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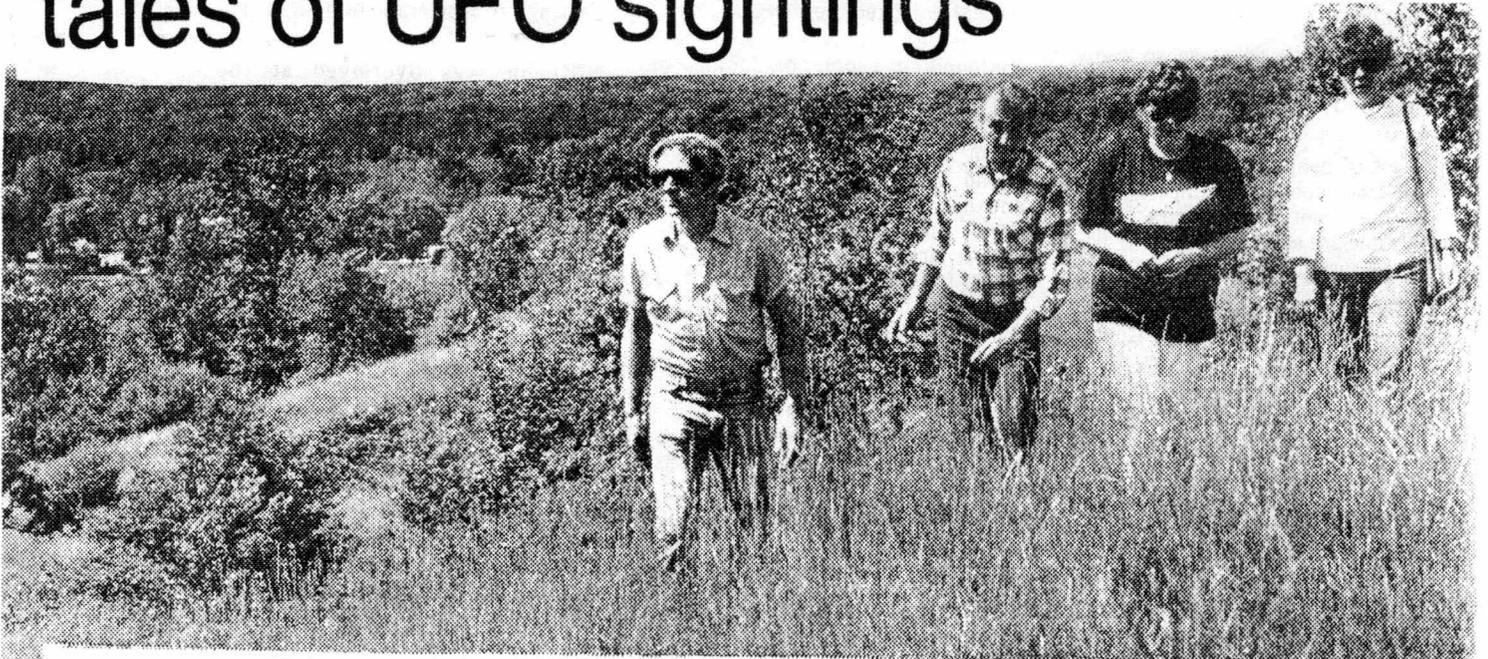
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Long Lake area spawns tales of UFO sightings

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Duane Schmid (from left), Bob Kuehn, Judy Green and Diane Schmid walk on Dundee Mountain,

RONALD M. OVERDAHL / Sentinel photographer
a UFO-watching spot near Campbellsport.

By **BETSY THATCHER**
Washington County Bureau

Town of Osceola — For the price of a can of Point, a customer can hear some pretty good tales of UFOs at Benson's Hide-A-Way on the north end of Long Lake.

Owner Bill Benson, 47, has been pouring beers and serving up stories of strange sightings for nine years.

Eerie airborne lights and large spaceship-like objects are as common as dairy cows and whippoorwills around Long Lake and the Kettle Moraine State Forest's northern unit, Benson said.

Benson acts as the unofficial keeper of the stories his customers spill over the bar.

The tavern became so popular for such conversations that he added "Martian Melody" and "The Flying Saucer" to his jukebox selection.

The clientele ranges from local farmers to out-of-state campers, and most have added something to the local lore.

Even Benson says he has seen an unidentified flying object.

It happened on a summer night in 1983 outside his mother's Long Lake home. As he puffed on a pipe and enjoyed the lake view, something he described as the size of four Good-year blimps appeared over the 3-mile-long lake.

The object, which Benson said was darker than the night sky and rimmed with orange lights, hovered silently for several minutes.

"I don't know what it was, but whatever it was, it was big," he recalled.

Local dairy farmer John Dins, 42, said he saw something similar in August 1988. Several others reported seeing the same thing that night.

"It was a UFO or whatever you want to call it," Dins said of the 100-foot circular object that drifted silently over his silo.

Dins had just finished milking the cows about 11:15 p.m. and was herding them out of the barn when the animals suddenly bolted back in.

The cows' behavior was unusual, he said, especially since they had "a whole load of feed out there waiting for them. I thought, 'What the heck happened to them?'"

When Dins discovered what had spooked them, he ran for the house to wake his wife and three daughters.

"I thought, 'Geez, I've got to get somebody out to see this.'"

When Dins returned to the silo, the object had left, but was visible on the eastern horizon.

"When you see something like that, you get the chills," he said. "I still get the chills thinking about it."

That same night, at Regal Ware Inc. in Kewaskum, Duane Schmid, of Campbellsport, was working the evening shift. He and some co-workers were eating lunch outdoors when six orange lights appeared above them. The lights went off one by one, in perfect sequence, he said.

"You can't explain it away. It was there," said Schmid, 49, who estimates he has seen 15 UFOs.

Probably the best-known local UFO-watcher is Schmid's friend Bob Kuehn, of Campbellsport.

Kuehn, 58, figures he has seen hundreds of unexplained lights but puts the number of "definite" close encounters at 40.

Kuehn, who rebuilds and sells racing bicycles, says he's observed disk-shaped objects with orange lights at close range and has seen several teardrop-shaped versions with tails.

He believes he has seen so many because he faithfully watches for them nightly and knows what to look for.

"A lot of people will feel they are seeing space debris," the former pilot said. "But a lot of these are UFOs that people are seeing. They think it's just a meteorite."

UFOs often will "perform" if they know someone is watching, Kuehn said.

"They do know I'm watching them," he said. "One I saw, it was really cute. It was just like a kid with a hot rod. And I'm telling you the truth: He backed the thing up."

"They don't have a heck of a time confounding people or hiding, because people aren't looking for them."

On a recent evening, Kuehn, his friend Judy Green, 47, and Schmid and his wife, Diane, 35, took a reporter on a hike up Dundee Mountain, a large hill that juts out of the state forest and overlooks Long Lake. The hill, accessible by trail off State Highway 67, is the best place in the area to watch for UFOs, Kuehn said.

The group climbed the hill at sunset. As stars began to dot the sky, several airplanes appeared and crisscrossed the horizon.

Kuehn pointed out several glowing orange lights that evening. Many stood still in the sky and alternated between dim and bright.

After about an hour and a half, a faint glow appeared over the forest about 4 miles southeast of the hill.

The motionless light hung low in the sky and appeared similar to the half-dozen lights spotted earlier. Unlike the others, the light gradually increased in size. It began moving slowly to the west, picked up speed and brightened to a flaming gold. It

transformed into a diamond shape and shimmered brilliantly.

The diamond suddenly jerked in a 90-degree turn and headed south, appearing to accelerate until it disappeared from sight.

Kuehn was overjoyed at the night's finale.

Karen Kerans, a naturalist at the Wehr Nature Center in Franklin and program director for the Wehr Astronomical Society, said she never had encountered a UFO.

"There are a lot of things that people are not accustomed to seeing in the night sky," Kerans said. "Airplanes and helicopters can be foolers. They can appear to make sudden turns."

Some people, she said, actually may be seeing the aurora borealis, or northern lights, which have been quite visible this summer.

But Kuehn maintains the sights cannot be explained by known phenomena. Life forms from other planets or solar systems regularly monitor activity on Earth, he believes, and seem particularly interested in Lake Michigan.

And then there is the Long Lake Monster. Benson can tell you about the two fishermen who saw it. It was 25 feet long with a head like a football, and black and yellow ...

But that's another story.

After rash of sightings months ago, Gulf Breeze man sees another UFO

By Michael Burke
News Journal

Gulf Breeze businessman Ed Walters, whose UFO photographs attracted national attention last year, took two photographs last week that show a glowing red light in the night sky over Pensacola.

At least 20 other people viewed the object in the photograph, said Gary Watson of Pensacola, a field investigator for a private UFO research group. They described it as a red light that hovered for five or six minutes.

Walters, who has been identified in press reports in the past only as "Ed" or "Jim," said he took the new photos shortly before 8 p.m. Sept. 12. That UFO sighting was his first in almost 16 months, Walters said.

Between November 1987 and May 1, 1988, Walters and dozens of other Gulf Breeze residents reported more than 70 UFO sightings. In that period, Walters also took almost 40 photographs that show strange lights in the sky or perhaps hovering spacecraft.

Walters said Thursday that he is willing to be identified now because he feels much less pressure than he did after his initial UFO encounter in late 1987.

"I feel more comfortable. The sightings have stood the test of time," he said.

Walters said last week's sighting began as he arrived late for a membership meeting of the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) at the Unity Church on Ninth Avenue in Pensacola.

Walters said he saw the object as he exited his car. He took two photographs with an instamatic camera before rushing inside the church to alert MUFON's Gary Watson.

Soon afterward, at least 20 other people at the MUFON meeting came outside the church and saw the red light, Watson said.

Walters' two photographs show a small red oval-shaped image against a dark background.

MUFON State Director Donald Ware of Fort Walton Beach said he observed a deep red light "as bright as the brightest planet."

Watson said he saw a bright red light that was four times as big as a star. "This thing was stationary for five minutes and was getting dimmer and dimmer," he said.

The group's sighting ended when clouds moved over the area.

Except for Walters, none of the 33 people attending the meeting — including 12 MUFON investigators — had a camera.

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GF airman sees UFO

By Brett Benson
Herald Staff Writer

A member of the Grand Forks Air Force Base reported he saw an unidentified flying object early Friday.

Airman 1st Class Kirk Carlson said he was walking to get breakfast about 5:40 a.m. when he spotted three amber lights in the northern sky.

The lights quickly moved to the southeast, Carlson said. "They went right over where I was standing."

The lights moved individually, crisscrossing twice and regrouping before flying out of sight, he said.

"It looked like a meteorite. But it was moving slower than a meteorite, and it lasted way longer than a meteorite." Carlson said the lights stayed in view for about 15 seconds — "just enough to actually get a bearing on what they were."

Carlson also said he discounted a satellite or aircraft as possible explanations. "They crisscrossed too much to be aircraft, for one thing. Plus you would have heard (aircraft)."

Sgt. Annette Snyder of the public information office said the base had no planes in the air at the time.

Grand Forks County Sheriff John Schroeder said his office has received no reports of UFOs recently.

Carlson admitted UFOs are the stuff of debate. "You always read about this in the Enquirer, and you're always kind of wondering if it's true," he said.

But he's certain of what he saw. "I would say they were UFOs. I think that hits it right on the head."

The last reported sighting of a UFO in the area was in August 1984, when several people reported seeing a green and white object that zipped back and forth in the sky near Thief River Falls.

"What the Pleiadians are saying is that (UFO) sightings are going to increase, and that in 1992 there will be some kind of very wonderful mass landing, or some kind of technical assistance given to Earth."

Brissette-Dearing and her husband, Dan, 37, live in Nashville. Since they opened their Southeast Regional UFO Communications Center two months ago, they have talked about their experiences on radio and television programs. Currently, they are on a 17-city national tour to promote the Pleiadians.

The couple will discuss their telepathic and physical contacts with them at Wayne at 7 p.m. tonight in the McGregor Memorial Conference Center. Brissette-Dearing also will sing "live" telepathic messages as they are being transmitted to her, accompanied by her husband and other musicians.

She said the Pleiadians come from a group of planets in the constellation Taurus, known as the Pleiades. It is 500 million light years from Earth.

"I just woke up one morning, in August of '87, and got out of bed and started singing these songs. I hear the words and I sing."

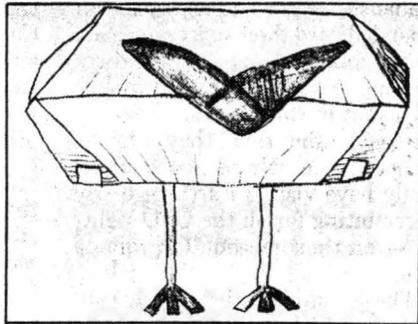
BRISSETTE-DEARING, who got her Ph.D. from Vanderbilt University in Nashville in 1987, is former director of psychological services for Sumner Memorial Hospital in Gallatin, Tenn. She said that her contacts with the Pleiadians began in 1986.

As she spoke the words of the telepathic messages, her husband began tape-recording them. The theme of the messages, she said, is that "we humans should focus more on joy than on the idea of struggle."

The Pleiadians, she said, asked her to change her diet and go to Hawaii, where she was born. She gave up chocolate and meat, began eating more salads, and moved to Hawaii in 1987. On May 14 that year she said, she and her husband were aboard a Pleiadian space ship.

She said that the space ship was silver with rust-metallic doors and the aliens were "very beautiful." They averaged 5 feet, 7 inches in height, had golden-hued skin, large black eyes, dark, shoulder-length hair and wore sheer clothes.

"The nose was different from a human's nose," she said. "It was very pointed and tilted at the end."



Leilani Brissette-Dearing's sketch of the space ship she boarded in 1987.

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Space aliens are coming, but don't serve chocolate

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And she's coming to Wayne State University tonight to tell Metro Detroiters about them.

Brissette-Dearing is a 33-year-old singing psychologist who claims that the aliens took her and her musician husband aboard their space ship. She says the folk from another world are preparing earthlings for a major-league visit in three years.

In fact, she says they are an advanced race whose space ships already have visited Earth regularly — accounting for all the UFO sightings — on their mission to promote peace.

"These 'unidentified flying objects' come with important messages and implications for our society," she said.

UFOs

Space aliens are coming, but don't serve chocolate

By Hugh McCann
News Staff Writer

They have pointed noses, long hair, huge black eyes and don't like chocolate.

They live 500 million light years from Earth.

And they're coming here.

Well, maybe not exactly here to Metro Detroit.

But to our planet, says Leilani Brissette-Dearing, Ph.D., who claims to be in regular, telepathic communications with the aliens, whom she calls the Pleiadians.

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Slightly weird ...

UFO sighted over Cambria

By Linda Hudkins

Staff Writer

EBENSBURG — It's a bird. It's a plane. It's ... it's ... gee, nobody's exactly sure.

Dispatchers from Mainline police and state police said Thursday that sightings of unidentified flying objects were reported about 9:30 p.m.

Jack Miller, a Mainline dispatcher, said he had two calls from Nanty Glo and one call from Carrolltown about "something in the sky moving quickly, jumping up and down."

The people who called would not leave their names, he said.

State police also reported a call from Mineral Point, in southern Cambria County.

Stan Gordon of the Pennsylvania Association for the Study of the Unexplained — a group that investigates UFO sightings — said he had learned of the Cambria County sightings and said they occurred about one-half hour after similar sightings in Westmoreland County.

He said the sightings were of brilliant, yellow-white lights moving up and down, back and forth at a high

rate of speed.

They aren't the only recent sightings in the area.

Gordon said that in May, a sighting was reported along Route 220 south of Altoona. Two people reported seeing a greenish glow in a wooded area. When it approached and passed over the car, he said, it was glowing fluorescent and shaped like a boom-rang.

That incident was verified by another person from the Pittsburgh area who had seen and reported the same thing two hours earlier.

Gordon said the PASU is a volunteer organization staffed by professionals from many fields.

"I have been doing this (research) for over 30 years, and I have never seen one (UFO) myself," Gordon said. But what he has seen, he said, are many "hard-core skeptics become believers." In many instances, he said, emotional problems occur with people who see UFOs which can be dealt with by doctors who volunteer at the center.

People who may have had an encounter are urged to contact PASU at 6 Oakhill Ave., Greensburg, 15601. Letters of description and sketches are appreciated, he said. Phone calls can be made to (412) 838-7768.

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UFO investigator defends views on extraterrestrials

By PAUL DELLINGER
SOUTHWEST BUREAU

WYTHEVILLE — An investigator for a national organization that compiles reports on unidentified flying objects says objects seen in the skies over Wythe County in the past two years may be from another planet.

"There's enough information out there right now to actually prove that some of us, if not all of us, have seen something that is extraterrestrial in origin," David Bodner, a West Virginia representative of the Mutual UFO Network, told more than 200 people from six states gathered here for a UFO conference Saturday night.

He said such objects might not be occupied by extraterrestrials, but under their control.

Danny Gordon, of the Southwest Virginia UFO Group that sponsored several conferences, said this one — marking the two-year anniversary of the start of UFO sightings here that continued for months and eventually numbered in the thousands — would probably be the last.

"As far as I'm concerned, this closes the final chapter on Wythe County UFOs," he said. "I think it's up to the private people working together to show what it is ... We're not all insane. We're not all seeing apparitions. There's something out there, and we've got to deal with it either with open hand

or closed fist."

John Cornett, a hospice worker from Mountain City, Tenn., showed a videotape of what he claimed was one of many UFOs he has seen over the years. The tape showed a bright light against a dark background, but no detail.

"I think some of it might be some secret government stuff," Cornett said, but he agreed with the extraterrestrial hypothesis. In fact, he said, he feels he may have been abducted and examined by UFO occupants at times during his life.

"There is a lot of fear being spread in some quarters about UFO abductions and all that," said Richard Hoagland, author of a book suggesting that a face-like object on Mars photographed by space probes might not be a natural formation. "The way that you control people is that you make them afraid."

He said fear is not the proper response to the UFO phenomenon, and speculated that UFOs might tie in to his research about objects on the surface of Mars being artificial. If that is ever shown to be the case, he said, extraterrestrials have gone to a lot of trouble to find a way to tell us they are out there.

"There are so many planets out there, and universes. Why should we be the only ones?" asked author and psychic researcher Alice Moeller.

Ufologist Jenny claims the alien middle ground

JENNY RANGLES is out to quash the popular misconception that kidnappings by aliens only happen in deserted bits of the American mid-west.

Stuff and nonsense — they can also occur on housing estates in West Yorkshire, as in the case of PC Alan Godfrey, who was abducted in Todmorden by humanoid creatures.

In Britain, the British UFO Research Association investigates 600 suspected abduction cases each year, and on Saturday Jenny Randles intends to shut up the cynics once and for all when she presents an illustrated lecture at the London Business School in Regent's Park on UFO abductions.

Ms Randles is the only full-time UFO researcher in Britain and has to deal with a constant stream of journalists on the hunt for a good alien story.

"Ufology is badly dealt with by the media," says Ms Randles, who receives no salary for her work for Bufora. "Journalists do not accept that there is any middle ground between lies from deluded cranks and spaceship kidnaps. There is no sympathy for the witnesses, and they don't realise that most of the genuine experiences are never publicised. The people concerned would never talk publicly because most of them wish they had never been through it."

The first recorded abduction case took place in September 1961, in — as one might expect — the USA. Barney and Betty Hill had been driving back from a holiday in Canada through New Hampshire, along main but fairly empty roads. A strange light in the sky that eventually hovered beside them caused Mr Hill to stop the car. He walked towards the light and when he was within 50ft of it saw it to be a pancake-shaped craft, with fin-like projections on either side. Through a row of lit windows several figures could be seen.

The craft descended and a ladder was lowered, at which point Barney panicked, ran back to the car and drove away.

The couple later discovered that the journey home had taken two hours longer than it should have done. Under hypnosis it emerged that they had been



● Jenny Randles: Sorting out the crank from the genuine.

taken aboard the UFO, put in separate rooms and given a medical inspection. They were unharmed, though Mr Hill had curious marks on his groin. Neither heard their own or each other's tape recordings, yet their stories were identical.

Ms Randles — who gave up teaching to become a UFO investigator and has Ufologist stamped on her passport says there are 40 fully documented cases of close encounters of the fourth kind in Britain. Most of the witnesses underwent some kind of medical examination, saw a form of holographic film on board and communicated with the pilots of the craft through telepathy of sorts. "This is only revealed much later under hypnosis," she says.

Fewer people are laughing at the evidence these days, she claims.

"Most of the encounters provoke some kind of delayed reaction in the witness," says Ms Randles. "Some suffer from systematic radiation sickness,

red eyes, skin burns or are constantly nauseous and vomiting. In extreme cases people are hospitalised, and body organs that appear to be functioning abnormally are removed — only to be found later to have been healthy."

It is the psychological effects that are the most distressing, says Ms Randles. Witnesses often have traumatic nightmares.

UFO researchers never take alleged encounters at face value. "Our first premise is to establish that the witness is telling the truth," says Ms Randles, who has never had a close encounter of any kind.

"Ninety per cent of sightings are identifiable flying objects. It is only when conventional explanations fail that we look further. For then you have something that is very puzzling and cannot be dismissed as the whim of a crank."

Ms Randles's talk at the LBS starts at 6.30pm.

Kite theory is rejected

THE mystery of a UFO sighting over the Knavesmire has deepened.

A member of a local kite flying society contacted the police to say he was on the Knavesmire at the time of the reported sighting and that his kite, flying at between 100 and 200ft, had its own lights powered by a small battery.

But Mr Victor Clarke, of Howhill Close, Acomb, rejected the kite theory and said: "There's no way it could have been a kite because I watched it approach

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A dream?

U.F.O. sighted at Selborne!

Sorry, perhaps that should be U.F.B. Unidentified Flying Boat. As I drove towards Alton on the previous Thursday afternoon, I was amazed to see what was clearly a "Solent" or "Sandringham" class flying boat, it was flying quite low, going south.

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But where on earth did it come from? Where was it going?

Was I really the only one to witness this flying phenomenon?

Someone, please tell me I wasn't dreaming.

Frustrated Aviator

UFO TERROR

Mystery light seen in the sky

By Roy Heelas

A MYSTERIOUS large flying green light reported to have been seen in the night sky over Filton and Yate was spotted further afield.

The Unidentified Flying Object was also seen over Yeovil.

Mr John Spencer and his wife Jean of Downend Road, Fishponds, Bristol, noticed it on Sunday evening as they were driving through Yeovil after a weekend at Weymouth.

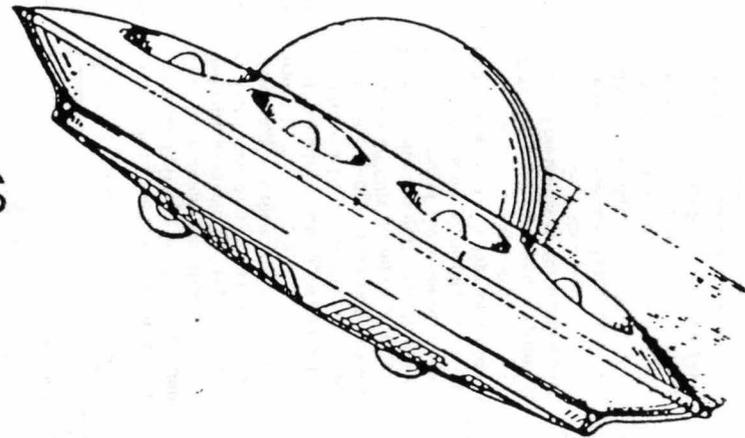
Amazing

"It was all green, bright green, and looked as if it was coming down. It was amazing. I have never seen anything like that before," he said.

Mr Spencer telephoned the Evening Post about his experience after reading how amateur astronomer Colin Pulsford of Filton and office colleague Brian Stanton, who lives at Yate, had separately seen the object in their own areas.

His sighting coincided with theirs, at about 8.20pm, and, he said, his grandson had claimed to see something similar at Kingswood.

Residents stunned as strange lights swoop over roads and homes



A MYRIAD of strange winged creatures performing a spectral dance in the night sky plunged the Chilterns into fear and confusion on Sunday night as UFO terror swept the county.

Spaced out drivers caused near chaos on the roads as the illuminations resulted in widespread distraction. Many motorists stopped on the motorways and soon the emergency lane was filled with wide-eyed stargazers amazed and terrified at the swooping objects.

A spate of accidents were

by
**DARREN
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reported by the police as the concentration of many drivers was diverted from the road to the weird lights.

Police Inspector Paul Kimberly said: "We were inundated with calls about the lights, obviously a lot of people wanted to know what was going on." He was unimpressed by the claims that the lights were alien craft or UFOs: "Many people thought that they were looking at UFOs but I'm afraid I'm not convinced. I understand that

it was someone exercising a laser show of some description."

But the lights were seen over such a wide area it makes this explanation unlikely. Reports flooded into the Star's newsdesk from Princes Risborough, High Wycombe, Beaconsfield and Great Missenden.

Gaye Stokes, who was in the Cressex area at the time said: "It was quite sinister. The lights were wheeling in the sky and it was frightening

for a while."

Star Photographer Kathie Crow also witnessed the lights: "It was actually quite scary, at times I was really frightened. There were a lot of people out watching the UFOs, I saw children staring open-mouthed at the sky. There were four objects that were sort of heart shaped, almost like butterfly wings, and they were all wheeling around a centre point."

The eerie sky-dance lasted for about three quarters of

an hour but the whole episode gets stranger still:

None of the photographs taken of the lights came out, almost as if we are being prevented from seeing it again. A professional freelance photographer, Kathie Crow was very surprised that none of her shots showed anything: "It's very weird that not one of the photographs came out, if it was just one or two then I could understand it but this is really strange."

UFO caught on film

THIS is one of the most important UFO cases in the world.

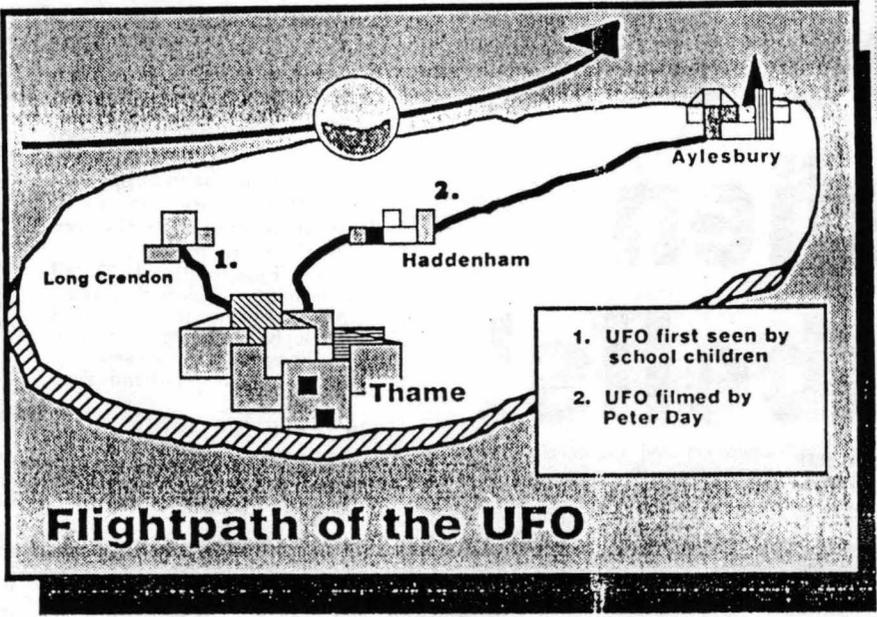
That sounds an outrageous claim, but it is a sober statement made by Britain's foremost UFO researcher Jenny Randles. She has studied thousands upon thousands of claimed sightings of UFOs but declares that the one seen flying near Thame in 1973 as of paramount importance. Why? Primarily because one witness actually filmed it.

Peter Day, a building surveyor, was driving from Thame towards Aylesbury when he saw an orange ball of fire travelling low across the horizon. Fortunately he had his movie camera in the car and stopped to take some valuable seconds of film.

Since that date the film has been examined by experts from all over the world and the conclusion of Jenny's report is that this orange ball is a genuine "UFO."

Of course, that literally means it was simply an

Unidentified Flying Object — not necessarily little green men from Mars. Perhaps one day, Jenny states, the object will be identified, but for the moment it is a UFO.



What the film shows...

PETER Day had pulled into the turning to Cuddington to take the film. He picked up the camera and rested it on the wound-down window. The film, lasting 23 seconds, shows the pulsating orange ball of fire moving low across the skyline, passing on a couple of occasions behind trees. There was no sound. Then the light vanishes — literally. One frame it is there, the next it has gone.



Did UFO cause jet crash?

ONE of the most intriguing aspects of this case is that one the same morning that the film was taken an F-111 plane crashed at North Crawley near Bletchley. An immediate conclusion jumped to by police was that the film simply showed this burning plane in its last fateful seconds.

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| Description: | Orange ball of light travelling low in sky |
| Height: | 1800 feet |
| Diameter: | 64 feet |
| Speed: | 140 mph |

However the film was taken at 9am (corroborated by the school children who also saw the UFO just as they went into school) but the plane crashed at 9.46am.

Experts have considered whether the film could show dumped airplane fuel burning up or someother connected incident but the report concludes against this.

The report's compiler, Jenny Randles, does however seriously consider that the two events are in some way related. The jet first began to suffer problems at about 9am — the time the UFO was sighted. And while the report goes against the UFO being the jet in trouble a connection is considered.

Could, for example, the UFO have caused the jet to crash?

COPIES of the report, Fire In The Sky, are obtainable from BU-FORA, 37 Heathbank Road, Cheadle Heath, Stockport, Cheshire SK3 OUP. It costs £1.50 including postage and cheques should be made payable to BU-FORA Ltd.

Ossett is a prime site for alien 'dumbbells'

UFO CONFERENCE organisers claim to have sensational evidence which finally proves the existence of alien spacecraft.

They claim to have information and pictures which prove an alien spaceship was shot down by an airforce pilot in South Africa earlier this year. They say the inhabitants of the craft have been taken to the USA where they remain in custody at the insistence of the government.

The organisers of the conference, which will bring some of the world's leading UFO experts to Ossett Town Hall next weekend, claim this "world exclusive" will finally prove the existence of alien crafts and also an attempted cover up by world governments.

A spokesman for the Yorkshire UFO Society who are involved in organising the event said: "The information we have is sensational and nobody has ever done anything like this before. We have proof positive that alien spacecraft actually exist — its very exciting."

Aliens

Another "first" for the conference will be the showing of "A Strange Harvest" — a film by American UFOlogist Linda Moulton-Howe which presents evidence on animal abduction and mutilation by aliens.

According to the film, animal organs have been removed by using laser type

equipment and the conclusion is that "nothing in this world" could have performed the operations.

Evidence will also be presented on the mysterious circles which appear in fields some of which have in the past been proved the work of UFO hoaxers.

And conference speakers will also prove the existence of a Ministry of Defence department called DS8 which has been set up to deal specifically with UFO information.

Dumbbells

According to the Yorkshire UFO spokesman, Ossett is a prime site for flying saucers, cigars and "dumbbells," although the number of sightings have tailed off in recent months.

"I have certainly seen UFOs around Ossett but the hot weather this Summer dulls the air and makes sightings more difficult. If people spent less time looking at the pavement beneath them instead of the skies above them there would be far more sightings," he said.

"I have seen UFO which was so large it obscured the Plough constellation from sight. It was like a huge shadow moving slowly across the sky. The same thing has since been witnessed by other people across Yorkshire."

UFO experts at the conference next Saturday (September 23) will include Mr Anthony Dodd an expert in alien abductions and UFO expert Ralph Noyes. The conference starts at 12.30pm and goes on until 6pm.

More reports are made of UFO sighting

THE sighting of an unidentified flying object over Clacton has been supported by three more reports of strange shapes in the sky on the same night.

The East Anglian UFO and Paranormal Research Association confirmed it had received a telephone call from a woman in Wivenhoe and two separate reports from Southend residents.

He said all had described a similar object to the one seen by two men over Clacton airstrip on Tuesday night last week.

The men sparked a police search after they claimed to have seen a brightly-lit disc, 30 metres wide with flashing lights, hovering about 50 feet above the ground before flying off towards Jaywick.

Clacton Police contacted Stansted and Southend air traffic control, and the Ministry of Defence but they had not picked up anything unusual on radar.

The sighting was at about midnight, less than half an hour after a 41-year-old Wivenhoe woman saw a large round disc with flashing lights while out walking her dog in Chaney Road.

She said the UFO flew off towards the coast.

The two Southend sightings were made soon after midnight.

A young boy and girl reported a large bright object in the sky while a man coming home from work saw something similar. In both cases the UFO was seen to fly south towards Kent.

The UFO association confirmed all reports were made independently and before news of the original sighting was published in the Clacton Gazette last week.

The East Anglian UFO Association has 115 members and aims to record evidence of all UFO sightings in the region.

They have appealed to anyone else who may have seen the UFO to contact their hotline on Basildon 286079.

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UFO film declared genuine

FOLLOWING the storm over the lights seen in the skies two weeks ago, comes a report on a UFO seen near Thame several years ago. And that report declares the film to be genuine.

It was in 1973 that several people at Long Crendon witnessed a strange light shoot across the morning sky. Fortunately it was also filmed by a building surveyor Peter Day who had his movie camera with him in the car.

For years experts have studied the film and argued over its authenticity. But the detailed report, *A Fire In The Sky*, published this week by the British UFO Research Association, concludes: "By a strict definition of the term the thing was a UFO — namely an Unidentified Flying Object. Whether it will remain unidentifiable is another matter."

The compiler of the report, Jenny Randles, says in the report: "What makes this incident so special? There are a number of reasons... With this case we can all see what the witnesses saw, captured for posterity on colour film."

A full report on this remarkable piece of film and the controversy surrounding it will be published in next week's Star.

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Buzzing around

MANSFIELD UFO Group recently organised a survey to find out what local people thought about the strange sights reported all around Britain each year.

They discovered 70% of those asked believe life exists on other planets and that 60% believe in UFO's. Finally, 15% claimed to have personally experienced a 'close encounter'.

If you would like to report any strange sightings, the group can be contacted on Mansfield 651954.

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UFOs discussed scientifically

UFOs will be the topic of a discussion Oct. 13 in the Performing Arts Center of South Suburban College, 15800 S. State St., South Holland.

Stanton Friedman, nuclear physicist, will present the noon talk, "Flying Saucers are Real."

"After more than 30 years of study and investigation, I am convinced that the worldwide evidence is overwhelming that some UFOs are intelligently controlled vehicles originating in other solar systems," Friedman said. "None of the skeptical arguments stand up under careful scrutiny. Documents have recently emerged providing that the United States and other

governments have been covering up this cosmic Watergate. Fortunately, a whole new generation of professionals in many disciplines are getting involved in lifting the laughter and security curtains."

The lecture, featuring more than 50 slides, will focus on discussion of five scientific studies on crashed and retrieved saucers, landings and human abductions by aliens and probable star system origins of some UFOs. A question and answer session will follow the lecture.

Friedman, who was featured in a story on the season premiere of "Unsolved Mysteries" on NBC TV, holds bachelor of science and mas-

ter of science degrees in physics from the University of Chicago.

His background includes 14 years of industrial experience in the development of advances in nuclear and space systems including fission and fusion rockets and nuclear airplanes. He has lectured at more than 600 college campuses nationwide and in eight Canadian provinces and appeared on several radio and television shows including Nightline, Late Night and Merv Griffin.

Tickets are \$2. To reserve a seat or for more information, call the South Suburban College Office of Student Development at 596-2000, ext. 418.

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Media experts downplay UFOs

By CAROLYN SCHMIDT
Of the Journal Staff

Some local media sources who covered the Soviet UFO siting report this week said it was a story that stirred the American public's curiosity but did not deserve serious coverage.

Charles Klotzer, publisher of the *St. Louis Journalism Review*, said Americans must get used to the fact that with greater openness and freedom of the press under Mikhail Gorbachev, some reports from the official Soviet news agency Tass will become more sensational.

"It's the same kind of junk you read in the *National Enquirer*, which Americans buy by the thousands," Klotzer said of the UFO report. "What we have to get used to is the Russian press has become freer. We have to give up some of the notions that the press is controlled from the top down."

Klotzer said he considers the story "a good filler for a light story" but not something that should be taken seriously.

"It's about as important a news story as a comic strip," he said.

Klotzer added that the story may be taken more seriously in the Soviet Union than in the United States.

Larry Connors, a reporter for Channel 4 in St. Louis, agreed that with a loosening of press restrictions in the Soviet Union, "Tass has been the victim of some accounts that are more bizarre than usual."

Connors cited a Tass story last January which reported that six people were rescued from beneath the Armenian earthquake rubble after being trapped for several days. The story turned out to be false, he said.

Follow-up reports of the UFO story from the Associated Press

indicated that a Russian geophysicist laboratory scientist from the original story on Monday was misquoted, Connors said.

Channel 4 pursued the story and broadcast it on the evening news Monday because the initial news report generated a great deal of interest, he said. The report included interviews with sources from a local UFO organization and the St. Louis Science Center.

The report of 9- to 12-foot-tall aliens with small heads promenading around the city of Voronezh was not broadcasted on Channel 4 without joking comments from reporters. "Being that tall, you assume the NBA would like to talk to them," was one remark Connors recalls from the broadcast.

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Soviet tourists are out of this world

MOSCOW (AP) — It was a close encounter of the Communist kind.

Towering, tiny-headed humanoids from outer space landed their UFO in the Russian city of Voronezh and emerged for a promenade around the park, spreading fear among residents.

At least that's what the official Tass news agency said Monday.

Tass, contributing to a string of weird tales that have crept into the formerly stuffy state-controlled media in recent months, said in a straight-faced report that Soviet scientists vouched for the UFO's landing.

"Scientists have confirmed that an unidentified flying object recently landed in a park in the Russian city of Voronezh," Tass said.

"They have also identified the landing site and found traces of aliens who made a short promenade about the park."

A Tass duty officer, contacted Monday evening by telephone, refused to identify the reporter who sent the dispatch from Voronezh, but stood by the story. "It is not April Fool's today," he said.

The Soviet media, unleashed by the Kremlin's policy of glasnost — greater openness — feel free now to hype incredible stories that seem more at home in the supermarket tabloids of the West.

According to Monday's Tass report, a large shining ball or disk was seen hovering over the park by Voronezh residents.

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UFO group is happy

Russians 'told the world'

By MARTIN RICHTER
Of the Journal Staff

A local official of the Mutual UFO Network Inc. said he was not surprised to hear that tiny-headed aliens and a robot recently were reported sighted in the Soviet Union.

The really amazing thing, he said, is that the story made it into living rooms around the world as a legitimate news item.

"We have hundreds of reports like that that are investigated and documented right here in the United States," said Forest Crawford of Collinsville, who is assistant state director of Illinois for MUFON. "The significance isn't the case; it's that the Russians told the world."

The Russians did indeed tell the world. The official Soviet news agency, Tass, reported the landing on Monday, and it was picked up by American wire services. Crawford said it was exciting that the story was played prominently on all three network news programs in the St. Louis area last week.

MUFON is an international organization that has conducted serious investigations of unidentified flying objects since it was founded in 1969.

The group feels that the U.S. government has extensive evidence of UFOs and aliens visiting our planet, but is reluctant to release information because it doesn't feel the general citizenry is ready to accept the information.

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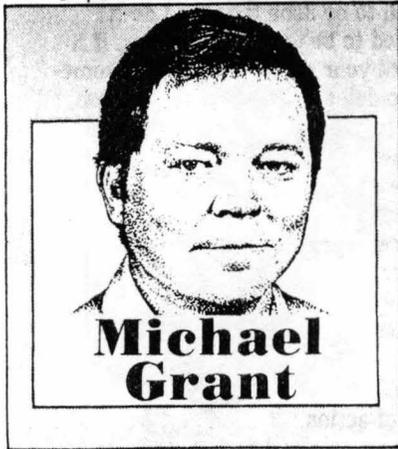
GALENA — Unusual red, white lights were reported in sky, 1 night after similar reports from Miami, Okla. Police Chief Pat Collins says he saw 2-3 red lights. "There was also 1 bright white light that appeared for about 30 seconds."

"We are sure that there have been landings and aliens seen near Air Force bases," Crawford said. "And we don't know for sure, but there is some evidence that not only does our government know about them, but that they even may have interacted with them."

"I think our government really wants to handle the reality of extra terrestrials," he said. "But we're not ready to handle the reality of extra-terrestrials coming down here. That's why they don't want us to know about it."

Crawford praised the handling of the story by St. Louis television news programs. He discounted some later reports that the source of the Russian report may have been a few children.

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The names, so far, are June Maurer, Mark Leslie, Edna Seggie, Jerry Gordon, Merv Healey, Carla Spitz, Dr. William A. Shafer, Bob Stille and Mary Ann Bondy. They saw the same UFO as I, last Tuesday morning, about 6:15. I feel as if we are somehow linked, but look, folks: If you suddenly get the urge to pile dirt in your living room and build models of the Devil's Tower in Wyoming, don't call me.

There are other witnesses. Bob Stille knows a colleague who saw it, but doesn't want his name connected with the incident in any way, shape or form. I can understand that.

June Maurer and two friends were taking their regular morning walk on the beach in Del Mar. They saw it out over the water: a very bright, white light in the sky, and beneath it a glowing, conical aura. Everyone's general first impression was of an airplane's landing lights breaking through clouds. But this thing was relatively stationary. Maurer's group watched it for maybe three minutes.

"There was a small airplane flying up from the south to the north," she said. "We were saying, 'What do you think will happen when the little airplane goes under that light?' But when the airplane was almost there, the light — zap! — went out. It just disappeared. Snap. Gone. I didn't tell anybody about it until I read your column, and I said, thank goodness, I've got somebody to tell."

Dr. Shafer, watching from his front yard on Soledad Way, thought at first it was a bolide. A bolide is like a meteorite, but at the end, instead of disintegrating, it explodes.

"This thing just winked out," he said. "It just didn't have the same appearance as the two I'd seen before. After it went out I stood there for 15 minutes, looking for airplane wing lights. I didn't see any. It was large, it was bright, and it was pure white. I saw it for 35 or 40 seconds at least. First the halo disappeared, then the central light disappeared. Just like somebody turned something off."

Neither did this thing exhibit the movement of a meteorite. The witnesses described it as being essentially stationary. Of course it could have been a meteorite (or a piece of space junk) that was coming straight at us.

Jerry Gordon saw it from Descanso. Merv Healey saw it from Rancho Bernardo. Mark Leslie thought it was hovering directly over a condo complex on his jogging route through Penasquitos. Bob Stille, U.S. Border Patrol agent in charge of the Campo station, saw it as he drove through Dulzura along Highway 94.

"It was a very distinct beam coming down," said Stille. "Due west of me. I would say three or four miles, maybe five. I saw it for 15 or 20 seconds. I first thought it was airplane landing lights, but then I thought it couldn't be that, because the light was shining down, not horizontally. Then there were some clouds, and I thought when I got past the clouds I'd be able to see it again. But I saw nothing."

"I was driving west on Interstate 8 through La Mesa," said Edna Seggie, a buyer at General Dynamics. "I saw a very bright light above and to the right of me. It was very bright and cone-shaped, and very stationary. It looked like it was over the Clairemont or Kearny Mesa area. I thought it was very odd that it wasn't moving. I was driving, so I couldn't stare at it. The next time I looked up, it was gone."

Mary Ann Bondy, viewing the UFO from Penasquitos, saw it much the same as the others: "It wasn't moving fast enough to be a falling star, and if it was a comet, it is certainly the largest I have ever seen."

And I am sure that Mary Ann spoke for all of us when she said, "If you start having trouble with your fork and mashed potatoes, please let me know. I'll bring the canary."

Then we can all fly over the cuckoo's nest.

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UFO sightings

Regarding "Old J.D.'s" comment believing people are stupid because they call the police when seeing a UFO, I've seen UFOs three times in my life, while alone, once at close range as it shot up. People get excited when seeing something extraordinary by themselves. They call because they want others to see with them, and verify what they've seen lest they might think they are seeing things. I've never called the authorities over it, but I do wish there was a UFO hotline available so we could share our sightings with interested authorities on the matter.

They're not stupid, just excited

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Deltans see UFO like Russians

GREENVILLE — Delta residents say the Russian description of an unidentified flying object reported near Moscow is similar to a fast-moving metallic ball spotted in the area earlier this month.

Lee Abide Jr. said he first saw the object about four months ago. He saw it again around 4 a.m. Wednesday on his way to work at Abide Aero Flying Service about five miles south of Greenville.

Bill Kimmel, a pilot, said he saw the object two days ago. Kimmel said he was flying a farmer to pick up some equipment in Memphis when the fast-moving ball came into view about 6 p.m. between Cleveland and Memphis.

He said it was round, metallic, kept changing colors and was moving 800 mph to 900 mph at 3,000 feet some distance off his left wingtip.

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What Tass reported

Tass, the official news agency of the Soviet Union, reported on Monday that scientists had confirmed that a UFO had landed recently in a park in the Russian city of Voronezh.

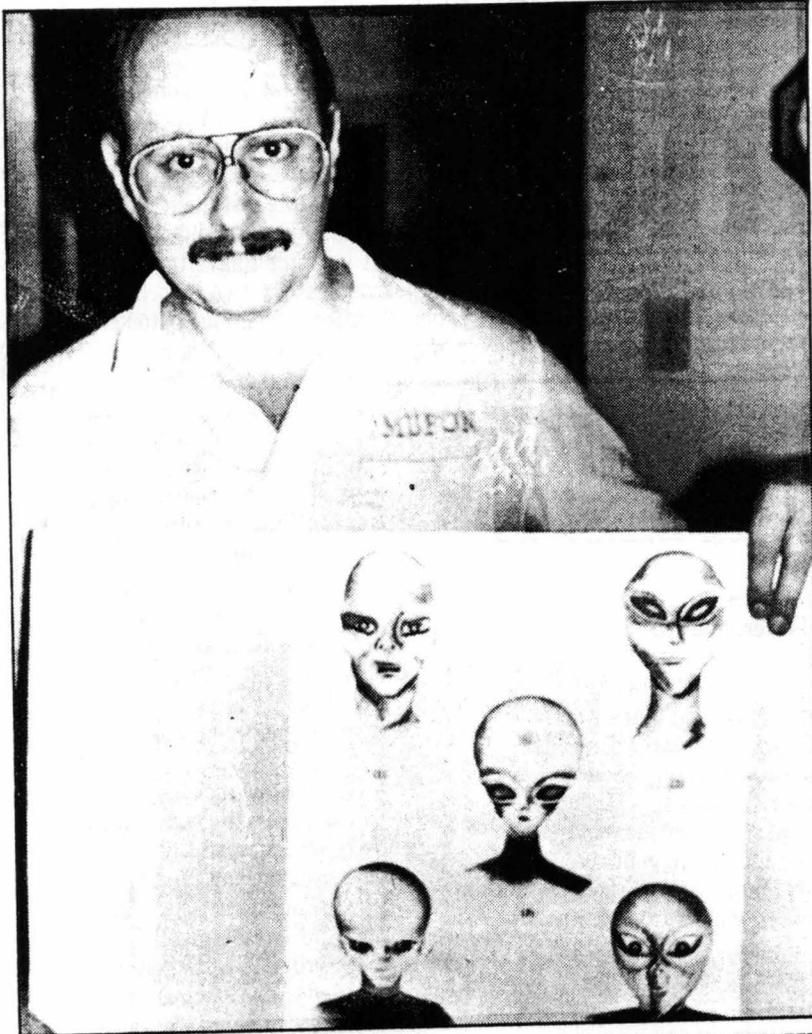
According to the report, the scientists identified the landing site and found traces of the aliens. The report said the aliens visited the park after dark, at least three times.

"A large shining ball or disk was seen hovering above the park," the report said. "It then landed, a hatch opened, and one, two or three creatures similar to humans and a small robot came out.

"The aliens were three or even four meters tall (just under 10 feet to slightly more than 13 feet high), but with very small heads, witnesses say."

The report said the aliens walked near the craft, then disappeared inside. It said onlookers "were overcome with a fear which lasted for several days."

The report quoted Genrikh Silanov, head of the Voronezh Geophysical Laboratory, as saying he found two "mysterious pieces of rock," and a circle with four indentations in the ground.



(Journal photo by MARTIN RICHTER)

Forest Crawford of the Mutual UFO Network Inc. shows a display of sketches of aliens made from reported abductions of earthlings.

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Red light hovers over Salem

Observers call police to report possible fast-moving UFO

By Amber Stenger
The Statesman Journal

A mysterious, red light hovering over the eastern downtown area of Salem Tuesday had people wondering whether they were seeing an unidentified flying object.

Salem police dispatchers talked to about five people between 8 and 9:30 p.m. who said they saw a red light moving at a high rate of speed.

Roy Rogers, one of the dispatchers, said he noticed the red light as he was driving east toward Salem about 8 p.m. He said he thought that it was stationary.

"At first I thought it was a radio tower light," he said. "But then

when I got into town, I knew there wasn't a tower downtown."

Dispatchers checked with weather service employees to see whether the light could have been attached to a weather balloon, he said.

Rodger Nelson of the National Weather Service at Salem's McNary Field said no weather balloons were released near that time.

Each day, a balloon is released at 4 a.m. and 4 p.m., he said. The 4 a.m. balloon carries a small, white light.

Nelson did not receive any calls from citizens about the red light.

Rogers said Federal Aviation Administration officials also

called dispatchers, worried that a helicopter was flying about town without notifying the control tower at Salem's McNary Field.

The tower was closed late Tuesday.

Police weren't sure how they would go about investigating the reports, unless someone could give them additional information, such as the shape of the object, he said.

Although dispatchers weren't sure what the light was, Rogers wasn't convinced that he saw a vessel from outer space.

"I've been curious about UFOs since I was a kid," he said. "It didn't look like that kind of light to me."

UFO, wheat, weather whizzes react to baffling British bane

By Mike Shiew

A strange phenomenon hit the wheat fields of southern England this past growing season, and U.S. experts are as perplexed as their English counterparts about the cause of the international attention-grabbing events.

According to Winchester, England *Southern Evening Echo* writer Jacqui Goddard, the random flattened areas in small grains fields appear overnight, with no trace of their cause. In these areas, the grain is bent over right at the ground with the stalks forming a spiral pattern. The corn, as the British dub their small grains, continues to grow.

Some have said these "wheat circles" are caused by UFO landings, as suggested by their patterns as seen from hilltops or the air. The main circles are often surrounded by smaller circles which might have been left by landing pods.

However, even a UFO

sightings and monitoring organization is not ready to say the "wheat circles" are caused by UFOs. "The UFO angle makes a nice story, but it is not necessarily true," declared Walter H. Andrus Jr, international director of the Mutual UFO Network, Seguin, Texas. "There is a lot of interest, but we don't know the answer."

Andrus, who visited England in July for a UFO conference, said there are a plethora of theories floating around the British Isles, and added, "They are going at it hot and heavy

over there, and they are all taking sides about which theory is right."

Andrus also stated there are at least 10 or 12 patterns in which the wheat circles are found. The "wheat circles" have been appearing for the last seven or eight years in small grains fields, said Andrus. In that time, no UFOs have been seen near where the wheat circles have been found.

Wierd winds have been promoted as one possible cause of

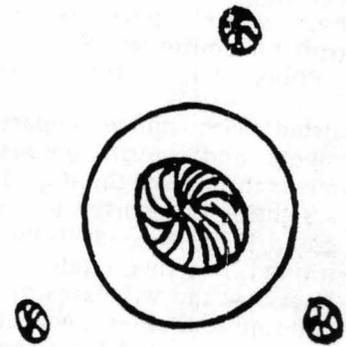
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(Continued from page 1-B) include it when they screen the programme.

"They have had all the equipment examined and there was nothing damaged. The video equipment picked up interference too. It's a phenomenon that we've experienced before. We've picked up some rather peculiar things with tape recorders and cameras which are inexplicable."

None of the researchers and scientists are suggesting little green Martians with eyes swiveling on stalks. None are necessarily pursuing an obsession. They are all merely gripped with an intense curiosity, which has spread now to the general public too.



SATELLITES—This circle is surrounded by a ring and "satellites."

But Mr. Delgado has vowed that he will press on until he has solved the mystery of the circles.

"I hope I'll find out in my lifetime. If I don't, I'll have got mighty close to it." //

UFO sightings still stump Salem residents

The Statesman Journal

Was it a UFO from outer space over Salem Tuesday night? Or was it a flying highway flare, or perhaps a helicopter?

Though no repeat of the sightings have occurred, numerous citizens have since called police and the *Statesman Journal* to report seeing a mysterious glowing red light over Salem about 8 p.m. Tuesday.

One man reported seeing what

he thought was a highway flare attached by a string to a balloon. The balloon was 500 to 700 feet high. He could see the flare dropping glowing red sparks.

Another noticed a helicopter circling over downtown.

Still another connected the two incidents, suggesting that maybe the helicopter dropped the balloon.

Since the story about the unidentified flying object appeared in

the newspaper, other callers — mostly anonymous — said that they, too, had experiences with UFOs.

One woman said that she saw a UFO last week in the northwest hills of Salem, where she lives on wooded property.

She and her husband watched a large globe for about an hour. The woman, however, declined to give her name, saying that people would doubt her veracity.

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UFO trackers take a down-to-earth

approach

by Karla Redelshelmer

It's a bird; it's a plane; it's ah... er... what is that?

Unidentified flying objects have been puzzling earth-bound humans for ages. MUFON, the Mutual Unidentified Flying Object Network, investigates UFO sightings, striving to determine why they are here.

Although local MUFON leader Tom Stults has never actually had a UFO sighting, he said he knows many credible people who have.

"I've always been interested in unexplained phenomena," Stults said. "I've been actively pursuing the truth for a dozen years."

Stults said MUFON is listed with police departments and sheriff departments throughout the state. If a sighting is reported to the group, MUFON sends its own trained field investigators to interview the witnesses and determine whether the sighting was an actual UFO or a natural phenomena.

"A good half of the sightings are not UFOs," Stults said, which means that the other half are.

There are approximately 25 trained field investigators within the state of Illinois, he said. Field investigators are required to pass MUFON's written exam and have solid knowledge of astronomy, weather, meteors and different types of aircraft.

"The field investigators have a regular procedure to determine what the (witness) actually did see and are able to knock out the natural causes," he said.

None of the field investigators are paid. All of their MUFON work is done on their own time.

At the present time, Stults said two investigators are at work on a sighting in Sterling.

Sergeant Raymond Lattimer of the Whiteside County Sheriff's Department, who is also a MUFON member, said a family reported seeing a series of floating lights above a gravel pit near their home in rural Sterling. The family filed a report with the sheriff's department Sept. 23.

Two MUFON investigators from Rockford drove to Sterling and were able to come up with an explanation for the lights only four days later.

Turns out the family's home is located directly under the flight path of Westbound flights out of O'Hare.

Using special filtered binoculars, Lattimer said the men were able to determine that when the planes reach an altitude 35,000 feet, which is about the same time the planes fly over the family's home, the landing lights are turned off. At this height the plane cannot be seen or heard.

"The men conducted a very scientific inquiry and came up with a very logical explanation," Lattimer said. "I believe in UFOs, but I can't speak for all the deputies in the department."

Lattimer had what he believes to be a UFO sighting in Morrison, back in November of 1980.

"I was very reluctant to tell anyone," Lattimer said. "I didn't file a police report because I didn't want to be ridiculed or gain a reputation."

Lattimer, who served in the Air Force, did tell his wife and several close friends soon after the sighting. He didn't file a report with MUFON until a month-and-a-half ago after seeing an article about UFO sightings in a Rockford newspaper.

Stults, who works as a financial planner, conducts MUFON meetings in his Downers Grove home.

In the last year-and-a-half the group, which includes Lisle members, has grown from 10 to 50 members. "We're rapidly outgrowing my home," he said.

MUFON members are invited to join the organization, which was started in 1969, only after they have filled out an application. All members receive a regularly published journal that contains sightings and research submitted by members.

At a recent MUFON meeting, Stults passed around a mylar-type of material that

was sent to him anonymously. He said he believes the government manufactures the material for insulation to keep aliens from moving through walls.

Joan Ernst, a MUFON member, said she has been hooked on UFOs since she attended her first meeting while on her honeymoon 31 years ago.

"We're all space cadets in our own way," Ernst said.

Stults says he believes the government has a large amount of classified information about UFOs.

He said his daughter has seen black government helicopters flying over Ogden avenue heading toward Lisle. Those helicopters are used to investigate UFO sightings, he said.

Lisle police officer Dennis Secombe said they have not had any reports of UFOs in the 17 years he's been on the force. At least not from anyone who hadn't had an awful lot to drink.

UFO TRACKERS

Stults said he believes the government has embarked on a program to slowly introduce the idea of UFOs to the public.

If the government released all the UFO information it has available, Stults believes it would destroy our culture as we know it.

"Can I prove this? No," Stults said.

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Companies such as Levi Strauss, Eddy's Ice Cream and Tropicana have incorporated UFOs into their commercials, Stults said. He is convinced they are doing it to get people used to the idea of alien life.

"My gut feeling is that they're (UFOs) coming here to do genetic experiments," Stults said. Adding he hoped he didn't sound "way out."
"It's mind boggling."

FLYING VISIT CHECK

Bright moving lights spotted in the night sky over Lowdham on Sunday are being investigated as a possible UFO sighting.

Mr and Mrs Brian Barnaby, of Old Epperstone Road, Lowdham, made the sighting about 8pm.

Mrs Barnaby saw a mushroom-shaped object and another like a ship's wheel. They were very bright with twinkling red and green lights.

They hovered, joined together, and disappeared at about 10.30pm.

Mrs Barnaby said: "The experience will stay with me for a long time."

Mr Duncan Walters of Mansfield UFO Society said his group would investigate the sighting.

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Elizabeth Kutter

Close Encounters

About 40 believers joined a few of the merely curious for a Sunday afternoon MUFON meeting. Our mission: discuss space ships and ETs; the government and Elvis.

Gathered in the basement recreation room of a suburban home, the MUFONS of the "Mutual UFO Network" shared a lingo that excluded those of us who were first-time visitors. They talked about UFO-ogists, and aliens who walk through walls, government experiments on space ship debris and cigar-shaped space ships that disguise themselves as clouds.

The leader said he had been chosen to disseminate information about UFOs to the masses. He said the government wants the word spread slowly. To release it too fast would destroy our culture, he said.

Members offered information from books they had read. Missing were the specifics newspaper people are trained to look for, like the "who" of the who, what, where, when and why.

Sources generally chose not to be named, but were believed to be reliable.

The leader showed a piece of metalized mylar which he said would prevent aliens from walking through walls. He said the government was putting the materials in the walls of buildings as a security measure.

He said black helicopters, with the specific responsibility for checking out UFO sightings, had been seen over Ogden avenue between Downers Grove and Lisle.

He also discussed a four-page document that came from another unnamed but reliable source who claimed to have seen space travelers in Cambodia in 1971.

It was not clear why he took so long to talk about it. Maybe it was the drugs he said the government gave him to make him forget.

President Bush, they said, knows a great deal about the space craft landings. After all he was the director of the CIA.

During the early part of the meeting, an unsettling ghost sound came from above us. The 'h-o-o-o-o-o' didn't seem to bother the MUFONS who neither paused or looked around. I listened carefully but failed to hear the theme from the Twilight Zone that I fully expected to follow the arrival of the extra-terrestrials,

But I must confess, it was not the news of the outer space creatures in Cambodia or the mylar that would protect my home from aliens that interested me most. Or even the possibility that a ghost was lingering somewhere above us. It was the announcement of up-coming MUFON activities.

Among them is a lecture in Chicago later in the month. It's title: "Elvis Lives: Close Encounters of an Elvis Kind."

Now that's a far out creature I can understand.

Mystery lights

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500 witness color display

Tribune Staff and Wire Reports

COMMERCE — About 500 Ottawa County residents, including 20 law-enforcement officials, reported seeing several lights of different colors dancing over Commerce and Miami, Okla., late Tuesday, said Commerce Police Chief Bob Baine.

Police and residents say they have no clue to the origin of the lights.

"They were really beautiful, whatever they were," Baine said. "I think basically it was something in nature we witnessed."

Commerce resident Fran Willmert said, "I couldn't see any kind of a shape to them at all.

However, Baine noticed that at one time, the lights "were in a 'W' pattern."

Willmert said, "I noticed they were changing color and went from red to white

to blue." Willmert said she saw the lights from her yard and never had "seen anything like that before."

Baine, who viewed the lights through binoculars and a high-powered telescope, said, "They were nothing that looked like an aircraft."

"We don't know what they are. We had received a call about 8:30 p.m. of a UFO around the Brunswick plant, and we thought it was a joke," Baine said. "But when officers arrived on the scene, they saw what looked like lights that seemed to move in different directions."

Baine said the five lights were in a group of four with the fifth a short distance away.

"I went out and took a 'scope and could see them sitting in kind of a pattern," Baine

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Man who saw the lights . . .

UFO watchers gathering in Yorkshire today were studying a video recording of Something Odd — seen over Leigh Woods, Bristol.

The Unidentified Flying Object, shown as a bright white light changing to a pulsing red and then back to white, has been sent on video cassette for an international conference at Ossett Town Hall, near Wakefield.

Richard Tarr, founder of Bristol Quest group of people interested in unexplained sky phenomena, claims he saw the strange light,

often hovering, over a period of about an hour on August 3.

His recording lasts 14 minutes.

"It was all the same, repetitive, so I didn't take more," he said.

Richard, aged 24, training to be a video shop manager, lives at Gloucester Road, Horfield, Bristol.

He set up Bristol Quest — which now has 11 members — earlier this year after hearing that UFO researcher Tony Dodd, a former North Yorkshire policeman, was seeking information.

said. "There was nothing that I could specify as any shape. They were like spots or something."

Larry Ruthi, a National Weather Service forecaster at Norman, said a check of area reporting stations indicated no unusual atmospheric conditions which might explain the sightings.

Ruthi said he contacted a weather office in Tulsa and the Central Weather Service Unit in Fort Worth, and both reported that no unusual weather conditions existed.

"An auroral display should have been visible over a larger area than just Miami," Ruthi said. "Frankly, I'm at a loss."

A dispatcher with the Ottawa County sheriff's office in Miami said county officers in the field reported seeing "strange lights."

"We thought it was just a hoax, but apparently it is real because I've got at least three, maybe four city units and one of my county units that have seen the lights."

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'Diamond' UFOs alert

UFO researchers were flooded with calls after the latest in a series of unexplained sightings baffled South East Essex stargazers.

East Anglian UFO Society chairman Ray West said everything went potty on Friday night as sky-watchers reported a series of red, white and green objects circling the night sky.

Calls came in from Laindon, Basildon and surrounding areas after the strange objects were seen.

People stopping their cars, gazing for more than half an hour at the diamond-shaped objects.

One Basildon eye witness took a video of the objects and will hand over the tape to the UFO society.

Another Laindon family reported one of the objects flying low. It was diamond-shaped with flashing lights.

Mr West urges anyone who saw strange objects on Friday night to contact Basildon 286079.

Now chance to air one's UFO views

DOZENS OF PEOPLE in West Glamorgan claim to have seen flying saucers and other unidentified flying objects.

How many of them have come forward for the first time because of a Ufology Conference which will be held next month in Port Talbot.

It has been organised by Ougrap, the Open University Graduate Research into Anomalous Phenomena.

Ufology is the study of UFOs and the Port Talbot conference is the first one organised by Ougrap in Wales.

Convenor

Among the unexplained sightings the conference will discuss is the strange dome-shaped object moving through the night sky above Morriston at about 1.30 a.m. on Saturday August 12.

By Jonathan Isaacs

UFOs were also spotted at Ystalyfera in the Swansea Valley during August while a cone-shaped object was sighted over Brynhyfryd, Swansea, back in February.

Ougrap convenor Mr. Gordon Millington said today that because of the interest shown in West Glamorgan the conference will be held in Port Talbot's Grand Hotel on October 21 and 22.

He said: "I've received many registrations for the conference from local people who say they have a genuine and serious interest in the UFO phenomenon.

"Some of them have experiences they are looking forward to discussing with our team of scientific ufologists.

"It seems that for fear of ridicule they've never spoken of these experiences before,"

said Mr. Millington.

He said Ougrap took the accounts seriously even though the group might not be able to explain them.

"Ougrap is a body that is totally agnostic with regard to the phenomena it studies. We espouse no specific explanatory philosophy or religious position.

"We try to keep our minds open and responsive to any data offered," added Mr. Millington.

Steve produced a drawing depicting the craft. Timmerman pointed to a craft on the back of one of his extensive displays at the Station Mall and Steve nodded his head in affirmation.

The UFO expert spent the weekend at the mall talking to people, showing movies about UFOs and manning displays that depict some of the more outstanding UFO sightings. What he really was hoping for was people who would come forward with information about sightings similar to Steve's and tangible evidence such as photographs.

"There is something going on out there," said Timmerman, who is a former heating and air conditioning contractor and now vice president of the savings division of South Side Savings Bank in Lima.

Timmerman is a UFO believer, even though he never has experienced a sighting.

"I've never seen anything myself," he said. "My wife hopes I do someday."

The Center for UFO Studies has 100,000 recorded sightings, reports considered worthy enough to record. All together, 13 million Americans say they have experienced a UFO, Timmerman said.

Timmerman said the mall's maintenance man had what has become known as a close encounter of the first kind.

A close encounter of the second kind is where physical traces are found, such as mysterious markings in a field or loss of hair or a physical injury to an observer.

A close encounter of a third kind is when contact is made with an alien.

The three designations were developed by the late J. Allen Hynek, founder of the UFO center, Timmerman said. Hynek, who died in 1983, was an astronomer and consultant to the movie, "Close Encounters of the Third Kind."

Timmerman became interested in UFOs after serving as a consultant for the Air Force's Operation Blue Book, which was disbanded in 1969. Timmerman said the results of the intensive investigations were inconclusive.

"The conclusion was that UFOs are not a threat to the security of the nation," he said.

One of the most-interesting encounters, Timmerman said, was in 1953 and involved an aircraft and its pilot, who disappeared off Australia.

"He was in radio contact with the people and disappeared with no trace of him or his aircraft," Timmerman said.

UFO sightings occur in waves, he said, with large numbers of sightings reported every three or four years beginning in 1952. It has been several years since there has been a rash of reports.

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The UFO question still topic for study

By Kathy Mellott

ALTOONA — A young man identified as Steve was sitting in his car with his girlfriend one night recently when a circular-type aircraft flashed into view.

The craft had a green light coming from its narrow tail that illuminated the interior of the car. It hovered over the Westfall Park area for two to three minutes, then suddenly disappeared.

Steve, a maintenance man at Station Mall, was relating his experience to John Timmerman, vice president of public relations for the J. Allen Hynek Center for UFO Studies. The center, based in Chicago, is one of two that monitor and record sightings of unidentified flying objects. The second organization is Mutual UFO Studies, based in Texas.

"We were sitting there in my girlfriend's driveway and it just appeared," Steve told Timmerman. "It came from nowhere, hovered near the car, then just disappeared."

Steve noted that his sighting was similar to one that took place in May. Two women reported that they were driving along Route 220 south of Altoona when they saw a greenish glow in the woods. It then approached the highway and passed over the car.

Timmerman, a Lima, Ohio, resident, listened intently to Steve. He nodded his head from time to time, indicating that similar sightings had been reported.

Physicist says, yes, UFO sightings are genuine

By STEPHEN CRABTREE

Times Correspondent

SOUTH HOLLAND — Stanton Friedman says UFOs are for real.

And so are his credentials.

His professional background is in nuclear physics. He is a well known author on the subject and has been a consultant for motion picture and television productions.

Have enterprising aliens in unidentified flying objects scouted the celestial shores of this island Earth?

"Flying saucers are real," Friedman said Friday at South Suburban College. "More than 30 years of study and investigation have certainly convinced me that the evidence is overwhelming that Earth is being visited by intelligently controlled extraterrestrial vehicles.

"In other words, some so-called UFOs are spacecraft flown by aliens from other solar systems," he said. "Most UFO sightings do indeed have conventional explanations.

"This fact is clearly as irrelevant as the facts that most people do not suffer from AIDS, that most at-bats for baseball players do not result in home runs, that most isotopes are not fissionable.

"Clearly some people do indeed have AIDS, some home runs do get hit some of the time, and, yes, some few isotopes are indeed fissionable," he said.

"Having spent 14 years working as a nuclear physicist on a wide variety of really exciting but far-out systems such as nuclear aircraft, fission and fusion rockets and nuclear power plants for space applications, I found no technical barriers to visits to Earth by aliens nor to quite extraordinary flight performance in the atmosphere," he said. "The laws of physics are not being violated."

Friedman said large scale scientific studies have provided a substantial number of "high quality sightings" involving manufactured objects flying in ways we Earthlings cannot duplicate — including in studies done for the United States Air Force.

Friedman said the U. S. and Canadian governments are guilty of a "Cosmic Watergate" in covering up UFO information

True believer



Times photo by John J. Watkins

Author Stanton Friedman talks of unidentified flying objects Friday night

"The United States and Canadian governments have known for more than 40 years that some UFOs are of extraterrestrial origin," he said.

"The younger generation which was never alive when there wasn't a space program has no trouble at all with the idea of visitors from outer space," Friedman said. "Older politically entrenched nationalists are the ones who fear an Earthling orientation, even though it may be the only means to a peaceful planetary future

without nuclear destruction."

Friedman said his critics often suggest that if alien visitations are real then they would probably land and make their presence known.

"Why should they want to make contact with a planet where we are spending billions on the military, and every day 25,000 children die of starvation?" he said. "Why would they share their secrets with a primitive civilization where the major cooperative activity is tribal warfare?"/

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For the chosen, a health service run by extra-terrestrials

ABDUCTIONS: Encounters with Extra-terrestrials, by Edith Fiore (Sidgwick and Jackson, £13.95)

EVEN THE Russians, very practical chaps in most matters, are now reporting visits by spaceships crewed by odd-looking fellows who are clearly neither escapees from a Siberian labour camp, nor disaffected East Germans.

One such space vehicle is said to have disembarked 12-foot tall, three-eyed visitors in a public park not too many miles from Moscow.

In the United States, of course, they tend to be much more familiar with visitations of this kind.

They have been seeing flying saucers for years and extra-terrestrials there are almost as common as IRA terrorists on the run.

They are taken seriously and some very learned experts have made serious studies of the subject.

One such is Dr Edith Fiore, a clinical psychologist who has been practising for more than 20 years and who specialises in hypnotherapy, a form of hypnosis that takes the subject back to various earlier stages in his or her life.

Dr Fiore works on the theory that from time to time certain selected earthlings are lured, persuaded or propelled into spacecraft which drop in at the bottom of the garden on meet-the-people missions from somewhere out there.

Dr Fiore has written a book based on the accounts of some of these people,

obtained under hypnotherapy.

Lots of people, it seems, have met extra-terrestrials and have enjoyed their hospitality aboard a spaceship. The chap next to you in the pub, or your secretary at the office, could very well be one of them.

The point is, you see, that they don't even know themselves because their extra-terrestrial hosts take jolly good care to put the old hypnotic blocks on them before returning them to earth so that these exciting experiences are erased from their memories.

by
**NORMAN
COOK**

Dr Fiore's hypnotherapeutic talents make short work of that sort of nonsense and her subjects blab happily away with a lack of discretion which no doubt makes the extra-terrestrials very cross indeed and unlikely to issue any further invitations.

I suppose I should declare myself a non-believer. I will believe in flying saucers the first time I see one, and I remain unpersuaded in spite of the fact that according to a 1987 Gallup poll almost one-half of U.S. citizens believe in unidentified flying objects and one out of 11 report having seen one.

But, as the preface to Dr Fiore's book puts it, most new ideas and theories throughout history have met with resistance and ridicule.

So be it, and I am grateful

to Dr Fiore for making it clear in her introduction that the 13 cases detailed in her book are offered not as proof that encounters with extra-terrestrials actually took place, but as case material of what these 13 people experienced under hypnosis. The reader is invited to draw his or her own conclusions.

It has to be said that the good doctor's subjects, who were all interviewed at different times and in different circumstances, gave remarkably similar accounts.

They were mostly abducted at night by strange creatures, who looked somewhat unpleasant but seemed to have kindly natures, and were assisted to float up into the upper atmosphere to be welcomed aboard a hovering spacecraft.

A common feature of the hospitality seems to have been to put the earthling on a kind of operating table and start poking things into the various orifices of the body.

Needless to say the visitors from earth tended to find this disagreeable, but resentment was offset by acceptance that the extra-terrestrials meant well and were merely seeking to cure various ailments.

In conclusion I should add that Dr Fiore's book comes complete with a long list of sympathetic organisations, publications and hypnotherapists working with abductees.

This book is in no way some kind of jokey send-up of UFO maniacs and it most certainly deserves to be read with a straight face.

Probe into town UFO sighting

UFO investigators have been called in to look into a mysterious North Warwickshire sighting.

Officials from the British Unidentified Flying Object Research Association plan to interview Mr Alan Cook of Church Lane, Weddington, who saw a large object hovering over Caldecote with a blinding bright light emanating from it.

He watched it through binoculars to try and identify it and described it as "simply incredible."

Description

A spokesman for the association said they would be contacting Mr Cook to find out more details about what he saw.

"He seems to have given a very clear description of what he saw and we are interested in talking to him.

"There have been a few sightings which we haven't been able to come to a conclusion about but most of them suggest that they can be explained.

"Many turn out to be some sort of aircraft or air transport."

Mr Cook said the mystery object was too bright for aircraft navigation lights and could not have been helicopter floodlights.

We are not alone

Several UFO citings have residents 'pretty jumpy' in Oklahoma, Kansas

By Matthew Schofield
staff writer

Welch, Okla.—Whatever they were, the two 9-foot, green, glowing, thin beings that may or may not have had heads certainly weren't Oklahomans.

And the England family—out driving when they say the things popped from a round object that decidedly was not a car—got mighty worried about that.

"We were driving down this gravel

road out south and this round thing with two red lights was blocking our way," said Shirley England, the mother. "Then these green, glowing things popped out. Me, Debbie, John, Sarah, the baby and a neighbor girl, we all saw it. I don't know what it was, but we're all pretty jumpy around here now."

The Englands are not alone. Between Oct. 8 and Oct. 16, more than 100 people in northeastern Oklahoma and southeastern Kansas

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made official reports of seeing white, red, yellow, and green or blue lights zipping through the dark sky or hovering over trees or houses.

Only the Englands, who Craig County Sheriff Jess Walker said were not the type to tell tall tales, claim to have seen creatures.

But thousands of others—from police chiefs and sheriffs to county commissioners, morticians, television cameramen and newspaper reporters, schoolchildren and retired citizens—claim to have seen the lights.

"Folks were lining their cars along country roads and sitting out to watch the lights dance in the sky," said Police Chief Bob Baine of Commerce, Okla. "I'd say that around here, more people saw them than didn't."

The lights often flew high but frequently dipped to tree level or just below. For a week, they appeared every night between 8 p.m. and midnight. The lights appeared to rotate as they moved.

Those who say they observed this draw pictures of a ball-shaped or a partly deflated football-shaped ship. And though many people said they thought they were within a mile of the whatever they were, no one heard any engine noise.

Sightings have come from Cherokee County, Kan., to Ottawa and Craig counties in Oklahoma. The lights sometimes were stationary or moving slowly but often traveled about the speed of a small plane.

Occasionally, however, the lights "in the snap of your finger, or the blink of an eye, are across the horizon, and I guarantee you we don't have anything in our Army that could catch those buggers," according to Jack Young, an Ottawa County commissioner.

The overwhelming feeling in the region is bemusement. Was this some cosmic trick? Were secret weapons being tested? And, if not, just what the heck were folks seeing?

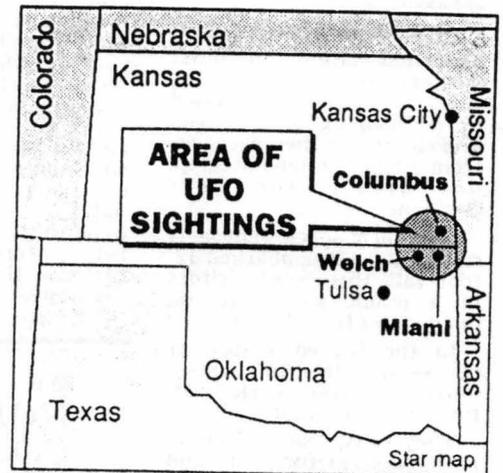
"I've read stories before about people who've seen this stuff, and I've always thought they were idiots," said Larry Murdock of Columbus, Kan. "But I looked at the lights through the binoculars, and I never was so shocked in all my life.

"There it was, the traditional flying saucer, spherical and turning. Honest to God, I believe it's something from another planet. I just hope no Barney Fife type decides to go shooting up whatever it is."

Jim Green, a police officer and Miami civil defense director, said craft from outer space might be going a bit far.

"If we had 12 witnesses to a robbery give stories this similar, we'd have a pretty good case," he said. "Something is out there, probably some experimental

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aircraft.

"But here's what gets me. It rose as if going straight up, hovered over a house then took off with no noise."

Many say the lights might have been caused by a fast helicopter, a glider, a remote-controlled kite, or a military-controlled mini-balloon. But then they say the lights moved unlike any of those things.

And police said that during the sightings, radar controllers in Tulsa, Okla., said no planes were flying in the area.

Mark Paonessa, professor of physics at the University of Kansas, said the sightings could be accounted for by any number of natural phenomena. He said airplanes, rockets, bright planets, atmospheric conditions, a recent solar flare, methane gas or even secret military projects could account for the lights.

Cherokee County Undersheriff Earney Donaldson doesn't think much of those explanations.

"What I saw had nothing to do with planets—they moved too fast—or planes—they maneuvered too well and made no noise. But I don't like to talk about it. I don't usually see aliens."