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Postage received from K5JNJ - WA4VUG.

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New Members: WA4VUG, VE2AUJ

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Inquiries: K8KRN...GM5AFJ, Scotland...Mr. Gordon Lore, new Assistant Director NICAP.

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This report was reproduced by sneaking in one page at a time. It is very unlikely that it can be accomplished again. Concerning our reproduction problem, several suggestions were received. Most of them dealt with the possibility of using a mimeograph, ditto, or spirit reproducer. Unfortunately we do not have access to these machines, nor can we afford to rent or buy one. We may however have a solution. I have contacted a printer in Santa Clara who has agreed to process our reports at cost, using offset printing. There are several advantages to this type of printing; sincere reproduction of photographs, printing on both sides of the paper, which incidentally will cut our mailing cost in half, and a neater and cleaner report.

The cost will be between \$12.00 and \$20.00 per month, depending on the material and type, i.e. photographs. This does not include the plates which I have agreed to furnish.

Obviously I cannot absorb the total cost. You therefore will have to help. If you all chip in 3 or 4 bucks a year we should have no problems. I realize that some of you will be unfavorable to the idea. I await your decision and strongly urge you to help so that we may continue our work. Should you decide to continue with Data-Net please send in \$3.00 (or more). You will then continue to receive our report in its new form. Regardless, Data-Net will continue its operation but, depending on your reaction, perhaps in a more limited fashion.

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#### "SNIPPY THE HORSE"

We received quite a few clippings and some information concerning this case. It appears that several photos were taken of UFOs in that area at that time. No details as yet. Further information in next month's report. We do know that at least one other horse was found in a similar condition in the same area. Dr. Condon, of the USAF financed Colorado project, first stated that he would not investigate, but then changed his mind and sent a team. Both he and NICAP concluded that it was probably a hoax. Data-Net has not reached a conclusion at this time, awaiting further data.

K5JNJ followed up his clipping concerning a UFO sighting by calling the witness (Mr. Foreman) and getting first hand details.

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VE2AUJ, Jocelyn in Quebec, sent us very interesting reports from his area. He is also trying to link a serious UFO group in his area with Data-Net.

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Through the efforts of W50XU we may also hook up with another group based in England. Thereby expanding Data-Net's operation further.

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The following interesting and well written report came from WA4BRS:

"While stationed on the U.S. Coast Guard cutter Legare in Freeport, Texas during the spring of 1966, an incident occurred which created quite a bit of local interest, and which, to this day, has never been explained to the satisfaction of those who were involved.

"My part in the incident began when I left the ship one evening at dusk to accept an invitation for supper from a young lady whom I had recently met. Our ship was tied up at the U.S. Coast Guard lifeboat station, on the Old Brazos river, near the point where the river empties into the Gulf of Mexico. To get to the young lady's house, I had to walk around the edge of a large, vacant field---a distance of about three-quarters of a mile.

"Several hours after I arrived (approximately 10 pm), there was a bright blue flash from somewhere outside the house, accompanied by a loud, thunder-like noise, and the lights in the house immediately went out. Although the possibility of lightning was remote (the night was clear), I gave the blue flash and noise little thought, and began checking fuses in an effort to restore the electricity. The fuses were good, and a check out the window showed that the one other inhabited house in the vicinity, as well as the coast guard station (normally visible across the field) were also without lights. A glance in the opposite direction revealed that the power failure was quite wide-spread, and had even affected the massive Dow Chemical Company plant located across the intracoastal waterway from where I was visiting.

"We lit a candle and settled down for a long wait. The young lady laughed and remarked that the cars of some men she knew could "happen" to run out of gas at moments like this, but how did I pull a stunt like a power failure?

"It's your house," I replied. "The suspicion falls on you."

"Soon, the lights from the cutter Legare could be seen, for the ship had shifted to her own generator when the shore tie went dead.

"Four hours after the power went off, a utility truck from the Houston Power and Light Company (the company which serves the area) pulled up outside the house and a lineman tripped a circuit breaker on the transformer, restoring the power. We asked what the trouble had been, and he laughed and said, "It must have been a UFO."

"Shortly afterward, I returned to my ship, where I learned that a large, brilliant light had been spotted hovering in the direction of the house where I had been visiting, at an estimated distance of one-half to one mile, and the time corresponded exactly with the power failure, the blue flash, and loud noise.

"The next day, I took statements from three members of the ship's crew who had seen the object, and forwarded details to NICAP.

"The incident occurred on a Friday night. During the weekend, the country experienced widespread UFO sightings, many similar to the Legare's. On the following Wednesday, the Legare sighting made the front page of the Houston Post, the Brazosport Facts

(Freeport) and was featured on several radio station newscasts, as NICAP released my UFO report to the Washington correspondent of the Post.

"It is interesting to note that, while no one else was ever located who saw the UFO in Freeport on the night in question, UFOs have been frequently reported in this area, especially around the Dow Chemical plants, during the past few years by many residents, all reputable persons.

"The remark by the utility company lineman, "It must have been a UFO," is also interesting, as was the power company's official explanation of the power failure, that a tree had blown across a line, in the surfside beach area---an area with no trees, and on a separate power line from the Dow plant.

"Perhaps it was a UFO that caused the flash, thunder and power failure, and perhaps it was not. But to this day, I hate myself for not stepping outside for a look at where that blue flash and loud noise came from, for the UFO was probably hovering right over, or very close to the house in which I sat."

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The two enclosed clippings from Quebec (VE2AUJ) were written in French. The translations are: Picture No. 1, "Flying saucer...Warren Smith, a prospector from Calgary, photographed this UFO in July. South of Alberta. The Canadian aviation authorities have declared that this photo is one of the best ever taken of a UFO. Enlarged, it shows a saucer shaped object with a dome. 40 ft. in diameter. It flew at a considerable speed and released blue gas.".....Picture No. 2, "Mr. Russell Hill, a forest ranger of the same province, drew from memory an object that he saw pass four times in October. This, in the area which he surveys."

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Data-Net has received a somewhat mystical sighting report from West Virginia. WASLCO states that a man claims that he sees a UFO about once a month sitting directly above a main power line (138,000 volts). Description of the object is as follows: "A large glowing object about 30 feet in diameter with 7 foot windows that glow extremely bright. That is, brighter than the object itself and it (the UFO) sits directly above the main power line." We hope for photographs and more details on this "recurring" sighting.

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The Data-Net reward for an authentic photograph of a UFO is now \$20.00. Incidentally, the picture remains the property of the photographer.

This NC is still working 11 hours a day, six days a week; the reason this report is overdue. Please forgive.

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From the files of Jo Clark----

The November, 1963 issue of the APRO bulletin (Aerial Phenomena Research Organization, 3910 E. Kleindale Road, Tucson, Arizona) carried an excellent editorial entitled "The Reason?". At that time, four years ago, APRO suggested the CIA may be the central clearing house for UFO reports from all military groups, even though the AF is publicly responsible for UFOs. APRO theorized that a central group having the responsibility of protecting our country from possible enemy visitors would find it necessary to obtain as much information as possible regarding those visitors without letting them know how much we knew about them. By doing this, they could gain time to try to prepare defenses, should they become necessary. A policy of secrecy would be necessary in order to keep the visitors in ignorance of our knowledge of their existence and capabilities.

Several recent monthly periodicals name the true government UFO research agency as the CIA. From information received at this station, it certainly appears this way. Possibly it is the correct agency for the job.

Let us hear from you very soon. I will try to work harder and faster.

73  
*Michel M. Jaffe*  
Michel M. Jaffe  
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### Strong Men's Belief in Flying Saucers

11-5-67

JOE ADAMSKI

NEW ORLEANS — (UPI) — A survey conducted by a Tulane university political science professor showed that more men than women

believe in flying saucers from outer space.

The survey, conducted by Dr. David R. Deener, covered students at Tulane, oth-

er New Orleans colleges and high schools, and more than 1000 residents.

The survey showed that male college undergraduates

rank highest in believing in flying saucers. The most surprising fact produced by the survey, Deener said, was that more than 80 percent of Tulane engineering students believed in flying saucers.

## Horse Mystery: Weird Findings



UPI Telephoto

DUANE MARTIN TESTED THE HORSE FOR RADIOACTIVITY  
Mrs. Berle Lewis and Leona Wellington examined the corpse

10-9-67

# Autopsy Heightens Snippy Mystery

K7YXP

ALAMOSA, Colo. (AP) — An autopsy on a horse, believed by its owner to have been killed by inhabitants of a flying saucer, revealed Sunday night that its abdominal, brain and spinal cavities were empty, the pathologist who performed the autopsy said.

The pathologist, a Denver specialist who wished to remain anonymous, said the absence of organs in the abdominal cavity was unexplainable.

Witnessing the autopsy were four members of the Denver team of the National Investigating Committee on Aerial Phenomena. The team included Dr. and Mrs. Ken Steinmetz, Dr. Herb Roth and Capt. Dick Cable of the North American Air Defense Command Center in Colorado Springs.

When the pathologist sawed into the horse's brain cavity he found it empty. "There definitely should have been a good bit of fluid in the brain cavity," the pathologist said.

"This horse was definitely not killed by lightning," the pathologist said. That was the official conclusion of Alamosa County authorities.

The controversy over Snippy, a 3-year-old, began Sept. 7 when the horse did not return to the Harry King Ranch.

Two days later, King went looking for Snippy and found him dead about a quarter-mile from the Ranch house. The ranch is 20 miles southeast of Alamosa in desolate mountain country.

King called the owners of the

horse, Mr. and Mrs. Burl Lewis, and together they investigated the area in which the horse had been killed.

They said they found areas where the chico brush had been squashed to within 18 inches of

the ground. What appeared to them to be 15 circular exhaust marks were found 100 yards from the horse. Another area was punched with six identical holes, each 2 inches wide and 4 inches deep, they said.

## Iowa Policemen See Large UFO

OELWEIN, Iowa (AP) — Two Oelwein police officers reported early today they spotted an Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) hovering in the sky along a county road.

Assistant police chief Jack Stollus and patrolman Charles Derringer said the object was bigger than an airliner and was so bright that it hurt their eyes to look at it. They added that the UFO — as they called it — had blue rays shooting in all directions.

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## Tucsonans Probe UFOs In Colorado

ALAMOSA, Colo. (AP) — The founders of the Aerial Phenomena Research Organization of Tucson have entered an investigation into unidentified flying objects in Colorado. James and Coral Lorenzen of 3910 E. Kleindale Rd., met yesterday at Boulder with a two-man team from the University of Colorado to discuss recent UFO reports near Alamosa.

Mrs. Lorenzen is the author of "Flying Saucers, the Startling Evidence of the Invasion from Other Planets."

Residents of the sparsely populated San Luis Valley near Alamosa who have reported seeing UFOs will be interviewed by the two investigators from the University of Colorado's UFO study group.

Robert J. Low, deputy director of the Air Force-financed study, said a second man was sent to Alamosa today to help probe the strange death Sept. 7 of Snippy the horse.

The 3-year-old Appaloosa was found dead on the Harry King Ranch, about 20 miles northeast of here. The flesh had been stripped from the neck and head and only bare bones remained. The rest of the carcass was intact.

## MYSTERY IN ALAMOSO

10-8-67

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SAN JOSE CALIF.

# ... Did a Flying Saucer Kill Snippy the Horse?

ALAMOSA, Colo. (AP) — Did Snippy the horse come out second best in a tangle with a flying saucer?

Mr. and Mrs. Berle Lewis, owners of the 3-year-old Appaloosa whose mutilated—and reportedly radioactive—carcass was found in a remote area of southern Colorado's San Luis Valley, declare firmly that's what happened.

Others, with varying degrees of expertise in the field of unidentified flying objects (UFOs), disagree.

"I discounted everything else after it (the carcass) came up radioactive," said Lewis, a carpenter in Alamosa, an area where reported UFO sightings have been almost as numerous as the population recently.

Earlier this year, there were reports from a man who said a football-shaped object followed his car, a student who said a cigar-shaped craft hovered over a

field and a woman who said she saw a brilliant blue crescent-shaped object with a small flashing light.

Sheriff Ben Phillips said he has not looked but figures Snippy probably was killed by lightning.

Dr. Edward U. Condon, who heads the Air Force-financed UFO study at the University of Colorado, said the story sounded "pretty far-fetched." He said there were no immediate plans to send a team to investigate.

Lewis discounted these opinions. "Lightning don't do things like that," he declared. "That sure as hell don't boil all the meat off the bones and take it away and never leave a speck," he said. Lewis reported when the carcass was found Sept. 10, on the remotely located Harry King Ranch 20 miles northeast of here, every trace of flesh was gone from the shoulders up. The rest "was as per-

fect as the day it was killed," he said, but the bones of the neck and head were bleached.

Two weeks later, a Forest Service employe checked the area with a geiger counter and recorded extremely high radioactive readings, Lewis said. Some black material, like auto exhaust, was found near the scene and also showed high radioactive readings, he reported, explaining the material was taken from irregularly-shaped spots about 12 to 18 inches in diameter. There were about 15 of them in a 500-square-yard area about 100 yards from the carcass, Lewis added.

He said the death could have been caused by something else—perhaps a secret private laboratory experiment—but he doubted it. Flying saucers are a more distinct possibility because, Lewis said, "we see is—every night."

# 3 Prairie Girls Report UFO Landing

denly blacked out, but no other lights were affected. The screen's light returned after about 1 1/2 minutes, Mattie told Knickerbocker.

The object suddenly sped east to a hilly area, then swerved north and went out of sight. The girls said they were so frightened they called the sisters at St. Gabriel's convent and reported what they had seen.

above the surface of the field. There it hovered. It measured about 12 by 15 feet and rhythmically changed in color from orange to yellow. A large searchlight appeared to be mounted on the object, which yielded a loud buzzing noise, similar to bees.

because they were afraid they would be laughed at, Knickerbocker said. The girls are the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. William Hattvorsen of rural Prairie du Chien. Their story:

PRairie DU CHIEN, Wis. — Three young girls have reported seeing an unidentified flying object (UFO) near here, according to a report Thursday by Crawford County Undersheriff Gary Knickerbocker.

On Monday night, a man reported to Crawford County authorities that while he was driving near Risingsun, about 30 miles north of Prairie du Chien on Highway 27, he saw a blue light falling across the sky.

The girls told Knickerbocker that the object remained motionless 30 seconds to five minutes.

As it hovered motionless above the field, an object dropped from the bottom and spun around.

Linda, 12, and Tina, 7, were crossing a field between their home and the Lakeview Resort, about three miles north of Prairie du Chien. Their mother was working at the resort. It was about 7:30 p.m. Saturday. The sky was clear.

"They definitely saw something," Knickerbocker said. Father Eugene Zimmerman, S.J., pastor of St. Gabriel's church to which the girls belong, witnessed the formal statement made by the girls to Knickerbocker. The girls did not report the incident to authorities until several days later

The man said he reports it because he thought it might be an airplane in distress. There were no subsequent reports of an airplane in trouble in that area.

Knickerbocker said Louie Mattie, who operates the Lakewood Resort, reported he was watching television at the time.

The girls fled back to their home to call their sister Noreen, 14. Noreen and the two girls looked out of the house

An oval-shaped object suddenly appeared and settled just

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Mattie said the screen sud-

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## San Jose, W. Va. 10-15-67 Flying Saucers Getting Official Nod in Canada

TORONTO, Canada -- Flying saucers are finally getting the official nod from Canada. The University of Toronto is planning the country's first major study of unidentified flying objects, or UFOs.

The investigation will be the counterpart of a U.S. study directed by Dr. Edward U. Condon of the University of Colorado, now being carried out for the U.S. Air Force.

The U.S. Air Force, says Dr. Gordon Patterson of the University of Toronto's Institute of Aerospace Studies and head of the Canadian study, has adopted the attitude in the past that unexplained UFO sightings were the product of hoaxes, hallucinations or mistakes. Not all

such sightings can be explained away so easily, Dr. Patterson says.

Dr. Patterson said that his researchers will be mostly concerned with finding a way to study UFOs scientifically, rather than with whether they are visitors from outer space. It ought to be possible, he said, for responsible observers to apply a standardized set of observing techniques in order to obtain specific information.

Dr. Patterson noted that the institute already has equipment that could be used to provide useful scientific measurements of UFO sightings, and indicated that the institute might even set up a specially equipped UFO truck which could be sent to the site of UFO sightings.

## Head of Air Force's UFO Study Frustrated

Boulder, Colo. (AP)—The head of the U. S. Air Force's study on unidentified flying objects said that he is "almost inclined to think such studies ought to be discontinued unless someone comes up with a new idea on how to approach the problem."

Dr. Edward U. Condon who heads the study based at the University of Colorado said, "What makes it difficult is that reports don't come in soon enough. It's always over before you get there."

He suggested a nationwide network of trained observers but conceded this would cost about 10 million dollars a year—a hundred times his operating budget.

Commenting on an article by Dr. William Markowitz, a Marquette university physicist, which criticized the study, Dr. Condon said he thought the article was good in its dealings with certain aspects of the problem.

Dr. Markowitz, citing numerous physical formulae, said manned ships from outer space—such as those allegedly seen—could not possibly carry the

fuel necessary for travel to and from the earth—"If the known laws of physics are valid."

Dr. Condon said his study should be completed by June and the results released through the National Academy of Science in the fall of 1968.

Dr. Condon said he did not plan to continue his study of UFO's after the 15-month project is finished. "I told them from the beginning this would be a short-term thing," he said.

## Moline Dispatch Fri. 9-8-67 Professor Builds Flying Saucer

DAVIS, Calif. (AP) — Paul Moller has taken out an insurance policy on his flying saucer.

This one really exists.

Moller, a professor of aeronautical engineering at the University of California Davis campus, developed the saucer-type craft.

The 10-foot-wide blue and silver saucer, complete with bubbletop and bucket seats, has flown about four feet off the ground in public demonstrations.

# Streaking light puzzle: many here

A rash of reports of spotting unidentified flying objects erupted Saturday over the South.

At least half a dozen Birmingham residents reported a UFO sighting.

They were joined by others in Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas.

Locally, the UFO was seen about 6:15-6:30 a.m. Saturday.

Similar sightings were made over a large area by

people ranging from two policemen in Mississippi to a Trans-Texas Airline pilot flying toward Lake Charles, La.

KENNETH LAXSON of Trafford said he and his wife were driving from their home in Trafford to his job in Ensley when they saw a streaking bright light high in the sky at 6:20 a.m.

"We both saw it and we both watched it go out of

sight behind some trees. We watched it for quite a while. It wasn't a shooting star."

J. T. Underwood of Tarrant said he saw the object about 6:15 a.m. while on the way to work at the Lone Star Cement plant.

"It looked white and phosphorous-like. It was too slow for a meteorite and too fast for a plane. There seemed to be a trail

of light behind it," Underwood said. He said it moved toward the west-northwest.

He said Ernest Sorenson of Mt. Olive reported seeing the same object.

THE WEATHER BUREAU said sightings were reported by the Jackson, Miss., police department and at Lake Charles, Baton Rouge and New Orleans, La., and Beaumont, Tex. Louisiana Weather

Bureau officials said witnesses reported the UFO was "moving in too erratic a direction" to be a meteorite.

In Tarrant, Underwood said he has seen satellites in orbit before. "It definitely wasn't that," he said.

Another unidentified Birmingham woman said her daughter saw the same thing and reported "wasn't a plane or a satellite."

## New UFO Reports at Prairie du Chien

10-19-67

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PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, Wis.—Some residents here Wednesday night said they saw—vividly—unidentified flying objects (UFO).

A husband and his wife—who asked that their names not be used—said they saw three UFO's in 15 minutes.

"We got a call from a neighbor to look out our window to the west, over the (Mississippi) river," the husband said. "Something was heading south.

"We ran out there and I saw one thing that had quite a few lights on it. The lights appeared to be on the side. It wasn't going too fast, less than 100 miles an hour. It reached south of town, then swung straight east.

"About the time it went out of sight, my wife said there comes another one . . . then I

looked up and said 'For gosh sakes, look up there, there's a third one.'"

The UFO overhead, which he said he saw very clearly through binoculars, was heading west.

He said it had at least nine red and white lights mounted in a triangular shape on its

A helicopter and a weather balloon are offered as explanations of UFO sightings in Dubuque and LaMotte, Ia.: PAGE 27.

bottom. What appeared to be a cluster of lights was on one end.

"It passed right over the house, less than 5,000 feet high. If it was any lower than that it was damned awful big."

The first two UFO's also had red and white lights, he said. He said there was no sound.

"If they had been jets, they would have made quite a racket," he said.

During the time he and his wife were watching the UFO's, he said, they saw a jet and a small airplane pass overhead.

"They were nothing like the other things," he asserted.

The man said he and his wife have heard many residents here speak of UFO's they had seen during the last few days.

The Crawford County Sheriff's office reported Thursday that reports have come in from area residents.

One caller said he had seen "four large objects that looked like yard lights" in the sky. Another reported a "big thing that had large red lights. The lights came on and then it was gone."

The first reported sightings were about two weeks ago.

## UFOs Are Sighted

10-21-67

K5JNJ

Strange flying objects, bluish-white in color and thought by some to be meteors, were seen between 5:45 and 6:20 a.m. today in the southern sky.

Persons who called the Star-Telegram reported seeing three to five of the bright objects, traveling generally from east to west or southeast to northwest.

A. S. Foreman, who lives in north Benbrook and said he was an amateur astronomer, reported seeing five of the "dots." He said he believed they might have been meteors, but could not account for what he believed was a noise accompanying the phenomenon.

(The Orionids, a meteor shower, began Monday and continued through this week.)

A state highway patrol dispatcher said mysterious flying objects were seen about 5:45 a.m., traveling at high speed from south-southeast to north-northeast.

Spokesmen at Carswell Air Force Base, the Weather Bureau and Federal Aviation Administration said they could provide no information concerning the phenomenon.

← K5JNJ FOLLOWED THIS UP BY CALLING MR. FOREMAN;

"OBJECTS WERE SEEN IN A GROUP ABOUT 8° APART, SHORT TRAIL, IN SIGHT ABOUT 3 OR 4 SECONDS. FIRST SIGHTED IN EAST ABOUT 30° OFF HORIZON, FADED OUT ABOUT 30° OFF WEST HORIZON. NO CHANGE IN DIRECTION. HEARD NOISE SIMILAR TO JET AIRCRAFT. SIZE NOT QUITE AS LARGE AS VENUS."

ALSO SIGHTED BY HARLEY GOZA IN HALTOM CITY, ... SAME REPORT AS ABOVE BUT NO TRAIL OR SOUND.

## Remember last August?

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# That UFO was plane dropping flares

The unidentified flying object (UFO) sighted by many over Cape Ann last August has been identified by scientists as a common optical illusion from seeing the lights of white flares dropped by the Air Force some 25 to 30 miles northeast of Gloucester.

The Wednesday, Aug. 2 sightings were originally labelled a probable "good" UFO by Raymond E. Fowler of Wenham, chairman of Massachusetts NICAP (National Investigating Committee on Aerial Phenomena). NICAP is conducting studies of UFO sightings in conjunction with a government study being done by the University of Denver (Colo.).

Fowler had described the sightings as "good" because they had been seen by "good, rational people from a variety of locations."

The Times received four reports of the sightings at the time which, while not precisely alike, had some common factors:

—The object had 6 to 8 yellow (or yellow orange) lights blinking on and off.

—The lighters were spaced out in a design which was not exactly linear or circular.

—The sightings were made at 9.30 p.m., Aug. 2, 1967.

The object was variously described as "having no shape, just a ring of lights . . . like a donut without a hole . . . some 20 to 30 feet across with a round thing on its top and bottom."

All the witnesses were looking approximately northeast at the time when an aircraft from the 99th Bomb Wing at Westover AFB dropped a series of white flares on a practice run some 25 to 30 miles directly northeast of Cape Ann, according to Fowler.

Fowler added that similar sightings Sept. 2 by reliable witnesses including Rockport police, Hampton, N. H. police and one of Fowler's observers were also of a B-52 flare mission some 70 miles off Cape Ann.

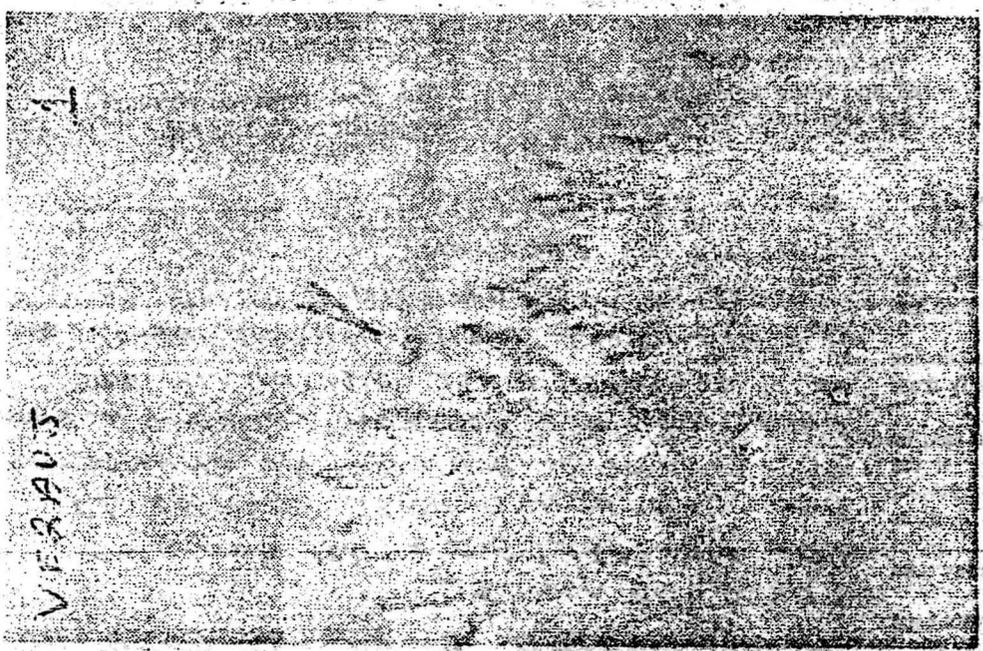
In both cases the common optical illusion was caused by the eye "tending to fill in details that just are not there" when looking at a pattern of lights in a dark sky, Fowler indicated.

In both cases the white flares were seen as reddish because of atmospheric conditions such as sometimes exist in looking at the moon.

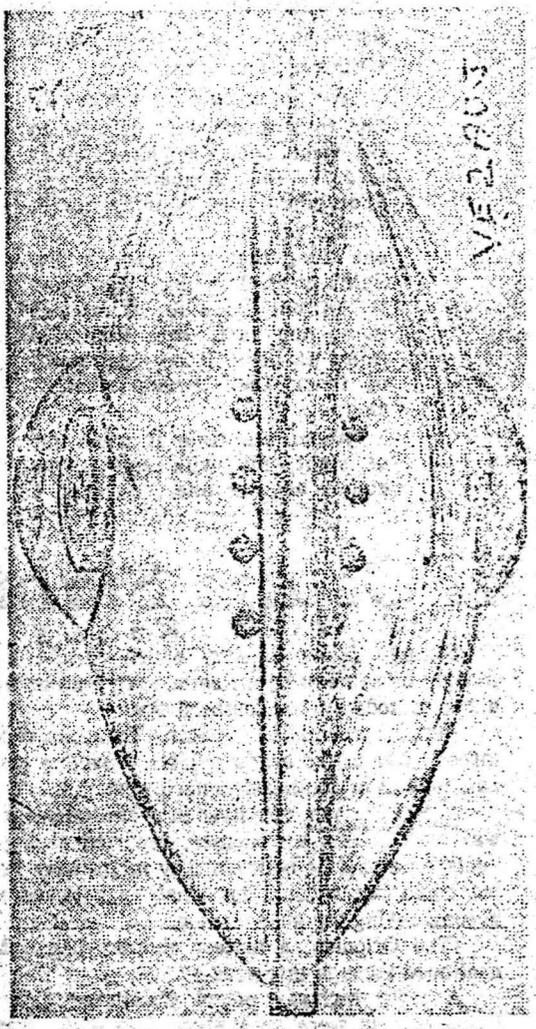
"Don't be too hard on the observers," wrote Fowler to the Times. "For the most part they reported exactly what they saw,

only their interpretation and our evaluation was in error until all the facts were in."

Fowler sent the report identifying the UFOs as flare drops to the Times, saying "It will be a letdown to those who thought they saw a UFO, and in fact some will still maintain that they did, but the facts should be made known. Only through careful investigations and continuing investigation can the knowns be weeded out from the unknowns."



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**Sky Ball Chased  
 Him, a Cop Says**

Newnan, Ga., Oct. 22 (UPI)—Police reported a rash of unidentified flying object reports early today, including a dark blue ball that a police officer said chased him and then hovered over this small central Georgia town until daybreak. The sightings were the latest in a series of flying object

report that began Friday in east Georgia and spread into the central section of the state.

**Georgia Policeman  
 Describes Pursuit  
 By a Flying Object**  
 KP4CH

NEWNAN, Ga., Oct. 22 (UPI)—The police reported a number of unidentified flying object reports today, including one of a dark blue ball that a police officer said had chased him and then hovered over this small central Georgia town until daybreak.

The sightings were the latest in a series of reports that began early Friday in East Georgia and spread into central portion of the state.

A highway patrolman, Jerry Goldin, said he was the first to spot the objects today, one ice blue and about a mile high and the other a yellow rectangle object with a red side about 100 yards above the trees.

Before the night was over, highway patrolmen and policemen from 11 towns had seen similar objects. Reports came from such scattered middle Georgia locations as Milledgeville, Greenville, Newnan, Talbotton, Fayetteville and Taylor County.

A Newnan patrolman, Dale Spradlin, said he had chased a ball of light about eight inches in diameter for about eight miles down a road just outside Newnan.

"It was a good distance in front of us, pulling away, so we turned around to come back to town," said Mr. Spradlin, who was on patrol with Gerald Mascon.

The object turned on us and followed," he said. "It was gaining on us and was going about 75 miles per hour."

After the object caught up with him, he said, it pulled into the sky, emitting a beam of bluish light that illuminated the roadway.

**SERIES OF REPORTS**

**Georgia Officer  
 'Chased by UFO'**

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The sightings were the latest in a series on UFO reports that began early Friday in east Georgia and spread into central portion of the state Sunday.

Highway Patrolman Jerry Goldin at the mountaintop Manchester State Patrol station said he was the first to spot Sunday's UFO's, one ice blue and about a mile high and the other one a yellow rectangle-shaped object with a red side about 100 yards above the trees.

Before the night was over, highway patrolmen and policemen from 11 different towns had seen similar objects. Reports came from such scattered middle Georgia locations as Milledgeville, Greenville, Newnan, Talbotton, Fayetteville and Taylor County.

Newnan patrolman Dale Spradlin said he chased a ball of light about eight inches in diameter for about eight miles down a road just outside Newnan.

"It was a good distance in front of us, pulling away, so we turned around to come back to

town," said Spradlin who was on patrol with officer Gerald Mascon. The object was travelling above tree-top level.

"The object turned on us and followed," he said. "It was gaining on us and was going about 75 miles per hour."

After the object caught up with him, it pulled into the sky, emitting a beam of bluish light that illuminated the roadway, the officer said.

Spradlin said he could not tell how close the object was to his car, "but a boy and girl parked at a lake who witnessed the chase said it seemed to be right above us."

Highway patrolmen and policemen from a wide area watched it until dawn when it faded out of sight. By that time, officers said, it had climbed high into the sky, looking like a bright star except for its erratic movements.

A spokesman for Warner Robins Air Force Base said he had heard the reports of the objects but that nothing was seen on the base radar.

The weather bureau at Athens said it had released four weather balloons Saturday night and Sunday morning, but a spokesman said it was unlikely they were the cause of the reports.

The balloons are released daily, he said, and they "break up" a short while later and are difficult to spot in the night.

