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POLICY: DATA-NET feels sufficient evidence has been presented to prove that there are unidentified flying objects. Our ultimate purpose is to answer the following questions: What are they? Where do they come from and how? Why are they here?

REWARD: \$25.00 for an authentic photograph of a flying saucer. The DATA-NET reward is posted by some of the members, consequently it is open to members only. The photo must be sufficiently clear to show items of value.

Please refrain from sending pictures of blurs, blobs, shadows, or cow-pies! The film should preferably be unprocessed, with as much pertinent data provided as possible.

Any UFO related items, or ham gear, etc., WANTED, FOR SALE, or FOR TRADE may be listed FREE OF CHARGE in the SHOP & SWAP section. --Send us your ad and we will print it!!

The information we all share by means of the DATA-NET REPORT is contributed by YOU, the members. So, be sure to submit your newspaper clippings, magazine articles, and reports, as well as your suggestions, comments, theories, etc. We honor all confidential requests and return material if requested.

UFO LIBRARY

Books are available from the Control Station. They are loaned free of charge to members only.

- STRANGER THAN SCIENCE - Frank Edwards
- WHAT WE REALLY KNOW ABOUT FLYING SAUCERS - Otto Binder
- LET'S FACE THE TRUTH ABOUT FLYING SAUCERS - Gabriel Green
- LETTERS TO THE AF ON UFOs - Bill Adler
- FLYING SAUCERS ARE WATCHING US - Otto Binder
- FLYING SAUCERS-SERIOUS BUSINESS - Frank Edwards
- UFOs OVER THE AMERICAS - Jim, Coral Lorenzen
- FLYING SAUCERS ON THE ATTACK - Harold T. Wilkins
- FLYING SAUCERS ARE HOSTILE - Brad Steiger, Joan Whritenour
- STRANGE WORLD - Frank Edwards
- UFOs? --YES! - R. Roger Harkins
- NEW UFO BREAKTHROUGH - Brad Steiger, Joan Whritenour
- THE REPORT ON UFOs - Edward Ruppelt
- FLYING SAUCERS-HERE AND NOW - Frank Edwards
- FLYING SAUCERS UNCENSORED - Harold T. Wilkins
- THE INTERRUPTED JOURNEY - John Fuller
- ANATOMY OF A PHENOMENON - Jacques Vallee

- UFOs, THE WHOLE STORY - Coral, Jim Lorenzen
- WHY ARE THEY WATCHING US - Allen Erskine
- THE TERROR ABOVE US - Malcom Kent
- FLYING SAUCERS. HOAX OR REALITY - Jerome Stanton
- MYSTERIOUS FIRES AND LIGHTS - Vincent Gaddis
- STRANGERS FROM THE SKIES - Brad Steiger
- LE MATIN DES MAGICIAN - Pauwels and Berger
- STRANGEST OF ALL - Frank Edwards
- INCIDENT AT EXETER - John Fuller
- THE FLYING SAUCER STORY - French
- WE ARE NOT ALONE - Walter Sullivan
- FLYING SAUCER OCCUPANTS - Coral, Jim Lorenzen
- FLYING SAUCERS: THE STARTLING EVIDENCE OF THE INVASION FROM OUTER SPACE
- Coral, Jim Lorenzen
- THE TRUTH ABOUT FLYING SAUCERS - Aime Michel

We extend a hearty welcome to our new members:

- WOPGP, Willard Armstrong
- WNQZRG, Mark Richardson
- WA9WMK, K. D. Hoogerhyde
- WB6YHP, William A. Davis
- Mickey Bennett
- Helen Bryon
- Skip Ethier
- Lorraine Harding
- D. B. Hanlon
- Charles Koehler
- John Trent

The latest addition to our list of cooperating research groups is UFO POTPOURRI. John Schuessler publishes the non-scheduled UFO POTPOURRI on an exchange basis only.

We now subscribe to Rod Dyke's clipping service, UFO RESEARCH COMMITTEE.

BULLETIN!

DATA-NET recently received an interesting letter from Mr. Don Reazor of Tuscola, Illinois.

He included a clipping from the May-June 1969 issue of the APRO bulletin and a photograph.

The APRO clipping states that the photo was taken in Tucson, Arizona at 2:30 a.m. the 14th. of June, 1969. The camera make is not mentioned but the film is stated as Super 8 Kodachrome II. Lens opening, Fl.8. Don is reported to have taken about 290 frames of the object. Additional witnesses were his brother-in-law, Wayne Johnson, Mrs. Esther Reazor and Mrs. Esther Johnson.

We quote in part the APRO journal: "Dr. Frieden, APRO's optics expert, will subject the film to intensive study and results will be reported in a later issue."

We quote in part Mr. Reazor's letter: "I notice you have a reward of \$25.00 for an authentic photograph of a flying saucer..... APRO did investigate my sighting and found it to collaborate with other witnesses at that time."

Don also explained that the photo enclosed was taken from a projection screen. Understandably the photo is of poor quality. The print, at some time prior to our receiving it, had been placed on two nickels(?) probably accidentally. The print is marked "TOP" in ink. Taking this note as our reference we find at the lower right hand corner two faint dividing lines of slightly different densities. In the center of the picture is a small light blur. The background is dark, with no details.

The picture is of course, of no value.

APRO states that the film "shows a brilliant red blur which is definitely not a point source."

Because of APRO's known integrity we feel at this time that Mr. Reasor did take a picture of an unusual object which may have been a "flying saucer." We have pressed Mr. Reasor and APRO for any further data.

We would like to note that the picture itself is of no value as it only shows a blur. It only shows that Mr. Reasor did see something. Again, our reward is for an "authentic UFO photograph which shows items and details! The Reasor photo showed absolutely no details or items which could aid us in identifying it.

DATA-NET welcomes our oldest reader Charles Koehler, ex-K2VBE, of Bronx, New York. Age - 75.

We received the Sept.-Oct. issue of UFO CHRONOLOG. It is edited by Joseph M. Erhardt and published by Patrick Huyghe. A bi-monthly journal, Mr. Erhardt uses a unique index system to report UFO sightings. In two lines of abbreviated print he is able to give full details on a sighting. The data is printed, along with articles, advertisements, etc....and distributed to research groups, interested persons, etc. We feel it is a good idea and we endorse it. For further information write directly to the editor: J. M. Erhardt, 43 Richland Dr., Newport News, Virginia 23602.

In the issue we received Mr. Erhardt enters his theories concerning the "peculiar reaction" by UFOs when struck by light such as car headlight beams, flashlights, airplane landing lights, etc. His article is very interesting. However, we disagree with the following which we quote:

"Briefly, the mechanical theory states that powerful lights shone on UFOs at night cause power failures within the craft. This is ridiculous unless one also assumes that (1) UFOs are solar-powered, that (2) they use auxiliary powers in the umbrae of planets, and that (3) when a light hits a UFO on auxiliary power, a device similar to a thermocouple switches the spacecraft from auxiliary power to solar power, of which there is none at night, therefore causing a power failure which continues until such time as the situation is corrected manually. On top of this, we have to assume that (4) such a servomechanism exists, and that (5) it was installed because when UFOs pass from the umbra of a planet into solar light at a great speed, a servomechanism such as the one described would be useful in that it would be quicker than a manual switchover, and it would conserve auxiliary power,

The mess of a theory above and its half-dozen unfounded assumptions is almost ridiculous, because even if all power emitted by the sun falling on the surface of a UFO were utilized, it would not by any stretch of the imagination serve to lift such a machine. In other words, we may safely discard the "mechanical" theory."

His statement that the above theory is ridiculous smacks of close-mindedness. "...because even if all power emitted by the sun" etc... Does this not sound like someone 68 years ago talking about airplanes? Or perhaps 15 years ago about flights to the moon. Are we that knowledgable that we know what some other technology can or cannot do with a little bit of the sun? Presently we have radios and even houses powered by the sun. What will we be able to do with the sun one hundred years hence?

All in all we found the article very stimulating, but Mr. Erhardt will have to keep an open mind on all aspects and remember that with all our egoism we still know very little.

Try to make the net. We want to ragchew the subject and attract more members.

-- 73 and 88 -- Mike Jaffe, CONTROL

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NETWORK SCHEDULE

Wednesday at 2000 PST on 7.265 (LSB)

- WB6RPL (Mike) Control, and/or W6BPV (Tom) will call "CQ" from California.
- WA5RON (Jerry) Assistant Control will call "CQ" from Texas.
- WA0TJU (Rich), Midwest Net Control will call "CQ" from Kansas.

Stations willing to hold skeds please contact the Control or Assistant Control station.

HAM ROSTER

For your convenience we are listing only the active DATA-NET member's call numbers.

W5OXU	Harrison, Arkansas	WA9WMK	Bloomington, Indiana
K7YXP	Tucson, Arizona	WA3FCM	Cockeysville, Maryland
W6BPV	Ben Lomond, Calif.	W0PGP	St. Louis, Missouri
WB6RPL	Mountain View, Calif.	WN0ZRG	St. Louis, Missouri
WB6YHP	Newport Beach, Calif.	W1PBT	Plaistow, New Hampshire
W5PNE	Tampa, Florida	K5QFI	Houston, Texas
WA9THB	Joliet, Illinois	WA5RON	Austin, Texas
W9KRC	Quincy, Illinois	KP4CH	Rio Pedras, Puerto Rico
WA9BIX	Stanford, Illinois	G3TFW	Lancs, England
W9SAL	Valpariso, Indiana	LA2YE	Kongsberg, Norway

THE EDITOR'S DESK

Apollo 12 apparently encountered some non-scheduled "oddities" on route to the moon:

11-14-1969. Lightning, or static electricity, knocked out the Apollo 12 spacecraft's electrical systems for 12 seconds shortly after blast-off. Even though there was a heavy cloud cover, a weather reconnaissance plane reported no signs of electrical storms prior to blast-off, therefore the launching proceeded on schedule. Lightning, or static electricity had never been encountered in connection with any previous launching.

Twelve seconds after lift-off Conrad reported to Mission Control that he saw a bright flash outside the window. Ground controllers ruled out the lightning theory, saying that Conrad did not see a natural lightning streak, but more likely static electricity on the outside of the rocket, discharged to the ground.

11-14-1969. Apollo 12 reported their windows were iced up; a condition that had not been experienced on previous space flights.

11-15-1969. Most of the ice had cleared from the windows. However, some sort of "ash" residue was stubbornly clinging in its place.

11-15-1969. "...that's the reflection of a fluorescent light in the window. I couldn't figure it out there for a minute. For a minute there I thought we had one of our 'friends' flying along with us," one of the astronauts stated as he held the TV camera to a window of the Apollo 12 spacecraft. (Cr: WA5RON)

11-15-1969. Telescopic camera movie film was shown on Channel 4 (KRON-TV) during the 11:00 p.m. news program. The film showed Apollo 12 accompanied by 2 or 3 star-like objects. In contrast to the steady glow of the stars, these objects were pulsating, or blinking, regularly. No one could offer any explanation as to what they were.

11-15-1969. KDON radio station, broadcasting from Salinas, Calif., reported on a 11:45 p.m. spot newscast, "an unidentified object has been trailing Apollo 12." The DJ commented, "Isn't that cool!!!?"

11-19-1969. Alan Bean (apparently) pointed the color television camera at the sun by mistake, damaging the image tube. Space agency officials and engineers with Westinghouse said the light sensitive target in the image tube appeared to have been

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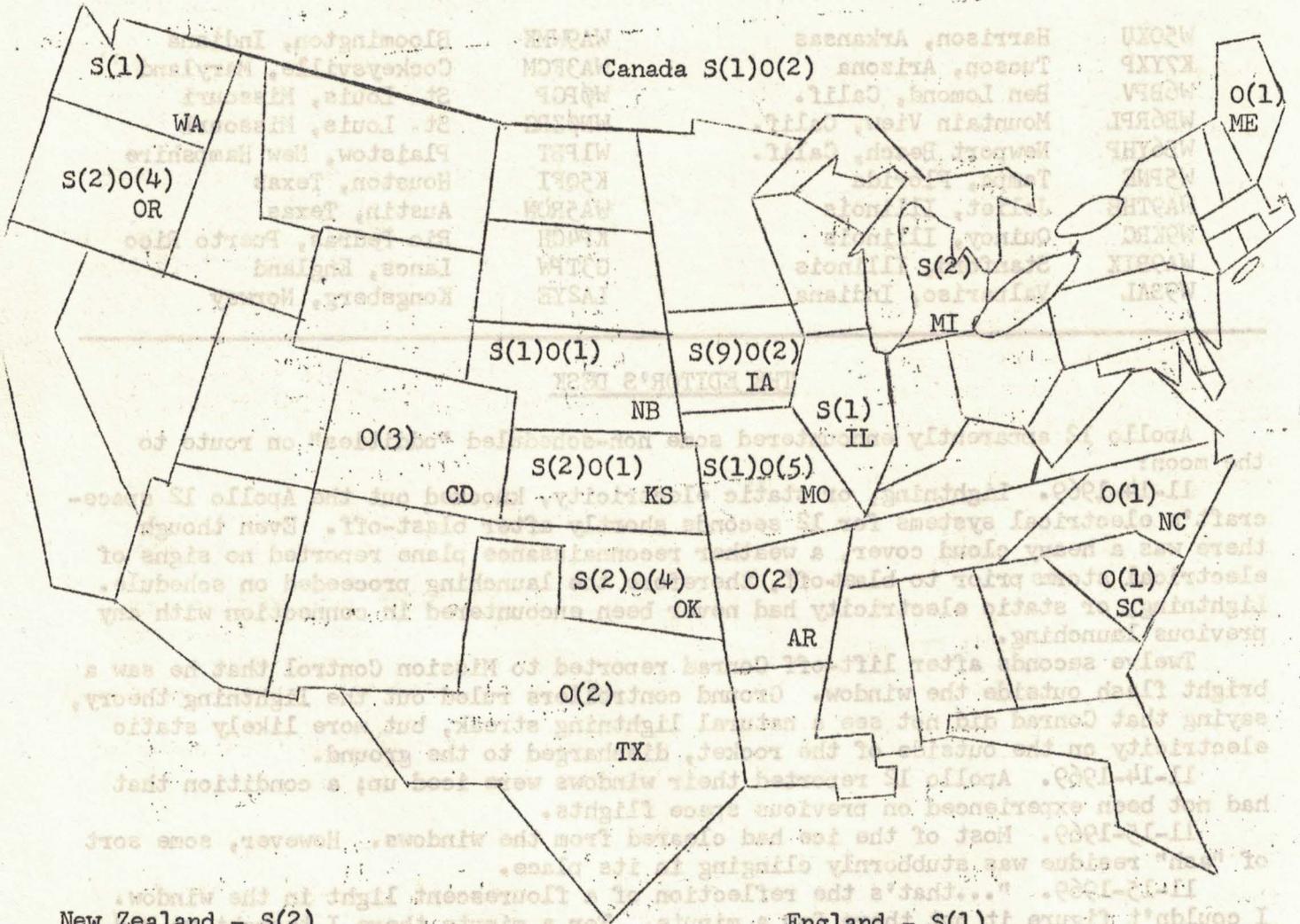
burned by a high intensity light source -- probably the sun.

11-23-1969. The moon rock samples include some the astronauts gathered from mysterious cones they found near their landing site. Bean described one as "like a small volcano," four feet tall, five feet across the top and 15-to-20 feet wide at the base. It had no crater.

The crash landing of the Intrepid on the moon set off vibrations that reverberated for more than 40 minutes. (San Jose Mercury)

SEPTEMBER and OCTOBER
SIGHTING REPORT MAP

Code: S - September
O - October



New Zealand - S(2)

England - S(1)

Yugoslavia - S(1)

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CLIPPING THE NEWS

SAUCER NESTS

AUSTRALIA:

Probably the most well known case is the Tully "saucer nest" in Queensland, Australia in 1966. UFOs had been reported in the area, and circles of flattened grass about 10'-15' in diameter were discovered in a remote area on the Tully farm.

April, 1969. Bungawalbyn, near Lismore, Australia.

Mr. Tom Heffernan, 34, share farmer for Mr. Ian Robinson, said his saccaline fodder patch had been partially flattened leaving two carefully divided rows nearly 20 yards long. Only cyclonic winds would carve two rows about five yards wide out of his crops, he said. Saccaline is a fodder cane with a grain head which grows to about nine feet. It wasn't yet ripe, so whatever came down did so with some force, Heffernan said.

Mr. Robinson said an area measuring about 60' by 25' had been flattened. All the stalks of the saccaline were lying from north to south and were broken off at ground level. An area along one side had marks on the ground which appeared to be made by an object moving along.

Further along, a smaller area had been flattened and had some indentations on the ground indicating that something had moved along for a short distance.

"It appeared to land twice in different places without moving along the ground," Mr. Robinson said. He submitted photographs to the RAAF to help in their investigation. (Daily Telegraph) (CR: VK2SK and WA5RON)

9-13-1969. Whangarei, New Zealand.

Mr. S. E. Wills discovered three large mystery "circles" in his paddocks six days after a family in the area reported seeing an unidentified flying object. (The Australian) (CR: VK2SK & WA5RON)

9-14-1969. Tauranga, New Zealand.

Last week a farmer visited a section of his property which he had not visited for six months and found a 60 foot circle of native manuka trees with their tips burned as if blasted when something took off.

A Tauranga horticulturist identified the vegetation killer as high frequency shortwave radiation. Indentations are in a triangle nine feet apart in the center of the circle with smaller "toe" marks five feet away from the larger holes.

Members of various space research groups have visited the site and are convinced a flying saucer landed.

A month previously a Paeroa man reported seeing a "pulsing light" traveling in a direct line to where the circle was discovered. (Sun-Herald)

IOWA:

7-13-1969. (Near) Garrison, Iowa.

About 11:00 p.m. Pat Barr and her cousin Kathy Mahr, both teenagers, heard from their second story bedroom of the Barr farmhouse the sound of what seemed like a jet coming from the southwest directly over the house. Pat watched it proceed from north and northwest till it disappeared from view. The object was described as a shallow-inverted-bowl shaped with a curved bottom; dull grey-black metal with a reddish-orange band of light around the circumference. No protrusions were visible, and no other lights. The orange band outlined the craft which appeared to be spinning counter-clockwise. Pat estimated it to be 3 to 4 times the diameter of the moon, or "as large as an automobile." The next morning when Mr. Barr checked the bean field for possible cultivation after the night's rain, he saw a 40 foot circle about 30 rods southwest from the house. Samples of damaged and healthy plants were taken for analysis. Damaged plants were dried up, leaving brown stalks about 3 to 4 inches high. Some plants on the outside edge have sprouted new foliage.

Glen McWane, an APRO Field Investigator, submitted an aerial photograph to APRO of the Barr bean field which clearly shows the depleted circle with no trail leading

to or from.

Mr. Walt Andrus, a member of the staff of APRO and SKYLOOK, was the only one who was able to interview Pat Barr, and we will advise you if we learn more regarding this event. (CR: SKYLOOK, Box 129, Stover, Mo. 65078 (Oct. 1969) and APRO, 3910 E. Kleindale Road, Tucson, Ariz. 85716 (July-August 1969))

UFO EVENTS

7-4-1969. Anolaima, Columbia. DID SAUCER CAUSE DEATH?

South American doctors are baffled by the case of a man who died from a mystery sickness after reporting seeing a flying saucer. Arcesi Bermudez, 50, fell ill after he said he saw a yellow-orange object with an "arc of light" surrounding it, and two luminous legs" which were blue with green tips, land near his farmhouse. Anolaima is about 40 miles from Bogatoa. Mr. Bermudez, the only unafraid one of eleven witnesses, approached within three yards of the saucer. A week after the sighting, a doctor found Mr. Bermudez near death from an attack of vomiting. The doctor diagnosed gastro-enteritis but was puzzled by the patient's extremely low temperature. Mr. Bermudez remained lucid to the end and kept repeating he had seen a spaceship.

Only a complete autopsy and pathological study would give a more specific cause of death, Dr. Horace C. Dudley of the University of Illinois Medical Center, Chicago said.

Dr. Benjamin Sawyer, APRO Consultant in Medicine, said radiation illness affecting the intestinal tract is a form of enteritis which can be due to many things. Nothing in the medical report indicates whether the death was due to enteritis or radiation injury. APRO considers that Bermudez died of natural causes, unless proven otherwise. (The London Sun) (CR: UFOIC NEWSLETTER, P.O. Box E170, St. James, Sydney, and APRO, 3910 E. Kleindale Road, Tucson, Ariz.)

9-2-1969. Chapeau, Quebec. TERRIFIED BY UFO

An 18-year-old Allumette Island hotel waitress, Pauline Oulette, and two men watched a UFO from the parking lot of Chez Charles. It was described as a white and red light which flashed then stopped and remained white.

Miss Oulette went to her upstairs room about 4:30 a.m. and saw it again from a window. After about 10 minutes, a small craft left the large one, "came into the yard and went from one window to the other," she said. She was so frightened she spent two hours in the hall.

Bob McLaughlin of Pembroke and John Stott, 16, of Ottawa witnessed the early morning phenomenon also.

Stott said, "I saw this not more than six feet away from me and it was real. There are just no two ways about that."

Stott said the small light made a whirring noise, was green and silver in color and had a three-foot-long antenna protruding from its side.

McLaughlin described the main light as bright red and said it flashed on and off at regular intervals.

UFO sightings were reported within 12 miles of Chapeau May 21, June 5, and July 13. (Ottawa Journal)

9-6-1969. Purcell, Oklahoma. UO SIGHTED

A peculiar light appeared in the western sky shortly after 8:30 p.m. Until about 10:00 p.m. it changed color and shape. It looked like a blue moon behind a hazy cloud, changing color from blue to yellow to red. It took on the appearance of a rainbow-colored disk; grew, separated, changed back and forth from blue to green, then faded from view.

The extraordinary occurrence was caused by barium which was placed in the atmosphere for experimental purposes by scientists at White Sands, New Mexico. (Purcell Register)

9-7-1969. Elkader, Iowa. MANY UFO REPORTS CONTINUE TO BE PHONED IN TO REGISTER OFFICE TEAM

The Clayton County Register staff have been investigating UFO sightings in this area and reporting to Dr. J. Allen Hynek, director, Department of Astronomy. North-

western University.

Since early summer several members of a respected and intelligent Allamakee farm have reported many unusual events on their farm. UFOs appear to be using it as a landing strip. The family has requested that their name and location be withheld

The family began keeping a log in the fall when things became really "active."

At 2:00 p.m. on Sept. 7, one of the children saw an object take off in the pasture south of the barn. A very clear landing mark about 12 feet from the highline pole was found near a former landing site. He took pictures of the marks.

9-8-1969. Another landing at 3:00 p.m. with a landing mark five feet from the previous one found. All are identical, appearing to be the same size with the same leg pattern.

9-10-1969. Two more landing marks were found in the same pasture. The object had landed again Sept. 9 at 3:00 p.m., the same time as the landing on Sept. 8. Today's landing was at 5:30 p.m.

9-11-1969. Two of the children watched a UFO hover above the power pole about 7:15p.m. It followed the wires to the pole where it remained motionless for about a minute, then disappeared. It was shiny silver, changing to a dull red. It made no noise.

9-26-1969. Their son was looking through binoculars about 10:30 p.m. when he spotted a (or the) UFO moving toward the power pole. He snapped a picture and while rolling the film, it stopped, hovered, then rose quickly and disappeared without landing.

9-27-1969. About 3:15 p.m. the boys were in the barn when one of them saw an object beginning to take off. It rose into the air, moved under the telephone wires, then up and away. It disappeared into a perfectly clear and sunny sky. One boy grabbed for the camera which was about 10 feet away, but the UFO was gone by the time he got to the door.

The object has been seen at a distance of about 75 feet on the ground. It takes off and disappears when someone approaches.

Staff members of the Register have twice viewed the landing marks. They are very clear, about six feet across. The "leg" marks are visible and are positioned in a triangular manner within the area of the landing mark, approximately 60 inches apart.

10-16-1969. During the past weeks sightings have been received from several areas with as many as eight in one evening. Many were merely reported as lights in the sky.

A constant watch is being kept on the pasture by members of the family to gather more information. (Register)

9-12-1969. Smith Center, Kansas. STRANGE BRIGHT LIGHT SCARES AREA RESIDENTS

A chilling experience occurred about 11:00 p.m. as Mrs. Gary Lare was driving home from Kirwin. Headed east on No. 9 highway, she pulled to stop at the junction of Highway 281 about 10 miles south of Smith Center and noticed a light coming down the highway from the north.

She tried to awaken her husband who was asleep in the back seat, without success. The light lit up the countryside. It stopped just before the intersection and hovered above the road. As soon as the light glided off and disappeared she drove into Smith Center and convinced the police to check it out. They found nothing.

A truck driver, Morris Milholland of Beloit heard about the light and said that a farmer near Beloit had spotted a strange light the same night. He had an even more mysterious tale of his own, however.

He and his wife, driving on Highway 281 about a year ago, were scared when a bright light suddenly came directly toward them from down the road. "It came right toward the windshield and then up over the car," Milholland said. His wife was so scared he felt he should report it. Several days later they heard that another couple following behind them also saw it. (Phillipsburg Review)

9-15 to 10-2-1969. West Bloomfield, Michigan. STRANGE OBJECTS IN SKY

Two sightings in the past three weeks, one by a police officer, merely caused the police to discount reports of strange lights in the sky.

Police spokesmen said the first UFO was identified as a "kite," and that there was nothing to the second one which was witnessed by a West Bloomfield patrolman. They would not reveal his name. The officer saw a light in the sky was all the information they would offer. (Birmingham Eccentric)

9-25-1969. Atkinson, Nebraska. RANCHER REPORTS STRANGE LIGHT

Four persons reported seeing a huge, intensely bright, orange colored light southwest of Atkinson shortly before 7:00 a.m.

Robert LeMunyan was driving his daughter into town from his ranch 12 miles southwest, when Mr. and Mrs. Hershall Halstead passed them honking their horn. He slowed down, then noticed a great half-oval shaped light hovering close to the ground about a mile or two away. The object remained stationary.

Both cars drove west toward it but it vanished after being visible for four or five minutes. The description given by all four persons agreed.

Mr. LeMunyan checked, but no weather balloon or other identifiable objects were in the area. (Graphic)

9-27-1969. Belgrade, Yugoslavia. SKYGAZERS ALL AGREE THING WAS UP THERE

"It looked like a Zeppelin or some sort of balloon," the newspaper Politika said. "But we don't have adequate equipment to establish what it was."

Witnesses described a roughly triangular shape, shining dully like metal, with lights at each corner which appeared between 5:40 p.m. and 6:10 p.m. It moved rapidly. (The Atlanta Journal) (Another runaway "French Balloon?" --Ed)

9-30-1969. Lanarkshire, England. BY VENUS! WAS THAT A UFO?

A mystery light was first seen over Cambuslang by a police patrol car, then by a number of motorists in the Coalbridge area. It seemed to be moving north-east.

The RAF was contacted, but could find no trace of any objects. A later conclusion was that it may have been the planet Venus seen from an angle, making it appear to move. (Democrat)

10-5-1969. Brandon, Manitoba. CITY TEACHER, WIFE SEE UFO

Jack Warkentin, a Green Acres School teacher, reported to the police that he and his wife saw a UFO between 1:00 and 1:30 a.m. They were walking between Madison Crescent and the school yard, north of Queen's Avenue. In the east they saw a very bright white light, oval-shaped, which seemed to be stationary. Then it began to move steadily and quickly west, flashing rapidly and lighting a large portion of the sky.

It passed directly overhead and behind a cloud, but the clouds didn't cover it entirely, Warkentin said. It still lit up the sky around the clouds. It disappeared after about 2½ minutes. There was no sound, and it seemed to be at a very high altitude.

When the object disappeared, Mr. Warkentin looked to the east and saw another light. It was a stationary fluorescent glow in the sky. He watched it for about ½ minutes, then followed his wife into the house. (Brandon Sun)

10-6-1969. Melita, Manitoba. RCMP CONSTABLE SPOTS FLYING UFOS

About 2:45 a.m., Const. G. R. Grattan sighted a UFO about 6 miles north of Melita while on patrol on Highway 83. The object was in the northeast slightly north of Napinka.

It first appeared as a reddish colored tower light, but it increased in size to about twice the size of a full moon and was reddish-yellow in color. As it moved closer to him and headed west, it stopped, headed east and faded into the overcast. It was estimated to be at approximately 1,000 feet since the cloud cover was at about 1,500 feet.

Grattan said it took on the glowing color of a red hot cast iron ball as it

became larger. It reflected light from the bottom half and was yellowish around the edge and a glowing red toward the center. He estimated to have watched it about four minutes. (Molita New Era, Konora Miner & News, Brandon Sun)

10-6-1969. Trail, Oregon. TRAIL RESIDENTS WATCH OBJECT TODAY

Mrs. L. R. Killian saw an unidentified object hanging in the sky shortly after 9:00 a.m. She alerted her neighbor, Mrs. Ole Bacon who described it as appearing to be oblong and white at first, but looking through a telescope it seemed to radiate yellow and green from the middle and red on the outside. Twice jet streams appeared to be between it and the earth, she said. They were still watching at 10:30 a.m.

Many people reported seeing the object, and some thought it might be a weather balloon. (Mail Tribune)

10-6-1969. Oakridge, Oregon. UFO SIGHTED IN SOUTHERN SKY

A UFO was kept under observation several hours by a number of Oakridge residents. Through binoculars it appeared to be a balloon made of translucent plastic.

Police Chief Tom Garcia first saw it a little after 5:00 a.m. Peggy Hilliker of West Oakridge said she had watched it for more than two hours and it seemed to stay in one spot.

Harry Worth, proprietor of Automotive Supply said that he could not detect an instrument package which is usually attached to weather balloons through his 20 power single binocular. The object was pear-shaped, larger than a jet plane measuring more than 125 feet in length, Worth said.

No one could determine the source of the balloon, which was no longer visible by 1:00 p.m. (Telegram)

10-6-1969. Roseburg, Oregon. BALLOON OVER ROSEBURG

Many citizens reported an unidentified white object over Roseburg at high altitude during the morning. A U.S. Weather Bureau office at Medford said none of their balloons were missing. By press time the object could still be seen. (News-Review)

10-8-1969. Muskogee, Oklahoma. UFO SIGHTED HERE

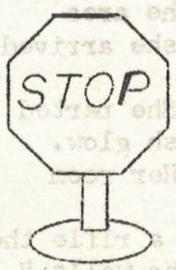
A silver-looking disk was reported at dusk near the Smith's Ferry Landing on the Arkansas River. Similar reports were also received from Tahlequah.

The U.S. Weather Bureau at Tulsa released a weather balloon that morning, which "probably" drifted toward Muskogee. (Daily Phoenix)

10-8-1969. Hooker, Oklahoma. A WEATHER BALLOON?

A large white object floated over the city which may have been a weather balloon. Ray Roberts and Jack Flynt flew a small plane to 16,000 feet and the object was still far above them.

Field glasses, binoculars, telescopes and bifocals yielded no clues. Jet planes were tracking the object. (Hooker Advance)



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10-8-1969. Greenville, South Carolina. WAS IT A BALLOON?

Official attempts to identify the large object seen in the Upper South Carolina skies have been fragmentary and contradictory.

The object was visible in the Greenville area at 5:30 p.m. and disappeared to the east about 7:30 p.m. It was either round or oval, about the size of a very large star. But it was white, without glitter. It seemed to hang there miles above the two or three planes circling in the area.

"It looked like a piece of glass with the sun shining through it," Curtis Smith of Pinnacle Drive said.

Randy Campbell of 521 N. Broad St. watched it through binoculars with neighbors. "It was a sort of bluish crystal," he said. "It looked like there were two bright spots on the ends and a black spot near the bottom." As darkness fell the object turned fiery red.

An FAA spokesman said it was a runaway weather balloon from Alamogordo, New Mexico and that a pilot made a visual identification and reported that it had a large rent in the side.

Lyle Hinton of the U.S. Weather Bureau here said a weather balloon with a tear couldn't stay aloft.

Clinton UPI reported that it was a balloon from an Athens, Georgia weather station, but Athens said they didn't know anything about it.

The giant balloon, if it was, moved to the east, carrying its mystery with it. (Piedmont)

10-9-1969. Siletz, Oregon. 'SURE, I'VE SEEN THEM!' SAYS SILETZ MAN

Sylvia Getzler reports in the Willamina, Oregon Times that UFO sightings have been numerous in the Siletz-pioneer Mountain-Toledo area over the past four and one-half years.

Ron Springer, a calm, clear-sighted, family man recounted his family's sightings. Checking on his barking dog, Springer went outside one dark, overcast night and saw a bright light like a spotlight on a nearby hillside. Springer's house is located in the hills about 1½ miles from Siletz.

Suddenly the light went straight up, then veered north toward him and hovered about 50 or 100 feet over his head. He watched a while, then went into the house and called his wife and five children and they all stood underneath and observed it.

It was shaped like a top, only more saucer-shaped on the bottom and about 75-100 feet in diameter. It was in two parts; the top apparently stationary, while the bottom was rotating. Light came through window sections on the bottom section. The object emitted a high-pitched hum like a high powered generator might.

The dog was unafraid, as were the others, and Springer and his son took turns watching through binoculars.

Finally it thrust upward then left in the southwest sky.

Three other sightings were at a greater distance, but close enough to light up the landscape making the leaves on the trees visible; and close enough to hear a high pitched hum.

Another time on a clear, cold night the family was returning home when the car was suddenly bathed in light as bright as day. An object swooped from behind and over the car. It caused no electrical disturbance.

Kathy Reeves was in a car with a group of young girls one day near the area where the Springer family was buzzed. Kathy reported to her mother when she arrived home that they were chased by a UFO.

That night Mrs. Reeves was awakened by a strange high-pitched hum. She parted the curtains revealing a pulsating light which filled the room with a harsh glow. A large object sitting in her yard seemed to be the source of the glow. Her room seemed filled with doughnut-shaped lights.

The rest of the family was also awakened and when Mr. Reeves grabbed a rifle the hum increased and the lights grew more numerous, literally "crawling up the walls," then the object took off with a higher pitched hum.

The events were repeated several nights in the next few weeks. They tried boarding up the windows to keep out the light, but the doughnut shaped lights still

penetrated and crawled around the walls. Once a transparent cloud floated in the air for a few minutes.

They decided the time for keeping quiet had passed, and they looked for other witnesses. One was Delbert Mapes who reported various lights and small, round, disk-shaped objects flying helter-skelter through the Reeves' apple orchard.

Max W. Taylor and a group of neighbors camped out on the property to watch. After about a half an hour the lights appeared. Taylor called the police.

About 1:30 a.m. Deputy Sheriff Thos. W. Price arrived. Glancing up as he got out of his car he saw a fast moving object flying from northeast to southeast, and heard a high pitched whine. The UFO was orange, he said, and appeared to be spinning on end. It made a complete stop, swept toward the southwest and disappeared over the horizon.

One evening a high school senior, David Whitlow, was driving the Toledo-Siletz highway with four other teenagers when an object buzzed their car down the highway, swooping down on it and crisscrossing the highway. They sped into Camp 12 and awakened residents who came out and watched the object. It remained visible for nearly an hour.

A large chunk of pure sodium was discovered on Pioneer Mtn. in May by Ed. Keenon, a logger. It was found by a small creek bed and an Army bomb disposal team said it couldn't have been there long since sodium is highly explosive when exposed to water.

Large quantities of aluminum shavings which were analyzed to be magnesium were found near the Reeves Pioneer Mtn. home.

10-9-1969. Cynthiana, Kentucky. UFO EXPLAINED

Kim Peddicord reported in the Democrat that the large number of UFO sightings a few weeks ago were caused by a large weather balloon traveling around 80,000 feet. It was seen from Lexington to parts of Indiana.

The sun seemed to be down, but it was still shining on the balloon making it visible till it was slightly dark. This caused it to fade out slowly. Being plastic, when the sun hit it, it shown bright as a mirror.

10-9-1969. Bartlesville, Oklahoma. WEATHER BALLOON

The mysterious object sighted in the afternoon sky was apparently a U.S. weather balloon floating over the city. The sunlight hitting the metallic box of instruments it carried caused the rays. (Examiner-Enterprise)

10-9-1969. Lincolnton, North Carolina. HOVERING OVER LINCOLNTON

One bright, shiny object which appeared to be stationary was reported by residents of Route 1, Lincolnton.

10-10-1969. The object was still being observed today. (Times-News)

10-9-1969. Solomon, Kansas. FLAMING METEOR FIREWORKS

A flaming meteor lit up the skies in several midwest states and appeared to explode above Solomon.

Reports of the bright light extended from Grand Island, Nebraska to Fort Worth, Texas, the FAA said.

Dwight Evans, a Kansas City, Kansas truck driver was at a rest stop west of Solomon along Interstate 70 when, "the whole sky seemed to light up," he said. "There was a huge ball of fire. It had blue, red and orange colors and there were a lot of sparks. When it got near the earth it seemed to be about the size of a compact car. Then it exploded. I would say it was only 75 to 80 feet off the ground."

Evans said other truck drivers near Concordia and McPherson also saw it.

The Missouri Highway Patrol received reports from Des Moines, Iowa to Arkansas. The reports were of a tremendous flash and a loud explosion, and at all points each said the flash was directly over their heads.

Dr. John C. Evans, director of the observatory at Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, identified it as a "fireball" entering the earth's atmosphere. He said fireballs range from two to 10 feet in diameter and are sighted only once or

twice a year world-wide. Shooting stars are about the size of a baseball and are frequently sighted. (Salina Journal)

10-9-1969. Springfield, Missouri. TRUCKER SAYS OBJECT LANDED NEAR HIGHWAY

Mail truck driver, E. W. Holesapple of 1200 West Locust was enroute to St. Louis on I-44 about 28 miles east of Springfield. A brilliant green light traveling from southeast to northwest passed near the rear of his trailer truck. He watched it for more than a minute and believes it hit on the north side of the highway about 100 feet from the lane.

The Highway Patrol and Webster County authorities said they would check the area. (Springfield Leader-Press)

10-9-1969. Iola, Kansas. 'FIREWORKS' OVER IOLA

A bright flash accompanied by a loud explosion was reported by many over Iola about 2:20 a.m. (Iola Register)

10-9-1969. Cushing, Oklahoma. CITY POLICEMAN SPOTS 'SCARY LIGHT'

Police Capt. Jim Kirk and an auxiliary policeman reported seeing an object described as "kind of scary," and "so bright it almost hurt your eyes."

Kirk said he saw it before it started blazing ver much. It was large with red fire coming out from both sides which changed to a yellow glow as it approached the earth, then to a bright green. It lit the ground up as bright as day. He said it was a thousand times larger than any meteor he had ever seen.

The object was first sighted at 2:17 a.m. and was seen for about 30 to 40 seconds. (Daily Citizen)

10-9-1969. Parsons, Kansas. BEAUTIFUL, BUT EERIE

A ball of fire was described as "a beautiful but eerie sight" by B. T. Teague of 1708 Corning. At 2:17 a.m. Teage said the object was brighter than floodlights for a few seconds. He described it as greenish blue turning to a dull red. (Parsons Sun)

10-9-1969. Coffeyville, Kansas. 'BRIGHT OBJECT' LIGHTS UP LOCAL AREA

Coffeyville police said the flash was so bright it illuminated the northern portion of the city, and gave the appearance of being almost like day. (Coffeyville Jrnl.)

10-9-1969. St. Joseph, Missouri. AID SOUGHT IN LOCATING SKY OBJECT

State Highway Patrol trooper Donald Daugan reported a very bright light in the sky east of here.

An employee of the Crouch Brothers Truck lines said he spotted the flash while traveling east of Troy, Kansas, and that it appeared to be south of that area. It was a bright flash, then turned orange, then incinerated, he said. (St. Joseph Gazette)

10-15-1969. Rogers, Bentonville; Silcam Springs & Gravette, Arkansas. MYSTERIOUS EGG-SHAPED UFO

Residents of Northwest Arkansas and areas of Missouri, Oklahoma and Texas reported a mysterious light between 6:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Mr. Joe Harmon of Bentonville said through binoculars it appeared to be egg-shaped.

Benton County Deputy Marion Foster said it was about the size of a coffee cup saucer and moved slowly southeast. It was brilliant white, turned to a tint of blue, then bright red as it seemed to climb higher. (Democrat)

10-17-1969. Willamina, Oregon. UFO REPORTED SEEN

Four teenagers driving along Indian Creek about midnight were frightened by a tremendous light which appeared from a gully off the road. The light was so intense it lit the countryside.

The UFO resembled the one seen by the Reeves family in Pioneer Mountain. (Times)

10-18-1969. Marshall, Missouri. SEEING THINGS

A Marshall resident and his wife driving from Columbia to Marshall recently along I-70, suddenly saw a tube shaped flying object hovering in the sky. It was traveling slowly and flying very low. The nose of the vehicle was bright red and it was powered by some sort of engine that produced a fiery stream from the exhausts, he said. No one else has reported it.

UFO COMMENTS AND OPINIONS

2-26-1969. ARE UFOs REAL? SCIENTIFIC STUDY SAYS "NO" -- BUT A FEW SIGHTINGS REMAIN UNEXPLAINED

The UFO study headed by Dr. Edward U. Condon at the University of Colorado in Boulder used three approaches in their study of the 59 cases they picked as representative of UFO reports.

(1) The observer. Did he seem reliable and truthful? Any possibility that he might have seen something that wasn't there? For instance, people who are isolated for long periods of time may have hallucinations.

(2) Natural phenomena that might lead people to believe that they had seen a UFO. Atmospheric conditions will cause radar to produce confusing blips and also would change the appearance of ordinary objects. Planets, plasmas (small luminous clouds of ionized gas), dust clouds, ice crystals, and certain cloud formations can look very strange to the uninformed observer.

(3) Actual physical evidence that resulted from the UFO sighting. Metal pieces and photos were the primary evidence to be studied. Some people have also claimed that UFOs caused intense radiation or magnetism. The Colorado study found no evidence of these last two effects.

(Emphasis mine. While every attempt must be made to identify a UFO, each of the three negative approaches above also suggests a possible conclusion for each of the mere 59 cases Condon picked from the thousands available to study. --Ed)

Zond IV reentered the atmosphere on the evening of March 3, 1968. The flaming arrow-shaped missile, shedding fiery fragments, swept across the Midwest skies at an altitude of at least 100 miles. What people thought they saw varied considerably, as shown by the chart below.

DESCRIPTION	NUMBER OF PEOPLE GIVING DESCRIPTION
No sound	20
Flew in formation	17
Less than 20 miles overhead	13
Satellite reentry	12
Moved in straight line	12
Angular shape	10
Rocket-, cigar-, or saucer-shaped	12
Traveled in curved path	6
Less than 10,000 feet overhead	5
Had fuzzy outline	4
Had windows	3
Had lights on it	2
Had exhaust	2
Sharp, well-defined shape	2
Made tinny noise	1
Frightened dog	1
Landed	1

(Using 20 descriptions they broke down the above chart, which at first glance seems ludicrous. But, note how many are accurate descriptions of what the object actually looked like. And, did the same person who reported "no sound" also report "landed?" Obviously we have no way of knowing. --Ed)

Despite their intense study, the scientists were stumped by several of the cases

they studied. One unsolved UFO was seen by a farmer and his wife in McMinneville, Oregon. They described it as "brightly metallic, silver- or aluminum-colored with a touch of bronze ... sort of gliding across the sky." The farmer took two pictures of it. Neither the Colorado physicists nor the psychologists could explain the object.

During the Gemini 4 flight, astronaut James McDivitt saw a cylindrical object with an antenna-like extension. Against the day sky it was white and silvery. The object looked as if it might collide with the spacecraft. Then it disappeared in the bright sunlight. Investigators took into account other spacecraft and space trash, but they could not explain what McDivitt saw. (Current Science) (Cr: WN/ZRG)

Sept. 1969. Toronto, Canada. THE UFO MENACE FROM CANADA

An Italian sleuth has tracked UFOs down. They come from Canada.

An ARGOSY magazine story says that at the end of WW II the British captured German flying saucer research and entered into a partnership with Canada. The experimental UFOs are locked under the mountains of British Columbia.

And that's why the RAF has been allocated enormous sums of money, with nothing to show for it, since the end of the war! (Commentator)

9-12-1969. Calgary, Alberta. LIFE OUTSIDE EARTH 'LIKELY'

Paul Anderson, science fiction writer lecturing at Calgary, says it is a "statistical certainty" that there is life outside our solar system.

Anderson does not think that UFOs are extra-terrestrial, but rather they might be some kind of atmospheric phenomenon.

"Space exploration is good because we need the concept of a new frontier to keep us from stagnating," he said. (Calgary Herald)

9-14-1969. Melbourne, Australia. EARTH ROCKS

Mr. Campbell McCausland said, "it has never been recorded that one rock or stone has been filched by these mysterious visitors (in UFOs). Surely this would be the first thing an intelligent alien being would do?"

(Mr. McCausland had better research South American sightings and "humanoids."-Ed)

10-2-1969. Elkader, Iowa. ANY UFOs IN THIS COUNTY?

Allamakee county UFO sightings have gone unreported, if there have been any. Around Elkader, there have been so many that Dr. J. Allen Hynek, director of the department of astronomy at Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill; Fred H. Beckman, chief scientist, Argonne Cancer Research hospital, University of Chicago, and Ted Phillips, Missouri state highway commissioner from Sedalia, Missouri are investigating all of northeastern Iowa's UFO reports. (Democrat)

10-9-1969. Benson, North Carolina. FRIEDMAN FINDS 50 PEOPLE HAVE SEEN FLYING SAUCERS

Nuclear physicist and UFO believer, Stanton T. Friedman lectured on flying saucers here last Thursday.

By a show of hands, at least 50 people in his audience have seen flying saucers. He receives a 5-10% response from his lecture audiences, proving that sightings are common. But there is a "laughter curtain" preventing more than 90% of observers from reporting. Especially when there may be a "creature" involved.

Hoaxers have hurt the UFO image greatly, Friedman said, in fact his own early skepticism he contributes to this factor.

10-9-1969. Cynthiana, Kentucky. FLYING SAUCERS ARE REAL

Since a lot of people confuse a balloon with a flying saucer, Kim Peddicord lists some things you should do when you see a flying saucer. (1) Get the correct time, and determine the direction the object is going. (2) Mark where you were standing. (3) Try to note if it flew over trees, houses, etc. (4) Get the color and shape. (5) Write all information down, in ink, as soon as possible. (Democrat)

10-23-1969. Logan, Utah. UFOs COMPARABLE TO WITCHCRAFT

Dr. William Markowitz spoke at the Utah State University last night and said.

"Twenty-two years of investigation has shown that there is no scientific evidence" for the existence of UFOs. He did not deny their existence, but said that inter-terrestrial travel was impossible within all the laws of physics we now know.

UFO mania is comparable to the mania about witchcraft, spritualism, or the end of the world, Markowitz said.

Quoting a LOOK writer, Markowitz said, "It was frustrating and annoying to have so much evidence and not enough proof." (Herald-Journal)

10-28-1969. Berkeley, Calif. MORE NICAP DATA

NICAP has just issued "UFOs: A NEW LOOK," Mike Culbert reports. It is a follow-up to "THE UFO EVIDENCE!" The new report dwells on the increase of reports of UFO "landings" and electro-magnetic effect on circuits, motors, etc., and apparent UFO-produced physiological effects on people and animals. (Gazette)

FALLS

9-14-1969. Melbourne, Australia. THEIR OWN UFO

Mandy Lawson, 18, of Ascot Vale and Cheryl Hunter, 17, of Maidstone were driving along Maribyrnong Rd. yesterday "when the area was lit by a fluorescent light." The object "flared," then fell into Fairbairn Park, near the Maribyrnong River, they said. Returning to the park they found a telescopic cylinder which extends to about 10 inches, in a patch of burnt grass, surrounded by remains of synthetic material.

A RAAF officer said the cylinder probably held gunpowder, and the synthetic material was the remains of a small parachute.

The Weather Bureau said the object was not theirs, and a Maribyrnong explosives factory could not explain it. (Sun)

10-13-1969. Shenandoah, Penn. STRANGE BLUE ICE FALLS FROM SKY

A large chunk of dark-blue ice emitting a gaseous odor, similar to that of formaldehyde plummeted from the heavens at noon Monday, crashing into the roof of the Frank Kuzma residence, 430 West Centre Street. It bounced off the roof onto the street and shattered into 20 or more pieces, then melted or disintegrated. John Prybofsky saw it fall as he was sitting in front of St. Michael's Hall.

No one could recall hearing any aircraft. Fragments were refrigerated at Bereschak's Distributors and in the home of Alberta Lewczyk. (Herald)

JUPITER

12-4-1968. WHAT CAUSES JUPITER'S GREAT RED SPOT?

The great red spot of Jupiter has baffled scientists ever since it was supposedly discovered more than 300 years ago by the Englishman Robert Hooke.

The red spot is 8,000 miles long and about 2,600 miles wide. Its area is about equal to the entire area of the Earth. It changes color from orange to gray to brick red over the years. It is always observed at the same latitude on the planet's disk. Although it seems to drift, the planet rotates and the spot merely moves with it.

Dr. Raymond Hide of the British Meteorological Office thinks the red spot may be a huge crater or large mountain or ridge, causing a column of disturbed atmosphere above.

Lightning in Jupiter's atmosphere may create a red chemical causing the color, according to two California scientists. (Current Science) (CR: WNØZRG)

METEORS, COMETS AND FIREBALLS

9-18-1969. Prince George, Ottawa, British Columbia, Canada. METEOR REPORTS PROBED AND IMPACT SPOT PINPOINTED

Ottawa scientists, Alan Blackwell and Ian Halliday, members of the Dominion Observatory, believe a meteor crashed on August 20 near here. At least two persons, Lloyd and Frank Bowden, said they saw a "bright blue flaming object" break away from what appeared to be a main meteorite. Seismographs recorded impact shocks about 11:00 p.m. that night.

Blackwell said the seismograph reading indicate that whatever caused the impact shock was between two and twenty tons in weight. (Vancouver Sun, Ottawa Citizen)

10-10-1969. St. Joseph, Missouri. AID SOUGHT IN LOCATING SKY OBJECT

A University of Kansas geology professor, Dr. William Van Schmus, hopes to find some particles of the meteorite, if it was, that flashed across the sky early October 9. (St. Joseph Gazette)

STRANGE BEINGS. MONSTERS. YETI. BIG FOOT

8-23-1969. Alberta, Canada. 15 FOOT GIANT IN CANADIAN ROCKIES

At the side of the Big Horn Dam 140 miles southwest of Edmonton, five construction workers watched a man-like creature at least 15 feet tall walk across a ridge about a half-mile away from them. Silhouetted against the sky, it looked like a man in black clothes, but probably it was black hair. It had a hump on its shoulders, like something was tied on its back. Floyd Engen, 46, Dale Boddy, 21, Harley Peterson, 17, his father Stan, 46, and Guy L'Heureux, 19 all saw the giant, and none feel that what they saw was a bear. Some of the Stony Indians reported that they had seen the giants before too.

A scientific search team has been planned which will include cameramen and a veterinarian. The party of 10, headed by Dr. Warren Geiger and Chris England, will search the area by truck and helicopter while snow is on the ground so that tracking will be easier. (National Enquirer) (CR: W6BPV)

9-6-1969. Hartford, Connecticut. SCIENCE CENTER HEAD IS AMUSED BY 'ROBOT'

Talcott Mountain Science Center Director, Donald LaSalle, was highly entertained Tuesday by the Courant's account of a "mystery robot" reported trying to flag down cars on Rt. 44 at the top of Talcott Mountain.

The "robot" reports came from motorists, around 11:30 p.m., August 31.

According to reports, the "spaceman" was on or near the highway in a one piece silver suit that covered its hands and feet. A helmet or hood covered its head and its face was completely obscured.

Motorists said it appeared to be trying to stop cars, although it moved stiffly and awkwardly.

Police searched the area, but found no trace of the "robot."

Speculation ranged from: "a motorcyclist in a metallic suit and crash helmet," to a student undergoing initiation.

LaSalle said, "This is obviously a joke but wouldn't it be something if we did get a visitor from outer space.

"Actually, we live on a planet circling a third-rate yellow star off at the edge of the galaxy. Who knows what else exists out there?" (Hartford Courant) (CREDIT: SAUCER MAGAZINE, 1911 Main St., Bellevue, Nebr. 68005)

PHOTOS

March, 1968. Queensland, Australia. MISSING TULLY FILM

Mr. Stan Seers, President of the Queensland Flying Saucer Research Bureau, suggested in 1968 that an 8mm camera be installed to photograph any UFO activity in a spot frequently visited in the past. On March 2 and again on March 4, the camera was triggered. The film was unloaded on March 4 in the presence of witnesses and posted to the Melbourne Kodak lab for processing.

The Kodak processing plant returned the empty film can with a letter saying it had been received at Melbourne empty.

The matter was referred to the police, and eventually QFSRB was informed that the film was in the possession of the Dept. of the Interior and that they should forget the whole matter.

Mr. Seers believes that an employee of Kodak, possibly also on the Government payroll, is responsible for the film's disappearance. (CR: VK2SK and WA5RON and UFOIC Newsletter, July 1969)

MISCELLANEOUS

2-26-1969. SPACESHIPS POWERED BY BOMBS?

According to Dr. Freeman Dyson, Institute of Advanced Studies at Princeton, N.J., a hydrogen bomb may power our spaceships by the 22nd century.

Chemical rockets require too much fuel, and don't generate enough power.

Dr. Dyson proposes a rocket ship engine lined with copper in which hydrogen bombs would be exploded every 100 seconds. The finished ship would "bomb" around the galaxy at 3.6 light years per century, which would still take several centuries to make a trip. (Current Science) (CR: WNØZRG)

10-19-1969. Tully, Australia. TULLY GROUP HAS A NEW UFO DETECTOR.

Northern Investigation Bureau for Aerial Phenomena chairman, Mr. Vincent Mele, has a new UFO detector designed and patented by Mr. Brian Brosnan.

The detector is designed with a hole drilled through a compass face and a photo electric cell placed beneath the face. Over this, a tiny torch bulb powered by a six volt car battery is attached to the device by a lead. The light from the bulb shines through the hole and when the magnetic field is disturbed, the current is cut by the movement of the compass face, a bell rings, and a red light flashes. An attachment activates a movie camera and a film retarding device allows only five frames at a time to be exposed. (Sun-Herald) (CR: VK2SK and WA5RON)

11-20-1969. Baltic coast of Sweden. SHIP HITS SUB?

The Swedish trawler Silveroe collided with an unknown object, which the skipper said "could have been a submarine." Swedish Navy officials said they believe a foreign submarine was operating in Swedish water. (San Jose Mercury) (CR: WB6RPL)

THE MAIL BOX

DATA-NET:

At the annual spacecraft convention at Berkeley, Calif., the most important news was word of the excited conversation between Armstrong, Aldrin and Collins after the two astronauts safely returned to the Command Module from the surface of the moon July 20th. They were flabbergasted to see spaceships and installations and this conversation was picked up by ham operators here tuned in to their direct broadcast. This info was of course censored from the re-broadcast released by NASA to the networks. --Riley Crabbe, BSRF, Vista, Calif.

Riley:

On December 21, 1968 DATA-NET released to its members a list of the Apollo mission frequencies, and no member has reported overhearing conversations such as you describe.

Can you provide us with the names and call letters of those hams?

--Editor

DATA-NET:

On July 25, 1965 I observed a UFO. It was spotted by friends moving across the sky from south to north. It covered from horizon to horizon in 60 minutes. It never traveled in a straight line for more than a minute. Its average speed was estimated at 400 to 500 mph. It was very high because no details were possible, but it seemed to grow larger as it came nearer to the northern sky. It zig zagged across the sky, but the zigzags were very definite sharp turns.

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DATA-NET:

Steiger has quit his teaching job to devote full time to writing. His most recent contribution is an article on numerology in FATE magazine. Head lumps next?

Ex-bar girl Joan Whritenour, after a fling at witchcraft (which preceded her interest in UFOs) and UFO writing (and husband-dumping) is back at her old job of bar waitress. She claims Steiger never paid her for her share of their jointly-written books. --Withheld

DATA-NET:

In case you haven't noticed, the U.S. space program is sending the Apollo flights to areas of unusual phenomena (moon domes, bright lights, etc.)

--WA5RON, Austin, Texas

DATA-NET:

I compiled for a publication issued by the Newchapel Astronomical Observatory, U.K., an article on sightings by astronomers. Got over 70 together, going back 295 years or so.

--Wm. E. Moser, J.P., Honorary Secretary, UFOIC, Sydney, Australia

DATA-NET:

Dr. J. Allen Hynek, whom I trust and have respect for, was one of the scientists who interviewed and watched Ted Serios at work. He examined that so-called "gizmo" also. He says there is absolutely no trick involved.

--Mrs. Coral E. Lorenzen, APRO, Tucson, Ariz.

Coral:

Dr. Hynek watched Serios for hours and could not catch him. NOR could Serios produce a picture. A TV cameraman and a friend of Mike Jaffe's caught him! He uses a cellophane picture which he inserts in the "gizmo." (The "gizmo" as he calls it, is a tube.) His sleight of hand is not very good, therefore he can not succeed very often. This is the reason he produces hundreds of "white outs" and hundreds of "black outs."

--Editor

SHOP & SWAP

FOR SALE or TRADE: SPEEDOPLEX #2 Bug Key. Similar to the bibroplex key. Good condition. \$10.00, or what have you. --W6BPV, Tom Thompson, 340 Harvard dr., Ben Lomond, Calif. 95005.

FOR SALE BY OWNER: Hi-speed Flowstaff. Used only four times. Guaranteed 20 years. Full price - \$14,000.00 - --WB6RPL, c/o DATA-NET

FOR SALE: One micrometer deviator, with vernier attachment. Has pistol grip. A ham shack must. No reasonable offer rejected. --W6BPV, c/o DATA-NET

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