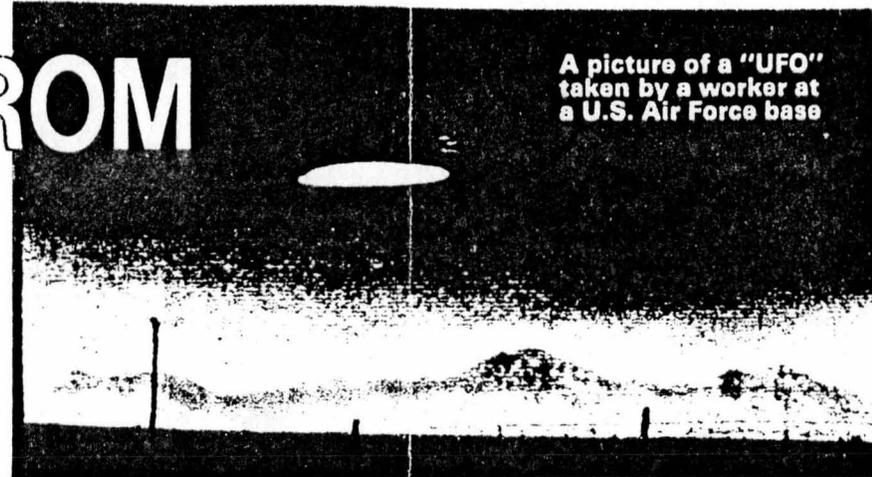
Under hypnosis the young man recalled that he was driving along the road in Maryland one evening in 1973 when his car was pulled to the side, as if by some giant magnet.

CLAMPED

Lit up in front of him were three small, white-faced creatures, apparently made of putty.

He felt some sort of metal clamp lead him by his shoulders up a ramp into a flying saucer.

In a room with curved walls he was stripped and put on a table. He was examined by a device, 9ft.



A picture of a "UFO" taken by a worker at a U.S. Air Force base

long and 4ft. wide, which came down from the ceiling.

In another case, Hopkins claims, a seven-year-old girl was abducted while collecting eggs on her grandparents' farm in Manitoba in 1950.

Under hypnosis she recalled lying on a couch in the UFO and that her leg was cut with a scalpel. The aliens wanted to take a little bit of her "back home" for "understanding."

The next thing she knew she was back at the farm bleeding from a cut on her leg, although at the time she did not realise what had happened.

Nine years later, she was abducted again when she was in France.

Hopkins says that while swimming alone in a lake in a wood she was taken inside

a UFO. A probe was inserted into her nose and blood and tissue samples were taken.

Hypnosis of a 35-year-old man disclosed that when he was seven he was separated from his family while on holiday in Tennessee and pulled into a UFO.

There "a robot arm made an incision, removed something from his leg, and then closed the wound."

SAUCER

Fourteen years later, in Pittsburgh, he awoke one night and dressed. Following "mental directions," he made his way to a lonely spot.

A flying saucer had landed there but, says Hopkins, it is not clear what happened to him.

Another victim, accord-

ing to Hopkins, was a New York doctor who had suffered a mysterious and inexplicable cut on one knee when he was seven years old in 1950. He had gone to investigate a bright glow hovering in some woods.

Thirty years later, in 1980, the doctor reported sighting a UFO in New York and he got to within 600yds. of it.

What do these alien kidnapers look like?

A book by Hopkins, *Missing Time, A Documented Study Of UFO Abductions* (Richard Marek, New York) describes them as small and skinny.

Hopkins says that according to most victims the kidnapers have whitish skin, resembling putty, mushrooms or marshmallow.

From **STEVE GREY**
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ALIEN!

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'They told her they operated on another time scale. In earth terms they were 3,500 years old'

ON A BREATHLESS day in the searing summer of 1976, a quiet and intelligent girl from an ordinary family was cycling down a country lane close to her home on the outskirts of a Welsh town.

A silvery glint from a nearby field caught her eyes. She got off the bike and went to investigate.

What young Gaynor-Sunderland saw was the start of a story which for sheer mystery must rank among the most startling tales of modern encounters with unidentified flying objects and beings from planets.

The nine-year-old found herself gazing at what looked like a spacecraft shaped like a huge cigar. And as she took refuge in a ditch some yards away a creature stepped out from behind the glittering object whose appearance left her in little doubt he was not human.

About 5 feet 6 inches tall and encased in a silvery suit, the man walked with an ungainly gait, not surprising since his knee-joints appeared to be three-quarters of the way up his leg.

In his hand he carried a gun-like object. When he pressed a button on the side, a ray flashed out to create small craters in the ground in front of him.

Soon he was joined by a second creature, this time a woman, who began investigating the craters the gun had made with her dagger. The horror-struck little girl quickly realised she had been spotted after she accidentally snapped a twig lying close to her.

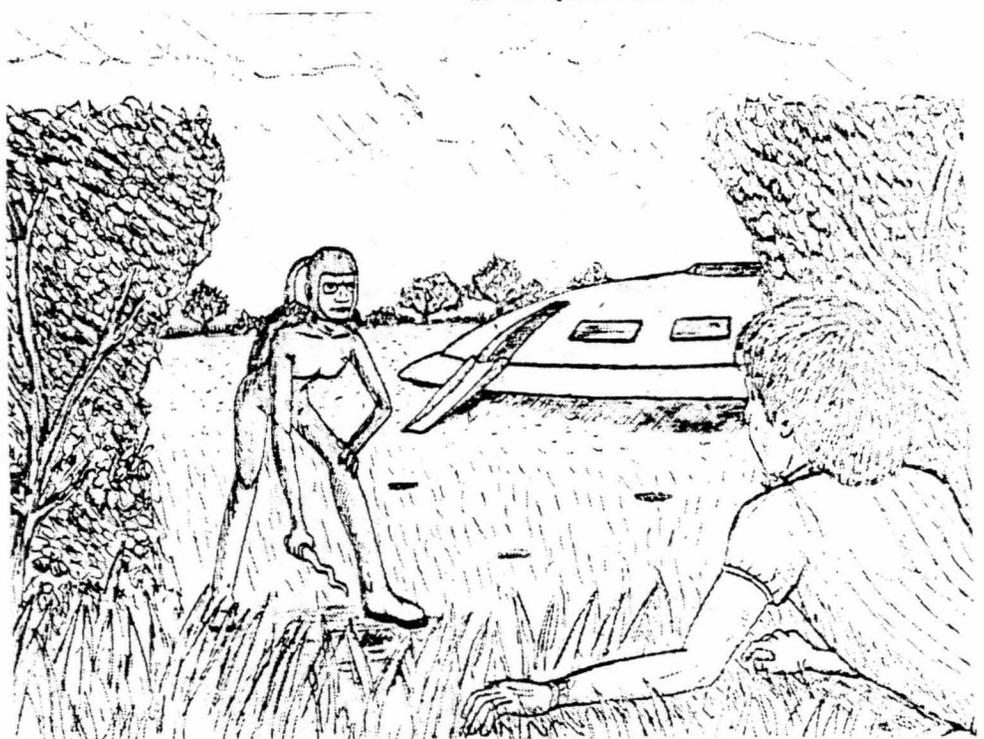
But by their friendly manner the aliens made it clear they did not want to harm her. As the girl watched, the creatures returned to their craft. It took off and disappeared into the sky.

Then she returned home to tell her astounded mother and father about her close encounter. But that was only the beginning of a story in which Gaynor became a friend of the visiting aliens.

Three of her four brothers and sisters were to have similar encounters. Even her sensible mother and down-to-earth father had experiences which hinted at the presence of forces unknown to modern man. Only the eldest child, Karl, seems to have escaped the extra-terrestrial visitations.

The remarkable story of the Sunderlands is told in a new book * published tomorrow. The two authors have investigated similar phenomena all over the world.

But even by their standards the Sunderland story is astonishing. Fred and Marion Sunderland lived at Merseyside before they moved to



● Nine-year-old Gaynor comes face-to-face with a woman from another world.

CON'T ALIEN!

younger brother Barry confessed that he too had a similar experience in roughly the same place at about the same time.

Barry said he, too, had seen a huge silver object in a field close to his home. When he had got closer to it he had seen strange creatures which looked like demons in medieval religious pictures walking around it.

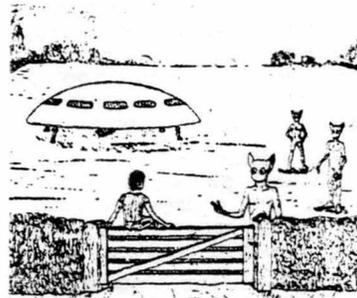
And Nerys, the youngest of the Sunderland children, also reported a strange orange object near her home. Little green men had emerged out of that object as well.

By this time the two authors of the present book as well as several other UFO investigators were taking a keen interest in the story of the Sunderland family.

Others, too, had begun calling at the home. A hypnotist who specialised in regressions — taking people through experiences they might have had in this or in past lives — tested Gaynor's story.

She recounted her experiences with a wealth of details only an experienced novelist could have invented. The hypnotist was satisfied that she was not making anything up.

Then a scientist with extensive knowledge of child psychology also



● Gaynor's brother Barry says the aliens he saw looked like demons out of medieval religious pictures.

examined Gaynor. He too came to the conclusion that she was not inventing her experiences.

But just what were the aliens? And why did they manifest themselves to a group of young children of an average family living in a pleasant but nondescript part of Wales?

* *Alien Contact* by Jenny Randles and Paul Whetnail, (published by Neville Spearman, price, £5.25.

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2 policemen spot UFO in Shenango Township

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A disc-shaped flying object emitting a white glowing light reportedly followed two police officers in their cruiser in Shenango Township at dawn today and then climbed vertically out of sight.

This unidentified flying object was reported by Neshannock Township Police Officer Anthony Nativio and Shenango Township Police Officer Ronald Bongivengo.

Officer Nativio reported he first spotted the bright object about 5 a.m. approximately a quarter mile east of Ellwood Road across from Cascade Park as he was driving south toward his Rose Stop Road residence.

As he glanced at the object, which was about a quarter mile up, Officer Nativio first thought it was a star. But as he continued south on Ellwood Road, the policeman noticed the object moving along with his police car at the same speed.

Continuing past Lawrence Village Plaza, the UFO stayed with Nativio as he turned onto Rose Stop Road toward home. Officer Nativio pulled his car behind the house, with the

silent glowing object following. It then hovered about 800 feet above the house and moved back and forth across the road, Nativio said.

Unable to estimate the size of the object, Officer Nativio said, "It looked pretty big to me." It was shaped like a dinner plate and gave off a white "glow light," he added.

After observing the object for about 15 minutes from the time he first spotted it from his police car, Nativio then called Shenango Township Police Officer Ronald Bongivengo.

Officer Nativio pointed out the object, which was then about 600 yards away. Bongivengo said it looked like a "search light on the bottom of a helicopter, but larger." He said it was very bright and the area around the object was illuminated.

Nativio said the object would follow them if they drove away. Both police officers drove off in the cruiser, and they said the glowing object followed.

They drove on Rose Stop Road to Ellwood Road and turned north, traveling about a quarter mile. It was dawn by then, and the object was

about 1000 feet above the police car, Bongivengo said.

The police officers did not have a camera, so they called Neshannock Police Officer Robert Shaffer, who arrived a few minutes later and took some pictures.

But by then the UFO had started to rise slowly and very high and eventually out of sight. But it was still a small speck by the time Shaffer arrived, Nativio said, adding Shaffer was able to see something. Officer Nativio's mother also reportedly saw the object.

Bongivengo first was hesitant to report his experience. He said he does not believe in UFOs, but added, "I know what I saw."

Township Police Chief David Rishel said there have been other sightings in the Ellwood Road area before.

"It bugged me a little bit. I never saw anything like it before," Nativio said. But he added, "Maybe I saw something similar to it a couple of weeks ago in the same area." But Nativio did not think anything of it and decided not to report his sighting.