

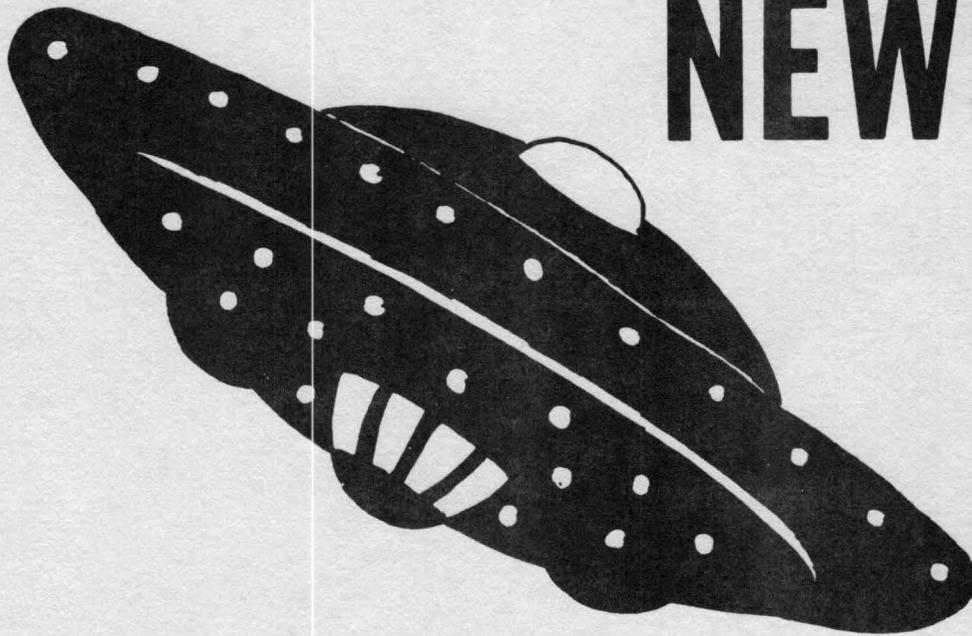
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Are we being watched by UFOs?

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By David Miller Toronto Star

FOUR top-secret airbases in Canada and the United States are inundated with reports of unidentified flying objects that show up on radar. But when fighter jets are scrambled and sent to the scene, nothing is there.

A Saskatchewan farmer harvesting his crops sits stunned on his tractor as five whirling discs suddenly rise from the ground, shoot out a white vapor and jump 200 feet in the air. When they leave, a mysterious series of rings is visible in the field.

A 27-year-old Bracebridge carpenter sees a glowing light over Three Mile Lake. When he drives out to investigate, he sees a stocky creature in silvery apparel jump a fence. Then a saucer-type ship lifts off the ground and circles a hydro pole before disappearing.

Two hunters in Libau, Manitoba, see a 100-foot object, domed with short pods, approach from the west and stop over their truck. They fire a shotgun at the object and it slowly rises and disappears, making a loud humming sound.

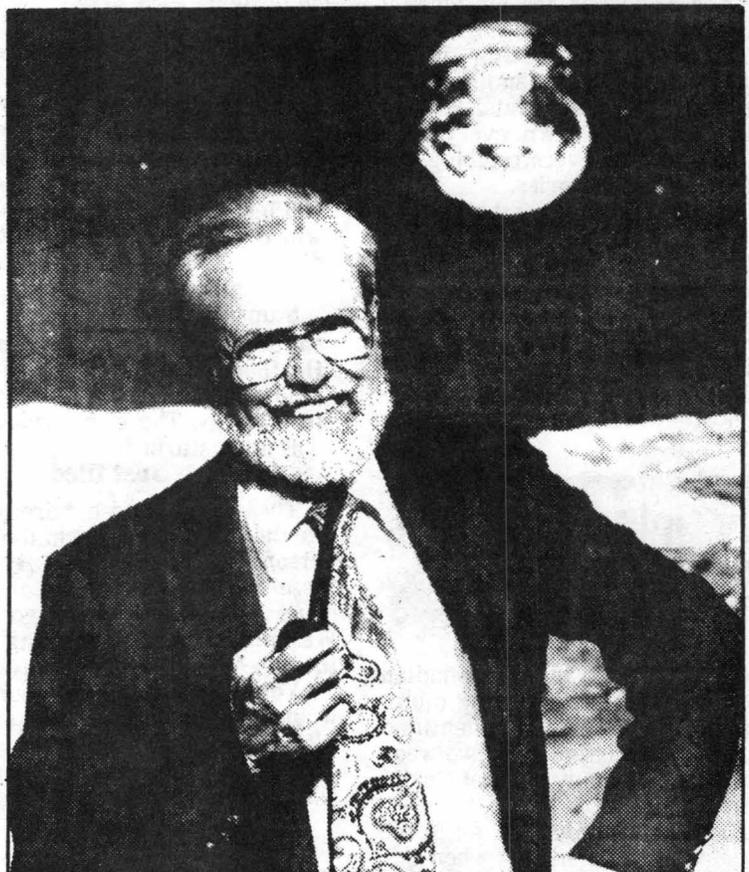
These, and other stories, are not the stuff of bad dreams or awful movies according to the small but select group of serious scientists investigating UFO phenomena, the very real study of strange events or, more properly, close encounters with the unexplained.

Top researcher

The top UFO researcher in North America, according to our own National Research Council and his international peers, is Dr. J. Allen Hynek, the former head of the astronomy department at Northwestern University in Illinois and for 20 years, the scientific adviser for Project Bluebook, the top-secret U.S. Air Force study of unidentified flying objects.

Hynek, bearded, benign and gracious, now operates the Centre for UFO Studies in Evanston, Ill., using the huge computers at nearby Northwestern to store his 80,000 cases from 161 countries.

Scientists and computers are hard at work to explain the thousands of mysterious sightings from all corners of the globe



Top UFO researcher: Dr. J. Allen Hynek, who devoted years studying UFO sightings, stands in front of a moonscape mockup. Hynek recalls UFO cases from 161 countries.

"You must avoid at all costs giving the impression that I am a UFO buff," said Hynek in a day-long interview with The Sunday Star in his Evanston Centre. "I am a scientist and an astronomer looking at a serious subject, a subject that won't go away."

Hynek, 74, works with his staff in the non-profit centre to correlate and investigate reports from around the world. Some are investigated first-hand and Canada, surprisingly, has more UFO sightings per capita than anywhere else.

"I don't know why," said Hynek, who has written two books on the subject and included several mysterious Canadian cases. "Four-fifths of the cases reported are identifiable flying objects, but 20 per cent of the evidence offered suggests no explanation."

Hynek, who acted as technical adviser for Steven Spielberg's movie, *Close Encounters Of The Third Kind*, spent 20 years investigating sightings for the U.S. Air Force, including many that filtered down from Canada in an exchange program between the two defence departments. Many were never made public until recently when both governments passed freedom of information acts.

"When I started with the air force, I was convinced it was all nonsense," says Hynek, who worked with NASA in the 1970s to prepare a lunar landing place for the American astronauts. "I did everything to knock down every case until I found myself overstretching the explanations to fit the stories."

"Then, finally I decided what right had I not to believe these people? They were solid citizens, well-thought of in their jobs, pilots and even scientists like me. And I could not explain multiple witness cases when two or more people saw the same thing."

He took his concerns to the air force but found "they were hell-bent against UFOs."

Multiple sightings crowded into 2 weeks in U.S. and Canada

ONE of the strangest Canadian cases on record involving multiple sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects occurred in a two-week period in 1975 over many parts of Northern Ontario.

Each sighting was near an air force base or radar installation and, when U.S. and Canadian data were finally assembled, it was found that similar sightings at the same time were made at American SAC (Strategic Air Command) bases in Montana, Michigan and Maine.

The first Canadian report came Nov. 11, 1975 when a NORAD radar station in Falconbridge picked up a blip. Two jets were sent up at 3.50 in the afternoon and rushed to the area but found nothing. Falconbridge was still showing an object on its radar, however, steady at 26,000 feet.

The next day, again in Falconbridge, Julian Prince of McRae Heights Drive reported an object 20 miles southeast of the community. OPP answered his call at 5.15 a.m. and reported there were two objects with glowing lights, fading from bright to dim.

Four days later, Mrs. Carl Anderson of Duluth, Mich., reported four objects "brighter than stars" heading east at 2.20 a.m. Three hours later, Robert Oliver of Riverside Dr., Sudbury, was in his backyard when he saw an object heading south, bright yellow in color with a long vapor trail. NORAD again investigated.

Then, at noon that day, Nov. 15, Lyman Paquette, a student at Laurentian University, saw a bright white object which he described as "looking like a cup" in the eastern sky. He called his sister and brother-in-law and they watched the object for 20 minutes until it climbed out of sight.

Bewildered and afraid, Fuhr backed up and climbed on top of his tractor. He then saw four other similar discs. He was so frightened, he didn't even turn off his tractor and he heard no other noise. Yet all five discs were spinning.

Suddenly, the five devices shot up to 200 feet in perfect formation, emitted a white vapor and disappeared into the clouds. The wind almost knocked off Fuhr's hat.

Stunned, Fuhr got off his tractor and cautiously went back to the hover points. He found five perfect rings left in the field, four 11 feet in diameter and one 8 feet across. The grass around the rings was not disturbed.

Just filed

"These cases, and hundreds more just like them, are very real in the eyes of the persons affected," says Hynek. "Yet these reports are just filed. Nothing is done with them. They go into some Washington or Ottawa filing cabinet in the hopes that they'll go away."

"You would think the scientific world would be agog with this sort of thing, but it's not. Tell me why?"

Stanton Friedman of Fredericton, N.B., thinks he knows why. It's all part of a "cosmic Watergate" where governments on both sides of the border have agreed to keep silent on events or encounters they can't explain.

Friedman, 50, a nuclear physicist, has

been studying UFOs for 14 years and is an expert in nuclear heat shields. He firmly believes that both the U.S. and Canadian governments have information on flying saucers that is "more classified than hydrogen bombs."

The National Research Council in Ottawa now gets and correlates all UFO sighting in Canada, he says, but the sightings are classified into two areas: meteors and non-meteors.

"Let's face it, the NRC is interested in meteors but the rest are just considered so much garbage."

And, he says flying saucers do exist and the U.S. government has the wreckage of one that crashed in Roswell, New Mexico, on July 2, 1947.

Friedman has interviewed 89 people involved in that case and said the air force first announced a UFO had gone down but later changed that to say it was a weather balloon.

But Friedman says people who were there, including an air force general, say the balloon was substituted for UFO debris that was taken away and hidden.

He also interviewed seven people who handled the wreckage. They described it as very strong and light. It could not be burned or torn and yet it looked like tin foil.

Today, Friedman, who is a consultant on the huge Point Le Preau nuclear power station in New Brunswick, is using Canada's freedom of information

act to get files on UFO studies dating back to the 1950s.

"When I'm finished, we'll have proof of a cover-up."

Maybe.

Dr. Allen G. McNamara, head of the National Research Council science of planetary sciences, is responsible for UFO reports which last year totalled 106, most passed on from the RCMP.

He admits the council does not follow up most UFO reports which are filed and then, after a three year period, released to the public archives. But he denies there is any "cover-up."

"The NRC has been handling UFO reports since 1967 and we've found, quite simply, that there's has been no practical or rewarding reason scientifically for exhaustive follow-ups."

"Many years ago a lot of time and money was spent chasing down UFO reports. The U.S. air force alone spent \$1 million in 1967 funds just on UFOs but all this investigation turned up nothing in terms of unusual extra-terrestrial visits."

"There were cases of mistaken identity and weird unconfirmed reports but nothing, really nothing, of scientific value."

He addressed UFO in four different languages

THE case of Stephen Michalak and what happened to him on a lonely rock face near Falcon Lake, Man., is still being talked about today by UFO researchers.

Chris Rutkowski, an astronomer and the chairman of Project UFO Canada, has spent years investigating the incident and is convinced the prospector had a "very real incident."

"There has never been a proper explanation for the burns Michalak suffered."

It happened May 20, 1967, in a rugged area north of Falcon Lake. Michalak was working a rock face near the top of a hill around 12.15 p.m. when he saw two objects glowing red in the sky.

One landed 150 yards away. Michalak later described it as being 45 feet in diameter and the classic saucer shape of a UFO.

He called out in English, German, Russian and Polish but got no response. Finally, he walked up to the ship and looked through the doorway. He saw a maze of lights and what looked like a computer console.

Accidentally, he touched the side of the craft and his heavy gloves burned and melted. The object then began to rotate and exhaust, like a hot gas, hit him on the chest and knocked him to the ground.

The craft slowly lifted off the ground while the other object returned and hovered in the distance.

Michalak, at this point, was in agony on the ground. He said later his clothes were on fire and he pulled them off. He had second- and third-degree burns on his chest.

He became ill and started to vomit but made it to the TransCanada Highway and got back to Falcon Lake and his hotel. He stayed in his room because he was afraid he had radiation poisoning.

He returned to Winnipeg and admitted himself to hospital where he told doctors he was burned by an airplane exhaust. Finally, he reported the incident and UFO investigators took him to the Mayo Clinic for an examination.

"But there was no result of the Mayo tests," remembers Rutkowski. "It was like he had never been there. Finally, the files were released and they showed nothing wrong.

Dr. Peter McNamara, head of the planetary section of the National Research Council of Canada, examined all the RCMP reports and called the case "a problem"

"It's hard to sort out the effects of the rings. The burnt circles may be traced to the fairy mushroom phenomenon. These mushrooms release spores and when they die of decay, the spores generate hydrogen cyanide gas which decimates grass.

"The mushrooms grow outward in rings and keep spreading. The rings can vary up to 2,000 feet from a few feet in diameter and are very often reported as perfect circles.

"Whether that happened in Saskatchewan or not, we don't know. The evidence is circumstantial but we do know the incident happened at a time in the mushroom growth stage when spores are released.

"Who knows. It could also have been a dust devil, a miniature tornado."

Recent reports

Asked about recent reports (the NRC has handled more than 2,000 since 1967), McNamara said the council only follows up "radically-new" sightings.

"But again, it's a question of priorities"

Today, he says, general public interest has died down in Canada over UFOs.

"And let's face it, there's never been any hard evidence left behind to prove close encounters of the third kind (actual physical contact with an extra-terrestrial being). I know, I know, people are convinced something happened to them, and there's really no point in arguing.

"Our view is that it's fruitless to try to convince them otherwise. So now, we feel they can believe what they want."

Harsh words and Hynek vehemently disagrees.

People who report UFOs have definitely seen something, he says, and he has talked to many of them first-hand. However, he agrees no one has proved whether it's alien spaceships or an unknown earthly phenomenon.

The sightings and descriptions display a strange consistency, Hynek says, and he did a computer analysis of 400 documented cases and found 100 occurred in broad daylight.

Saskatchewan farmer viewed quintet of spinning discs

THERE'S still no official explanation for what happened to Edwin Fuhr, a Saskatchewan farmer who experienced an incredible encounter with UFOs Sept. 2, 1972.

Fuhr, a respected and popular man in the area near Langenburg, was harvesting a field of rapeseed on his family farm, working alone on his tractor about 11 in the morning. As he was working, he spotted something which he first decided was a duck blind.

He got off his tractor and started walking toward it. Then, when he got within 20 feet, he saw the object was whirling and hovering over his field. He described it as a dome-shaped disc, about 11 feet across and 5 feet thick.

"But I could understand that; it was a typical human reaction. They were supposed to defend us so they traded on the kooks and crackpots and tried to knock every case.

"Serious scientists, however, recognized there was a phenomenon."

For example, Hynek cannot explain:

□ The "very terrifying experience" of two men in Pascagoula, Miss., who were interviewed under hypnosis and swore they were taken aboard a space craft in October, 1973, by three weird creatures with wrinkled skin, crab-claw hands and pointed ears.

□ What happened in Kenora, Ont., on Aug. 20, 1955, when the head of a small charter airline saw a shiny object stop dead in front of him while he was checking his seaplane. His night watchman was with him and both watched the saucer-shaped object for four to five minutes until it suddenly accelerated and disappeared into the sky at a 40-degree angle.

□ Why Tom Thibault of Docetteville, N.S., had his car pushed back 250-feet by a 60-foot object that hovered above it and created a blue light and magnetic field. Thibault, to this day, still gets headaches when he passes by the area.

Bracebridge man saw circling spaceship

A BRACEBRIDGE carpenter who says he had a close encounter of the third kind with an extra-terrestrial being has now become so upset about the incident that he moved away.

And the carpenter, who was 27 at the time of the October, 1975, sighting, says he does not want his name released because he is concerned about crank calls. "But I saw it, nothing will change that," he added.

The case was investigated by UFO researchers around North America and still is unexplained to this day. The carpenter made sketches of a saucer-type ship and a humanoid which appeared to be wearing a bubble helmet.

It happened near Three Mile Lake. The carpenter and his sister saw a glowing light come across the lake. He drove out in his car and found a spaceship on the road which lifted and sped upwards as he approached it.

He also saw a stocky broad-shouldered creature in a silvery uniform. The creature walked like an ape and jumped over a fence with ease, almost like it was weightless.

The spaceship then circled over a hydro pole near the carpenter's home and inside the house, the television set darkened as power diminished.

The carpenter, after reporting the incident, was inundated by the media and eventually had to have his phone disconnected. He finally had to move from the area because the crank calls were bothering his young family.

"It was reported and investigated," he said in a recent interview. "It was a half hour that changed my life. Now, I just want to be left alone."

The next morning, Ralph Larsen of Cloquet saw a "cigar-shaped" object with flashing lights.

Twelve hours after that, Joanne McGraw of Cote Rd., Chelmsford, reported seeing a "huge" oval shaped object with a blinding white light. The object disappeared in the clouds but when McGraw got into her car and headed down the Froot Rd. to Sudbury, the object followed her for 20 minutes.

The final sighting came at 3.30 in the morning of Nov. 26 when John Dunlop, a visitor at the Bayside Cottages on Manitoulin Islands, saw two oval objects over the lake moving in a north-sound direction.

The U.S. records match the Canadian sightings with UFOs observed over Loring air force base, Malmstrom in Montana and several bases in Michigan.

The official American explanation was coincidence. There was a high density of ice crystal layers in the sky and the planet Venus, at that time of the year, was brighter than any other stars.

"The problem with the Falconbridge incident," says Dr. Peter McNamara, head of the planetary sciences division of the National Research Council of Canada, "was the lack of scientifically accurate information."



Burn victim: Stephen Michalak reports he was burned by exhaust emissions of a saucer-shaped UFO near Falcon Lake, Man., when he accidentally touched the craft.

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Island sighting: A professional photographer took a series of pictures he is certain showed a saucer-type disc flying over a tiny island 1,200 kilometres off the coast of Brazil.

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He also found 37 were silent, 41 were disc-shaped, 27 hovered, 21 accelerated quickly, 11 landed, 35 were metallic and 30 were witnessed independently. Even stranger, of the 158 UFOs reported to be silent and the 69 with unusual acceleration, 23 exhibited both qualities.

"Nothing on earth can do that. It's a paradox and, as yet, unexplained."

Crew members saw saucer above Trindade Island

IT happened Jan. 16, 1958, when the sailing vessel Almirante Saldanha anchored at Trindade Island to check a meteorological station. It was just past noon, as the ship was making ready to return to Rio, when the object approached.

Photographer Almiro Barauna was on deck with his 2.8 lens Rolleiflex camera taking photos of the final trip of the small boat used between ship and shore.

At 12.20 p.m., excitement broke out on deck at the fast approach of a bright object moving towards the island. The crew shouted at Barauna and pointed at the object.

The photographer then took six photographs (at intervals of 14 seconds as determined by later tests). The first two were taken as the object approached the island. It disappeared behind a peak and then reappeared, moving in the opposite direction.

It moved at high speed back towards the sea and suddenly stopped momentarily in mid-air. After 10 more seconds, it moved away and disappeared.

The captain, Commander Jose Saldanha da Gama, immediately ordered Barauna to develop the film which showed an object resembling the planet Saturn. The Brazilian Navy later estimated the speed of the saucer to be 600 to 700 miles an hour.

The photos were finally proclaimed authentic by Brazilian experts and Barauna, in an interview last year, said "I feel peaceful (about this), peaceful as I've always been. I'm fully confident about the sighting."

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Teens terrified by UFO

TEENAGE SWEETHEARTS Danny Thrift and Janet Curry were terrified by a UFO that chased their car and lit up the inside like a lightning flash in slow motion.

"I've never seen anything like it," said Danny, 19, his voice still shaking. "I've never been so frightened in all my life."

Danny and Janet, 17, were driving to his grandmother's house on the outskirts of Waycross, Georgia, when they saw the first flash of light.

It was about 7 p.m. on a clear, crisp night.

Suddenly, from out of nowhere, a light appeared in the field next to the road. The object appeared to be just above the treetops.

Figuring it was a plane in distress, Danny headed his car toward the light to see if he could help.

But as he approached, he realized that what he was looking at was like nothing he had ever seen before.

"It started moving fast and it changed direction," Danny recalled.

"All of a sudden, it was coming right for me, heading

right toward the car.

"It scared me so bad I started to cry."

The soundless object flashed its lights, two red and one green.

It hovered above Danny's car.

The terrified teenager tried to drive away from the strange object, but no matter how fast he went, the UFO kept up.

"I was trying to speed away and it kept up with me. It got right over the car and glided over us. I felt I was in danger."

Danny and Janet, frightened into hysteria, were horrified they were being pursued.

The lights blinked on and off and then the object hung, suspended, directly over the car and shined excruciatingly



EERIE LIGHT from UFO hovered over car.

bright lights into the interior. "It lit up the whole inside of the car," Danny said.

As suddenly as it appeared, the UFO vanished.

When they reached his grandmother's house, Danny and Janet called the Ware County Sheriff's Office.

Most bizarre of all, Danny said, was that a deputy sent to investigate the call was nearly hit by an object with red and green blinking lights.

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Mr Ray Miller and the flattened corn. — Picture by Steven Stocker.

Deer may solve the riddle of cornfield

MORE MYSTERIOUS circles have appeared in Wiltshire corn fields reviving speculation about UFOs or more earthly phenomena.

The latest sighting was in fields at the Common in Steeple Ashton while Mr Ray Miller was walking his dog, writes Roderic Eldridge.

He said, "As far as I can see from the footpath there are four or five of these circles. I walk the dog that way every day and these suddenly appeared yesterday. "There does not appear to be any way in to the marks which appears to rule out human involvement. It is very peculiar."

Mr Miller, who lives in the village, says that he keeps an open mind about flying saucers and extra terrestrial beings.

Wiltshire has been a focal point for similar sightings in fields of growing cereal in recent years.

Several fields near Westbury had symmetrical marks of cereal laid down as though by a giant landing craft last year.

This year already there have been reports from Hampshire and from Cley Hill, Warminster. The Steeple Ashton markings though could well have a less romantic explanation.

As I looked at the site, a pair of possible culprits

loomed into view on the far side of the field. Frisking deer gambolling about in the corn might just have been responsible.

That has been one of the principal theories during the current speculation. Leading local meteorologist Dr Terence Meaden is convinced that it is mini-whirlwinds. And there are those who subscribe to the view it is pranksters whirling a chain around.

With Wiltshire's military establishments dotted round Salisbury Plain quite a few folk have put it all down to the down draught from hovering helicopters on exercises.

UFOs in night sky

Five people telephoned the police to say they had seen a UFO over Leeds.

They described a pair of coloured rotating lights which hovered or moved about for several minutes at about 10 p.m. last night.

Mr. Dennis Gibson, 56, an engineering inspector, of Croft House Road, Morley, Leeds, watched the object through binoculars. "At first my wife thought they were stars," he said.

The object was also spotted hovering over Selby, between 9.45 p.m. and 10 p.m. Mr. George Flack, of Church Close, Hambleton, saw it as he went to his garage.

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Former naval officer believes in UFOs

Has proof government studies them

By HOLLY WOOD

U.S. government officials should follow prudent intelligence policy by investigating Unidentified Flying Object sightings, the San Antonio Mutual UFO Network president believes.

Tom Deuley, a retired Navy lieutenant commander whose last assignment was with the National Security Agency, said, "If you pinned down the government, it would be the last to deny UFOs are there. Normal security precautions make it worthwhile to look into sightings."

Documents obtained through the Freedom of Information Act will be among program material at the 15th annual international MUFON symposium July 6-8 at the Holiday Inn North.

The documents indicate that from the late 1940s to the present, several federal intelligence agencies, military departments and U.S. State Department officials have studied the UFO phenomenon.

The documents have formed the basis of a new book *Clear Intent* with research partially funded by the Fund for UFO Research.

The fund was co-founded by Deuley during his duty station in Washington, D.C.

Citizens Against UFO Secrecy has obtained more than 4,000 pages of previously classified UFO documents from the military, FBI and CIA for *Clear Intent*.

Copies of the book and bumper stickers based on the numerous government documents will be sold. The stickers carry the message: "UFOs Are Real. Ask the Government."

"The government maintains a curiosity about UFOs, but the government is as baffled as we are. We agree there is no security threat from UFOs," Deuley said.

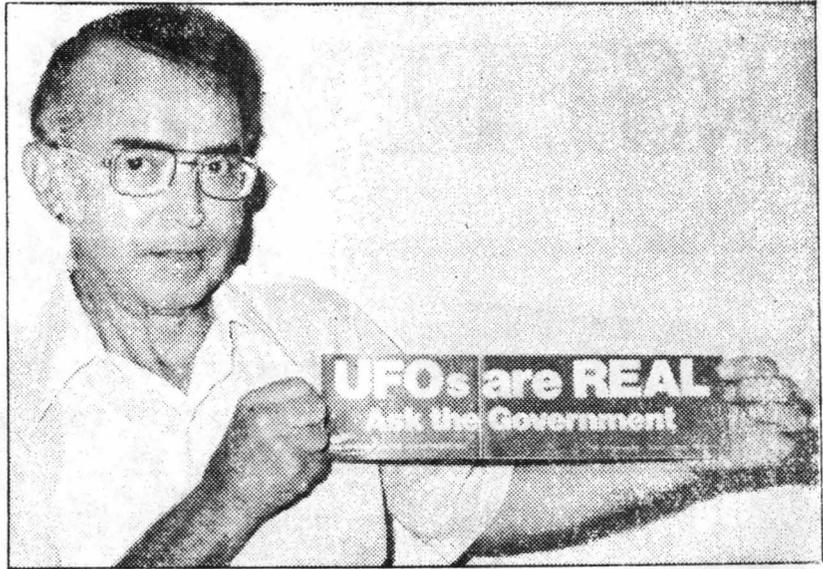


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WALTER ANDRUS BELIEVES MANY UFO SIGHTINGS REAL ... displays bumper sticker to be sold at symposium

Also on display at the symposium will be Deuley's drawings based on reported sightings in San Antonio of a a tear-shaped craft with brilliant chartreuse-colored lights. Two Brookhollow subdivision teen-agers reported seeing the object last March 6 and 7.

The teen-agers notified Deuley while observing a second disc-shaped object with a cone.

"Neither the Air Force nor the Federal Aviation Administration had anything in the air at the time of those sightings," Deuley said.

Deuley said he was able to interview the teen-agers while they were still obviously shaken by their encounter.

"If you see something strange, get a second person involved and contact a MUFON member," he said.

The public has become blasé about UFOs since the release of the motion pictures *E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial* and *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*. Deuley said.

"Their attitude is 'Oh, yeah, I finally saw a UFO,'" he said.

Deuley, however, believes there

will be scientific paydirt at the end of the UFO trail.

Of the 1,000 sightings a year, 80 percent can be attributed to a natural or physical phenomenon.

"We just don't know what the other 20 percent are," Deuley said.

Stephen Spielberg, producer of *E.T.* and *The Gremlins*, is a member of the board of directors of the Center for UFO Studies founded by Dr. J. Allen Hynek, who will be one of the symposium's speakers.

Unlike most of the MUFON members, Deuley has never experienced a sighting. Instead, his interest grew out of reading *A Case for the UFOs* as a teen-ager.

It was not until 1969, however, when the Air Force closed Project Blue Book, that Deuley became immersed in UFOlogy.

The Air Force awarded \$500,000 to the University of Colorado for a UFO research project directed by Dr. Edward Condon.

"Condon's conclusion was pre-determined and at odds with the UFO community," Deuley charged. "Con-

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Photo by HOLLY WOOD

TOM P. DEULEY DESCRIBES DRAWINGS OF RECENT SAN ANTONIO UFO SIGHTINGS ... prepares for upcoming symposium of 'UFologists'

don relegated the whole thing to people with over-active imaginations."

Instead of spending \$500,000, the Air Force could have bought dinner for several members of the UFO community and reached the conclusion that there was not enough to substantiate further investment, the former Naval officer said.

The report did not say the subject of UFOs required no further study, he challenged.

He acknowledged there are charlatans on the fringe of "UFology" and perpetual hoaxes against entire communities.

"People who have sighted UFOs represent a cross-section of America from the dirt farmer to psychologists, engineers and pilots."

Not once during his 21-year Naval career was Deuley asked to give up his interest in UFOs.

He was asked, however, not to get

the Navy involved in any of his UFO talks.

MUFON, now the largest group of UFologists, was founded in 1967. The international headquarters were moved to Seguin nine years ago when International Director Walter Andrus was transferred by his employer from Quincy, Ill., to Seguin.

The MUFON symposium will be open to the public. Cost for attending all sessions will be \$30.

After the Devil's Triangle ... Now it's the Devil's Crescent

IT'S CALLED the Cascade Corridor — a ruggedly beautiful, but eerie stretch of seacoast running from Washington to Northern California that's as mysterious and deadly as the notorious Bermuda Triangle.

Within its boundaries lie dangerous Mt. St. Helens, the towering Mt. Rainier, Mt. Shasta, fog shrouded Puget Sound, and a host of mysteries which have baffled Indian tribes, local residents and researchers studying the arcane happenings of past and present.

Magnetic fields within the Corridor act in bizarre and unexplainable ways; UFOs are sighted regularly, Bigfoot roams, people vanish, phantom hitchhikers are glimpsed and experienced pilots lose their bearings.

Ancient Indian legends tell of evil spirits that inhabited the area from the very dawn of creation.

According to tribal lore, the restless spirits of the vanished hunters still prowl the area and stories of man and canoes plucked from the water are common among the Indians.

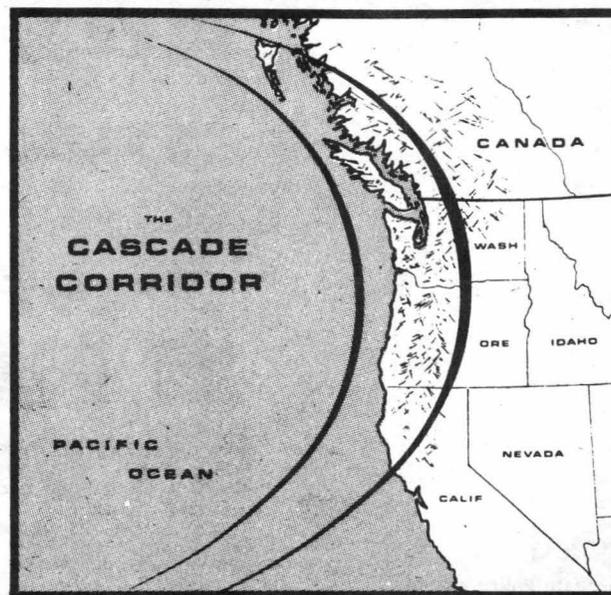
Perhaps strangest of all are the sometimes terrifying psychic experiences reported by many who've ventured into certain parts of the Corridor. Indian medicine men regularly went to these sites to commune with the "Great Changer" and see visions.

Vortexes

Such sites are known as vortexes. According to psychologist Dr. Stanley Krippner, "It's a location where people and other living things and objects do not behave as they ordinarily would."

Writing in an October, 1973 issue of *Psychology Today*, Dr. Krippner explained that "individuals who go into some of these natural vortexes, such as the one near Mt. Shasta, claim that they enter a different state of consciousness."

There are many such vortexes in the Cascade Corridor. The most notorious is the so-called Oregon Vortex,



located near Gold Hill in Southern Oregon.

It is about 165 feet in diameter and its strange powers continue to baffle scientists and investigators because the supposedly immutable laws of physics simply do not apply within its boundaries.



OREGON PHOTO of alleged Bigfoot taken in 1968.

... where Bigfoot, UFOs & phantoms roam

Kinney, says that some believe areas of the Corridor are "like an inter-dimensional window, and when people inadvertently pass through they can mysteriously die, vanish or end up somewhere else in the corridor, sometimes far from where they were.

"Others think UFOs are responsible."

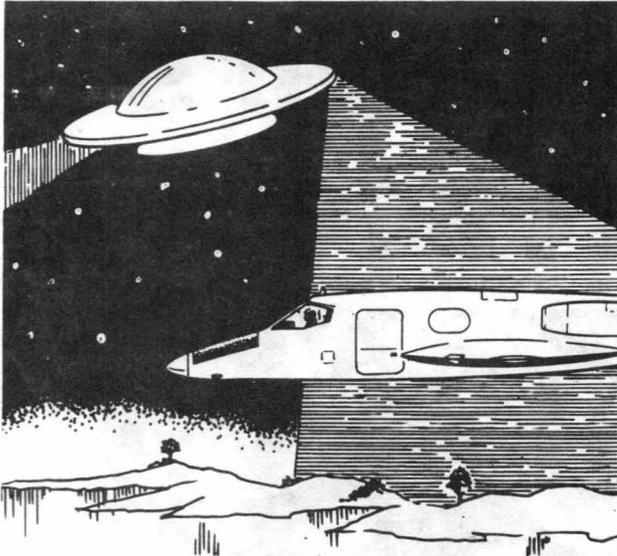
UFO sightings are commonplace in the Corridor. In fact the term flying saucer originated from a 1947 eyewitness report of a UFO seen in the corridor by pilot Kenneth Arnold.

He described nine UFOs

Gravity pulls at odd angles, and the magnetic field twists and spins, making compasses useless. Birds refuse to fly over the area, visual perception and light are distorted and men's minds run amuck.

One investigator, Robert

DEVILS
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FLYING SAUCER sightings are commonplace.

as looking like flying saucers.

In modern times the toll taken by the unseen forces within the doomed area is frighteningly impressive.

- Planes mysteriously crash, and bodies of passengers and crews vanish into thin air.

- Experienced fishermen disappear. Later their boats are found still afloat but no trace of the missing men has ever been found.

Pilots flying over the Corridor sometimes find their compasses and other navigational equipment useless, they become disoriented and, if lucky, suddenly find themselves miles away from where they thought they

were. The unlucky ones crash into hostile mountain sides, their bodies never being found.

The multitude of puzzling questions raised by this mysterious Corridor remain unanswered.

— JOHN TURNER

PORTLAND, OR.
OREGONIAN
JUNE 26 1984

Cow's death investigated

NORTH POWDER — Oregon State Police are investigating the death and mutilation of a young cow that a trooper said is reminiscent of the mysterious "cattle mutilations" of the late 1970s.

The animal's carcass was found Saturday about 2½ miles west of Interstate 84, police said. Its sexual organs had been removed and its tail cut off.

The cattle killings of the 1970s, which occurred over much of the West and often were accompanied by the surgically precise removal of eyes and sexual organs, were attributed to everything from cult groups to outer space visitors. Some law enforcement agency insisted most of the animals had been killed by predators and the deaths were not unusual.

EXAMINER
JULY 17 1984

Cosmonaut will lead UFO investigation

A PROMINENT Soviet cosmonaut is about to head an official Kremlin UFO investigation.

Former space traveler Pavel Popovich has been put in charge of the probe — started because of a number of sightings of a mysterious "flying cigar"-shaped object over Russian territory.

The bizarre craft was seen recently by air controllers over Gorky, a small town near Moscow.

During the sighting, witnessed by a number of Russian air control personnel, the craft circled an airfield several times and then vanished off the radar screens. No radio contact was made with the object.

The craft, said to be about the size of a commercial airliner, has convinced skeptical Russian experts that UFOs really do exist.

The UFO investigative body will be known as the Commission for the Investigation of Abnormal Atmospheric Phenomena.

Other UFO researchers from around the world say they are pleased the Russians are pursuing the investigation because unexplained

By ERIC FAUCHER

sightings can pose a dangerous problem.

Russian military men — notorious for their tendency to shoot first and ask questions later — often respond to the UFOs as though they were foreign military craft on an attack mission.

Jenny Randles, director of the British UFO Research Association, welcomed the new study:

"UFOs have become a major defense problem."

AUSTRALIA

JET PILOT FIRED SHOT AT SAUCER

A DRAMATIC report of how American Air Force pilots tried to shoot down a UFO has been revealed to us.

The hushed-up account says a radar site near a fighter base picked up a UFO doing 700 mph.

It slowed to 100 and two F-86s were scrambled to intercept.

One closed on the UFO at about 3,000 feet. The UFO began to speed off but the pilot managed to get within 500 yards of it for a short time.

The report says: "It was definitely saucer-shaped. As the pilot pushed the F-86 at top speed, the UFO began to pull away.

"When the range reached 1,000 yards the pilot armed his guns and fired in an attempt to down the saucer.

"He failed and the UFO

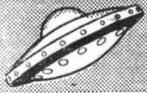
pulled away rapidly, vanishing in the distance."

A copy of the report, from a secret manual for American pilots under training, was given to one of Britain's leading UFO experts, Timothy Good.

He has also obtained some CIA records.

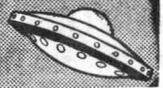
One tells how a British European Airways pilot saw a UFO in 1976 on a flight from Moscow to London.

When he asked Soviet authorities for an identification they suggested he should not ask questions.



A YEAR TO THE DAY, THAT GREAT UFO

MYSTERY IS BACK



We are going round in circles again!



One of the circles yesterday

LIFE has turned full circle in the mystery of the Great White Holes.

Another set of five perfect circles has been found in a Hampshire barleyfield — exactly a year to the day after a similar set of rings was discovered nearby.

No-one knows how the circles were made, although theories abound.

Romantics insist that UFO's are to blame. Realists put it down to helicopters.

Other ideas range from freak exploding whirlwinds to druids carrying out weird ceremonies using stakes and chains.

But the real mystery of the latest find, in Dogleg Field, near Winchester, is that the circles can only be seen from the air.

Helicopter

They were only discovered when four farm managers went up in a helicopter to inspect their crops.

From the ground they are completely hidden from view, which would seem they were not meant to be found.

The holes consist of a large centre circle measuring 42ft 6in in diameter. It is surrounded, 45ft away, by four baby circles which are each 13ft 6in across.

And it looks for all the world as if a four-legged spaceship has landed.

Farmer Dennis Kendall, on whose land the circles were found, said: "It's uncanny. "I didn't know they were

By DAVID THURLOW

there but this is the fourth year out of five we have had them on the farm in different places.

"It's anyone's guess what's causing them, but I think somehow it's got to be mechanical.

"But the disturbing factor is that there are no marks at all for two of the smaller circles.

"Three are on the drilling tracks made by the tractor along which someone could walk.

"But the other two are not. There is not a stalk disturbed

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LONDON

JULY 16 1984

Picture by CHRIS WOOD

White Holes defy experts

around them and the barley is laid down in a strange way outwards from the centre."

Petronel Payne, a tractor driver's wife who has made a study of the circles, said: "It gets more and more intriguing every year.

"We just don't know what is causing them and we are as much in the dark as ever."

A year ago similar sets of circles were found a mile away from Dogleg Field at Cheese Foot Head.

At the same time, another formation cropped up at Warminster, Wiltshire.

The Express sent Jean Rook down to investigate. But her verdict was: Case unproven.

DAILY TELEGRAPH
LONDON
JULY 13 1984

RUSSIANS ASKED TO REPORT UFOs

By NIGEL WADE
in Moscow

Russians have been given an address to which they may send reports of unidentified flying objects.

Publication of a box number at Moscow's main post office by the newspaper SOVIETSKAYA ROSSIYA follows an announcement in May that a former cosmonaut, Mr Pavel Popovich, has been appointed to head a commission to study UFO reports.

DAILY MIRROR
LONDON
JULY 19 1984

York Minster 'hit by UFO'

AN ATTACK by an alien Space-ship started the fire which badly damaged York Minster last week, it was claimed yesterday.

Taxi driver Bill Whitehead, 44, of Haxby, York said he saw a cigar-shaped UFO send down a ray while it was over the cathedral at the time.

Van driver Eddie Acaster, 55, of Huntingdon,

York, claimed a similar sighting and made a sketch of the UFO.

A senior fire officer said: "We have certain leads to the cause of the fire, but a UFO attack is not one of them."

PORTSMOUTH NEWS, HANTS
JULY 4 1984

U.F.O. mystery baffles South

A U.F.O. seen over southern England last night has left experts baffled.

Britain's top boffins today were trying to solve the mystery of the object, which was about 25 miles high and visible for 20 minutes.

It was first seen by Worthing astronomer, Mr. Graham Boots, who thought it was a nova — a super-bright star.

He called out other astronomers along the South Coast who watched the stationary phenomenon in the northern sky until it suddenly split up — and vanished.

Mr. Boots, reported the sighting to the Royal Greenwich Observatory at Herstmonceux, East Sussex, home of Europe's largest telescope.

A spokesman there said today: "We don't know what it was, and it is still

under discussion."

Said Mr. Peter Seiden, of Paignton Avenue, Copnor, Portsmouth, a member of Portsmouth Astronomical Society: "It was a most unusual object. Because it was stationary for so long, we can dismiss meteors and artificial satellites and, because of its calculated height, then helicopters and aircraft can also be ruled out."

Astronomer Patrick Moore was today "baffled and intrigued" by the U.F.O.

"In the ordinary way, I am extremely sceptical about reports of flying saucers. But this light was seen by people who are amateur astronomers and who know what they are doing," he said from his home at Selsey.

"This one has me baffled and intrigued, and I would like to hear from anyone who saw it."

WARWICK ADVERTISER JULY 13 1984

UFO 'like aircraft on fire'

AN unexplained sighting in the sky over Warwick has sparked off a UFO mystery.

Psychiatric nurse Mr John Brodrick is convinced he was not imagining things when he spotted the bright orange object from his window on Wednesday night.

"I'm not really a great believer in UFOs, but you've got to keep an open mind on the subject," said Mr Brodrick, who lives in Norton Drive, Woodloes.

"It looked to me like an aircraft was on fire. It seemed as though it was moving steadily across the sky, but not falling. Then suddenly bits started to break away as though it had exploded."

The Central Hospital nurse then lost sight of the object as it disappeared behind houses in the direction of the Saxon Mill on Coventry Road.

After deliberating for several minutes, he decided to call the police in case it had been an aircraft in trouble.

"They checked with all the Midland airports, but there were no reports of missing aircraft. The only explanation they could think of was it could have been a meteorite entering the earth's atmosphere. It left a long trail of smoke as it fell after the explosion."

To satisfy his curiosity Mr Brodrick went in search of his UFO around the area where he thought it would have landed.

"Unfortunately I lost my sense of

direction very quickly, and was unable to find anything. But I was convinced that it was an aircraft.

"I wouldn't have thought it was a distress flare or anything to do with a military exercise, bearing in mind where we live. And a shooting star would have had a coloured trail following it — I can't think of any other explanation than the meteorite theory."

He made the sighting at 12.05 pm, while watching television, and would be interested to hear if anyone else saw the mysterious object.

It is the first reported UFO sighting in Warwick for some time, although eight years ago a bright object was spotted over Lillington before speeding off towards Birmingham.

YORKSHIRE
EVENING POST
LEEDS JULY 7 1984

'Close encounter' for dog-walker

A Yorkshire coach driver taking his dog for a walk saw "strange lights" in the sky last night.

Mr. Kenneth Edgar, 37, of Collinge Road, Cowling, near Keighley, had just set off walking his dog, around 10.45 p.m., when daughter Karen, 15, pointed to the lights in the sky.

"It was a clear night. There were three lights in a triangle shape, travelling very fast. They were high up, and there was a droning noise," he said.

Mr. Edgar said a number of people in the street also witnessed the "sighting" and had reported it to the police.

IN ARMY

"I'm not a member of any UFO societies and I certainly don't go out looking for them. But after seeing this, I think I'll join. I want to know more about it."

When asked if the lights could have been from an aeroplane, Mr. Edgar said: "I was in the Army for more than 10 years, often attached to the RAF, so I know about planes. This was not a plane."

"The lights shot cross the horizon and disappeared out of sight. They were travelling fast."

A police spokesman said reports of the lights had been made to them, and these would be passed on to RAF Leeming.

LEICESTER MERCURY
JULY 13 1984

'Flying saucer' sighted

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Several people have reported seeing a saucer-shaped blue and silver object hovering low over the Clarendon Park playing field in Coventry Road, Hinckley.

And now investigators from the Midlands UFO Research Centre are busy working on an explanation for the sighting, at about 9.45 p.m. last Friday.

Investigator co-ordinator Mr. Clive Potter said: "Witnesses said there was no sound as the object hovered, circled the area for approximately a minute and then shot off at a fast rate towards Nuneaton."

"A similar object was reported flying over the East Park Road area of Leicester only four days earlier," he added.

DUBLIN EVENING
PRESS
JULY 7 1984

Is it a plane? No!

A Dublin teenager who read in yesterday's Evening Press about a UFO sighting in Boherlahan, Co. Tipperary, has claimed that he too spotted a strange flying object on Thursday night.

Ian Courage (15), of Yellow Rd., Whitehall, said he was coming home from a disco at 11 p.m. when he saw a 20-foot long light flying in over the Poolbeg lighthouse and turning towards Dublin Airport.

He declared: "I've been studying planes for a few years and I thought it was going to land on runway 35. There was no noise out of it and I knew it wasn't a plane. If it was a plane it would have had red tail lights and a red light in front."

DAILY EXPRESS
LONDON
JULY 23 1984

Couple find new corn³¹²⁸ ring riddle

NEWLY-WEDS Geoffrey and Corinne Cross became the latest to discover one of those mystifying circles in a cornfield at the weekend.

Last week, the Daily Express reported exclusively how people in Hampshire had been puzzled by areas of flattened corn. Some have claimed they were flying saucer landing sites.

Geoff, 22, and Corinne, 17, from Basingstoke, Hants, added to the mystery by spotting another at Cleyhill Heights, Wilts.

BROMSGROVE ADVERTISER

JUNE 28 1984

Mysterious caller ³¹²⁸ sees strange UFO

DROITWICH is not the only place where mysterious flying objects flit across the skies...

Last week, our sister paper the Droitwich Advertiser reported that two women from the town had spotted mysterious flashing lights speeding across the heavens late at night.

Now a Bromsgrove caller - who prefers to remain anonymous - has revealed that late last Monday night he saw a similar sight.

He said: "It was about 11.40pm when I saw a bunch of two white lights and three red going roughly east to west across the sky at about 1,000 feet".

"They were just cruising, and must have taken 30 or 40 second to disappear. There was no noise at all."

Our caller declined to give us his name and address - other than that he lives on the Stourbridge side of Bromsgrove - for fear of being labelled 'a crank'.

'UFO' explanations too

TORONTO STAR
JULY 15 1984

mundane for public

You haven't seen many stories about UFO sightings in the papers lately. Media interest has declined in the last couple of years.

But the controversy still rages between the ufologists, those organized groups who have a vested interest in promoting belief in the existence of flying saucers, and the skeptics who have taken the trouble to investigate some of the more outrageous claims.

As a member of the UFO subcommittee of the Committee for the Scientific Investigation of Claims of the Paranormal, please label me as one of the skeptics.

At the recent Edges of Science symposium of the AAAS convention in New York, the supporters and the skeptics were represented by two of their top spokesmen. James Oberg, a space engineer with NASA, and a regular contributor to Omni Magazine, argued the case for the non-believers. J. Allen Hynek, director of the Center for UFO Studies in Evanston,

in itself which I'll get to at a later date.

Hynek coined the term Close Encounters of the Third Kind, which means direct contact with aliens from another planet. He was technical adviser for the blockbuster film with that title. It would seem that being a leading ufologist projects one into a lot more prominence than being a mere astronomy professor.

Of late, Hynek has begun to reject the "nuts and bolts" theory of UFOs which regards them as spacecraft from some extraterrestrial source. He now calls that belief "too simplistic." He has conjured up a new theory, a theory of "alternate reality."

Hynek takes a giant leap when he asks "Can the UFO have two aspects? Can it be an interface between our reality and a parallel reality, the door to another dimension?"

Rhetorical questions of this kind are commonplace among paranor-

malists. Whole books have been written featuring the question mark. It's amazing how much space you can fill with hypothetical questions — when you don't have the answers.

But I can understand Hynek's switch in philosophy. So many of his original arguments were shot down, he scarcely had a flying saucer to stand on.

Speaking of questions, I had a lot of them for Hynek at the AAAS meeting. Unfortunately, he declined to be interviewed, and when the symposium speakers sat for questions at the close of their session, he was the only one who mysteriously vanished — perhaps into the fourth dimension.

To my biased ears James Oberg made a strong case for the rational side of the UFO controversy. He doesn't use oratorical flourishes but concentrates on specifics. Oberg has taken great pains to investigate UFO claims in depth.

He has explained some of the most sensational "sightings" by revealing that they were triggered by Soviet rocket launches and by re-entries of rocket boosters and space satellites. One of the most dramatic was the sighting on June 14th, 1980, seen by thousands in central Russia. An hour later this "UFO" was seen in Chile, Argentina, Uruguay and Brazil. The story was covered worldwide.

Oberg later revealed that what was seen was the firing of the various stages of a satellite launched from a secret space centre north of Moscow.

These thoroughly documented disclosures will never capture the imagination of the public, however. They are just too mundane.

What can be as exciting as the actual sighting of a manned spacecraft from another world?

□ Henry Gordon is an international lecturer and broadcaster on the paranormal.



DEBUNKING

by Henry Gordon

Illinois, spoke for the ufologists.

Hynek is without doubt the high priest of ufology. Professor of astronomy at Northwestern University, he became director of Project Blue Book which was the code name for the United States Air Force study of unidentified flying objects. From being a professed skeptic he converted to being a dedicated believer in flying saucers and opened his own institute after Blue Book was closed down.

And why was Blue Book discontinued?

No hard evidence ever surfaced that there was anything to the flying saucer scare. That's a story

Fake claims cloud evidence of UFOs

THE NEW YORK TIMES
JULY 22 1984

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**Fiery Object Seen
Over West**

EUREKA, Calif., July 20 (UPI) — Residents and pilots in a 200-mile corridor from Medford, Ore., to Ukiah in northern California reported a brilliant white flash in the afternoon sky Friday that was followed by a trail of smoke that lingered for about 10 minutes.

A fire crew from the California Department of Forestry's Elk Camp Station was dispatched to check out reports that a fiery object in the sky had struck the ground in northern California, but the crew could find no trace of the object.

The North American Air Defense Command in Colorado said the object might have been a meteor. Del Kindscl, a spokesman, said the command's

space surveillance center near Colorado Springs was "unable to match that sighting with any predicted re-entry of a manmade space object. They said it could be a meteor."

Fire districts and police departments in both states received many reports of the object and a sonic boom. The Federal Aviation Administration said six pilots also reported seeing the object.

Ranger John Melvin at the Prairie Creek Redwoods State Park in California said he was driving when he saw the flash and smoke. He said it was east of the park, which is 75 miles north of Eureka, but he said he could not estimate the distance.

By WILFREDO RAMIREZ

Students of UFOs closed their annual convention here convinced there is as much intelligent life outside the Earth as there are charlatans on it.

Members of the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) learned that most of the photographs of reported unidentified flying objects are anything other than flying craft from outer space.

The so-called UFOlogists heard in particular about a number of specific and well-known con artists who have produced phony evidence of UFOs, including films and photographs, for monetary rewards.

But it was the real evidence of extraterrestrial intelligence that attracted some 250 people from three continents to the annual convention. The group's international headquarters are in Seguin.

During the question-and-answer period at the end of the three-day convention Sunday, one member of the audience didn't question whether aliens exist or are products of the imagination.

He wanted to know whether the panel of experts had noticed a pattern of aliens abducting or making contacts only with those humans who are non-smokers and non-drinkers.

The panelists said that question is not in the guide of the field investigators, but they might add it.

They noted, however, that most people who have had contact with aliens have experienced a drastic change in life, either becoming abstemious and vegetarian or turning alcoholics.

One woman wanted to know if the panelists had heard of aliens attempting to have sexual intercourse with humans for the sake of breeding or for the sake of rape.

Panelist J. Allen Hynek said that sort of story discredits UFOlogists and only appears in supermarket tabloids.

British author Hilary Evans did recall one sexual experience of a Catholic man who under hypnosis went through what Evans called "The most horrifying hypnosis experience I've ever witnessed."

Evans lectured on the descriptions people give of extraterrestrial beings.

Evans is a researcher of non-human entities that people claim to see, ranging from visions of the Virgin Mary and doppelgangers to Men in Black and UFO-related entities.



**SKETCH OF UFO
... Glenda's encounter**

A council member of the British Society for Psychical Research, Evans is preparing a book about people who have been abducted or contacted by UFOs.

One of the cases he has investigated involves the case of a girl named Glenda Smith who encountered and described a spacewoman.

From that experience, Evans said he began cataloging the characteristics that people attribute to entities.

He said he came up with a system that allows researchers to sort out real from imaginary extraterrestrial experiences.

Soviet pilots stunned as rockets explode

UFO shakes off missile barrage harmlessly

WEEKLY WORLD NEWS
JULY 10 1984

By STANLEY HIRSCH

A shimmering, cigar-shaped UFO terrified ground crews and flight controllers at a commercial airfield in Russia as it played a cat-and-mouse game with MIG pilots trying to shoot it down.

Maneuvering with the speed of light, the alien spaceship easily darted out of the path of air-to-air missiles fired by the supersonic jet fighter planes.

In one incredible display of invulnerability, the UFO remained motionless as a heat-seeking missile streaked toward it only to explode harmlessly less than 300 feet from its target.

"It just exploded in thin air," a Soviet pilot told a Danish newsmen a week after the astonishing episode. "The spaceship had to have been surrounded by some sort of force field. Otherwise, the rocket would have scored a direct hit.

"You must understand, it was not a small UFO. It was much larger than our biggest global bomber. In truth, it looked very much like a silvery nuclear submarine.

"But it made not the slightest sound in the sky and it was a mass of blinking red, green, blue and violet lights. They all blended together like a beautiful rainbow when it sped through the night."

The spectacular confrontation occurred in the skies over the commercial airport that serves the city of Gorky, about 250 miles east of Moscow. Officials have confirmed that a full-scale probe is being carried out by the KGB.

"The Party leaders needed only to look at the reports of the UFO visit to be now thoroughly convinced that UFOs really do exist," said the Red official who insisted on anonymity before discussing the case.

Throughout the one-sided 24-minute air battle, the elusive spaceship used its own awesome onboard firepower only twice. But it was effective.

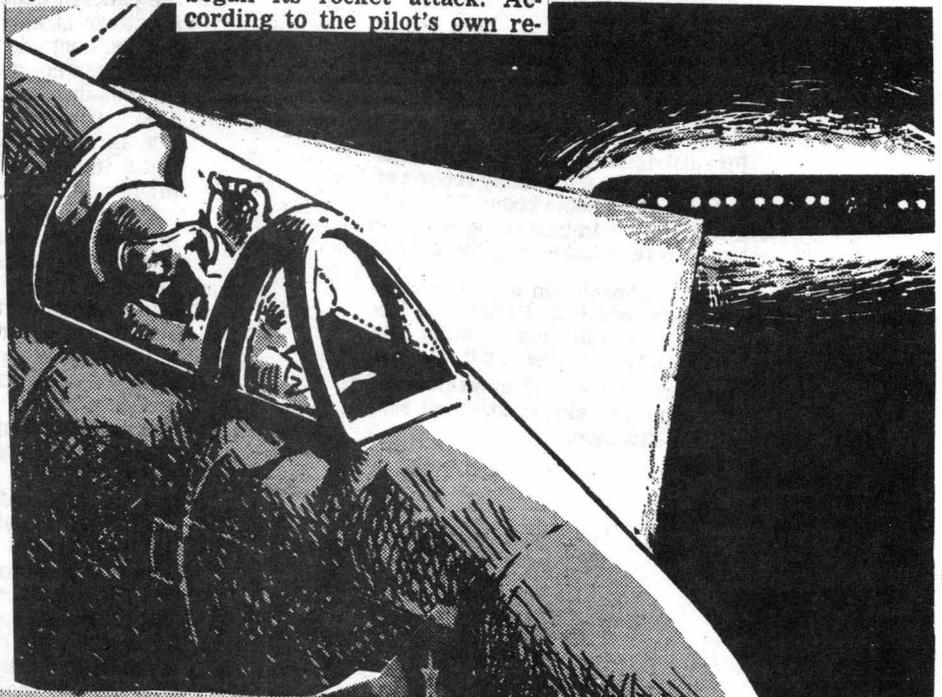
The first came when a MIG launched a rocket at the starship's broad underbelly. As the lethal missile streaked toward its target, a glowing, blue-green shaft of light shot from the alien craft and locked onto the rocket.

The missile, locked in the grip of the eerie ray of light, stopped dead in the air.

Then it slowly disintegrated and fell to earth as harmless dust.

The UFO again flexed its muscle when another MIG less than a quarter-mile away began its rocket attack. According to the pilot's own re-

The spaceship is protected by 'force field,' says Russian



SOVIET jet fighters, like the one at left, were helpless against the alien craft. A ray of bright light from the UFO caused one jet to flame out.

UFO SHAKES OFF MISSILE CON'T

port, a cone-shaped beam of light suddenly shot from the hovering craft and engulfed his plane.

"The light was blinding and I couldn't see a thing," the pilot said.

"The moment it touched my plane, the engine flamed out and all of my electronic gear went dead.

"I had been flying at very

great speed. But the light brought my plane to a dead halt. There was no sound or sensation of movement, but the light was moving downward and taking my plane with it.

"In a matter of seconds, my plane was on the ground."

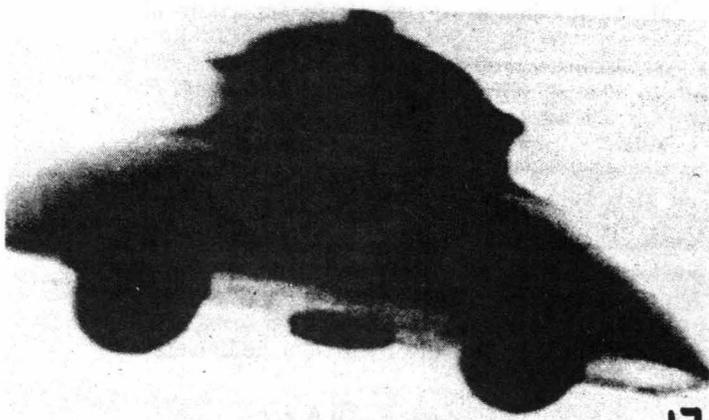
The giant spacecraft continued to hopscotch and zip above the airport for another 10 minutes before it shot skyward with an incredible burst of speed and vanished into the heavens.

"We tracked it on our radar screens throughout the time it was here," a traffic controller reported. "One minute it was on our scope and, in a flash, it was gone.

"With all this evidence, even Moscow will have to believe that spaceships from other worlds really do exist," he said.

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Frame from 1965 film footage photographed in Maryland



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UFO Talk, Film Today At Museum Planetarium

Intelligent beings from other planets regularly visit our world in an effort to enter into contact with us. NASA and the American government know this and possess a great deal of evidence.

— Former Astronaut L. Gordon Cooper

Unidentified Flying Objects will be the topic of discussion Saturday at 3:30 p.m. for a special program at the Museum of Arts and Sciences. "UFO's: Space and Humankind: The Ultimate Frontier" will feature some actual filmed footage of a UFO. The same program will be repeated Aug. 4 and 11 at the museum's planetarium.

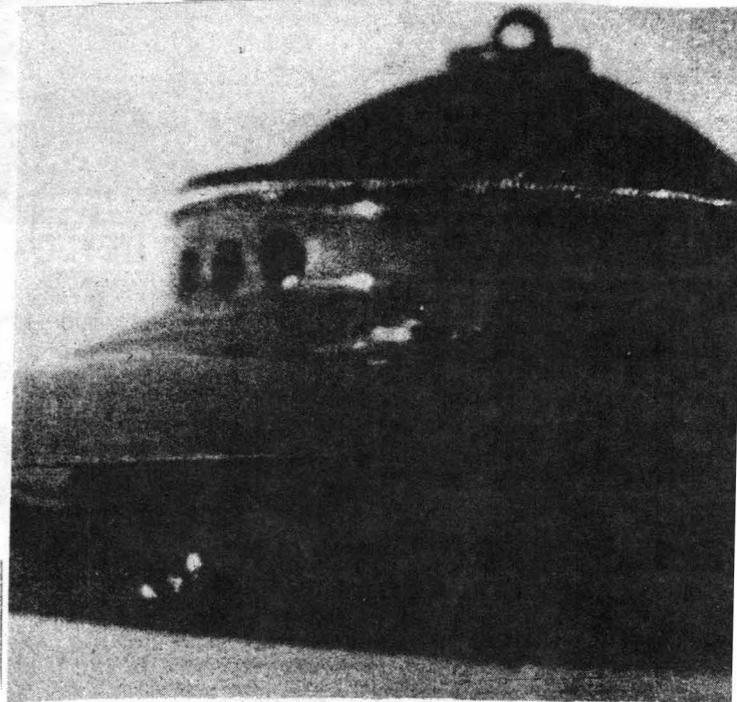
UFO Experts Thomas and Lenore Heiman will host the program, which will include a talk and question and answer session and a slide presentation.

Heiman, a graduate of Yale, has presented lectures and classes on extraterrestrial anthropology throughout the U.S. and abroad. During the Carter Administration, Heiman was asked to participate in studies of extraterrestrial life at the White House. In 1974 he was awarded the first California teaching credential in the field of "UFOs and Related Technologies."

Heiman and his wife now live in DeLand.

"The Heimans are highly qualified lecturers, whose combined experience totals nearly three decades in the field of UFO's," said Planetarium Curator Lee Golden. "They have adapted their university lecture format for this unique planetarium setting and for the general public," Golden added.

Commenting on his program, Heiman said "This is a subject area that deserves careful study, for it raises questions about our planet, our civilization and its context in an ever widening perspective of life in the universe.



1952 photograph taken through telescope at Mt. Palomar, Calif.

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UFO's

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"Through this series of programs we hope that individuals who have witnessed authentic UFO events will share accounts of their experiences with us," Heiman added. "Given the vast amount of excellent data gathered over the years, we clearly state that now is the time for action, to work creatively as citizens and neighbors, and to draw reasonable conclusions that, in light of our own space program, could be of great

importance to the peace and prosper of this planet," Heiman said.

Topics of discussion planned for three Saturday programs include sightings from ancient civilizations to present, UFO's and the astronomer's view of the space program and ports and evidence from the public.

There will be an admission charge \$2.50 per person, and \$1.50 for Museum members.

For more information on the series contact Lee Golden at 255-0285. //



Many UFOs were seen in the 1950s, this year they've doubled in Manitoba.

Mystery hovers over rash of UFO sightings

By Bradley Bird

Rain threatened, thunder boomed and lightning flashed June 22 at 11 p.m. when 10 Delta Marsh cottagers saw the bright light over Lake Manitoba.

Dorothy Mulvey and son-in-law Richard Egan were among them, watching an electrical storm across the lake. They say the light swerved erratically toward them, then found the shoreline and followed it east.

This was reported in Portage la Prairie's *Daily Graphic* as an unidentified flying object, one of 12 reported sightings in Manitoba this year.

And, like 90 per cent of them, this one was explained. "It turned out to be a crop dusting plane hit by lightning. His instruments were out, and he was having trouble flying home, so he used his landing lights to guide him," says Chris Rutkowski, chairman of Ufology Research of Manitoba (Uforom) and UFO Canada, of which the former group is a member.

The 12 reports since Christmas are twice as many as Manitobans reported last year during the same time, and Rutkowski, who keeps a file of 500 UFO reports from Manitobans, says he can't explain the increase.

"Maybe it's because more people are aware of looking up into the sky," says Guy Westcott, Rutkowski's colleague in the five-member Uforum and president of the Winnipeg Astronomical Society, of which Rutkowski is also a council member.

Westcott says the space shuttle, orbiting satellites, movies such as E.T. and awareness that Halley's Comet is coming in 1½ years have all increased people's awareness of space.

While 10 of the 12 sightings have been explained as bolides (large meteors), satellites, planets (such as Jupiter, Venus, Mars, Saturn), aircraft, and balloons, two are mysteriously different, says Rutkowski, 25, an astronomer who earned a B.Sc. from the University of Manitoba.

CON'T MYSTERY HOVERS

Objects travel at high speed

At 6:45 a.m. on Jan. 5, two Dauphin residents, including a school teacher, witnessed several saucer-shaped objects travelling at high speed. The rainbow colored UFOs came from the northeast "at speeds 200 times faster than a jet." But for a few scattered clouds, the sky was clear.

"The winds were from the west, so that ruled out balloons," Rutkowski says, adding that Environment Canada launches weather balloons from Yorkton, Sask. He says it might have been a spectacular bolide, a meteor which takes some time to burn up in

the atmosphere, and which sometimes crashes to earth. "We have this one down as an unknown."

At 11:45 p.m. on May 27, two Beresford Lake women out gazing for satellites saw a bright orange light. The oval object hovered low for five minutes and then vanished, extinguished like a flame. "Once again, we have to classify that as an unknown," Rutkowski says.

"It's quite likely that there is life out there somewhere," he says. "With so many billions of stars, the probability is quite good that some of the planets around the stars have life on them."

Westcott agrees. "I think it would be naive if we didn't think a certain percentage of these are from other planets, because we're putting out spacecraft to other planets, so why can't somebody else do the same?"

Swing from belief to disbelief

Westcott says "we do get a lot of crazies, I'll admit that," but a lot of the people who report to us are sincere.

Robert Ballantyne, director of the Winnipeg Planetarium, says there is a Manitoba Centre of UFO Studies at the planetarium but adds that "it's not a high profile" operation. He says scientists swing from belief to disbelief about the likelihood of life on other planets.

"There was a time when scientists pooh-pooed it and said there was nothing there." In the '70s, a research institute was set up in the U.S., and belief in extra-terrestrial life increased. "Nowadays you find that scientist, led by Carl Sagan, tend to downplay the phenomenon of UFOs," Ballantyne says. Rutkowski says Sagan believes in life on other planets, but not in UFOs.

Rutkowski, a library technician at the U of M, says he has between 200 and 250 sightings on file from Winnipeggers dating back to 1896, when an airship flew over.

The oldest sighting he has on record is one by David Thompson, an explorer who in 1792 wrote in his diary that he saw a strange light. "We really have to dig to get a lot of our information," Rutkowski says. "We're pretty close to detectives in a lot of ways."

He says the RCMP, reporters, old diaries, and witnesses provide Uforum, a five-year-old organization, with leads to pursue.

Leads come from all over Manitoba, but most frequently from Winnipeg because of the higher concentration of population, he says. "We did some studies with the computer (at the U of M) and the peak time (for sightings) appears to be from 10 to 11 p.m." and the peak months are May and June.

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My green and red mystery

A 44-year-old, non drinking, clean-living, relatively level-headed journalist glanced at the sky to the north of Haworth in the early hours — and saw a UFO.

I know . . . because I was that reporter. And I can confirm the story of Mrs. June Clayton, of Defarge Court, West Bowling, who hours before had told me of what appeared to be a strange craft hovering over Wakefield Road, Bradford.

June, 34, said that eight people known to her had seen a glowing, round object, apparently carrying red and green lights, which had hung over the city.

"We examined it through binoculars, and it definitely wasn't an aeroplane or a helicopter," said June.

The circular object which I saw was no conventional craft, either. For the five minutes during which I observed it, the thing did not move in any direction. But it did seem to be pulsating, and it appeared to change shade from red to green and back to the colour of a particularly bright star again.

Colours

A flying set of traffic lights, perhaps? Or a visitor from Outer Space? At his home in Green Lane, Addingham, 25-year-old Nigel Mortimer, acting director of investigations with the British UFO Research Association, would not commit himself.

But he did relieve my anxiety to some extent. If I was going mad, I was not making the trip alone.

Nigel said: "I have had seven telephone calls from people who saw the object. They all confirm that it seemed to be pulsating, with a revolving action, and they mentioned the colours red and green.

"There have been sightings east of Leeds and

by Peter
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west of Bradford — and as far away as Manchester."

"But are we being watched?"
"At the moment, we are still collecting the data on this sighting, and I am not prepared to give an evaluation," said Nigel. "We are sending an investigator along to talk to Mrs. Clayton at West Bowling. But the amount of sightings suggests that whatever people have seen is highly unusual."

Nigel, who joined the 300-strong association after he had personally watched a UFO, agreed that my sighting, to the north of Haworth, could conceivably have had something to do with the presence at Menwith Hill of a US spy-station.

Officials of the Ministry of Defence (as well as the police and people at Leeds-Bradford airport) have said they are baffled by the reports.

Most of the latest UFO reports were of an object seen at around 10.00 p.m. on Monday. Dennis Gibson, of Croft House Road, Morley, saw a pair of coloured rotating lights.

He said: "At first, my wife said they were stars. But when we trained the binoculars on them, we saw they were about twice the size of stars and spun around. We could hardly believe what we were seeing."

My wife could hardly believe what I saw, either.

When I went indoors to report my experience, she said: "And were there a lot of little tin men saying how much they like Cadbury's Smash? Go to sleep."

But let the scoffers scoff — I await Nigel Mortimer's report with interest.

Beware the man in black . . .

IF you answer a knock at the door and the caller is a man dressed in black, you should be slightly suspicious especially if he has two similarly-dressed associates with him.

And if they've all rolled up in a Rolls Royce, or a Jaguar, to talk to you about UFOs, take my advice . . . panic.

Why? Because it's pretty certain that they don't actually exist. Yes, you'll find yourself talking to what's known as an 'entity'. Which is another way of saying a ghost. Of the Star Trek generation maybe, but a ghost nonetheless.

These characters seem to be interested

He may not exist, says Neil Bonner

only in people who study UFOs and the like.

In a new book *Visions, Apparitions and Alien Visitors* (published this week by The Aquarian Press, £9.95), author Hilary Evans (that's a man, by the way. A real man) says there are many reported instances of visits by Men in Black.

They often arrive after a UFO buff has made yet another sighting — but usually before he or she has had a chance to tell the world

Apparently, they nearly always turn up while the sky-gazer is alone. They wear dark suits, dark shoes and socks, but white shirts.

They look vaguely foreign and often have slanting eyes.

The talk and even give name and identification, passing themselves off as men from the Ministry of Defense in Britain or the CIA in America.

Their mission, it seems, is to warn people off delving into the mysteries of UFOs and associated areas. They often back up their "persuasion" with threat of violence.

It may all sound a little fanciful, yet it is part of a meticulously-researched work that looks at all aspects of ghostly visions.

A modern man in black drawn by Albert Bender, who claimed to have encountered three...



Top UFO Expert Confirms Man's

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Astounding Claim:

I Was Taken Aboard an Alien Spacecraft and Examined Like a Bug

A 77-year-old man says he was taken aboard a spacecraft by four-foot-tall aliens wearing green suits and helmets — and a top UFO expert who has lectured to British government leaders says his astounding story is true.

Recalling his terrifying abduction, Alfred Burtoo of Aldershot, England, revealed that the strange squat creatures examined him under an amber spotlight, then told him: "You can go. You are too old and infirm for our purposes."

Burtoo said the phenomenal encounter with otherworldly beings occurred early in the morning last August 12, as he was fishing in a canal.

"I spotted a light in the sky coming toward me," he recalled. "I thought: 'It can't be an airplane, because it's only 300 feet off the ground. I wonder if it's a helicopter?'"

"It landed behind some bushes, which blocked my view. Then I saw two shapes emerge from the bushes.

"They were about four feet high and dressed from head to foot in pale green coveralls. They had helmets of the same color, with their visors blacked out. I stood frozen to the spot in terror.

"'It must be a terrible dream,' I told myself. Then one of them raised his arm and beckoned me toward them.

"I couldn't resist following them. It was as if I was in a trance.

"Suddenly I saw this huge craft ... God, it was about 50 feet long and at least 18 feet high. It looked shiny, like aluminum.

"They led me up some steps and into an octagonal-shaped room. A voice suddenly said: 'Come and stand under the amber spotlight.' I did as he ordered.

"After five or six minutes the voice said: 'What is your age?' I told them I was 77. There was a long pause, then one of them said: 'Turn around.' I turned around, facing the wall.

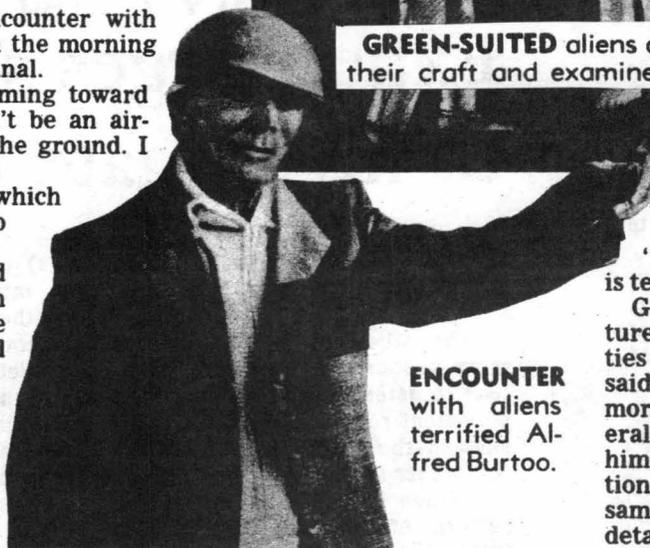
"After about five minutes, a voice told me I could go."

Burtoo then found himself walking down the steps of the spacecraft.

"There was a whining noise, and suddenly it lifted



GREEN-SUITED aliens drew Alfred Burtoo into their craft and examined him.



ENCOUNTER with aliens terrified Alfred Burtoo.

"I am convinced this man is telling the truth."

Good, who has also lectured on UFOs at universities throughout England, said he interviewed Burtoo more than 12 times over several months and subjected him to a battery of questions. Burtoo always told the same story, exact in every detail. Good also investigated Burtoo's background.

"There is no doubt in my

up into the air and shot away at tremendous speed," Burtoo recounted.

Timothy Good, who has lectured on UFOs before a top British government commission probing UFO reports, told The ENQUIRER,

mind that he was taken aboard an alien craft," concluded Good, who's also an author and consultant to the British Broadcasting Corp.

Omar Fowler, chairman of the Surrey Investigation Group on Aerial Phenomena, which includes pilots and scientists among its members, added: "This is really an exciting case. I believe it to be genuine."

— JOHN COLLINS

Livestock mutilations still mystery

By RAMIRO BURR
Staff writer

Although the number of reported livestock mutilations has dropped to less than a half-dozen a year, the phenomenon never has been fully explained, according to one recognized animal mutilation specialist.

"The number of mutilations peaked in 1975 with over 1,500 reported in the country," Tomas R. Adams said yesterday in the second day of a three-day symposium of the Mutual UFO Network.

"Although the reports of mutilations had dropped considerably, we still have no solid explanation for them," he said.

Adams was one of five speakers yesterday at the symposium held at the Airport Holiday Inn.

Later in the day, Barry J. Greenwood, a leading UFO investigator spoke on his belief that the U.S. government is covering up its files and information on UFOs.

"After you eliminate the number of mutilations by cult groups, natural predation, or natural death, you still have hundreds of unexplained cases," Adams said.

He said that because of the huge diversity of variables in the thousands of cases across the country, conclusions about who was involved in the macabre incidents were hard to come by.

"The incidents happen in a variety of locations, in rural and isolated areas, in the far South and across the Midwest," Adams said. "Rarely does anyone see or hear anything and rarely is there any evidence left other than the carcasses and the missing parts."

Adams said that because of the lack of information and evidence to go on, investigators long have been puzzled by the phenomenon.

"The modern animal mutilation wave began in 1973," Adams said. "In 1967 there was the famous case of 'Snippy,' a horse in Southern Colorado, whose mutilation captured worldwide press coverage but the frequency of reports did not pick up until 1973 and reached a peak in 1975 with over 1,500 cases."

Adams downplayed critics' beliefs that natural predators or cult groups are at work.

"Of course, there are a few," he said, "but we can tell in which mutilations they're involved."

"But there are a lot of mutilations where we cannot explain the surgical precision used to remove certain body parts, the lack of blood, and other peculiarities."

Adams also said that in the majority of mutilation cases, an effective analysis through an autopsy could not be performed because of decomposition.

"Time is of the essence," he said. "If a veterinarian does not perform the autopsy within hours of the discovery, he cannot perform a meaningful, diagnostic examination."

Adams said that less than a half-dozen cases of mutilations annually have been reported in last few years.

Expert urges scientists to investigate UFOs

By STEVE SCHLATHER
Staff writer

The study of UFOs deserves more serious attention from scientists to determine what causes the persistent reporting of strange objects in the sky, a longtime UFO researcher said.

"When you get a consistent pattern of reporting (of UFOs) from people in different areas and different cultures, then it's time for science to pay attention," J. Allen Hynek said yesterday.

Hynek, a retired professor of astronomy, discussed the state of UFO research shortly before the start of the three-day Mutual UFO Network symposium at the Airport Holiday Inn.

Hynek directs the Center for UFO Studies (CUFOS), which has noted about 20,000 unexplained sightings of UFOs in its computer files.

Such sightings do not prove the existence of extraterrestrial life, nor is UFO research synonymous with the search for alien beings, he said.

"But it (the pattern of sight-

ings) certainly seems to bespeak an intelligence of some sort, whether it's from a distant solar system, another dimension or a parallel universe," Hynek said.

Hynek first began to study UFOs in 1948 when the Air Force asked him to serve as a consultant to its own research, later known as Project Blue Book.

The Air Force ended the project in 1969 with the official conclusion that all UFOs could be explained by natural causes, such as weather balloons, airplanes and planets.

Hynek said when he started working with the Air Force, he thought UFO sightings were a fad caused by "post-war nerves" and would end in a few years.

But his center, founded in 1973, still gets about one report a week of a truly unexplained UFO, almost all of which are said to be shaped like saucers or discs.

"The existence and the persistence of the UFO phenomenon" and the constancy of the reports is the strongest evidence that something is going on that our science does not explain, Hynek said.