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Banning Woman Sights UFO

BANNING - A mammoth unidentified flying object was sighted early this morning by a Banning woman as she returned home from driving her husband to work in Beaumont.

Nonie Atherley of 915 Brinton Road was returning home at 6:10 a.m. via Wilson Street when she sighted the cigar shaped object. Describing it as "several football fields" in length, Atherley said that the ship had a dome and moved slowly while tilted on its side. The UFO then vanished with tremendous speed while trailing flames.

Atherley at first thought the big ship might be the Goodyear blimp but the tire company's airship was not in the area today. Banning police received no other reports of the sighting and the Banning Municipal Airport reported no traffic at their airdrome.

Thousands of sightings have been reported across the nation during the last two decades, and reports of large, cigar shaped objects invariably appear. Many creditable reports have been documented, however an extensive study by the Air Force a few years ago concluded that there was no basis for authenticity of any of the sightings.

F.M. Castator of 4736 Gilman Street in Banning has been studying UFOs for a number of years. Castator at one time published a magazine devoted entirely to UFOs and space research. The magazine had a world wide circulation of 2500 subscribers.

Castator said that UFO sightings seem to occur in rather unpredictable cycles, the last wave occurring in 1966. Sightings were recorded all over the globe.

Recently there has been a gradual upsurge in sightings, possibly the beginning of a new surge of aerial activity.

NASA has spent 30 billion dollars investigating other planets and galaxies", Castator said. he added that

there has been something of a revolution in astronomy since 26 pre organic elements have been discovered on other planets. "Astronomers now generally hold the view that life on other planets is a probability", Castator added.

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UFO sighting meets with official indifference

By CHARLES THOMAS
Macomb Daily Staff Writer

WARREN — Norman Balowski was sunbathing in his backyard Monday when he saw — at least he thinks he saw — a genuine flying saucer.

"I wasn't even shook up," he said. "I didn't believe in the stories about them but now I think I saw one myself."

Balowski, who lives near 10 Mile Road and Mound, said he saw the unidentified flying object stand still in the air then move stright up and down.

"IT DISAPPEARED behind the trees," he said. "It was a silver shaped disc and it was quite large."

Unfortunately, Balowski was the only one to

report the object. Neither officials at Selfridge Air National Guard Base nor the Warren Police Department had any calls about it.

"The Air Force does not record sightings anymore," said a spokesman from the air base. "We usually recommend people report UFO's to the police or a university."

Balowski said he was the only one in his yard when the object appeared over the trees approximately one mile away.

"THE KIDS had just left and it was gone by the time my wife came out of the house," he said.

Balowski said he noticed the object shining and reached for his glasses to get a better view.

"I don't know what a flying saucer would be doing in Warren," he said.

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Dallas, Texas
TIMES HERALD
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UFO Report Destroyed

CR: FAWCETT

Austin, Tex. (UPI)—Twenty-six years ago the Air Force prepared a report that proved Unidentified Flying Objects were actually spacecraft from other planets but the report was destroyed, according to a physics professor at East Texas State University.

Dr. Arlen Zander said UFOs should be taken seriously, especially by those who could study them and prepare serious data about them.

"A good hard look at some of the serious evidence, the photographic evidence, the physical traces certainly should not leave any doubt in the true scientist's mind that there is something unidentified in-

involved," Zander said Sunday on the Public Broadcasting Service's television program "Capitol Eye."

Zander said 26 years ago the Air Force assinged a task force with the code name "Project Sign" to study UFOs and issue a documented report.

"In September of 1948 Project Sign issued a top secret status report and the conclusions of this status report was that UFOs are truly extraterrestrial craft," he said.

Zander said the Air Force chief of staff refused to accept the conclusions presented in the report and ordered all copies of it destroyed.

Zander said many more UFOs than reported are sighted by persons afraid of public ridicule.

Vanished!

Another UFO seen hovering over D-FW

Times Herald Airport Bureau

Two Dallas-Fort Worth Airport employes say they watched an unidentified flying object (UFO) hover low over the western boundaries of the airport and then land in a wooded area.

Mrs. Linda Davis, D-FW librarian, and Miss Peggy Rozelle, a legal secretary, Thursday reported they were returning to the airport from lunch, driving north on Valley View Lane at about 1:05 p.m. when they noticed a large circular object hovering just over the trees on the opposite side of the airport.

"First we thought it was a plane," Mrs. Davis said, "but then Peggy said, 'That thing isn't moving.' I looked again and it seemed to be just hanging above tree level. It also seemed to have two large lights, like headlights."

The craft dropped out of sight within three miles of the area where investigators from the Mutual Unidentified Flying Object Network (MUFON) have been looking for unidentified flying objects at night.

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Record Gazette

Boston-New England news

Another UFO experience?

Mystery object stirs New Hampshire folks

By Stephen Webbe
Staff writer of
The Christian Science Monitor

Boston

The UFO mystery has surfaced again in southeastern New Hampshire. This time with the reported sighting on June 6 of an "unidentified flying object" by a family in South Hampton.

The "large, red, dome-shaped object" described by the witnesses to an investigator for the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP) — a private, nonprofit, investigatory body based in Kensington, Md. — is similar to UFOs reportedly sighted in the same area in past years.

Four persons claim to have seen the UFO land and douse its lights, apparently to avoid detection by a pursuing aircraft.

According to the report compiled by Raymond E. Fowler, chairman of NICAP's Massachusetts subcommittee, Mrs. Vivian Stevens of Locust Street, South Hampton, together with her son Richard, daughter Barbara, and niece Helen Mispilkin were traveling along Route 150 at 9:30 p.m. when they spotted the UFO.

Something spinning

"Beneath the dome, there was a bright white rectangular-shaped opening with something like blades spinning round inside," Mr. Fowler states in his report. "The blades seemed to protrude outside as well."

He says that a dark square, "like a darkened window," was centered in the rectangular opening and that white, blue, and yellow sparks spewed out from the base of the dome and appeared to radiate from the rectangular opening as well.

Mr. Fowler, a project supervisor on a Minuteman missile program near Boston and author of "UFOs: Interplanetary Visitors," recently published by the Exposition Press of New York, says that at first the group thought the object was some kind of helicopter.

"However, then they realized it was noiseless and very unusual, they became frightened and sped off," he explains.

Colored lights flicker

When the party reached Locust Street, Mr. Fowler says, the UFO hovered with a "bobbing, fluttering motion" over a 90-foot elm tree in an

adjoining field. At this point Helen Mispilkin stopped the car and got out.

As she did so, says Mr. Fowler, a band of soft-glowing colored lights, like "a string of beads," appeared on the object and began to flicker on and off. Mrs. Stevens and her two children watched from the car.

All four witnesses noted that the lights changed from greenish-yellow to deep red to pinkish red and then passed through dark green to deep blue. Mr. Fowler notes that the reflection from these lights revealed the shiny tan surface of a bowl-shaped section beneath the dome.

'Beautiful sight'

He also observes that after flickering for a few seconds the lights all came on in a single bank — first red, then blue, and then green. Mrs. Stevens told him it was "a beautiful sight to see."

The UFO then began to descend. "This was too much for the witnesses," Mr. Fowler declares. "They thought it was going to land. Barbara was so frightened that she crouched on the floor . . . as Helen jumped back in the car and drove fast up Locust Street."

Later that evening Mrs. Stevens' eldest son, 17-year-old Todd, spotted the UFO hovering near the elm tree as he returned home from Amesbury, Mass.

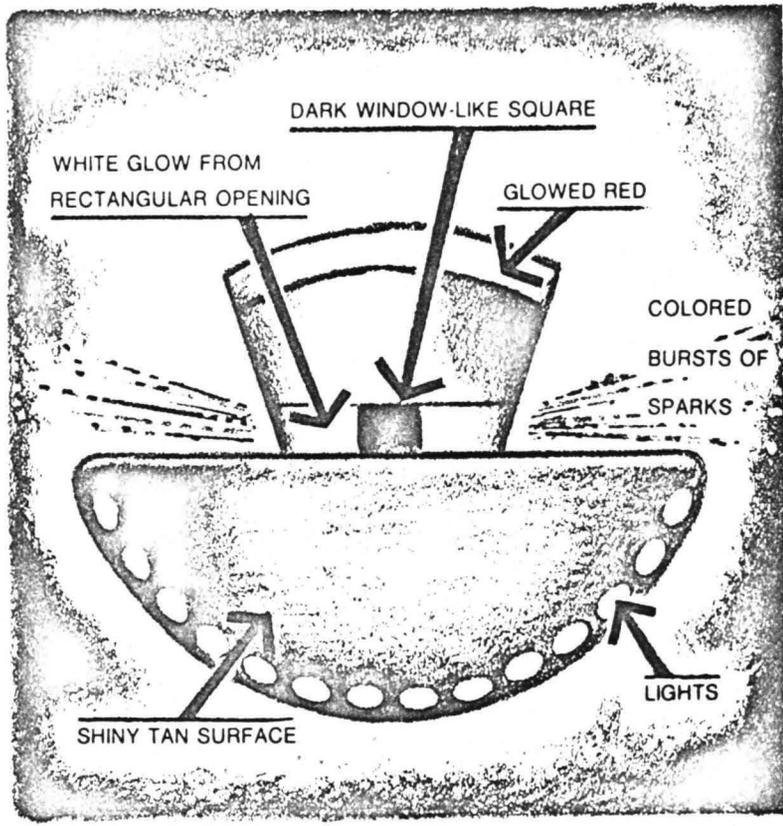
According to Mr. Fowler he alerted the rest of the family and, together with Helen Mispilkin, they all drove to the crest of a nearby hill to watch the "silent, hovering, bobbing" object.

After a few minutes they drove down the hill and Mrs. Stevens hurried off to tell a neighbor about the mysterious UFO.

While she was away Mr. Fowler asserts that Helen and the children saw a "low-flying aircraft come over the east side of Route 150 . . . seemingly heading directly for the hovering object."

"As soon as the plane approached," he reports, "the object began to move about with jerky motions and descended in a . . . step-by-step motion into a swampy area where it seemed to settle on or near the ground."

He states that all its lights went out except for "a red glow which could be seen momentarily through the underbrush until it too faded away." Mr. Fowler claims that the aircraft made half a dozen sweeps of the area before departing. When Mrs. Stevens returned the UFO had disappeared.



UFO sketch derived from witness descriptions

Thinking that the aircraft might have come from Pease Air Force Base near Portsmouth, N.H., Mr. Fowler called the base but was informed that none of its aircraft had been involved in an attempt to pursue the object.

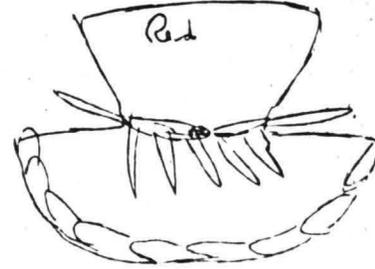
Nothing unusual noted

He also telephoned the Federal Aviation Administration radar tracking center at Nashua, N.H. "I was informed that nothing unusual had been noted on the operator's log within the UFO sighting time frame," he says.

Because of the UFO's reported appearance and maneuverability Mr. Fowler rules out the possibility that the witnesses, whom he finds honest and reliable, were observing a star or some form of balloon.

Stressing that, as far as can be determined, there is no indication of a hoax, he concludes that the object cannot be explained in terms of conventional objects or natural phenomena.

It is not the first time that UFOs have been sighted in southeastern New Hampshire. In Exeter in 1965 several people, including two seasoned policemen, claimed to have seen an enormous UFO with brilliant, pulsating, red lights. It was so low that one of the officers dropped to the ground and drew his gun. During that winter hundreds of other people in the area reported similar experiences.



How Mrs. Stevens drew it

But by far the most chilling UFO incident to emerge from the Granite State — and perhaps from anywhere — occurred in September, 1961.

Returning from a vacation along Route 3 near Lincoln, a Portsmouth couple, Betty and Barney Hill, claimed they saw a pancake-shaped UFO "ringed with windows in the front through which we could see bright blue-white lights" and from which, they insisted, figures observed them.

Three years later, under hypnosis, they related they had been taken aboard the alien spacecraft, questioned, and subjected to physical examination by metallic-gray humanoids.

Author John G. Fuller has recounted the Exeter sightings in his book "Incident at Exeter" and Mr. and Mrs. Hill's experience in "The Interrupted Journey."

UFO spotted by local trio

An unidentified flying object (UFO) apparently fascinated three persons late Wednesday night, according to their report to Vancouver police.

First to spot the UFO was Janet Louise Westlund, 33, of 601 Palo Alto Dr. She said she saw a bright object in the sky north of her home, and went to share her find with neighbors, David and Martha Nacke, of 518 Palo Alto Dr.

The three of them told police the UFO was a bright, fast-blinking light and that it appeared to be jumping around, headed in a northwesterly direction.

The object appeared at about 11 p.m., and was visible for about 15 minutes, the watchers reported. They said the light sometimes faded and then became brighter, as it moved and seemed to gain

altitude.

The UFO was described as being about the size of a large star and had no particular shape. Police were told the object appeared to remain the same size even when it faded over the horizon.

Nacke, who watched the UFO through binoculars, said it was like nothing he had ever seen before.

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Vancouver, Wash.
Columbian
July 25, 1974

Space object dazzles Nevadans

By EARL BIEDERMAN and TOD BEDROSIAN

Scientists this morning were investigating a spectacular display of light reported in the Monday night skies by residents of Nevada and its adjoining states.

The three to five-second occurrence was reported by persons in Reno, Tonopah, California, Utah and Arizona in the hours following 10 p.m. Monday. Mrs. Penni Veal of Jack's Valley south of Reno said the falling object resembled

an ice cream cone falling upside down out of the sky with green ice cream and a yellow, trailing cone.

"I was settling in bed after having a tooth pulled and it scared the hell out of me," she said.

"I thought I was a screwball but I started yelling and my husband came up the stairs.

"He said he saw a bright flash light up the valley and I said, 'Oh my God. What was that?'"

A scientist at Los Angeles Griffith

Planetarium Observatory said he believed the falling object was a meteor.

Wendell McDavid said scientists had not definitely identified it as such, but hoped to do so later today.

Sightings outside Nevada were reported in Santa Barbara and Los Angeles, Kingman, Ariz. and St. George, Utah.

Witnesses in Kingman and Tonopah reported the object falling to the north while the Veals and Reno residents said it fell to the south.

Spokesmen for the Atomic Energy

Commission in Las Vegas and Sandia's Tonopah test site said the object was not caused by their activities.

"It wasn't us," said a Sandia spokesman from Albuquerque, N.M. "We're on a four-day week and don't operate Mondays."

The object was variously described as "bigger than an averaged sized car," "like a plane on fire" or like "a large shooting star."

Nevada Highway Patrolman Don

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(Continued) Hagblom saw the object while watching a movie at Sparks' El Rancho Drive-In.

"It was so close I thought it was kids playing with flares," Hagblom said.

"It was coming straight down and there was no sound.

"It flared up real bright and I saw it for three or four seconds. It was trailing lots of flame and sparks."

Hagblom said because of his night work with NHP he has seen similar things in the form of falling stars — but never so bright or so close.

Griffith Observatory's McDavid said several reports included reference to an explosion.

"They were probably the outer shell of the object burning away as it entered the earth's atmosphere," he said.

Reno investigator of unidentified flying objects Ed Dickman said several people called him to report the object.

"It started out as a gold glowing body very large, descending from straight up and downward to the

south of Reno," said Dickman who saw it himself.

"I saw it about five seconds and near the end it turned bright green. It had a large tail and there seemed to be sparks associated with it.

"It was coming down at a 45-degree angle and I saw it only because I happened to be looking in that direction."

Dickman said his first thought that it was falling space debris, an explanation he said can not be discounted.

He said one caller from Sparks reported sighting the object falling in the skies to the south and called to ask what it was.

Another Reno witness said he saw the object from his hillside home northwest of Reno.

"It was like a vertical, soundless flash of light over Huffaker Hills.

"I saw it out of the corner of my eye and listened for thunder. There was no sound.

"It was just a white streak in the clouds to the southeast. The flash lit the skies for a second," he said.

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UFO report pays helicopter crew \$5000

Maj. Larry Coyne, an Ohio National Guard helicopter pilot, and the crewmen who flew with him on an alleged near-miss with a UFO last October have received a \$5000 award for their report on the incident.

The National Enquirer, a weekly newspaper, said the

Cleveland fliers contributed the most scientifically valuable report on unidentified flying objects during 1973.

The paper has a standing offer of a \$50,000 reward to the first person who can prove that a UFO came from outer space and was not a natural phenomenon.

Coyne, a Cleveland policeman, reported he was piloting a helicopter from Columbus to Cleveland when, near Mansfield, he spotted a fast-moving light on a collision course with his helicopter.

The light hovered over him and a green glow enveloped his cabin, Coyne said. He added that his machine was sucked vertically upward although he had tried to dive away from the UFO.

The newspaper employs a panel of scientists to study UFO sightings and determine winners of awards.

The Enquirer quoted Lt. Col. Andrew Sullivan at the Pentagon as saying the Army "has no reason to doubt the truthfulness of Maj. Coyne's report."

Administration did not recognize officially that an encounter had occurred.



Maj. Larry Coyne

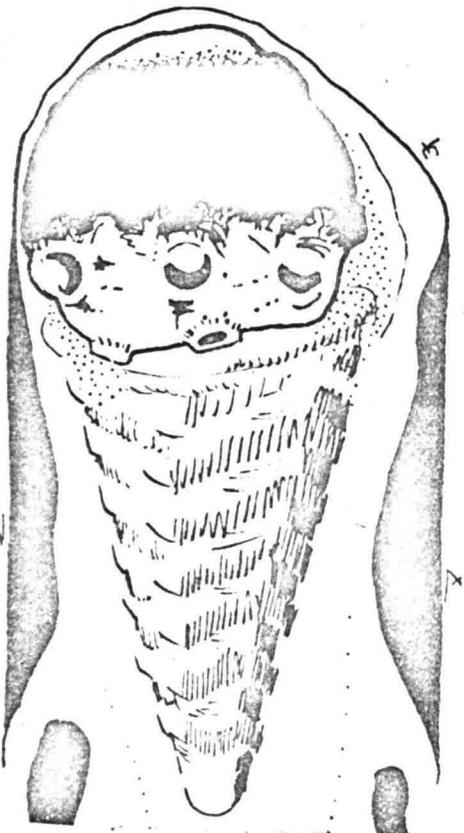
KANSAS CITY STAR - 6/9/74

Flash From Sky Burns Hole in Car

Yorkton, Saskatchewan (AP)—A Yorkton youth received the scare of a lifetime Friday night when a molten substance flashed from the sky and onto the car he was driving, burning a hole through the grill and melting into the windshield.

Other particles struck the ground, briefly igniting the grass around the youth's car about one mile south of Yorkton.

Royal Canadian Mounted Police confirmed the story and said the car was struck by a meteorite.





Woman's star map called legitimate

AKRON (AP) — A former teacher has concluded that a star map drawn by a New Hampshire woman, who said she spent two hours with aliens in a space craft, could have been drawn only after contact with extraterrestrials.

Marjorie E. Fish of Oak Harbor in Ottawa County reached her conclusion after six years of attempting to match the map with known stars.

The map was drawn in 1964 by Betty Hill of Portsmouth, N.H. Mrs. Hill drew it while under hypnosis induced by a Boston psychiatrist to whom she and her husband had gone in an effort to regain memory of a

two-hour gap in their recollection of a September 1961 vacation trip.

"Since we did not have the data to make such a map in 1961 when Betty saw it, or in 1964 when she drew it, it could not be a hoax," Miss Fish said. Since the stars connected by map lines indicating the aliens' course are a select group most likely to have life, she added. "It is almost impossible that the resemblance between Betty's map and reality could be coincidental.

"Betty's map could only have been drawn after contact with extraterrestrials," she concluded.

Miss Fish described her study and findings to the UFO Symposium here Saturday sponsored by the Mutual UFO Network Inc. The network is devoted to collecting an investigating information about UFO sightings and reports of alleged landings and similar phenomena.

A key factor Miss Fish considered proof the map was not a hoax, she said, is that part of the star data was not known until 1969.

She said another key factor is the select nature of the stars in the Hill map. They are stars having the best possibility for life among the 201 star systems within the maps' area, she said.

The Hill map shows the two stars from which the aliens originated, she said.

Mrs. Hill and her late husband, Barney, were returning from Montreal by car when they sighted a bright, moving object in the sky. Mrs. Hill insisted it was a UFO despite her husband's equal insistence it was a plane or some other known object.

As the story unfolded in months of tape recording sessions under hypnosis with the psychiatrist, the object moved near the Hill car and landed.

As the Hills stopped, they could see creatures inside the round craft through windows. The creatures took the Hills inside through some unknown form of control and treated them as laboratory specimens, testing and examining them.

After two hours, they were released and ordered to be unable to remember the incident, the hypnosis sessions revealed.

Mrs. Hill was less busy during the examinations and was shown a three-dimensional star-map model by the aliens' leader. It was this model which she drew three years later.

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UFO's Reported In Corsica Area Sunday

Two cases of sightings of unidentified flying objects (UFOs) have been reported in an article appearing in the Tuesday edition of the Clarion News, written by George M. Frasher. His account follows.

A Williamsburg man told The Clarion News Monday morning that he had chased an "unidentified flying object" along Interstate 80 Sunday evening.

The object, reportedly seen by the five members of the family, was described as gray or silver, quite smooth and shaped like a cylinder. It emitted bright light.

The daughter in the family gave The News a simple drawing of what she saw. It included two or three blinking red lights on each side and five white lights. The rear end of the cylinder was open, according to the description.

The spotters told The News they did not report the incident to any authorities. A check with both the Shippenville and DuBois State Police posts indicated no other spottings were reported.

Lt. Elmer Barkay, commander of the Shippenville post, said standard procedure for reports of UFOs called for dispatching a car to the site for investigation.

According to the eyewitnesses, the craft was not a helicopter or blimp. It had no propellers nor wings and was definitely guided, though there was no way to tell if the direction came from within the craft or by remote control.

The man reported it sounded like motorcycles and caused interference on the television set when it appeared about 9:30 p.m. He added that he got into his car and chased it along I-80. The object's ground speed was estimated at 40 to 50 m.p.h. and the altitude at about 1,000 feet.

The witness said he nearly caught up with the object near Corsica when it circled around and headed back west. He said he lost sight of the object as it went over a hill near the strip mines near Williamsburg.

The family was insistent that it was not an optical illusion and not any type of
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7/25/74 Brookville, Pa. (Jeff-Demo.) UFO's Reported

traditional aircraft.

This was the second UFO report to come to The News in the past month. The other incident, reported by a Shippenville couple, also occurred in the same general area near the Corsica interchange of I-80.

The couple said a tractor-trailer rig, traveling directly in front of them, did not pull off at the I-80 exit which puzzled them. The wife saw the object which she described as "sort of an airplane with bright lights." She said it was so frightening she screamed. "It's going to hit us" and ducked her head below the dash.

She said the object was not traveling at a very high speed, but seemed to be sashaying. However, some facts of the two reports do not coincide.

Contrary to the report Sunday of noise like a "motorcycle," the couple reporting the first sighting said they noticed no

loud noises. Also, when shown the drawing made by the girl Sunday night, the wife would not identify it as similar to the object she saw.

Another Clarion resident Monday said she saw an object several years ago in the Corsica area, but that it turned out to be an airplane with signs advertising a political candidate.

UFO sightings have been reported throughout the country for nearly 30 years. In 1970 the Air Force released a lengthy report of a study writing of the sightings as swamp gas illuminated by light reflections. However, a number of

July 10, 1974
Merced, Calif.
(Sun Star)

Claims Sighting Of Flying Object

LOS BANOS — Merced County Sheriff's deputies said a Norton Air Force Base man reported observing an unidentified flying object which he indicated crashed near northbound Interstate 5, five miles north of Highway 152 about 10 p.m. Tuesday.

Officers said Theodore Watkins told them he and a passenger in his vehicle had observed a ball of fire fall from the sky and burst into sparks before hitting the ground.

Deputies said a search of the area failed to uncover anything unusual. A check with the Federal Aviation Administration in Fresno indicated that similar reports in Inyo County uncovered meteorites.

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Americans have refused to accept this explanation and sightings have continued.

While such reports have been few in this area, there has been a number reported in neighboring Ohio during the past several months.

JC Man Reports Seeing UFOs for 20 Years

Binghamton, N.Y.
The Evening Press Local
Jun. 19, 1974

By CIRO SCOTTI

John Nyschot is 37 years old, he has five children, lives in Johnson City and works as a public relations man for a local health organization.

He says he has been seeing unidentified flying objects since 1953.

Barroom skeptics will, no doubt, have a number of pertinent questions for Nyschot like, "Wadda you, some kinda nut?" "Wadda you been smokin'?" or "How many drinks you have before you seen it?"

He says he expects them. The ridicule that is heaped upon one who publicly claims to have sighted unexplained celestial objects is one reason why Nyschot has remained silent up until now.

He only decided to come in from the cold—which he says is peopled by thousands of other fearful sighters—after being angered by a letter he read in The Press a few months ago pooh-pooing UFO's in general.

The Nyschot Chronicle is as follows:

NOVEMBER, 1953 — Nyschot said the first time he ever saw a UFO was when he was a junior in high school. It was during Thanksgiving vacation and he and two friends were hiking on Upper Glenwood Road.

He said it was one of the two instances in which he heard noises.

Nyschot described the things he saw as "four gleaming brilliant objects" silverish blue in color. He said they were in sight for eight or nine seconds, crossed the horizon and took off in a southerly direction.

He said he became so "keenly interested" in extra-terrestrial objects that he did a science paper on the subject during his senior year in high school.

JANUARY, 1958 — Nyschot said his next "visual contact" with UFO's was from a parking lot behind the education building at IBM Endicott, where he was then employed.

He said he was on his lunch hour listening to a local radio station when he began to get a lot of static.

Nyschot said he looked up and saw three objects, considerably smaller than the first one he sighted, but of the same color. They were grouped in a pattern, he said.

"I had these in sight for four or five seconds," he added.

JUNE, 1963 — He is a little uncertain about the date, but Nyschot recalled that the sighting was from an apartment he then occupied on Downs Avenue in Binghamton.

He charted the object he saw in the sky by using the sectioned panes of glass in one of his apartment windows.

Nyschot said that in the course of about two hours the object moved up about three and a half panes.

He remembered that he was watching the television series, "The Fugitive" at the time.

At about 10:45 p.m. that evening, Nyschot said, he went outside to check on the object. He said he also saw either Echo I or Echo II, which was scheduled to pass over the Triple Cities that night, coming out of the south.

Nyschot said the unidentified object moved toward the space craft on a diagonal

course and "then continued on a parallel path until they went out of sight."

He said UFO sightings were reported in the The Press the next day, including a story about one woman who reportedly saw a UFO in her backyard.

JANUARY 11 AND 12, 1967 — "I was working in New Brunswick, N.J., and on the 11th they had an early morning sighting" at a nearby reservoir, about 50 miles from the city, Nyschot said.

He drove out to the reservoir in the early evening, arriving there at about "supper-time."

Nyschot said he saw a spot that had thawed in the six or seven inch thick ice on the reservoir about 40 feet in circumference.

According to his account, a Civil Defense officer witnessed an object emerging from the ice, but the news story was "scuttled."

"There's no way the government was going to let something like that get out," Nyschot said.

The next night, Nyschot said, he and two other men who were working the late shift at the Link LPD Division plant in New Brunswick, (computer research) went outside to look at a new car one of the men had just bought.

"I remember it was a fairly nice night — bright sky, good moon. We saw three objects," he said.

Nyschot's memory of that evening is clear.

He said the three objects hovered over a golf course across the street for "10 or 15 seconds." He said their shadows in the moonlight were projected on the grass.

Nyschot said he had the objects, which looked about half an inch in diameter from that distance, in sight for about a minute and a half.

Although this was the second instance in which he said the objects emitted sounds, he contends they "looked the same" as the other objects he says he sighted previously.

"I have never seen blinking lights or balls of fire. I have never been approached by a being from one," Nyschot said. "They are always the same color and same shape."

The sightings were confirmed by a police chief and a Civil Defense director in that area, he added.

"That is the one instance I don't think anyone could talk me out of what I was seeing."

OCTOBER, 1967 — This sighting was a little closer to home.

Nyschot said he was driving over the Vestal-Johnson City Bridge when his five-year-old daughter, Mary Jo, said, "Look at the blue lights, Daddy."

"We looked up and there they were," three blue lights in the sky — two brighter than the third.

Nyschot said they came out of the southeast, crossed the river (he said he saw their reflection) and then reversed themselves and took off in the same triangular pattern.

The next morning, he said, he called the Weather Bureau and was told the winds the night before were from the southeast.

"There's no way a weather balloon is going to go back in the same direction," he said.

Nyschot said that the same day the local newspaper carried a story saying three bluish objects had been sighted in Georgia, which, he pointed out, is southeast of the Triple Cities.

He said he called the control tower at Broome County Airport and checked local radar reports, but nothing had been spotted.

OCTOBER, 1968 — One Sunday night at about 8:30 p.m. Nyschot said he had just picked up a pizza at a restaurant on CFJ Blvd., Johnson City, when he saw three people standing on the corner of Lester Avenue, all three were looking up.

He said it was a cloudy night but one area of the clouds was highly illuminated.

As he drove over the viaduct toward Main Street, Nyschot said, a glowing yellowish object in the clouds began to follow the car and "move in a western pattern." Finally it disappeared over the horizon.

"I called that one into WBNB," he said. "BIG MISTAKE. I was running for trustee in Johnson City that year."

Nyschot lost.

NOVEMBER, 1970 — Early one Monday morning, Nyschot said, he saw a second ball of light from his own backyard.

Although it was about 1:30 a.m., he said he called to his wife to come outside.

Nyschot said she saw the light, which moved back and forth four times, and then took off in a southerly direction.

"Here again I was reluctant to tell anyone," he said.

Instead, the sighting became a notation in his log.

OCTOBER, 1973 — Again in his backyard, Nyschot said, he and his 13-year-old son Jeff saw three lights in the sky between 8:45 p.m. and 11 p.m. They were using a pair of field glasses.

As before, he said, two lights were brighter than the other, but the less bright light was a little larger.

Nyschot said their elevation remained the same, but over the course of two hours and 15 minutes their positions within their triangular pattern

changed. "These were barely visible to the naked eye," he said.

MARCH 5, 1974 — At 1:20 a.m. that Tuesday morning, after "letting the dog out," Nyschot claims he, "had 17 seconds of the best viewing I've ever had." He begins counting seconds as soon as he looks into the glasses.

"I got a damn good shot of what it looked like," he said. "That thing was there, and that's when I decided to say something, to stick out the old neck a little bit."

Nyschot said the object he saw was definitely saucer-shaped.

He said he doesn't attend meetings of UFO sighters or subscribe to periodicals that are concerned with celestial phenomena, but he calls himself a "firm believer."

"I think a life form from another planet is thinking the way we do and that we are part of their exploration," he said. "I believe in inter-galactic travel by now. Reports go back to ancient times, reports of chariots in the sky."

"I cannot believe that God in all his glory has created only one planet with life on it."

Part of Nyschot's belief in Unidentified Flying Objects is grounded in religion. His is a Roman Catholic.

"I can't believe we're what God wants," he said.

One of Nyschot's theories is that there is a League of Worlds, which Earth is being kept out of because of our wars and natural disasters.

He thinks the worlds in this league have conquered fear, war and famine, although their societies are not Utopian.

Nyschot thinks the flying objects he says he sees could be sent by the league to observe our world and monitor our maturity and development.

And he has no doubts about what he says he has seen, even if other people doubt him.

Nyschot said they are not seeing "unexplained celestial objects because they aren't looking for them."

He is. "Everytime I go to bed I look out to see if anything's happening in the sky," Nyschot said.

Boys sight UFO, Hynek called in

By IRIS FINKELMAN

At approximately 5:30 p.m. on the cloudy afternoon of May 5 David Dorn and his friend Troy Warton, both 11, left David's Lincolnshire home to play basketball.

The boys took a camera with them so they could photograph each other shooting baskets. As they walked down the street, the pair noticed a dark object in the western sky.

After a few seconds of careful scrutiny, David—an amateur astronomer—

concluded that what they were watching was neither bird nor plane. The object came closer, dropped to a height just above the tree tops, hovered slightly and then rose up through the clouds and disappeared.

THE ENTIRE EXPERIENCE lasted about one minute, David estimates, just long enough for him to snap six pictures with his Kodak X-15 camera. The color pictures each reveal a distinct dark object in the clouds and over the trees.

On Tuesday, the boys took the pictures to

J. Allen Hynek, chairman of the department of astronomy at Northwestern University and renowned UFO expert, for evaluation.

Hynek examined the pictures, then questioned each boy separately, asking for an explicit re-creation of the experience. When it was all over, Hynek ruled out the possibility of a hoax. He termed the photographs convincing evidence of a UFO sighting and said the boys were reliable witnesses.

SAYS DAVID DORN of what he witnessed on that afternoon of May 5, "There were no lights that I could see, but at one point there was a flash. It might have been a reflection, although there was no sun. And then the object looked blue. I did hear

a buzzing but that might have been coming from somewhere else. I don't know."

David says that the object was moving strangely and then it rose at an angle and "went up through the clouds."

When the object disappeared, both boys broke into a gallop and raced home to spread the news of their discovery.

"Of course, I couldn't really believe it," Mrs. Dorn says, "But when David said he took pictures, I figured he had seen something."

DAVID'S MOTHER DESCRIBES her son as a knowledgeable boy, a good student who is actively interested in several subjects which he studies on his own. In the Dorn living room, a telescope stands ready for star gazing whenever

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This picture is one of six taken by 11-year-old David Dorn of an unidentified object he observed above the tree tops near his home in Lincolnshire.

David has the time. Mrs. Dorn claims David has been interested in the possibility of UFO's so he was alert enough to use his camera at the right time.

David routinely mailed off the film to be developed. The results were almost too good to believe. The photographs revealed a UFO in one of its most classic shapes.

YOUNG DORN FIRST turned over his photographic evidence to the Lincolnshire Police Department which contacted Hynek's Center for UFO Studies.

Hynek in turn contacted the boys and arranged for Tuesday's session. Before David Dorn departed, the astronomy professor presented him with an autographed copy of his book, "The UFO Experience." The inscription was to "David Dorn who had a real UFO experience."

The two attempted to call neighbors to alert them, but could not reach any before the "UFO" was out of sight.

They also said they watched it from a distance of about one-tenth of a mile, and got the indication that the object was silver-gray in color, and that the lights were very bright at times, but would diminish in intensity at others.

The pair said the sky was clear at the time, with stars shining, although some rain had been reported in the area earlier.

They notified the Heilinger County Sheriff's office the next day, and Kramer said the incident is under investigation, although no cause or evidence has turned up as to what the object might have been.

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UFO spotted near Regent

By JIM FETTER
Staff Writer

A Regent farmer, Clarence Krogh, and his son reported seeing an unidentified flying object (UFO) near their farm home five miles southeast of Regent Thursday night, according to Heilinger County Sheriff Earl Kramer.

In an interview Saturday, Krogh's son, Ken, about 17, said he was returning from Regent about 10:45 p.m. Thursday when he noticed a large object with red, white and blue lights hovering over a field about two and one-half miles from their farm.

The young Krogh said he stopped the pickup to look at the object, which was hovering about 1,000 feet above the ground.

According to the youth's description, the object was approximately 200 feet long and 75 feet wide, or about two and one-half times as big as a quonset on the farm. "It had a huge

red light on one end, which alternately grew and faded in intensity, a blue light near the center of the object, and a white spotlight which the youth said the object aimed at his pickup, near the other end.

After observing the "UFO" for about a minute, the youth sped home to inform his family, and the elder Krogh and the youth observed the object about 500 feet from their house and something less than 500 feet above the ground for about 15 minutes.

They said the object then moved away from the farm in a northwesterly direction following a section line, in the general direction of Dickinson. They were able to observe the lights for "about 25 miles," they said.

Officials at the Dickinson FAA office and the Dickinson Flight Service reported no unusual activity in the area Friday night, as

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did officials at the flight tower at the Bismarck Airport.

The youth reported that when the object passed over his vehicle, it caused the radio station to go completely dead, with nothing but a little static being emitted.

Both Krogh's said the object caused a humming noise, much like that of an electric motor, and that it did not create any air disturbance, other than static electricity, which they could feel.

The younger Krogh said the light from the object lit up the ground somewhat, but when he looked at the ground, he could not see a shadow.

The two attempted to call neighbors to alert them, but could not reach any before the "UFO" was out of sight.

They also said they watched it from a distance of about one-tenth of a mile, and got the indication that the object was silver-gray in color, and that the lights were very bright at times, but would diminish in intensity at others.

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Flurry Of UFO Sightings Startle Pennsylvanians

By DAVID BRANCH and ROBERT B. KLINN

It was 12:55 a.m., March 23. Two officers for the Pennsylvania State Game Commission were patrolling in Hanover Township. Suddenly the men saw, at an estimated distance from their vehicle of 300 yards, a glowing cigar-shaped object. They later described the unidentified flying object (UFO) as "like a giant fuselage"—six times the length of their car.

The men strained to hear if the UFO was making any sound. They heard none. But the object emitted a pulsating light towards the ground.

This dramatic account by credible witnesses is only one of numerous sightings made recently in Pennsylvania—as well as in several other states and foreign countries.

A number of the accounts have involved cigar or football-shaped objects, discs, mysterious lights, and apparent elec-

tro-magnetic effects produced by the UFOs.

On Jan. 28, for example, two witnesses at Sewickley, near Pittsburgh, reported seeing an especially large silver cigar-shaped UFO which dropped to about 150 feet above trees before moving out of sight. A bright light, along with a red

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light, were at the front of the UFO; a single brilliant light was at the rear. The object was seen at 10:30 p.m.

One of the witnesses, familiar with various types of aircraft, called the control tower of the Greater Pittsburgh Airport. There were no airplanes of any type in the area of the sighting.

The previous day, at about 2:00 a.m., a number of persons driving on the Pennsylvania Turnpike said that they had observed UFOs. And the de-

scription of at least one witness, near Irwin, Pa., was very similar to the UFO sighted at Sewickley.

The observer, a lone woman driver, became nearly hysterical after the event. She first saw two bright lights in the sky. They looked like automobile headlights. But suddenly they

disappeared. Then, just as abruptly, they reappeared at her level, apparently relatively close to her car.

The bright lights shone down towards the highway. They appeared to be mounted, along with red light, on a dark shape.

The noiseless object effortlessly kept pace with the automobile now exceeding 60 m.p.h. But the most frightening aspect of the event was that as the UFO flew close to the car, the auto lost power. The driver

feared that the car was going to stall. Eventually the object streaked away, and the automobile operated normally again.

Another case including the often-reported electro-magnetic effects, occurred a month and a half later in West Newton, Pa. At 8:30 p.m., on March 18, a motorist on a deserted back road observed a group of lights in the sky ahead.

The clustered lights, which may have been attached to a single object, suddenly dove out of the sky towards the witness.

They appeared to come within 12 inches of the auto's top. They continued to move over the roof of the car until they were out of sight.

The man said that as the mysterious lights closed in, his car radio was drowned out with static. His car's headlights also became dim. He also noted that his ammeter indicated that his battery had completely discharged. His gauge showed "40." But the car did not stop.

As the witness continued driving, however, he suddenly noticed a strange physiological effect. He grew abnormally tired, so much so that he could barely keep from falling asleep. He in fact did hit a guard rail as a result of his sudden drowsiness

—something he had never experienced before.

One of the most detailed sightings in Pennsylvania was made a month earlier, at 12:55 a.m., Feb. 7. A motorist driving between Woodale and Laurelville, off of Route 982, reported a disc-shaped UFO. The object was about 30 feet in diameter, above a field at an altitude of 150 feet, and about 100 feet from the witness. The UFO had a solid white top. Red, green and blue lights shone on he bottom. A humming sound was heard, and a strong "chemical" odor was noted. (The above-mentioned Pennsylvania UFO sightings are detailed by Stan Gordon, Mutual UFO Network State Director for Pennsylvania, in the May issue of MUFON's publication, "Skylook.")

On March 18, another unidentified disc was reported, this time from Fairbanks, Alaska. A physician and his family say that they observed the UFO to the south of the city, moving rapidly from east to west. At one point the saucer stopped abruptly, and then reversed direction. It made several back-and-forth movements. The high-speed UFO glowed from red to gray to bluish-green before disappearing to the south.

If summer comes, can UFO be far behind?

The second day of summer brought the first sighting of an unidentified flying object in Reno, police said. Joseph W. Saske of 656 James St. said he saw it at 12:18 a.m. today while driving at Stoker Avenue and Seventh Street. He reported a strange object, burning brightly and falling steeply toward Peavine Mountain. Saske said it could have been a meteor. There were no other reports of the object.

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'unexplainable' UFO Air Force vet spots

An Allegan resident and his son who were returning from a trip to Grand Haven Monday evening report seeing an unidentified flying object over M-40 & 89 near Hamilton.

JAMES CYRUS, an Allegan barber, and his 15-year-old son, Morgan, first spotted the object standing still in the sky as they were southbound on the highway two or three miles north of Maillon.

Cyrus said the object's stationary position was what first called their attention to it, as they speculated whether it might be an airplane, a helicopter, or a television tower.

They got closer and closer to the object as they approached Hamilton, Cyrus said, until they were nearly directly below it at the northwest edge of Hamilton.

HE DESCRIBED the UFO as silent and roughly diamond-shaped with several red, blue, and white blinking lights on it.

His curiosity aroused, Cyrus said he turned his car around and headed back north toward the object, when it slowly crossed the road several times, then sped off to the north.

He attempted to follow it, but it went out of sight beyond the crest of a hill and was nowhere in sight when he topped the hill.

Cyrus, a four-year Air Force veteran familiar with many types of aircraft, reported the incident to the Allegan County Sheriff's Department.

LT. RUDY WHITNEY said he contacted both the Holland Police Department and the Ottawa County Sheriff's Department after receiving Cyrus' report, but that neither department had received any similar reports.

Whitney described the incident as "unexplainable," adding that it's unusual to receive UFO reports from a single person on a cloudy night.

Such reports, he explained, usually come in groups on clear nights when stars and other sky phenomena are highly visible.

Commented Cyrus, "I swear I was stone cold sober."

Cyrus said his son's only comment was, "Dad, promise you won't tell anybody about this except the family."

UFO Sightings At Addison Trail

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An Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) was spotted by several Addisonites around 9:30 p.m. Thursday, June 20.

Jim Jensen, 183 Flora, Addison, reported to Addison police that from his residence looking west over Addison Trail high school he viewed a diamond shaped object with red lights on the higher and lower points.

He further stated that when the lights went on he could see the entire object which was grey in color. The lights were seen to flash on and off while the object appeared to fly westward at a remarkable rate of speed.

Police officers filing the report stated they viewed a red light while at Army Trail and Heritage to the

south going east then immediately west. The object was then seen leaving in a southerly direction.

Addison detectives Alexander Gorr, Angelo Denotrio and George Thomas also reported the sighting of a solitary red light in the sky moving at a high rate of speed.

The detectives stated that the red light was visible in the black sky but added that weather conditions could have produced a strange atmospheric occurrence.

The sightings followed a storm with heavy rains and strong winds. Numerous airplanes, awaiting the reopening of O'Hare airport, had been in holding patterns during the storm and at the time of sighting were moving in landing patterns.

Reno, Nevada Gazette June 22, 1974

Encinitan designs spotting device

Solana Beach, Calif. San Diego Citizen July 18, 1974

Full instrumentation of UFO monitoring stations, Gonsett said, will eventually include the magnetometer, a radio frequency interference (static) detector, and an electrometer for measuring electrical fields. PMS is also considering three more experiments to round out its array - infrared, ultraviolet, and infrasound (low frequency sound) detectors.

According to Gonsett, ultraviolet radiation in particular has been associated with UFO sightings. Some witnesses have been severely sunburned, and photographs taken of UFO's are frequently blurred not by motion, but by the high-energy ultraviolet light apparently emitted by UFO's.

The entire system of sensors will be integrated by a single-track cassette tape recorder which, by subtle electronic means, can record on eight channels. Two of the channels will be for calibration and time keeping. The remaining six may be used for experiments.

A predetermined signal from the magnetometer will activate the recording system, which will run for 10-20 seconds before turning itself off automatically. Two 12-volt car batteries will power the apparatus, and the batteries will be kept charged by house current. In the event of an electrical failure, the monitoring station could run for a week to a month on a single charge.

no pattern in sightings

PMS boasts 35 scientist and engineer members. Most, for fear of damaging their professional or academic standings, shun publicity. Working on their own time, without pay, they hail from such reputable institutions as the University of California at San Diego, San Diego State University, the Naval Electronics Laboratory, the Naval Undersea Laboratory, General Dynamics Electronics Division, and Gulf General Atomic.

PMS is on the lookout for even more engineers to help in the development of low-cost, but state-of-the-art, monitoring devices.

Said J. F. Herr, director of PMS, "We are, as far as we are able to determine, the first group to build instruments to detect UFO's."

Herr and Howard Boylan, cofounder of PMS, began the UFO study group three years ago, when they were both graduate students at San Diego State University. They obtained partial funding from the Aerial Phenomenon Research Organization (APRO) in Tucson, Arizona.

Besides the science and engineering staff, 120 persons from all occupations and educational backgrounds make up PMS's lay volunteer force. The laymen check sightings and interview witnesses.

Before PMS began its 24-hour answering service in January of this year, an established facility for taking UFO reports did not exist in San Diego. Howard Boylan, who is in charge of the answering service, estimates that 300 calls have been taken since January. There seems to be no particular pattern in the sightings, except, Boylan reports, that most come from rural areas.

Boylan asks callers who want to report a sighting to give a description of what they saw, when they saw it, and where. He also asks for the number of witnesses and the identification of the caller.

The special PMS number, 286-0808, will be listed in the new phone directory under "UFO Reporting Service" in the white pages and in the yellow pages under "Meteorological Reporting Services."

crackpots barred

In exploring the highly controversial, and sensitive, domain of UFO's, PMS gets its share of contacts from crackpots. "By crackpot," says Herr, "I mean uncritical, accepting things at face value." Most crackpot calls come in over the 24-hour line. A few are merely unusual, the UFO's-can't-exist-because-they-aren't-mentioned-in-the-Bible kind. There are also some silly calls from teenagers, mostly girls (Herr, who holds a degree in psychology, is curious about that). There has been one threat.

UFO fanatics are barred from membership. Herr feels that members who are unstable, or too imaginative, could only harm the organization's credibility.

Two months ago, for instance a man who seemed to be a highly competent circuit engineer tarnished his image by expressing the view that UFO's contain angels. About a year ago, a man who claimed to have made contact with people from the center of the earth was politely shown the door.

"I make it a point not to hang up on anyone," Herr said. "If I let them talk it out, they're happy and they generally don't call back."

imply star travel

Herr, in spite of his emphasis on rigorous thought and the tenets of scientific method, is not averse to a little speculation on UFO's and their meaning. Most UFO's, he's quick to point out, are explicable on the basis of natural or man-made phenomena, things like aircraft, meteors, planets and other celestial bodies, lightning (in a peculiar but completely natural form called ball-lightning), and atmospheric disturbances. The remaining few percent of the UFO's might be manned extraterrestrial vehicles.

Since man is almost certainly alone as an intelligent being in this solar system, Herr speculates that manned vehicles imply star travel. Interstellar space travel may also imply long lifespans, Herr feels.

The star closest to our sun, Proxima Centauri, is so far away that even at the speed of light, the voyage there would consume more than four years. Light travels at about 186,000 miles per second in airless space.

At an acceleration of one gee, Herr said, aliens could make the trip from Proxima Centauri to earth in about 10 years. An acceleration of one gee would give a human being his normal earth weight.

might cause panic

Although the now famous Condon report, issued by the Air Force in 1969, concluded that further scientific study of UFO's would be of no value, Herr believes the final word is not yet in. The Air Force, Herr indicates, may have had reason for failing to disclose all it knew.

Herr listed four possible reasons: 1) the Air Force might feel awkward about being unable to defend American airspace against alien interlopers; 2) security wraps may exist until the UFO propulsion system has been duplicated; 3) the Air Force may feel itself in the embarrassing position of having kept a secret for 25 years; 4) the knowledge that flying saucers exist may have been withheld to prevent panic.

Robert Gonsett, the man behind much of PMS's present technology, is not particularly aggressive in his speculation. "My own interest in UFO's is to try and figure out how they work," Gonsett said.

"I think there's a fundamental law of nature that we can get our hands on with UFO's." But, he added, "the important thing about research is to abandon one's preconceived notions. I speculate about UFO's because I have a nagging hunch they're of extraterrestrial origin, but that's all it is, just a hunch."

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Light in sky seen

MIFFLINTOWN—At least eight people near here reportedly sighted an unidentified light in the sky during Sunday night's thunderstorm, according to Rebecca Eward, R.D. 1.

"It was a big white light up there, and it was jumping around the sky all during the storm," the Eward woman told The Sentinel Monday.

"This is the third time we've seen these things," she continued. "Last time was about two-three months ago in a clear sky.

"That time it was round and silver and looked like it had windows in it, but last night we could see it between the trees, and it was just sort of a round light."

She said eight persons in one house saw the light Sunday. "My father saw it come up from the Mifflintown area," she added.

Source Unknown 'I'm Convinced'
(California)

Ex-Skeptic Believes in UFO's

By VERA GRAHAM
UFO's?

Joe Mathes, 45-year-old airline captain, describes himself as a one-time "total skeptic."

Today he is as firm a believer in the validity of Unidentified Flying Objects as he was a onetime disbeliever.

How come?

He was "converted" after he saw one for himself, in 1957, while flying over North Bend, Ore.

It was 3 p.m., the skies were clear and blue. His DC-6 was heading from Portland to San Francisco.

As he scanned the sky, he saw "something" about a mile away. It was a "silvery disc" paralleling the airliner's course. "It was moving at a tremendous speed. We were then flying (a DC6) at about 350 miles an hour. . . . The speed of this spacecraft was such that it made us feel that our aircraft had stopped in mid-air," Capt. Mathes recalls.

The whole crew had spotted it. They gaped. What was the reaction? "We grabbed our cameras, and photographed it. Later the photographs were sent to NICAP, the National Investigative Committee for Aerial Phenomena, based in Washington, D.C." It confirmed there had been an unusual "sighting."

Airlines crews are not given to flights of fancy, and the carefully guarded fact is that many have seen UFO's and compared notes quietly. As for himself, Capt. Mathes, a resident of Menlo Park, has been associated for 23 years with one of the

nation's largest and oldest airline firms.

Since his sighting of a UFO in 1957, Mathes has undertaken research on his own. It led him into other broad fields of interest — physics, astronomy, relativity, and ancient history.

Sunday night at 7:30, Capt. Mathes will continue his two-part lecture entitled "UFO's and their Cosmic Perspective," at the Trinity Metaphysical Center in Redwood City, 149 Clinton Street. The public is invited.

Mathes has devoted much of his time and energy to pursuing the subject of UFO's and various related phenomenon. This in turn has led him to extensive study in parapsychology fields.

A student of theology also, Mathes can quote passages liberally from the Bible, lending deeper, hidden meanings.

And, as Shakespeare wrote in Hamlet . . .

"There are more things in heaven and earth, Horatio,

"Than are dreamed of in your philosophy."

Mathes has scores of stories about UFO sightings. He has examined thousands and says, "I'm convinced because of the fact that in more than 11,000 cases investigated there has not been one shred of evidence to support any aggression on the part of the UFO space crews. Because of that, I'm personally convinced that their desire is only to help humanity as best they can, in a non-intrusive manner."

"Too many people might think you're a nut — just as I

used to," he says, emphasizing. "Because so many sightings cannot be explained away, and there is only one logical explanation — spacecraft, I sincerely believe the time has come for open discussion and open minds. I think people are ready for it, as witness the thousands fascinated with the interplanetary adventures of Star Trek, the famed science-fiction TV series."

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Register-Guard
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West End
residents
see meteor
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A mysterious object seen in the skies of the West End Monday night is believed to have been a meteor.

Local police departments, sheriff's offices and California Highway Patrol offices were bombarded with telephone inquiries from concerned residents who saw the object.

A Cucamonga man was the first local resident to report the object to sheriff's deputies at 10:02 p.m. Alta Loma residents reported it three minutes later.

Cable Airport reported seeing the object at 10:16 p.m. and Fontana sheriff's deputy saw it near Citrus and Valley avenues about the same time.

An Alta Loma woman volunteered to show West End deputies where the ball of fire landed, but no trace could be found.

Griffith Park Observatory officials believe it was a meteor, and fragments of it may have hit the ground near Santa Barbara.

Apparently, the light in the sky was seen by residents all along the Southern California coast and as far inland as Utah, according to California Highway Patrol reports.

Some thought bright dawn star a UFO

Phenice said he watched the steady, white light for 15 or 20 minutes, then lost sight of it when he changed locations.

What some Eugene-Springfield residents reported as an unidentified flying object early this morning was apparently an extremely bright star.

Employees at Mahlon Sweet Airport's flight tower also saw the object, which they described as probably the planet Venus. The smaller, dimmer light next to it was probably a star positioned so that it appeared to be trailing the larger planet, deputies were told.

Reports of a possible UFO hovering over the Coburg Hills, just north of Springfield, came to the Lane County Sheriff's office about 5:30 a.m.

Deputy Harry Phenice, who went to the area just before daybreak, said he saw what appeared to be an extremely bright star with a dimmer one next to it.

A forecaster at the National Weather Service office, located at the airport, said no unusual weather conditions existed early today that might have caused a UFO illusion.

Hillsboro, Oregon
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June 27, 1974

Youngsters see 'gurgling' UFO

An unidentified object that looked like a "giant bat" alerted Valerie and Greg Brown, 12 and 10, and Dale Hert, 10, as they watched it for about two minutes Tuesday night from the Brown yard on SE Camwall.

They said the "thing" came from the southwest about 10 o'clock. It had bright lights on front, red and green flashing lights on the bottom, made a "gurgling hum" and traveled slowly. Dale said it was "as big as a 747."

Officials at Hillsboro Airport control tower said the object may have been the Goodyear blimp, based at Vancouver.

UFO encounter wins \$5,000 for pilot, crew

CLEVELAND — Maj. Larry Coyne, Ohio National Guard helicopter pilot, and the crew flying with him on a near-miss with a UFO last October have received a \$5000 award for their report on the incident.

The National Enquirer, a weekly newspaper, said the Cleveland fliers contributed the most scientifically valuable report on unidentified flying objects during 1973, therefore qualified for the paper's reward.

THE PAPER has a standing offer of a \$50,000 reward to the first person who can prove that a UFO came from outer space and was not a natural phenomenon.

Coyne, a Cleveland policeman on leave, was piloting a helicopter from Columbus to Cleveland in clear weather

er on the night of Oct. 18, 1973, when near Mansfield, he spotted a fast-moving light on a collision course with his 150-mph machine.

HE TALKED to air traffic controllers, who had no jet aircraft in the area. Then he put his helicopter into a dive to evade the oncoming light. Instead, the light hovered over him and a green glow enveloped his cabin through the glass bubble containing his crew.

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US to Accept Existence of Space Visitors?

Tucson, Ariz. — UPI — The head of a group that believes in flying saucers thinks the US government is about to launch a campaign to prepare the world to accept extraterrestrial visitors.

"I predict that within six months — possibly at little as three months — it will be obvious the official position has undergone a 180 degree reversal," said L. J. Lorenzen, director of the Tucson based

Aerial Phenomena Research Organization.

He said one reason for this might be "the fear that other nations might beat us out in announcing the reality of extraterrestrial visitors."

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UFO Sighted Over Urbana, Is Discussed

"Penny For Your Thoughts," got off to a faster-than-expected start Thursday morning with a call from a north Urbana resident who said she spent most of the night watching an apparent UFO (Unidentified Flying Object).

"At first I saw the two lights up in the sky and thought it was a plane ready to land at Illini Airport said the woman, who lives on North Lincoln Avenue, "but they didn't move. They were in the sky at about a 45 degree angle and they didn't change all night."

"I've heard of a star rising in the East," mused host Larry Stewart, "but two of them?" It must have been those Iowans who were here in town yesterday," he said, taking the opportunity to rib one of his favorite groups of people.

The woman, who was serious, said she watched the two lights, which she compared to mercury vapor lights along streets and highways, until they disappeared in the early dawn.

She also summoned a Champaign County deputy sheriff, who also saw the two lights through field glasses. The woman added that she didn't drink.

"Maybe you should start," noted Stewart, "then you wouldn't see these things."

He offered no real explanation of the phenomenon, however, and several other callers who mentioned the balloon races from Centennial Park in Champaign Wednesday as possible answers couldn't either.

Free tickets to the White Sox-Oakland A's game in Chicago Sunday. That was the offer from Rep. John C. Hirschfeld, who obtained the tickets through his distributing company here.

"We got 500 tickets from Falstaff for the game," Hirschfeld said, "and we've distributed 300 to our retail accounts. Anyone who wants tickets can come by our office. I've got 200 left."

The tickets may be picked up at the office of Champaign Distributing Company, Inc., located at 801 W. Pioneer, C, just off North Prospect Avenue near the Seven-Up Bottling plant.

Hirschfeld apologized for the late notice on the tickets, but said he'd been up most of the night in Springfield involved in a discussion with legislators over the fate of the much-discussed Regional Transit Authority (RTA) in the Chicago metropolitan area.

He expressed the opinion that taxpayers' money was being wasted in off-years, and the feeling that funding for mass transit in the state should be shared between Chicago and downstate.

U.F.O. sighting is reported by foursome from Parry Sound

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PARRY SOUND - A trip to Belvedere Hill to take photographs of the sunset on Monday evening, May 20 proved to be more exciting for two local brothers and their wives than they had anticipated.

It was about 8:55 p.m. when Glen Richards and brother Ken were preparing to take photographs. Ken's wife Joan was sitting in the car looking over

the Sound when she spotted three bright objects in the western sky which appeared to be in the vicinity of Killbear. Two of the objects were stationary and the third one was lower in the sky and appeared to be climbing towards the others.

Glen jumped in his car and raced for home where he picked up his wife Carole and a pair of 20 power binoculars. When he returned to the hill the three objects were still in sight although Ken told him that two had disappeared for a time.

Ken focussed his 20 power glasses on one of the objects and was able to note that it was saucer-shaped with a slight dome on top. His wife also used the binoculars and described the object she saw as being hat-shaped.

All three objects were observed to leave trails similar to jet trails when they moved, although, unlike jet trails, they

did not remain in sight.

Glen estimates one or more of the bright objects remained in sight for about 35 minutes. When they finally disappeared, long after the sun had set, a black object was noticed in the same locality. It was described by Glen as shaped like a man o' war fish with a heavy body and tentacles hanging downwards.

Asked if he believed in flying saucers Glen said he had an open mind on the subject.

According to description they seemed to be similar to other described U.F.O. sightings. In any case, the four are still amazed by their experience.

Glen works at C.I.L., his brother Ken is in training as an assistant manager for Stedman Stores, Joan is a registered nurse employed by St. Joseph's Hospital and her sister-in-law, Carole is a lab technician at the same hospital.

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'Unidentified Flying Objects' Sighted, Remain Unidentified

An attempt to identify "unidentified flying objects" sighted near Sheboygan and Green Bay Thursday night was unsuccessful today.

Nobody was able to be reached this morning at the National Guard unit at West Bend to verify whether or not lights seen in the sky about 10:30 p.m. possibly could have guard helicopters.

The first sighting was about five miles southeast of the Austin-Stroebel Field at Green Bay, about 10:20 p.m., it was reported to the Sheboygan County sheriff's department by Mike George of the Federal Aviation Agency.

George said a U.S. mail plane on a run from Iron Mountain, Mich., to Milwaukee, reported what the pilot thought were two red flares near Lake Michigan. The Coast Guard was alerted but found nothing.

Then objects were reportedly sighted by Brian Tenpas, R. 3, Sheboygan Falls, as "red lights in the sky" over Six Corners. That was at 10:25 p.m.

Sheboygan County sheriff's deputies were dispatched to the area but reported seeing nothing.

Another party who talked to officers said he also saw the objects in the area of County Trunk V just west of Highway

141. Jaim Bachmann said the lights appeared to "go up and down" and said it seemed as smoke was coming from them.

Sheriff's officers speculated that the objects may have been helicopter lights, but no check was made with the nearest chopper base at West Bend, deputies said.

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Seen Any Flying
Saucers Lately?

Seen any flying saucers lately?

If so, you have company. Albert Lopez, 145 Shady Grove called DPS today to report a UFO (unidentified flying object) that his wife and another couple sighted while driving home from the Starlight drive-in.

Lopez described the object as having three green lights and said that it hovered about 300 yards from the overpass over a field for about five seconds and then went straight down and disappeared.

Lopez and company checked the area where they saw the object go down but were unable to locate anything.

'Stone-Cold Sober,' Says UFO Spotter

HAMILTON — "I swear I was stone-cold sober," says James Cyrus, an Allegan barber who, with his son, reported seeing an unidentified flying object last Monday night near here.

The son, Morgan, 15, asked him to promise not to tell anybody except the family about the UFO, but Cyrus reported it to the Allegan County Sheriff's Department. His report was the only one received in the area.

"We saw it over M40 and M89 about 10 to 10:20 p.m.," he said. "It was at an altitude of 100 to 150 feet, with one blue light, one red and two or three white."

They decided it wasn't a plane, because it wasn't moving in any direction, nor was it a helicopter, as it lacked the shape of a chopper and didn't have the whirring sound usually made by rotors. Then Cyrus thought maybe it was a tower with lights atop it, but as they drove closer, he could see it had no pipes or wires to hold it up.

The pair had to drive on with traffic, then turned back and saw no lights any longer but "the whole craft was glowing white, its shape not definite any more."

"When it crossed M40 at an angle, it turned and sped up something fierce — it really got it — how many miles an hour I don't know, but in less than two seconds it was over the horizon."

Cyrus, 42, was in the U.S. Air Force air police, a security unit, from 1950 to 1954, and said he became acquainted with many types of planes, but "I never saw anything like this before."

Local legislators — Sen. Stanley Weaver, R-Urbana, and Rep. Charles Clabaugh and Hirschfeld, both of Champaign, have supported action that would bring state funding for the Champaign-Urbana Mass Transit District and possibly eliminate the real estate property tax that now supports the bus system here.

The bus system here came in for some criticism too. Several area residents feel they shouldn't have to support the system, when its apparently not used to capacity and available to city residents only.

That led to a discussion of real property taxes. Stewart noted that the cost of commuting from area homes would be less than the difference in property taxes between rural and urban areas.

Stewart agreed with one man who criticized the 45-passenger buses in Champaign-Urbana that never seem to be near capacity, but he noted that subsidizing mass transit is a reality that can't be avoided.

Grapevine UFO probe scheduled

By BILL CASE
Times Herald Airport Bureau

Investigators from the Mutual Unidentified Flying Object Network are trying this weekend to establish light contact at night with a growing number of reported UFOs sighted south of Grapevine.

The investigation centering on the remote area of Farm Road 157 and Mustang Road has been the site where at least seven persons have told

The Times Herald they have seen strange hovering objects with red, rotating lights on numerous occasions.

The investigators asked their names be withheld and explained "we get crank calls at all times of the night and day" but to those of us interested in the UFO phenomenon this is a serious effort.

The UFOs reportedly are hovering over and landing in clearings just west of the west boundaries of the new Dallas-Fort Worth Airport.

When the first reports of frequent sightings were made public more than two months ago, Fred Ford, D-FW director of operations, and a crew of operations men, checked out the sightings with radios on the airport and in the areas where sightings were made.

"We are satisfied 98 percent of all the lights seen were

those of the STOL (short take off and landing) airplanes operated by Metroflight Airlines shuttle from Love Field," Ford said.

The D-FW investigation, however, did not settle the question of two sightings made by five members of three families on one night two weeks earlier.

"In the early cases just as in the ones we are examining now," the witnesses said, "the lighted object hovered only about 60 feet up with its lights flashing and rotating. In one case it beamed a strong white searchlight down onto a Mexican-American family of three living in a clearing in a woods."

"We believe something is drawing these objects back repeatedly to the same area. In similar cases in other areas of the nation investigators have signaled to the craft using strong flashlights using Morse

code or simply repetitive off-and-on dots and dashes.

"In several sightings the hovering object was observed sending the same signal back with a white light. That is what we hope to achieve here this weekend," the man said.

"In the cases where humanoid type beings have been spotted on the ground apparently repairing their craft they showed no belligerence but simply climbed aboard and disappeared at very high speeds.

"By approaching them with simple light signals we hope we may eventually be able to establish closer contact on the ground and prove to them we mean no harm but are deeply interested in their technology which is years ahead of ours," he said.

CR: Lov Farish

Woman claims she saw UFO over Lexington

"It was about four times as big as a star and real bright. It looked like a spotlight by the Little Dipper," Judy Schoonover of Lexington said, describing a light in the sky which she watched for about three hours early yesterday morning.

"It was weird. My husband saw it first when he was coming home from work at about 12:15 in the morning. He woke me up and I saw it at about 12:50. It was farther away than an airplane and was round with something like a church steeple on top. A blue light flashed from the top and bottom and now and then red light flashed. It would get real dim and then disappear and get bright again," Mrs. Schoonover said.

She watched the light from her yard at 2213 Jefferson Avenue.

When she and her husband looked at the light through binoculars, she said they saw "white vapors like clouds coming out of it."

She said the vapors appeared every time the light began to dim.

"I've always been interested in things like this, but I never thought I'd see anything," Mrs. Schoonover said, "If I didn't have witnesses, I wouldn't say anything, because people would say I was crazy." She said that seven people from her home and her neighbor's home watched the light.

"I watched it until 3:00 and then it went out and didn't come back for awhile, I went to bed," she said.

Mrs. Schoonover would like anyone else who saw the light to call her.

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Stanton T. Friedman ...
... UFOs are visiting

Ufologist says UFOs are real

By BILL CASE
Aviation Writer

There is mounting evidence scientists and government leaders are quietly investigating reported multiple sightings of UFOs (Unidentified Flying Objects), according to a leading UFO authority.

Stanton T. Friedman, a nuclear physicist who investigates and lectures on the aerial objects, said at a press conference at a three-day ESP Workshop under way at the Sheraton-Dallas Hotel, "UFOs are real. They are controlled by intelligent beings from off the earth. And they deserve serious scientific study and consideration for the beings who built and operate them, are ahead of man's technology."

Friedman of Redondo Beach, Calif., said he has received firm evidence that a UFO has crashed in recent months in New Mexico.

"Civil witnesses to the crash said it exploded with an atomic-like blast and the area was quickly flooded with crews of technical men believed to be from government agencies who cleaned up the area and took any remaining wreckage away for examination," he said. Activities like these which

we feel sure are government investigators, according to Friedman, can only lead us to believe the government is back taking a second look at the UFO reports.

"I don't see how they could do otherwise in the face of growing evidence being gathered by responsible scientists throughout the nation and the world who are pooling their investigation reports in computer banks," he said.

"Using this background information it quickly becomes evident that sightings by totally unrelated persons in separated places all bear a striking similarity in detail.

"And if ufologists want to check out a new sighting against the details of previous cases they simply query the computer center and find literally hundreds almost identical in detail but bearing no connection between the people reporting the sighting."

Friedman considers himself the "Ralph Nader of the UFO World" because "I lay the facts on the table and let people judge for themselves." He says public ridicule often prevents reliable citizens from giving sound reports.

"They fear ridicule," he explained. "But we are seeing a growing acceptance and willingness to become involved in

UFO investigation due in great part to articles written by the news media giving the facts simply as reported.

"In addition, some ufologists are studying certain aspects of sightings alone. Ted Phillips of St. Louis has alone investigated more than 600 UFO landing sites and come up with very interesting findings which match closely in detail in many many cases."

Friedman emphasized he does not believe UFOs are psychic phenomena in themselves. They are separate and apart from this area which is also very interesting.

"But in dealing with UFOs I am convinced they exist. Their crews are not belligerent unless attacked by men in which case they defend themselves. I see no reasons for being frightened.

"And they prove that man is not alone in the universe. The beings manning UFOs are highly advanced and capable of coming and going to and from the earth as they wish."

Friedman spoke Saturday night on "UFOs and Psychic Phenomena" at the Harold Sherran ESP (Extra Sensory Perception) Workshop.

CR: Lov Farish

Couple Refuses to Let the Issue of UFOs Die

By BILL HUTCHINSON

Knight News Service

Oh sure, you remember: It was last fall sometime and these two men in Mississippi said they'd been picked up by a flying saucer that floated into a field near where they were fishing.

For a few weeks, UFOs were once again in the news—a Gallup Poll taken at the time showed that 51 per cent of the population believed in them and 15 million Americans had actually seen one. But then the whole thing evaporated like a cloud of marsh gas when President Nixon fired Archibald Cox and the country turned to pressing terrestrial matters.

Ralph Blum wants to make sure that Pascagoula, Miss., and the UFO incident that profoundly changed the little town's character are not forgotten. For one thing, he and his wife have written a book, "Beyond Earth: Man's Contact With UFOs," which re-examines the unidentified flying object issue. But more than that, for purely academic reasons, they insist, the Blums would like to see UFOs removed once and for all from the lunatic fringe.

Pascagoula, Blum says, should have been a kind of turning point.

"Hell, all of a sudden flying saucers were hard news. People all over the country started to admit, yeah, they'd seen 'em too. Maybe these guys were on the level.

"Up to that point, I can't argue with the government's position of withholding support from this as a serious subject. But I think I'd have been forced to re-evaluate my position. There were an awful lot of sane, sensible people who wouldn't think to lie suddenly either lying or hallucinating. It's incredible that people whose testimony on almost anything else would have been believed were ignored or dismissed or subjected to the most intense, subjective kind of examination * * * is that a nervous twitch, can he look me in the eye, what kind of family does he come from? Come on.

"We were talking about this with Margaret Mead and, as she said, anybody can fake a photograph. But when you've got 20 or 30 people giving you the same report, something is happening."

Not Convinced Either Way

The Blums freely acknowledge that something is happening, yet, like the Mr. Jones in Bob Dylan's song, they don't know what it is. They are not convinced that flying saucers exist. Nor are they convinced that they do not exist, however, and as long as some element of possibility remains, they believe the subject deserves well-funded, comprehensive, scientific study.

UFOs, they say, "intruded into our lives." Neither had given much thought to them before February, 1973, when Cosmopolitan magazine suggested that Blum write a piece about flying saucers instead of the article on "Success in America" for which he had been contracted.

A novelist and free-lance writer with impeccable educational (Harvard) and professional (The New Yorker, etc.) credentials, Blum had never been interested in UFOs. "What sane, right-thinking American man would be?" His British-born wife, Judy, vaguely recalls having read a brief arti-

cle on the subject within the last decade, but the subject could hardly be considered of abiding concern to her.

While researching the Cosmopolitan article, however, Blum got caught in the mass of evidence and counter-evidence that has for so long complicated the UFO question. He convinced NBC that the time had come for a serious white-paper investigation, timed to the Pascagoula developments. The network flew in camera crews, began to prepare an hour-long documentary, but then the Cox firing redirected its news department efforts. Blum would not be redirected. He stayed on in Mississippi, enlisted the assistance of his wife, and completed the research that resulted in the recently published book.

The Blums hope to spend a week with friends and forget entirely about a subject that has come to engulf them.

"We're tired of it," Blum says. Quantitatively, the volume of material on UFOs is immense. Qualitatively, the material is confusing and contradictory. It's difficult, they admit, to avoid feeling frustrated by the fact that they are dealing in an area where nothing can yet be produced as irrefutable evidence. Neither has ever seen a UFO. Blum doesn't care whether he does, while his wife would like to witness "a solid, recognizable craft at tree-top level because after all this I'd like to KNOW."

Sociological Aspect Interests Them

Beyond the question of their existence, the couple is interested in the sociological aspects of the UFO issue. "If these people are all lying, why are they lying?" Blum wonders. "If they're hallucinating, what has caused them to have these hallucinations? This is certainly a legitimate area for behavioral study."

"My bank manager in New York is a very sane, sensible lady," adds Mrs. Blum. "Ten or 12 years ago, she was in her cabin in the Catskills with four other people and they watched a saucer-shaped craft hover for an hour, right at tree-top level. They went home and didn't tell many people about it, of course — it isn't the sort of thing you could admit to, at least not then.

Last August, she saw a picture of the same sort of craft in a newspaper, and we have a picture of it in our book. I don't think she'd have mentioned it if she hadn't seen the pictures. I'm

very curious about how many other people are around with similar experiences that they've been afraid to talk about."

"It's time now to talk about them," interrupted her husband. "If we have to start questioning our assumptions about life, that's what we must do, but it can't be long before we get some of the nuts-and-bolts evidence that has been lacking."

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UFO Reported

In Macon

Tom White Crigler reported an "unidentified flying object" or "visitors from space" over Macon just before dark Monday evening.

He said it was a beautiful sight to behold, brilliant in color with a blue tail about 100 feet long and was traveling at a terrific rate of speed at a very low altitude of approximately 500 feet.

He said it looked for a moment as if the object would strike a tree in George Demarest's yard.

The object was also observed by Billy Wilson and Joe Morton on the other side of town, and possibly others.

Millions not hallucinating

Says UFO expert

including slides of reported sightings.

As director of the Fels Planetarium, the Philadelphia expert has been studying the skies for more than 21 years. He believes UFOs belong among the still-unknown forces of natural law.

"MANY THINGS go on around us that we have no knowledge of... maybe we will understand sometime in the future," he said Thursday from his Philadelphia office. One "concrete example is

By DOROTHY KLEMM
Times Staff Writer

The five million people who claim to have seen Unidentified Flying Objects can't all be hallucinating, says a well-known scientist and UFO expert, Dr. I. M. Levitt.

Though he's never spotted one himself, Dr. Levitt won't deny their existence. Tonight in the new amphitheater of Brevard Community College in Cocoa, he will present a scientist's view of the subject, that a secret for long — or even extraterrestrial life.

"That isn't impossible, it's just one of those things I won't accept until I see it," he said.

What about hoaxes?

"YES, MANY ARE. I don't know why people do that," he said. "I guess just so they can shine for a few moments and then go back to obscurity."

The planet Venus is the "chief culprit" of many innocent false sightings, Dr. Levitt believes. "Every 19

months, we get a flock of calls at the planetarium from excited people who thought they had seen a UFO — it was always Venus making her spring and summer-time appearances, which come about every three years."

After the 8 p.m. lecture this evening, Robert Wood, observatory director at BCC, will show a model and floor plans for the school's Astronaut Hall national memorial and astronomy observatory.

radioactivity — it's been with us since the earth began but it wasn't discovered until 1895.

"We would be supreme egotists to say we know all about nature. If we did, we could just close up all our schools, laboratories and other institutions," he said.

Dr. Levitt rejects several popular UFO explanations. He doesn't think they are hallucinations or military secrets.

"There are too many good investigative reporters around to keep something like

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Government Hides Facts About UFO's

To Avoid Panic, Local Researcher Says

By DOROTHY MARKULIS

What's your feeling about flying saucers? Talk to Amerigo Candusso, 748 Alameda, for an hour; he'll make you a believer. The dynamic Candusso is co-chairman of the local Flying Saucer Investigating

UFO's Seem To Like Monterey Bay Area

BY WALLACE WOOD
Sentinel Staff Writer

Not only can you meet visitors from foreign lands wandering through Santa Cruz for a visit, but you might even meet someone really far out.

Apparently, Monterey Bay's reputation has spread to outer space.

Going through The Sentinel's files after last Saturday's report by three persons of a UFO (unidentified flying object) here seems to show we are popular with the out-of-the-worlders.

Since the first sighting mentioned in the files, in 1947, there have been 12 which probably or certainly were known objects like weather balloons, and 20 which don't fit any of the usual categories.

Five of those sightings were odd or unusual on some way, from a "dun-colored ball" which made a peculiar hum and swishing noise spotted by Ada Wilber in 1954 to an orange-lighted "basket" six feet long out over the ocean about 100 feet off Yellow Banks beach in 1957 by Carlo Sola. Others were fireballs or odd moving lights.

Seven were reported as definitely saucer-like.

And one reportedly landed in La Selva Beach about 2 a.m. Jan. 30, 1965, according to Sid Padrick. They invited him aboard for a visit.

The sightings run in cycles. 1947 had two, 1950 had one, 1952 had three sightings, 1954 had three, (whoops, we forget 1953 with one sighting of a disc "big and circular, shining with a bright light," reported by three boys, Max Carlson, Danny Brown, and Dick Johnson) one in 1957, two in 1959, then the La Selva Beach visit in 1965, and one in 1967.

Then things were quiet until last summer, when UFOs began making regular appearances off Santa Cruz in Monterey Bay.

A light was seen for several days by Aptos residents early in the morning hours, apparently hovering over Monterey Bay, in November.

A littler earlier in the year, patron's of Scopazzi's in Watsonville were witnesses to a saucer at close range, a few hundred feet away, hovering over Ramsay Park.

In December, a La Selva Beach woman called sheriff's deputies when her burglar alarm began sounding in time with flashing lights over Monterey Bay. The deputies confirmed her story.

Then, of course, there was last Saturday's sighting of a "squared" disc over the Bay, which crossed inland going toward Bonny Doon at

"incredible speed," according to Joe Kintner and Brandy Bumgarner of Santa Cruz. Kintner made a drawing of the craft. It was seen by other people as well.

Officially, an Air Force study of UFOs nationally came to no conclusion after seven year's work. But some of the men who worked on the Air Force project were convinced that a small number of the sightings were probably objects beyond the normal knowledge of scientists and researchers.

The fact that some people refuse to give their names when reporting UFOs shows there still is ridicule and sniggering at the idea of such objects.

But the large number of sightings in the Santa Cruz area alone show something is going on out of the ordinary. Or perhaps it would be better to say that saucer sightings are ordinary — if not too common. Say, like spotting a rare bird.

In 1954, columnist Wally Trabing interviewed Truman Bethurum of Redondo Beach, a construction worker who said he became friends with a UFO crew in the Nevada desert in 1952. That saucer, smooth-shaped, was supposed to have come from the planet Clarion. Where that planet is was not clear.

The captain of the ship was a woman, with a Mediterranean appearance and olive skin. The crew was much shorter than average, about 4-feet-8.

Bethurum said he was told the saucers don't make too many open visits because they don't want to cause trouble. But the visits are a part of an education program for earthlings.

He also said the captain, Aura Rhanes, told him that "scows" regularly land on earth from such places as Mars.

Padrick's visit was shorter, and his story less detailed. Padrick was a radio and TV technician, fond of early morning strolls. During a 2 a.m. stroll at Manresa State Park Jan. 30, 1965, he was surprised by a saucer-like ship which landed near him. He tried to run away, bruising his knee, but a voice from the ship assured him he was in no danger. "Do not be frightened; we are not hostile," the voice said, and invited him aboard.

Once inside, he was met by a man of perfectly ordinary appearance, clean-cut and slim. The man was the only one of the crew who spoke English, unlike the crew of the ship Bethurum said he visited who claimed to speak any language. Padrick was the first earthling aboard the ship, he was told.

Padrick said he was apparently taken somewhere, though he had no sense of motion, and that he was told the ship could absorb radar signals and escape detection.

In both Padrick and Bethurum's case, the saucer-men worshipped a Supreme Being. Similar reports have come from others who claim to have visited saucers.

There would come are theories on why the saucers to Monterey Bay. One is that the vast submarine canyon off Moss Landing, which is unique along the California coast, has some attraction. Perhaps a mining or a testing operation.

Psychic Jeane Dixon has predicted this year or next there will be the discovery of a new planet in our Solar system, and that the saucers will land and reveal themselves to more people. She also predicted the saucers will be manned by women.

Whatever the true explanation is, there seems to be no question that Santa Cruz is a popular spot for visits.

And some people, like Bethurum, are willing and even anxious to take a ride.

Committee. He can recite chapter and verse on sightings from the Second World War to present day; and back those sightings with enough verification to squash the skeptic in you.

As Amerigo says, "There's no such thing as an informed skeptic."

Amerigo's first brush with U.F.O. [unidentified flying objects] was during the Second World War when he was stationed in North Africa with the weather service. He learned from scientific journals later that he was not the only one who had made the sightings.

The Flying Saucer Investigating Committee, which has chapters in 40 states, continues to function with out financial support from anyone but the members. When asked why Candusso and others like him continue with the project in the face of government apathy, and at times, adversity, he replied, "We want to inform the public."

He went on to explain he felt the government "was deliberately misleading people because they, themselves, don't have the answer. They are afraid that people will panic if they find out the truth; we feel that a completely informed public will be less likely to panic if there is a future landing."

Inform the public is just what they will do Saturday, June 22, from 9 to 10:30 p.m., at the Holiday Inn Cascade.

On that date, a Mutual UFO Symposium "A Scienti

fic Assault on the UFO Enigma" will be held, sponsored jointly by the Flying Saucer Investigating Committee and Cleveland Ufology Project.

The public is invited to the Symposium; there will be three sessions and dinner. You may choose to attend all day or just one of the sessions. For reservations write: MUFON c/o Richard Lee, P. O. Box 400, Cuyahoga Falls, 44221. If you desire more information call 928-1355 or 923-9542.

Scientists, professional men, and laymen from all over the country will be converging on Akron to share with you their knowledge of UFO's.

Just one of the many speakers will be Ralph Blum, NBC news writer and author of "Beyond Earth - Man's Contact With UFO's. His topic "From Scoffer, To Skeptic, To Believer, In Twelve Hectic Months."

If you are interested in the same transition, but in 12 hours instead of months, sign up for the Symposium now. It will definitely be a flight from the ho-hum.

As a footnote to the above story, you may be interested to know that NBC TV news has just reported Army Captain Larry Coyne and his helicopter crew, stationed in Cleveland have been awarded \$5,000 for the most scientific information concerning a UFO sighting. That sighting took place last year near Mansfield.

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UFO With 'Incredible Speed' Spotted

A saucer-like rocket ship that moved with sudden and "incredible speed," was described Saturday by four young persons who said they saw it Tuesday night off West Cliff Drive.

One of the four said he saw the unidentified flying object separate from the others and learned several days later that another party had seen it also.

One report came from Joe Kintner, 22, a former Navy jet mechanic and his girlfriend Brandy Bumgarner, 18, of Santa Cruz.

The two were at cliffside near Almar Street around 11:15 p.m. Bumgarner suddenly pointed to a light out over the bay.

"It looked like a rocket—it went almost straight up, then stopped. Then the rocket-like fire went out, but a white light on top illuminated its shape.

Kintner said: "It was like it was intercepted by something. We could see the light move toward it and disappear inside the UFO we saw."

The UCSC student (a biology major who dropped out the last quarter but expects to return in the fall) said Kintner and Bumgarner were almost hysterical.

"They were really excited. They were seeing something that they never saw before—yelling and pointing at the sky," he said.

They said it was difficult to tell its height or size of the object because of its unusual movements.

The student reported the incident to Santa Cruz Police but they said no other reports had been made. "It was like nothing I've ever seen before," said Kintner. "It sure wasn't a

helicopter." Meanwhile nearly a mile away, near Natural Bridges State Beach, Vince Ratcliff, 22, a musician, was walking along the beach and spotted the strange craft.

"I thought at first it might be a helicopter, but the tremendous speed and sudden stops wiped out that idea fast.

"I thought, then, it must be an experimental aircraft. I've never seen anything like it."

Ratcliff said he didn't mention it to anyone, but discovered that others had seen it when he called the UCSC student about a musical outing.

Space 'Critters' Real, Expert Says

By MIKE CLARY
Beacon Journal Staff Writer

Space scientist Stanton T. Friedman, who calls himself the "Ralph Nader of UFOs," has dedicated his life to his conviction that "extraterrestrial critters" exist in the

universe — and visit us often.

And Friedman, keynoting a national symposium of flying saucer experts here this weekend, is willing to bet that soon after July 4, 1976, no less an earthling than Henry Kissinger will back him up.

On the 200th anniversary of America's founding, Friedman said, an unmanned spacecraft is due to land on Mars and "we will learn that there is life there.

"And then Henry, as sort of a symbolic earthling, might make an announcement that, yes, we are being visited and observed."

FRIEDMAN contends that the government, through its extensive but now defunct studies of unidentified flying objects, knows that intelligent life exists outside earth but is pulling a coverup that dwarfs Watergate.

To Friedman, 39, a nuclear physicist whose full-time job is the study of "ufology," and several hundred other persons who attended the symposium in the Cascade Holiday Inn,

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the evidence is overwhelming that earth is under observation by creatures from other worlds.

"UFOs are intelligently controlled vehicles whose origin is extraterrestrial," said Friedman, who makes his home in Redondo Beach, Cal. "There is a galactic federation of creatures who are communicating and they look at us and say, 'A nice place to visit, but I wouldn't want to live there.'"

And, according to the ufologists, visit they do. Friedman said space creatures often "land to grab plant and soil samples, and maybe take humans for breeding stock or specimens."

MEN AND women fall over the U. S. gathered in Akron to take part in the symposium, entitled, "A Scientific Assault on the UFO Enigma." The program was sponsored by the two area saucer groups for Mutual UFO Network (MUFON).

Friedman, featured speaker at Saturday night's banquet, likes to call the humanoid space beings "critters," and during the two days of lectures well-spiced with films and slides, participants saw many versions of what space people might look like.

Friedman, who has been studying UFO's for 14 years, said extraterrestrial life is similar in appearance to humans because we are evolved from it. From numerous eyewitness reports from persons who allegedly have been visited by creatures from space, ufologist Marjorie Fish has sculpted a bust with a forehead like Cro-Magnum man.

MISS FISH, a former schoolteacher from Oak Harbor, O., has specialized in the case of Betty and Barney Hill, the Portsmouth, N. Y., couple that told of being examined by space creatures for two hours in 1961.

The Hill abduction, as ufologists call it, has become a landmark case in the saucer experts' efforts to document reported sightings and landings of UFOs.

Friedman said space people's visits here may be for several reasons, all representative of a much higher level of intelligence.

"THEY MAY be news reporters gathering news in the boondocks," said Friedman, a glib, gregarious man with a wry sense of humor. "Or they may be gathering specimens for a galactic zoo; or maybe they're graduate students doing their theses.

"Why should they talk to us? If they want information, they can get it with instru-

ments rather than ask us.

"Earth is a very ore-rich planet, and they may be geologists. They may be surveying the place prior to offering us some business deal."

FRIEDMAN suggested that a reason why no visitor from outer space has ever voiced the oft-joked "take me to your leader" is that "we have no world leader."

And Friedman thinks we must. "Nuclear proliferation scares the hell out of me," he said. "We have to start thinking of ourselves as earthlings, and not as Americans, Russians or Chinese.

"The easiest way to recognize a world without separate nations is from outer space. But no country wants to give up its sovereignty."

FRIEDMAN, who holds a master's degree in physics from the University of Chicago, worked for several industrial nuclear projects before becoming a self-employed lecturer and ufologist four years ago. He said his interest in UFOs began in 1958 after reading a book on the subject, and he now considers it his task to spread the word.

He said he has never seen a UFO or a spaceman, but added, "I have never seen Australia either, but I take others' word for it that it exists."

If he is known to space creatures, Friedman said, "I presume that I am doing something that both the government and the critters would like to see done, because I haven't been bothered."

ALSO SPEAKING Saturday was the Rev. Barry H. Downing, the Ednwell, N. Y., author of "The Bible and Flying Saucers," who told about 200 listeners that the force that parted the waters of the Red Sea during the Israelites' exodus from Egypt was probably the jet-like blast from a ship a cigar-shaped space ship the size of an aircraft carrier.

Mr. Downing read from the Bible to cite support for his contention that intelligent creatures from another world intervened in the earth's history to lead the Jews out of Egypt.

The symposium ends today with a workshop session from 1 to 4 p. m. on the techniques of UFO field investigations.

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Ralph and Judy Blum know 'they' are out there

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By PAUL PINTARICH
of The Oregonian staff

Ralph and Judy Blum run to the window of their fifth floor hotel room, untangle the drapes and look out half expecting to see a flotilla of flying saucers cruising Portland's Broadway.

"They're out there! I know they're out there!" says Blum merrily, a believer since he and his wife wrote "Beyond Earth: Man's Contact With UFOs" (Bantam), which includes 32 pages of "revealing illustrations."

And if you're ready for another rehash of saucer freaks vs. Defense Department minds, the Blums, an attractive pair married only three years, helpmates in the writing of "Beyond Earth" published only two months ago, examine the subject with laser-like reporting — for this kind of subject anyway.

Blum, a Beverly Hills native and graduate of Harvard, has studied at the University of Leningrad (where he heard his first flying saucer joke) and under various fellowships.

A freelance writer, he is author of "The Simultaneous Man" and "Old Glory and the Real-Time Freaks" both cited by the American Library Association as best books for young adults in 1970 and 1972.

His wife is a native of England and studies at the Sorbonne, a vivacious woman who holed up with Blum for seven months while they banged out "Beyond Earth" in a one-room apartment filled with books and attitudes of despair.

So now, having earned the "big time," Blum is living it up.

"The book, yeah, okay. I got started by doing a 4,000-word freelance piece assigned by Cosmopolitan Magazine. It took me seven months to do that piece," Blum says and laughs. "Things started to happen."

But things are also happening in the hotel room and Blum is everywhere, tapping, jumping, moving — "I got a call from the Defense Department a half-hour ago, NBC just called, they're going to release pictures of space ships taken on the last Skylab mission. Sometime in September or October. Things are starting to happen..."

He's not kidding and is far from being a kook. After all, unlike some others, i.e. Erich Von Daniken, Blum ex-

pounds no theories but simply listened and wrote things down.

He happened to be in the South last fall when Charles Hickson, 42, and Calvin Parker, 19, two shipyard workers in Pascagoula, Miss., claimed to have been taken aboard a saucer-type craft by creatures who appeared to be wrapped in aluminum foil.

Parker passed out cold but Hickson, terrified, was apparently subjected to a kind of non-gravitational physical exam which left him fright-

ened and with a hint of thought that the creatures would return.

Interviews with the men from Pascagoula and others who, involuntarily, communicated with the saucer folk were later to have been subject of an NBC White Paper by late producer Fred Freed.

The project folded on the brink of presentation, swept away by Watergate, and the Blums turned to publishers who thought the material would make an interesting book.

Spiced with news clip-

pings and tape recorded accounts, "Beyond Earth" dangles saucer-earthling incidents to the main current of the Pascagoula contact.

The premise is 15 million Americans claim to have seen saucers, 51 per cent of the population believe they are real and that the fumbling bureaucratic excuses of government agencies will soon be shattered by "flaps", mass appearances of alien spacecraft to boggle the mind.

"We have friends in White Sands at the proving grounds who see scores of them flying over all the time," says Judy Blum matter of factly.

UFO flaps are believed responsible for the Great Northeast blackout of 1965, Blum's sources say, since the craft "feed" on power lines and other electrical sources.

Explanations are provided by Herbert Schirmer, a former police officer who, when taken aboard a saucer near Ashland, Neb., Dec. 3, 1967, was destined to become the youngest sheriff in Nebraska and not one

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known for being a funster.

Schirmer saw the craft in a field and reported it in a log at 3 a.m.: "Saw a flying saucer at the junction of highways 6 and 23. Believe it or not!"

But then there followed chronic headaches and Schirmer discovered a welt on his neck. Placed under hypnosis, it was discovered he had been taken aboard the craft after being "zapped" by some paralyzing ray.

Aboard, he was met by a short (all creatures seen are between four and five-foot tall) man, apparently the chief, who wore a silvery space suit, an antenna on his helmet and a winged dragon emblem on his left breast.

The congenial alien explained it was an observation ship, one of many which came from "mother ships" hovering far in space. He told Schirmer his outfit had bases throughout space, on planets in our solar system and on earth — beneath the sea east of Florida and beneath the polar caps.

The creature said no harm was intended, that contact through peaceful invasion would be coming soon. Sightings, he said, were to confuse the people on earth, whose languages were translated by computer.

Other incidents, the most bizarre being a Brazilian farmer taken aboard and seduced by a flaming haired little woman, relate similar people and similar craft. Creatures are thin with slanted eyes, narrow slitted

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mouths and red or reddish hair.

There are reports of healing, of transportation, of examinations but not of violence.

Blum quotes Brig. Gen. James McDivitt, a believer after seeing alien craft while commanding Apollo 9. He also quotes a number of respected military and scientific authorities who have come to believe in UFOs.

NASA film from the last Skylab mission, Blum claims, will show fleets of pyramidal craft flying in formation through space.

Though he criticizes the Air Force (but says they know more than we think) he said, "They're not the villain in this piece, but are charged with the defense of the commonwealth. But now they have radar so effective they can prove aliens exist. That's what will bring out the NASA film this fall."

Both Judy and Blum said, "Sure, this has to be treated as a 'fun subject.' It's introduced us to fascinating people."

Asked his own theory on the saucer phenomenon, Blum, who formulates none in the book — "A McGuffey's reader on UFOs," he calls it — said, "Well I like best the theory I heard from a sixteen-year-old high school boy. He said they were visitors from the future.

"But I don't know. I talked to Charlie Hickson last week and he said he was out coon hunting with his dog and they were reaching him. He said he looked up in the sky and there they were. And Charlie said he knew they were coming back."

Portland, Oregon

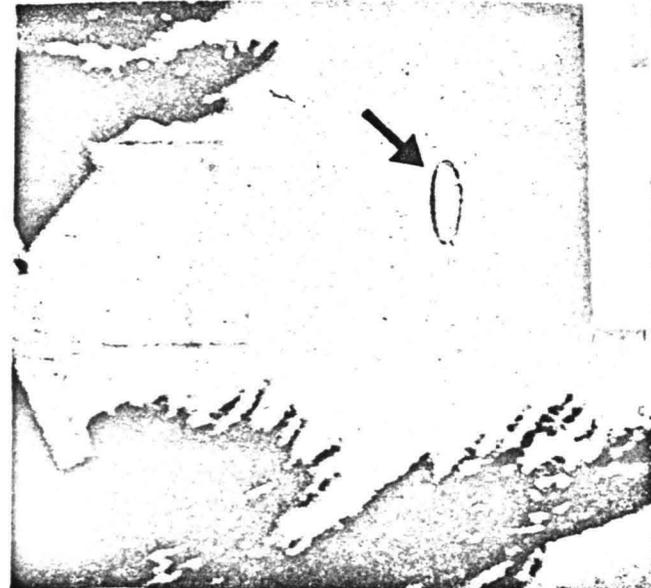
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Fireball Crashes Near Florida Lake

MOORE HAVEN, Fla. (UPI)

An orange-red fireball believed to be a meteor lit up the sky over south Florida Monday night before crashing somewhere in the area of Lake Okechobee, sheriff's deputies said.

"It shook the highway patrol station in Pahokee and various places around here and up towards Okechobee," Deputy Judy Bowen said. "I didn't feel it here in the building, but I heard a boom."



This flying saucer appeared in the Zutiz backyard last week. The pair indicated that although they had ample time to photograph the unidentified flying object, no inhabitants appeared outside the spacecraft. The object is

shaped much like a garbage can lid and is the first UFO spotted in the Gettysburg area for many years. Jerry is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Zutiz, and David is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Steensen, all of Gettysburg. Jerry and David used V120 Tri-X film.

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Perry County Woman Spots U.F.O. Last Week

Barbra Streisand was spoofing when she sang about "Marty the Martian," an old creature with nine arms, who made that long space trip to marry her so they could spend the rest of their lives walking

hand in hand in hand in hand in hand . . .
But Mrs. Melvin Kutscher of Perryville, R. 7, actually a nearby resident of Perryville, wasn't spoofing when she saw two unidentified fly-

ing objects in her front yard about 9:20 p.m.
"I had the lights out and started to bed. But suddenly I saw a light outside and when I looked out I saw two objects--one yellow and one red--and they were brilliant. The two round objects, between three and four feet in diameter, were in front of the house. They hovered there for about three minutes and then the yellow one went out and the red one moved towards Perryville, dropped a bit and then went out of sight."

During all this time Mrs. Kutscher said that she was not scared but quite curious. She has attempted to come up with all sorts of explanations, but has none to date. As far as she is concerned, they were U.F.O.'s and that's that!

UFO sighting memories fading away for Hickson

By REGINA HINES
Jackson County
Bureau Chief

"For a few months it was continuously on my mind. Since then, I don't even think of it, unless I'm talking about it," Charles Hickson said. He was discussing his experiences in October when he and a friend were taken aboard an unidentified flying object while fishing on the Pascagoula River.

Hickson willingly described the space creatures which held him captive, a subject he has been invited to speak on throughout the country. However, he declined in an interview to comment on statements attributed to him recently that he has been visited by the spacemen on two other occasions since then and that he has an important message for the world, which he hopes to deliver to Washington, D.C.

These later happenings were disclosed last month in an Associated Press story originating in Pascagoula telling of a visit between Hickson and author Erich Von Daniken (Charlot of the Gods).

"I don't want to discuss it, because I really don't understand it myself," the soft-spoken, balding Hickson said during the interview.

When Hickson was first contacted concerning a clarification of "the message", he was polite, but declined an interview until he had time at a later date. A month later, dressed comfortably in Bermuda shorts in his Gautier apartment, Hickson talked freely as he enjoyed "a weekend off."

"I don't have time for my fishing. There's my job and I have to be down there every day," Hickson said happily about having a weekend with his family.

Hickson has continued to work for F.B. Walker and Sons Shipyard in Pascagoula, where he recently was promoted from supervisor to foreman.

"I've had to turn down speaking engagements," he commented about his sudden nationwide recognition after the UFO incident.

Hickson, 45, and a friend of the family, Calvin Parker, 19, experienced their unusual entry into what they believe was a spacecraft on the evening of Oct. 11, 1973. While fishing on a pier at the site of an old shipyard, the two described seeing two large blue lights coming toward them and a roundish craft hovering above them. Two creatures seemed to float out of the craft, ushered Hickson and Parker inside the vehicle by having them float along with them, and examined them under what seemed to be an electronic eye.

"After talking to a lot of scientists and after doing research, I came to the conclusion that these were robots, maybe controlled from another spaceship," Hickson said about the creatures. He described them as being grayish-skinned and "so wrinkled" that neither Hickson nor Parker remember whether they had slits for eyes, or not. They were about 5 feet four inches, he said with a point where the nose of a human might be and points on each side of their heads for ears. They had no neck and their heads seemed to be directly fastened onto their shoulders.

Hickson said he now thinks the creatures may have been robots, since their longish arms had upward motion, but turned with the shoulder. There was no indication of breathing from the chest, or slit-like mouth, he remembered.

"Their legs never moved. They didn't walk, they just glided," he said.

Taking up much of Hickson's time now, he said, is the writing of a book, not only on his experience with the UFO, but on his life, as well. The book which he hopes to complete in about two months, will be published late this year by Bantam Books, he said. Von Daniken, he said, will be the co-author. "He's a pretty busy man, too," Hickson commented, noting that Von Daniken will have another book published soon.

Another author who influenced Hickson as he considered writing about his experiences was Ralph Blum, who with his wife, Judy, has written Beyond Earth: Man's Contact with U.F.O.'s. The cover carries an artist's conception of the beings Hickson and Parker described and a large portion of the book is devoted to their experiences, Hickson pointed out.

"I really didn't want to write a book," he continued. "It takes all my spare time. I just don't have time for it, but there was a demand for it. Everywhere I went, people asked me if I was going to write a book," he explained.

Hickson said he has had letters from people throughout the country, describing their experiences with UFO's. He said many were reluctant to talk about the incidents until they heard the Pascagoula story. He related a recent happening in Laurel, his hometown, when a couple he met at a Baptist church there said they saw the same craft earlier that week.

While talking about his writing, the question of the later visits to Hickson by the spacemen came up again. He said he would discuss these points in the book. "I don't deny making them (the statements)" he said, but indicated he may have been misquoted in this instance.

Conversation turned to Calvin Parker, who left the coast shortly after the UFO incident. It was reported at that time that Parker was suffering from a nervous condition and had returned to the home of his parents in Jones County.

Calvin is doing fine, Hickson said, and is working in the oil fields. Later, he may come back to the Coast.

The Hicksons intend to stay in this area, he said. "We have a farm in Jones County, but the wife and the kids like it here," he continued, noting that they are considering moving to the country. Hickson, his wife, Blanche and their five children have lived in the Pascagoula Area for the past six years, he said. The children range in age from a serviceman stationed in Okinawa to a 19-month-old girl.

His son in Okinawa heard about the UFO incident in Pascagoula through the news media long before his parents were able to write to him about it. He was concerned for his father's well-being until

Hickson was able to send him a taped message.

"He'll be home in about 90 days," Hickson said. The events of October 11 and those which have followed will be told to him in person then.

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UFO seen over lake Sunday

About a dozen persons reported seeing a blue-green ball with an orange tail fall into Lake Michigan at 11:30 p. m. Sunday, according to Chicago police.

A police boat investigated the reports but found nothing. How-

ever, the police also talked to several boaters who said the ball might have been a meteorite.

Adler Planetarium and air traffic controllers at Meigs and O'Hare International Airports said they did not see the ball or receive any reports.

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Light seen in 4 states

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A spectacular flash of light that produced sightings in at least four states lit up the Western sky late Monday night. It was believed to be a meteor entering the earth's atmosphere.

A spokesman at the Griffith Planetarium Observatory said he had received a dozen calls from people who said they sighted the meteor south of Santa Barbara and north of Los Angeles in California, as well as in Kingman, Ariz., St. George, Utah and in central Nevada.

'Disaster' Lurks in Stars

By Charles Petit

A Nobel-prize-winning biologist took a dim view here of excited talk among some scientists on the benefits of getting in touch with intelligent civilizations in outer space.

"It would be the worst disaster that could happen to us. Nothing good could come of it," said Harvard professor George Wald, who won a Nobel Prize in 1967 for his work unraveling the chemistry of vision.

He delivered the annual lecture for the Institutes of Medical Sciences of Pacific Medical Center last night.

"There is really little reason to doubt that our universe contains intelligent life other than our own," he said in an interview.

If as few as one per cent of stars have planets capable of supporting life — a figure he described as conservative — it would mean our milky way galaxy should have one billion such stars.

And with an estimated bil-



GEORGE WALD
Find your own answers

lion galaxies in the universe, there should be a billion billion stars able to support life.

The figures have inspired some scientists — notably astrophysicist Carl Sagan of Cornell University — to urge development of radio receivers to search for signals from other civilizations

much older than ours and learn from them.

But if successful, said Wald, such a venture would produce "the most highly classified and exploited military information in the history of the earth" that would only endanger further the planet's already precarious state of nuclear stalemate.

Furthermore, said Wald, "to attach by some sort of umbilical to non-human creatures in outer space would be the end of human science and arts. It would result in a naive and unthinking quest for answers.

"If you find your own answers, then that is you," he said, emphasizing the word "you."

"The only guys that could have fun," he added, "would be guys with computers unraveling the messages."

He called "alarming" the stand by Sagan saying all knowledge gained from such contact would be shared equally. "It would simply set off a great radiotelescope race," said Wald.

Wald, a folksy man given to saying "oh gee" when excited and who, by choice teaches an introductory science course to Harvard freshmen, gave a generally gloomy description of humankind's situation.

"It seems very likely we will destroy ourselves," he said. "It is as though we are going through the trials of childhood diseases, and likely not to survive."

And, he ascribed much of America's ills to the profit motive and the "masters" of society, who he said are in the nation's corporate board rooms. Asked for examples, he named General Motors and ITT.

But all in all, he said humans have the potential for nobility.

"We have in us a lot of the history of the universe. The atoms in each of us were cooked in previous generations of dying stars, gathered over unimaginable reaches of time and space. A person, I think, should be proud of that."

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Another UFO sighting told

MIFFLINTOWN—The moon and stars were putting on a "show" for H. Russell Delancey, who had his son-in-law's telescope set up on the balcony of his Mifflintown R.D. 1 home Monday night, trained on the early evening sky.

The man got more of a show than he counted on.

"I was looking at the moon and then switched the telescope to watch the stars about 8:30," Delancey told The Sentinel. All of a sudden, traveling across the 180-power telescope, Delancey said, was "an oblong-shaped ball that was yellow with red around the fringes."

"Did it move very fast?" he was asked.

"I'll say," he answered emphatically. "It was definitely moving."

"What about any noise, was it making a sound?"

"No, there was no noise whatsoever."

Delancey estimated that the object was roughly the size of an automobile.

"I must have watched the thing, at the maximum, 20 minutes," Delancey continued. "I had to keep adjusting the scope because of it moving. This is the first time I've ever seen anything like this."

Delancey was asked if he personally was a believer in unidentified flying objects.

"Yes, definitely," he answered and stated that at first he thought the object was a figment of his imagination because he was "interested in this type of thing."

"People will probably think

I'm crazy," Delancey told The Sentinel, "but you can go ahead and print it in the paper, along with my name."

"Yep," Delancey said at one point in the conversation, "people will probably think I've gone crazy because of the way the economy's been going, but I saw it."

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Spot A UFO? Report Here

UFO (Unidentified Flying Objects) fans take note—a symposium on UFOs will be presented Saturday, June 15, at Pottstown High School, the local chapter of the Aerial Phenomena Research Organization (APRO), the oldest scientific organization devoted to the intriguing subject.

Few people may have known that the area field investigator for APRO is Mike McClellan, manager of Horrigan financing company in Wayne.

McClellan is in charge of checking out and obtaining information on UFO sightings in the tri-state area of Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware. The information, listed on an objective fact sheet, is forwarded to APRO, headquartered in Tucson, Arizona.

APRO then feeds the information into computers for comparative findings—such as frequency of UFO spottings at various times of the year (the "season" seems to begin in late fall), correlation with natural or astronomical phenomena (sunspots, VanAllen Belt activity, etc.), where sightings are most frequent, and similarities of what was seen.

McClellan has never himself seen a UFO, but if you do, give him a call and he won't laugh. APRO treats UFO sightings very matter-of-factly.

McClellan feels quite a few sightings may go unreported because people are afraid of being considered balmy. McClellan's phone is MU 8-6802 in Wayne, and at home, 215-326-7783.

The symposium to be held in two 2½ hours sessions at 2 and 6 p.m., will feature seven speakers.

Afternoon speakers will be Ralph Blum, author of "Beyond Earth," on his investigation of the recent Pasagoula, Miss., kidnapping case; Mrs. Betty Hill, who will tell of her personal UFO experience; Miss Marjorie Fish, a professional educator, who will discuss her research on a "star map" connected with a UFO experience, and L. J. Lorenzen, director of APRO, who will show authenticated UFO slides.

Evening speakers are Dr. Frank B. Salisbury, exobiologist; Dr. Berthold Schwarz, psychiatrist and author of several parapsychology books, and Theodore Spickler, physicist, on recent West Virginia field investigations.

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UFO Reported

James Niewinski, of rural Glen Ellyn, reported sighting a UFO near his home just before midnight Monday, June 10.

Niewinski told Wheaton police he was driving east on North av., just past Bloomingdale rd. when he saw an object on the northeast horizon flashing red and white lights. The object moved almost instantaneously from horizon to horizon, then disappeared, he said.

Niewinski, currently serving in the Air Force, said the object made no noise and moved much faster than a plane. Niewinski could not distinguish the shape of the object. His wife also witnessed the UFO.

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What was that I think i saw?

By Mary Marzano

"Ten years ago I wouldn't have believed it," said Ken Crosby as he gazed out the window of his Corbin Beach summer home.

Cosby was talking about Unidentified Flying Objects, or if you prefer, flying saucers. Last week, around 2 a.m., he and his wife saw something "different" hovering in the air over Colvos Passage. The experience is making a believer out of him.

It was in the early hours of June 25 when Mrs. Cosby happened to get out of bed for a few minutes. As she walked through the darkened living room, which faces the water, she noticed an unusual glow.

After a moment she called to her husband: "Are you awake? There's a flying saucer out here."

With husbandly skepticism, Cosby joined his wife in the living room, and sure enough, there was "something" 75 to 100 feet in the air, with one bright light beaming toward the house.

Remembering a pair of binoculars on their front porch, Cosby headed for the door. His wife, who had done some reading on UFO's, thought about stories of people who had suffered strange burns during other sightings.

Despite her warnings of being shot with rays, Cosby stepped out on the porch for a better view.

By ALLEN SPRAGGETT

Toronto Sun Syndicate

So you thought UFOs were things seen only by drunks or people who need new glasses?

Wrong. So far wrong, in fact, that scientists have opened a center for UFO studies to tackle what they consider to be one of the deepest and most important mysteries facing science.

"The time is definitely past when anybody could say UFOs are all nonsense," declared the center's director — Dr. J. Allen Hynek, chairman of the astronomy department at Northwestern University, and former UFO consultant to the U.S. Air Force.

Mrs. Cosby then joined him and recalled that she wasn't afraid after all.

"It was fascinating," she said. "Neither one of us had ever seen anything like it."

According to her description, the object hovered silently, quite low over the water in front of their house, making a path of light across the bay "like the moon does."

It was a quiet, pleasant night, and the moon had already dropped below the horizon. After a few moments the object turned, revealing a side with three bright white lights and three red lights underneath.

From the side view, Mrs. Cosby said, the object appeared to be about 30 feet long, cylindrical in shape. It headed south, going at about the speed of an airplane, turned east near Cedarhurst and disappeared over the Island.

Meanwhile Mrs. Cosby had knocked into several pieces of porch furniture while trying to keep the object in sight through the binoculars. They guessed the entire sighting had lasted about two or three minutes.

Two things seemed particularly strange to the Cosbys. The flying object made no sound. It was a silent night with no wind; not even the wind chimes on the porch were ringing.

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In an interview, Dr. Hynek said an "invisible college" of scientists from universities such as Stanford, Chicago, Johns Hopkins, Colorado and UCLA, representing a range of disciplines — astronomy, physics, engineering, biology, medicine, statistics and sociology — are associated with the UFO center.

And exactly what is it they are studying? What is a UFO?

That, said Dr. Hynek, is the mystery.

"We don't know what the UFO phenomenon represents," he admitted, "but we know it's real."

How about spaceships from another planet?

"Personally," said Dr. Hynek, "the more I study the evidence the further away I get from any idea of nuts-and-bolts hardware from outer space. The UFOs are just too puzzling, too bizarre for that theory."

What are they, then? Or what could they be?

"Publicly, I'm only prepared to go this far," said Dr. Hynek. "The evidence shows there is some form of intelligence behind the UFO phenomenon. The activities of UFOs are not random. But beyond that . . ."

He shrugged.

Off the record, some scientific UFO students are prepared to speculate UFOs may be intrusions from a parallel universe — another world or dimension, occupying the same space as the one we live in and yet not interacting with our world because of differences in the structure of its matter.

How would such trans-dimensional visitors get from there to here?

Possibly through the myste-

rious "black Holes" in space which, according to some scientific UFO students, actually may be openings or corridors into another dimension.

All such speculation is, of course, just that — speculation. But the Center for UFO studies is solid fact.

Dr. Hynek said the center has five main purposes: To serve as a clearing house where persons can report UFO experiences without fear of ridicule or unwanted publicity, and with the knowledge their reports will receive serious attention; to mount an all-out scientific assault on UFOs; to provide bulletins and technical UFO data to universities, scientific organizations and the public; to help coordinate a worldwide UFO study, and to synthesize the insights of various scientific disciplines.

The center for UFO studies has a mailing address — P.O. Box 11, Northfield, Ill. 60093. It also operates a toll-free hotline (the number available only to police departments, planetariums and similar agencies) to receive UFO reports.

In one week, March 23-30, 1974, the center received UFO reports from 22 police departments from such places as Valparasio, Ind.; Berywn, Pa.; Wayland, Mass.; Bangor, Maryland; Portsmouth, N.H.; Blue Jacket, Okla.; Alhambra, Calif. and Los Angeles.

The reports include cases in which UFOs were sighted at tree-top level, in which they landed and left behind a "burned ring" 40 feet in diameter, in which they buzzed police cruisers, temporarily stalling the motor, and in which they approached military and commercial aircraft on a collision course, veering away at the last possible moment.

"The UFO mystery," says Dr. Hynek, "is the greatest challenge science has today."

They could hear only the neighbor's dog barking and the sound of the ferry crossing between Vashon and Southworth on its last run. That ferry was the second peculiarity. The Cosbys can't understand why people on the ferry didn't spot anything. Captain John Copernoll, who skippered the Klahowya that night, doesn't remember anything unusual.

"I wish I had seen one," he said, remembering an occasion two years ago when he and his mate were sure they were watching flying saucers. The saucers turned out to be stars.

But Copernoll couldn't recall ever seeing anything in Colvos Passage that matched or would explain the Cosbys' description.

The next day Mrs. Cosby notified the Island police. They were very interested, she said, asked a lot of questions, and made some suggestions that would explain the flying object, but none of them satisfied her.

She also talked with her son-in-law, an airline pilot, who, when he found he couldn't explain away her sighting, suggested she write up a report for the Air Force.

Mrs. Cosby said she has done quite a bit of reading on UFOs and is a believer in visits from outer space.

"I don't think we have anything in our galaxy that can compare with these," she said. "They must come from another galaxy."

Her husband is withholding judgment.

"There is almost too much evidence that there is something," he mused. "But I wish I could see it in the day time."

Investigator warns it's time to take UFOs seriously

By TOD BEDROSIAN

The next time you spot a flying saucer in the Reno area, there is a man who wants to hear about it.

Ed Dickman, a 43-year-old television repair shop owner, is an official investigator for the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena. "We know they are out there. What we are trying to find out is what they want," he said today.

Dickman gives a smirking admittance some people may consider his inquiries odd. But unidentified flying objects-UFO's—are no joke, he said.

They have been signed by all walks of life from senators to policemen, he said.

Sen. Barry Goldwater, R-Ariz., is on the board of governors of the 17-year-old organization which has 3,000 members.

Dickman said local police agencies accepted his UFO cards without a chuckle. "They are willing to cooperate and very serious and sober. Everyone seems to take UFOs seriously now," he said.

He said one law enforcement officer in Truckee even said he saw a triangular, glowing object with three holes in it in 1968. Dickman said the officer and a patrolman saw the fast flying object and they offered to make out a report.

Dickman said people have not always been so willing to admit sighting UFOs. "Before the space age people would not believe what their eyes were seeing. But now UFOs are a respectable subject," Dickman said quoting a nationally recognized scientist who was an Air Force consultant for 20 years.

The Air Force is the antagonist of the saucer watchers, according to Dickman. "The Air Force says they do not think they exist. But it is a cover-up. They are afraid it will have a serious effect on the stock market or the public will panic. It would also upset a lot of religious beliefs and that would cause turmoil."

Even Dickman said he was skeptical of the saucer scene until he actually saw one in Lodi, Calif. in 1956.

"It was called to my attention by an amateur astronomer friend of mine. He said there was something hovering over San Francisco.

"It was a cylindrical object hanging perpendicular over the city for two days. It was a shining color, and while I was watching it, I saw a silver speck go into the top of it and another come out to the bottom."

Dickman said other residents saw the object, but few reported it.

"You are always going to get criticism when you believe in something that hasn't been proved. It wasn't too long ago if you believed we could build a vehicle that could go to the moon, you were criticized.

"We are coming into a realm of space age. UFOs are more believable and people are not as reluctant to disbelieve what they actually see," he said.

But the Air Force is remaining tight lipped, Dickman said, and threatens pilots with court martial if they spout saucer stories.

Dickman admits many reports are either crank calls or just

weather balloons, aircrafts or flashing lights. He said very few of the reports turn out to be "hard core" sightings.

When a good sighting is made though, Dickman says he asks the observer the size, shape, how high and how fast the object was going. The observer is even asked to draw a sketch of the UFO.

"We don't even need their name and they are not going to be laughed at. They will be taken seriously," he said.

The report is sent back to his organization's headquarters in Maryland, Dickman said.

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UFO spotted?

Woman woke to see strange shape

By LEIGH RICHMOND
Evening Times Staff Writer

A north Satellite Beach resident with a clear view of the ocean from her apartment watched what she believes was a UFO — an Unidentified Flying Object — at 4:30 a.m. Tuesday.

The woman, who asked not to be named, woke to see a brilliant object with a strange shape. "It was not like a star, and not like a satellite," she said.

"It had a horizontal shape, although I was judging that from the lights," she said. "I couldn't see the actual shape.

"The lights were brilliant, and lighted the sky around. They were separate lights, not just one glow," she said.

She watched the object for about 15 minutes through 7x50 binoculars.

She watched the object for about 15 minutes through 7x50 power binoculars. "Then a little cloud layer came over it. I could see the lights for a while beyond the cloud layer. It didn't stay long, but when it got past, the object was gone."

SHE DESCRIBES herself as a sky-watcher, and has seen UFOs before.

The most recent prior sighting she has made was about six weeks ago, just before midnight. "It was a very quiet,

clear night," she said. "A brilliant blue white light came zooming down out of the sky."

She thought it was a plane falling, and watched it until it disappeared next to the ground northwest of Satellite Beach. She waited for the crash, an explosion, anything — but nothing happened.

She said she reported both UFO sightings to officials at Patrick Air Force Base.

A military spokesman at Patrick Air Force Base said this morning that there were no launches Tuesday that might have looked like UFOs.

"We have no official position on the subject," she said. "The Air Force has closed its books on UFOs."

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Formation zooms over skies, say Gooding men

GOODING — "Nothing ever moved so fast from this earth," a former Gooding man said Saturday, commenting on a formation of five unidentified flying objects he and his father saw Thursday night.

Estel (Butch) Easterbrook, Portland, who is here visiting his father, Vern Easterbrook, said he has seen satellites many times and "these were moving much faster."

Father and son were sitting in their back yard when they spotted what he described as "perfect formation." They zoomed from the eastern horizon across the sky westward in about 30 seconds and were gone.

The younger Easterbrook said he never had seen anything move this fast in his life.

"It was fantastic," he said. "I feel it was something from another planet. Easterbrook said previously when he had spotted satellites they went in and out of the atmosphere, but this took off right straight across the sky.

He estimated the speed at something like perhaps 35,000 to 40,000 miles per hour. The objects did not resemble planes or anything else Easterbrook has ever seen.

He said he and his father, who is on the Gooding police force, often sit outside and watch the sky while they talk.

The younger Easterbrook lives in Portland where he is a musician.

Reports of the same phenomenon were received by several Twin Falls radio stations.

'Ball of Fire' Streaks Across South Florida Skies

By BARBARA LEVIN

Post Staff Writer

A "ball of fire" which streaked across South Florida skies shortly after 8 p.m. yesterday was identified tentatively by government officials as either a meteorite or a satellite re-entering the earth's atmosphere.

The object, traveling at speeds between 3,000 and 4,000 m.p.h., passed over the peninsula in a northeasterly direction and exploded somewhere over the Atlantic Ocean,

said Rod Heflin, a Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) supervisor in Miami.

"We don't know positively what it was," he said. "We checked with (the Space Tracking Unit at) Colorado Springs, but until they finish their complete tracks the best guess is that it was a meteor."

Later, however, officials at the tracking station said the object could not have been man-made.

"The bluish color of the flame indicates

the object was a meteorite instead of a man-made object," a spokesman said.

"The word we have (from Miami FAA) is that it was a satellite entering the atmosphere and burning up," said Richard Pearson, an air traffic controller at Palm Beach International Airport.

The FAA received reports on the sighting from Vero Beach to Homestead. An airline pilot spotted the object about 250-300

miles northeast of Miami, and estimated its speed at 3,000-4,000 m.p.h., Heflin said.

Meanwhile, based on reports from residents in the Lake Okeechobee area, the Glades County Sheriff's Department in Moore Haven sent search parties to the lake to look for the object's remains.

"We've had lots of reports," a dispatcher said. "People said they saw it as a ball of fire that went down on the lake."

There definitely was an explosion (about five minutes) after it went down. They've been out looking ever since," she said at about 9 p.m.

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The explosion also was heard in Okeechobee and Clewiston, where Police Chief Ronald Lee said later, "It was traveling definitely faster than the speed of sound because that was a sonic boom."

When reports of the speeding ball of flame and the explosion first came in, "we did an immediate count on every plane we have," said the duty officer at McDill Air Force Base near Tampa.

He said Air Force personnel at the Avon Park Bombing and Gunnery Range (about 30 miles north of Lake Okeechobee) "saw it enter the atmosphere, about 40 miles up."

Persons who said they saw the flash and heard an explosion swamped switchboards at Air Force bases and law enforcement departments throughout the state.

"We're getting reports from Jupiter of rockets and items from outer space," a Palm Beach County Sheriff's Department dispatcher said.

"We heard it here," said an Okeechobee County Sheriff's Department dispatcher. "It shook the building pretty bad but we still don't know what it was. Some of them said it went into the lake and some said it didn't."

"We don't really know what we got except a big boom," he said.

"I just happened to be resting in a chair on the lawn. I looked up and saw a flying bunch of fire in the sky," said Lucille Stanley, of West Palm Beach. "It was traveling at a tremendous rate of speed, then it just sort of disappeared and left a trail of white behind it like some of the planes do," she said.

Edmund Destrochers of Jupiter was playing badminton when he saw something that "looked like a Fourth of July firecracker with a spur going north. I heard the explosion. There were five, six, seven reports. The noise was 10 seconds or better behind" the flash of light.

"It was high like a U2 would be flying," said Bill Bullwinkel of Lake Worth. "It was like a sparkler, then burst into a great big ball of flame. It was a terrific sight to behold."

Richard Pearson, an air traffic controller at the Palm Beach International Airport, said the reason so many people noticed the streak of light was because of the time of day. "It was so high in the sky that the setting sun reflected against it and really brought people's attention to it," he said. "It's just like the rockets at Cape Kennedy. If they shot one up at that time of day, it would be clearly visible down here."

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Flying objects.....

By Laurence Winn

In Cardiff, recently, the excited driver of a pickup truck dialed a special San Diego number to report that he'd been followed by a "huge" cigar-shaped object. The object cast an orange glow on the road as it tailed him from Cardiff to UCSD in La Jolla.

The report was of passing interest, if that, to at least one North County Resident who would probably object to being called a UFO expert. In fact, although Robert Gonsett of Encinitas is a member of a San Diego group organized specifically to report on unidentified flying objects, he has little or no interest in visual sightings.

Gonsett is a consulting electronics engineer, designer of a new class of magnetometer capable of detecting magnetic signals 100,000 times weaker than the earth's magnetic field; yet it is tiny, cheap, and scramble-resistant enough to be built and used in any gadgeteer's workshop.

The device, of which 12 have so far been built, is used by Precision Monitoring Systems to stand watch over an area from Poway to Imperial Beach and from Alpine to the coast. The magnetometer could detect a UFO at a range of five to 15 miles.

Precision Monitoring Systems (for brevity, PMS) is a

San Diego-based non-profit UFO research group. Gonsett is a member of PMS's volunteer engineering staff.

UFO's burn victims

Whatever UFO's may eventually turn out to be, it seems likely that they generate magnetic fields as intense as those produced by a few superconducting devices only recently developed. Knowing this, Gonsett, a graduate of the prestigious Massachusetts Institute of Technology, set out to produce a magnetometer which could serve as a detector of UFO's, if they exist.

One year and 400 design hours later he emerged with an induction-coil magnetometer which could filter out the interference from refrigerators, heater fans, 60-cycle home electricity, and magnetic strips on opening and closing doors, all for under \$50.

"A good part of it is made possible by integrated circuit technology," Gonsett said. The most expensive component of his magnetometer is an integrated circuit costing \$10. The commercial cost of such a device, according to Gonsett, would be \$300, if a comparable design existed.

One magnetometer has been shipped to Richard Niemtzw in Marseilles, France, where numerous UFO sightings have been reported. The equipment, including a recorder and connecting electronics, was built for \$250. Similar systems found in the marketplace cost \$2,700.

CENTER FOR UFO STUDIES

This is the latest listing of reports received from the CENTER FOR UFO STUDIES. We would like to thank Director, Dr. J. Allen Hynek for sending it to us.

J. ALLEN HYNEK, DIRECTOR
CHAIRMAN, DEPARTMENT OF ASTRONOMY
NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

[UFO CENTRAL CALLS
JUNE 1974]

Date	Location	Witnesses	Classification	Action
02	Logan, OH	2	NL	
06	Wythville, VA	7	NL	*
06	Lincoln PK, MI	1	NL	
08	Sheridan, OR	1	NL	
08	Morrilton, AR	2	NL, Photos	*
09	Caledonia, WI	6+	NL	*
09	San Angelo, TX	3	NL	*
10	Wheaton, IL	1	NL	*
10	Everett, WA	2	DD	*
11	Hawthorne, NJ	1	NL	
11	Lincolnshire, IL	7	CEI	*
12	Chicago, IL	2	NL	*
12	Milwaukee, WI	2	NL	
12	Peatonica, IL	1	NL	
12	Kingston Springs, TN	1		
13	Texarkana, AR	1	CEI	*
13	Renton, WA	1	NL	
13	Calera, OK	17	Ground traces, no sighting	*
14	Seattle, WA	1	NL	
14	Ellicott City, MD	3	NL	
14	Goldsboro, MD	2	NL	
14	Lewistown, PA	+	NL	*
14	Chatham, NJ	2	NL	
14	Upper Darby, PA	4	NL	*
18	Stanton, CA		NL	
19	Burlingame, CA	2	DD	*
26	San Diego, CA	1	NL	
26	Torrance, CA		NL	*
27	Santa Maria, CA	2	DD	*
28	Newport Beach, CA	2+	CEI	*
28	Miami, FL	3	CEII	*
29	S. Milwaukee, WI		NL	*

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Date	Location	Witnesses	Classification	Investigation
01	Phoenix, AZ	1	ED-NL	*
01	Dysart, IA	3	NL	*
01	Marion, OH	1	NL	*aircraft
03	St. Anns, MO	1	NL	

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					July Calls Cont.
03	Laurel, MS	1	NL		
05	La Bamba, CA	2	NL	*	
07	Niles, OH	1	NL	*	
07	Fairfax, VA	2	CEII	*	
07	Hempstead, NY	2	CEI	*	
08	Lockhaven, PA	3	NL	*	
08	Findlay, OH	1	NL		
08	Brookline, MA	1	NL		
08	Amherst, NH	1	NL	*meteor	
09	Wheaton, IL	3	NL	*	
09	Excelsior Springs, MO	1	NL	*	
09	Kingston City, NY	2	CEI	*	
10	Phoenix, AZ	1	NL	*	
12	Lansing, MI	1	NL		
12	Summerset, PA	7	CEII	*	
12	Summerset, PA	?	NL	*	
13	Jefferson, WI	2	NL	*	
14	Jefferson, WI	2	NL	*	
13	Fairfield, CA	1	NL		
16	Marquette, WI	2	NL	*	
16	Texarkana, TX	?	NL		
16	Phoenix, AZ	1	NL		
17	Red Bank, NJ	3	NL	*	
17	Circleville, OH	+	NL	*	
17	Virginia Beach, VA	2	NL	*	
18	Port Chester, NY	2	CEII	*	
19	Phoenix, AZ	3	NL	*	
19	Phoenix, AZ	1	NL	*	
19	Phoenix, AZ	1	NL-DD	*	
21	Little Rock, AR	1	DD	*	
21	Everett, WA	+	CEI	*	
22	Hobbs, NM	1	NL	*	
22	Shawnee, KS	1	NL	*	
22	Marshfield, WI	2	NL	*	
24	Bylas, AZ	3	CEIII	*	
26	Pocatello, ID	2	NL	*	
28	Wheaton, IL	1	NL		
29	Redondo Beach, CA	3	NL	*	
31	Hampton, VA	2	NL	*	
31	Eugene, OR	1	NL	*	
31	Eugene, OR	+	DD-NL	*	
31	San Diego, CA	+	CEI	* weather balloon	

Classifications

DD-Daylight Disc

NL-Nocturnal Light

CE-Close Encounter

I-No physical effects

II-Physical effects, traces

III-Landing, occupants

See THE UFO EXPERIENCE, J. Allen Hynek (Regnery and Ballantine paperback)

UFO über Argentinien

Ein unbekanntes Flugobjekt (UFO) ist auf den Radarschirmen im Tower des Flughafens Cordoba in Mittelargentinien geortet worden. Zugleich bestätigten Besatzungsmitglieder und mehrere Passagiere von zwei Flugzeugen, sie hätten bei Cordoba in der Luft einen Flugkörper gesehen, der weder ein Flugzeug noch ein Hubschrauber oder ein Ballon gewesen sei. Er habe eine runde, oben und unten abgeflachte Form gehabt und sehr stark geleuchtet. Einer der Piloten erklärte bei der Ankunft in Buenos Aires: „Ich werde nie wieder lachen, wenn von UFOs gesprochen wird.“ Die argentinischen Luftfahrtbehörden untersuchen den Fall. Schon mehrfach hatten Argentinier angegeben, sie hätten nicht identifizierte Flugobjekte gesehen. (SZ)

„Kommt 'runter, ihr Marsleute“

Hunderte von Mailändern beobachteten ein unbekanntes Flugobjekt (UFO), das etwa zwei Stunden lang über die Stadt schwirrte und grüne Lichtstrahlen aussandte, wie die Polizei mitteilte. Um die „fliegende Untertasse“ besser betrachten zu können, setzte die Polizei Scheinwerfer ein. Schaulustige, die sich auf dem Domplatz versammelt hatten, um das Schauspiel zu bewundern, riefen: „Kommt 'runter, ihr Marsleute, und laßt euch wenigstens einmal anschauen.“ Eine Erklärung für das Phänomen konnte die Polizei nicht angeben. (SZ)

UFO über Rumänien

Ein unbekanntes fliegendes Objekt (UFO), das intensive grüne Lichtimpulse ausstrahlte, ist über der nordostrumänischen Stadt Piatra Neamt gesichtet worden, wie die Bukarester Nachrichtenagentur Agerpres berichtete. Das UFO habe einen Schweif verschiedener Farben hinter sich hergezogen, hieß es. Das unbekannte Objekt konnte dem Bericht zufolge mehrere Sekunden lang beobachtet werden, wie es mit extrem hoher Geschwindigkeit von Nordosten aus Richtung der sowjetischen Grenze kommend lautlos dahinrasste. Das UFO wurde Agerpres zufolge von zahlreichen Bürgern der Stadt gesehen. (SZ)

UFO over Argentina

An unidentified flying object (UFO) was tracked on the radar screen of the Cordoba flight tower in Central Argentina. At the same time crew members and several passengers in two airplanes confirmed they had observed a flying object in the atmosphere near Cordoba which was not an airplane, helicopter or balloon. It was round on top, flat on bottom, and very bright. On arrival in Buenos Aires, one of the pilots stated "Never again will I laugh when UFOs are mentioned." The Argentine air-control office is investigating the event. Indeed, several anonymous Argentinians had seen unidentified flying objects.

Source: Das Neue Zeitlater. Nr. 27. 30 June 1974

Credit: J.B. Musgrave

"Come quick, it's Martians"

Police reported hundreds of Milanese observed an unidentified flying object (UFO) which hovered over the city for nearly two hours and emitted green beams. In order to better observe the "flying saucer" police set up a spot-light. Onlookers, who congregated at the site of the cathedral to wonder at the spectacle, shouted "Come quick, it's Martians, and look at least once." Police gave no explanation for the phenomenon.

Source: Das Neue Zeitlater. Nr. 27. 30 June 1974

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UFO over Rumania

The Bucharest newsagency Agerpress reported that an unidentified flying object (UFO) with an intense light beam streaming out, was sighted over the northeastern Rumanian city of Piatra Neamt. A turbulent, multi-coloured trail streamed behind the UFO. According to the report, the unidentified object was observed for several seconds as it silently sped at high altitude, coming-in from the northeast, the direction of the Soviet border. According to Agerpress, the UFO was observed by numerous citizens of the city.

Source: Das Neue Zeitlater. Nr. 27. 30 June 1974.

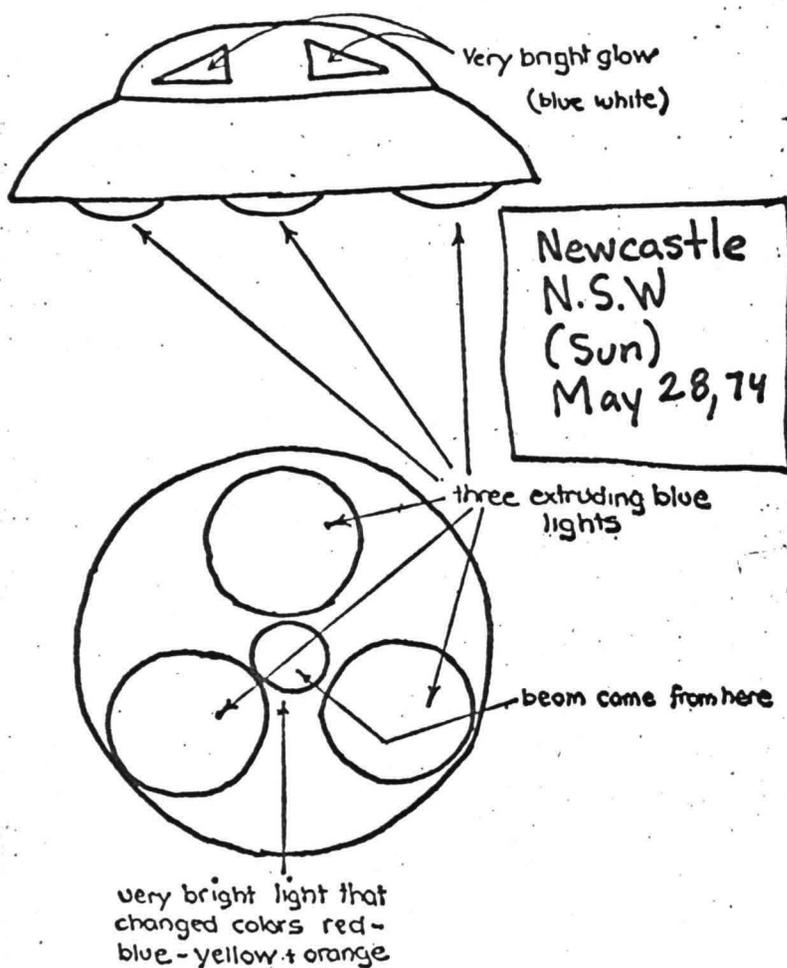
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Mysterious lights in the night sky

BELOW: An eyewitness drawing of a mysterious flying object sighted over Erina on the Central Coast last month.



WITH two revolving red lights flashing in the pre-dawn darkness, the object flew slowly over Windale, stopping every few minutes to move up and down over the same spot.

The red lights suddenly dimmed and a shaft of white light flashed downwards and forwards as the object continued its soundless flight . . .

No, this is not part of a plot for a science fiction thriller.

And it's not the product of someone's wild imagination.

It's a cold and calculated statement of fact by one of Newcastle's best known and highly respected sergeants of police.

The object Sergeant Jim Bell saw that night was a UFO in every sense of the term.

His experience is only one of scores of UFO sightings made in the Newcastle area over recent years.

Objects ranging from apparent space ships to just unusually bright lights in the sky are still being reported regularly.

Last month, for example, a resident in Hillsborough, in the Maitland area, reported sighting two UFOs.

He said he saw a bright object rising into the sky south-south-east on his property at about 3 am.

A second, less bright object rose with the first, always the same distance apart.

He described the two objects as "bright orange-yellow lights with no shape."

In recent months, Department of Defence officers have also been investigating a spate of UFO sightings from Sydney, Lithgow, Parkes, Orange and Bathurst.

But the sighting by Sgt Bell at Windale on January 15, 1967, is still one of the most positive—and perplexing—in our area.

He vividly remembers the incident and verifies details of the sighting which he gave to the UFO Research Network in Sydney at the time.

He and Constable F. Tracy, both of Hamilton police at the time, were making inquiries in the Windale area at about 3 am.

Sgt Bell said he could not see the shape of the object but he and Constable Tracy kept it in sight for about ten minutes.

"I could see two revolving, flashing red lights," Sgt Bell said.

"Then they would dim and a shaft of white light 'like a searchlight would flash on below them.

"It shone downwards and in the

direction of travel.

"I estimated the object appeared to be 400 to 600 feet off the ground and travelling from east to west.

"It was completely soundless and every few minutes it rose about ten feet higher and dropped down quickly, doing this about 20 times very rapidly before maintaining a constant height and moving forward again. . . .

The two policemen radioed police wireless which passed on the information to Williamtown RAAF Base.

Both men were adamant that the object was not an aircraft.

"The white light swung towards us a few times, dazzling us like car headlights," Sgt Bell said.

"It was bright but I could only see the beam travelling for about 10 feet.

"We lost sight of them when they went over a hill towards Warners Bay," he said.

"We drove to a high piece of ground but did not see the lights again.

"It was definitely not an aircraft as we know them."

A spokesman for the Williamtown RAAF Base at the time said the base had received a report of a similar sighting from a woman earlier in the night.

The spokesman said no service aircraft had been flying at the time though civil cargo aircraft flew throughout the night.

Sgt Bell said a university geology student had seen similar lights come in from over the sea at Caves Beach.

The lights were also seen over Broadmeadow locomotive yards later that night.

And on the same night, a grazier in the Riverina reported seeing a similar object.

Sgt Bell said he had been interviewed by two people from the US Navy about the sighting.

He also supplied the details to US writer Richard Tambling for his book "Flying Saucers: Where do they Come From?"

Sgt Bell's case is by no means the strangest documented from the Newcastle area by the UFO Research Network.

A Belmont North woman claimed she saw both a space ship and a strange 3½ to 4 foot high being in a paddock next door to her home back in August, 1960.

She described the object as being "like a large musical top about 14 feet across and about four feet high."

The woman claimed the object glowed red and gold and gave out a continuous low pitched buzzing sound.

She said the "being" appeared to be dressed in an olive green, skin tight suit of a dull material without fastenings and had a helmet of the same material.

The face of the helmet was of "non-transparent, orange plastic-like substance."

The woman's "experience", says the Network's file lasted about 15 minutes.

More recently, three 18-year-old youths claimed to have seen a UFO over Erina last month.

They told the Network they had watched the object, circular in shape with very bright lights which changed colour from red, to blue, yellow and orange, hover over a small park.

They said the object gave off a humming, buzzing sound.

The three "sighters" sent a sketch of the "object" to the Network.

A spokesman for the Network, Mr Mike Guider, said the Newcastle and Central sightings were just a few of the many recorded and investigated by his organisation.

But what is the official attitude?

The investigation of UFOs is vested in the Defence Department's Air Office where a set procedure has been developed.

The procedure involves a preliminary investigation by the nearest RAAF Base and this is followed up by an investigating team from the Air Office.

Where necessary the investigating team seeks the advice of specialist agencies such as universities, the CSIRO, the Defence Standards' Laboratories and the Weapons' Research Establishment.

Of 623 reports received by the Department between January, 1960 and December, 1962, it was assessed that 93 per cent were explainable.

Six per cent of the reports did not provide sufficient information to permit proper analysis and evaluation.

Only one per cent of that series of reports was attributed to unknown causes.

The Australian investigations check with inquiries by the British Air Ministry and the U.S. Air Force.

(clips credit Meteor Research Society)

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UFO Society mystified

Australia

THE UFO (Un-identified Flying Object) Society in Victoria is mystified by the major increase in sightings of UFOs in the past six months.

"Usually we receive reports of 200 to 300 different sightings over a year, of which only two or three, after investigation, remain unexplained," the sightings investigations officer, Mr G. Trost, said yesterday.

"But this year we have already had 250 reports, pretty close on double the normal number. With the exception of about three they have been lights in the sky from weather balloons, planes in odd perspective and light, searchlights and so on. But the three exceptions were good sightings."

Among the good sightings was one at Gippsland Lakes. A young man in a car watched an object for 20 minutes hover 30 metres (100ft) above the lake and about 130 metres (400ft) from him. It was the usual saucer shape and had a large light.

In another case, at Glenrowan, a public servant saw men about 12 metres (4ft) high in what looked like aluminium clothes in a spherical shaped object which followed him along a highway.

"Unfortunately the lakes man and this man were so afraid of ridicule they asked us to guarantee their anonymity," said Mr Trost.

"But they stuck to their guns."

**U.F.O.'s
Visit
Dongola**

CANADA (Minden, Ontario)

Amid growing reports of UFO activity in the Lindsay and Coboconk districts a bewildered Dongola housewife and mother last week revealed that she and sometimes her husband had been kept awake night after night by repeated UFO activity near their home during the past three weeks.

According to Mrs. Shirley Newman, a former teller at The Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, Minden, she has been awakened on some half-dozen occasions starting June 7 by an object outlined with glowing red lights that seems to 'float at tree-top level' across the field next to her home three miles east of Norland on Highway 503.

Both Mrs. Newman, 29, and her husband Ron have seen the object. They say it usually appears about 1.30 am, and floats across the field to a small clump of trees less than one-third mile away. 'Then the lights go out and it begins to glow white', recalled Mrs. Newman. 'It appears to be shaped like a cigar and has little windows all around it. It's the brightest, whitest white I've ever seen; like an angel', she said.

Mrs. Newman said that the whiteness will then disappear to be followed immediately by a small but very bright light that appears to be either hand held or worn on the head like a miner's lamp. The light seems to move about the immediate area where the object was last seen, finally disappearing about dawn. Both Mr. and Mrs. Newman said noises something like a vacuum cleaner could be heard when the object was near the trees.

A week ago last Monday Mrs. Newman awoke to a blinding white light shining on her home from the nearby field. When it finally disappeared moments later, Mr. and Mrs. Newman noticed that the nearby trees were still glowing. Perplexed and worried, the Newmans are unable to account for their recent experiences.

'Whatever it is, it hasn't bothered us', said Mr. Newman, 'so we certainly don't intend to bother it, whatever it is.'

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**We're watched
by alien beings
UFOlogist says**

AKRON, Ohio (UPI-Special) — A nuclear physicist who describes himself as an expert on "UFOlogy" claimed yesterday there is overwhelming evidence that the earth is under observation by creatures from other worlds.

"But nobody knows about it because the government is pulling a coverup that dwarfs Watergate," he said.

Stanton Friedman — "you can call me the Ralph Nader of UFOs" — told newsmen:

"There is a galactic federation of extra-terrestrial critters who are communicating and they look at us and say, 'A nice place to visit but I wouldn't want to live there.'"

"They often drop in to grab plant and soil samples and maybe taken humans for breeding stock or specimens.

"They may appear as news reporters in the boondocks or maybe they're graduate students doing their theses. They may be surveying the place before offering us some business deal."

Friedman, who lives at Redondo Beach, Calif., and was in Akron to address a national symposium on flying saucers, said he is willing to bet that on America's 200th birthday — July 4, 1976 — when an unmanned spacecraft lands on Mars, "we will all learn there is other life in the universe."

"And then Secretary of

State Henry Kissinger, as a sort of symbolic earthling, might make an announcement that, yes, we are being visited and observed."

Other speakers at the program included the Rev. Barry Downing of Endwell, N.Y., author of *The Bible and Flying Saucers*, and Miss Marjorie Fish, a former Ohio schoolteacher who has specialized in the case of a New York couple who claimed they were abducted by space creatures for two hours.

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**UFOs Reported
To Lindsay OPP**

Lindsay detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police this morning report one traffic accident Monday and a call early this morning complaining about UFOs.

A call was received at approximately 3:30 a.m. this morning from Shirley Newman of Dongola on Highway 503 advising that she had seen strange lights in a field near her home for the last five nights.

UFO SIGHTINGS
Three large balls, each "about half the size of the moon," was the description given of unidentified flying objects over Ballarat sky last night. Mr Keith Cowan, of Dowling street, Wendouree, said he saw the objects with some friends while in Macarthur street, about 7.30 pm. He said three large balls had vapor trails. They were moving from south to north and faded out to small dots.

She claimed to have been awakened by a swoosh and saw the lights landing near the trees. Police report that her husband stated he had also seen the lights but was somewhat less concerned and had gone back to bed.

Investigating officer Constable Grant Peters checked the area diligently but to no avail and in his report recommended that future calls be referred to a bureau of UFO studies.

Monday's accident occurred on County Road 17, approximately 100 feet north of the 10th concession of Verulam Township at 9:15 a.m.

Police state that a vehicle driven by Bonnie Bent, 28, of RR 3, Omeme, was northbound on County Road 17 when it failed to negotiate a right turn and rolled into the west ditch.

Laughter then amazement

UFO's

A skeptical Norland father and fisherman switched abruptly from derisive laughter to shocked amazement three weeks ago when a UFO sighting claimed by his companions was repeated before his own eyes.

Norland service station operator Jim Boyce told Progress UFO specialist Peter Sweet that he and a fishing pal were out smelt fishing near Norland with their sons

when the series of sightings occurred.

According to Mr. Boyce he laughed at his companions' report of a UFO they spotted while he was at his car. Moments later four more appeared for the whole party to see.

'It was about 9 p.m. and dark,' recalled Mr. Boyce. 'They came from the west and were quite high up.'

Mr. Boyce said they appeared as bluish lights turning to orange and could have been shooting stars if it hadn't been for their erratic, zig-

zag movements.

'One even hovered for a while', reported Mr. Boyce who said the objects were never close enough to pick out details.

'After about a half-hour they all moved off at an incredible speed', he said.

A similar UFO was spotted by a Minden smelting party at Kushog Lake about mid-April. According to Stephen Barnes, 18, he and his three companions saw a fast-travelling, bright light cut across the sky in front of them shortly after dark.

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**UP, UP
AND
AWAY...**

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It wasn't a bird and it wasn't a plane, and it certainly wasn't Superman.

But around 6.50 a.m. today, "something" was hovering about five degrees above the eastern horizon.

Mr George Evans, of Albert Park, and his niece, Elsa, were driving along the Tullamarine freeway towards the city.

"Just past the airport my niece saw an object in the sky and asked me what it was," Mr Evans said.

"Above the horizon a large saucer shaped thing was reflecting the red of the morning sun," Mr Evans said.

"When we first saw it it was at a 45 degree angle to the right.

"We watched it for about six miles and in that time it turned from that angle to vertical and to 45 degrees in the opposite direction.

"It definitely wasn't a plane and it appeared to be about 30 miles away and stationary.

"I don't like to say that it was a UFO, but I'd like to know what it is," Mr Evans said.

LIGHT IN SKY SIGHTED

AUSTRALIA

A strange light in the sky, a pinging electric radiator and a faulty car turn indicator that wasn't.

CITY UFO

This series of weekend events startled an Adam Street, Campbells Hill resident, Mr. Ken Nielsen.

He believes he may have seen an unidentified flying object and that it may have somehow caused the two other incidents.

Mr. Nielsen, a Mercury leading hand printer, said today he saw the object about 11.55 on Friday night.

He had just arrived home in the taxi he drives in his spare time and was sitting in the cab in his driveway, filling in his time book, when he glanced up and noticed a light in the sky.

"It was a bright white light over Bolwarra or Bolwarra Heights," he said.

"It would have been three or four miles away and I would estimate it was 1200 to 1500 ft above the ground.

(Mr. Nielsen gained considerable experience in making such judgements during nine years' service with United Nations forces)

"At first I thought it was a plane going to Rutherford and that what I saw was a running light. I went on writing.

"When I happened to glance up again, the light was still there, though. It seemed to be in the same position.

"I turned off the headlights of the car and got out of it to have a better look.

"While I looked, the light changed to orange, then green. Then I

that made by a struck tuning fork.

She turned the radiator off because she thought it might be faulty.

Mr. Nielsen turned the radiator on and it worked normally.

Yesterday the family began a car trip towards Lake Macquarie and Mr. Nielsen noticed a blinker light was not operating properly. The light came on but did not blink.

He bought a new washer unit with the intention of installing it once he reached his destination, but, when he arrived and prepared to install the new unit, he found the existing unit was working normally again.

Mr. Nielsen wonders whether some electrical interference at the time he saw the light over Bolwarra might have in some way triggered off the incidents.

Associate Professor of Physics at Newcastle University, Professor C. Keay, suggests that what Mr. Nielsen saw may have been Vega, fourth brightest star in the sky.

Professor Keay said Vega would have been low in the northern sky at the time.

Bright stars low in the sky often appear to emit different coloured lights because of the atmospheric conditions through which they are seen, he said.

thought it might be a helicopter engaged in a rescue exercise.

All of a sudden it changed to blue, then rose straight up in the air at great speed and disappeared in four or five seconds behind cloud.

"I didn't see it again."

Mr. Nielsen said the light he saw was "dome shaped" and moved slowly up and down. He estimates he watched it for about two minutes before it disappeared.

• DOME

Several other following events mystified him and he wonders whether they are connected with his sighting.

Early next morning he heard a radio report about a similar sighting and, on telephoning the station to add his information, he learned it had received a number of calls on the subject on several successive nights.

His wife told him that about the time he arrived home a two-bar electric radiator which had been operating all evening emitted seven or eight sharp pinging noises like

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They are Craig Hills (11), Paul Kennedy (10) and David Naughton (9).

They were tying a dog up just on dark at the Kennedy property when David drew the attention of his companions to a bright light in the south west.

Paul at first thought it was the sun, but as they watched the light moved away from them until it was a mere pin-point, and then came back and towards the south east.

The boys said it came close enough for them to see the shape... "like two saucers pressed together,

with lights spinning around it."

They could see the lights through the trees as the object got low on the horizon before suddenly disappearing.

Paul's mother (Mr. Alan Kennedy) said this morning she was interested to know if any other person had seen any peculiar activities in the sky on Tuesday evening.

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UFO buzzed ballistic missile

HUNTSVILLE, Alabama. — Experts at an Army missile base say they are puzzled about strange "ghost ships" picked up by powerful radar scanners in the Pacific during a tracking exercise last Summer.

There has been little official comment on what the scientists found during the exercise but Major Dallas Van Hoose, an army spokesman, confirmed recently that "some unexplained aerial phenomena" were observed during the exercise last August.

Scientists, many of whom are reluctant to be named in interviews because of general public scepticism over unidentified flying objects, say privately they have been unable to find any explanation for the "ghost ships".

"We have never seen anything precisely like this before," said one ballistic missile defence expert who works for an army agency here and who is familiar with the advanced radar used to test missiles and warheads.

Huntsville houses the army's ballistic missile defence systems command, which analyses results of missile tests in the Kwajalein Atoll region of the Marshall Island Trust Territory held by the US.

Last August, the air force launched a Minuteman intercontinental ballistic missile from Vandenberg Air Force base aimed for the Kwajalein missile range, which is used by the army, air force and navy.

The radar experts in the Pacific found they were also tracking an unidentified flying object next to the ICBM's nose cone.

Radar picked up an inverted saucer-shaped object to the right and above the descending nose cone and watched it cross the warhead's trajectory to a point which was below and to the left of it before the phantom ship disappeared.

The ghost ship was described as being 10 feet high and 40 feet long.

Two separate radar systems saw it at the same time which may eliminate the probability that there was a malfunction in one of the radar systems.

It was also reported that three other identical objects were seen in the vicinity—the same size, shape and dimensions.

One scientist said the data indicated that the phantom ship "flew under its own power" but could not explain what sort of power was involved.

So far, none of the experts here believe the ghost ship was a natural phenomenon caused by freak weather conditions or echoes commonly seen on radar screens. — AAP.

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FLYING SAUCER

Bowen fisherman Doug Nicolson has sent the following note to his mother concerning a strange experience:

"Saw my first U.F.O. (flying saucer) in the night run between Cape Upstart and Cape Bowling Green. Beautiful thing, came right over me then turned off. When first sighted it was coming straight towards me from dead ahead, beautifully lit all the time, but with a flashing blue and white light like a camera flash bulb only much larger. When it was overhead [his flash lit] my boat up so I could see everything on deck and even the planking on the side and after decks. Not only that, but it lit the water up with its flashes so that I could see the waves and ripples over a large area. I jumped out

of the top hatch and made gestures to try and beckon it down low, but got no response. It then turned and flew towards Upstart Bay. I timed it, and had it for ten minutes. It was no aeroplane because it was flying too slow, and for one thing it carried no navigation lights as aircraft do; too brilliantly lit for another and such bright flashing lights as I've only seen with flash cameras. Anyway, the whole thing was too beautiful to be an aircraft; it did not affect my compass as some people claim."

A similar U.F.O. has previously been reported in the Gumlu area by responsible witnesses.

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CROOKWELL BOYS SIGHTED "U.F.O."

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Three Crookwell school-boys have given a vivid description of an "Unidentified Flying Object" they saw on Tuesday evening from a property on the Kialla Road.

Ready for AUSTRALIA the UFOs

LONDON (AAP-Reuters).— If any aliens are planning to visit earth at the end of this month they can be sure of a sizeable audience.

At least 11,000 people in 34 countries will be scanning the skies for unidentified flying objects (UFOs) during that period, according to the organisers of "International Skywatch Week," from April 27 to May 4.

"We are hoping for the biggest response so far," says Mr. Brinsley Le

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QUEENSLAND

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U.F.O.'s sighted at Victor

Two unidentified flying objects were sighted by a family, two visiting friends and a police officer near Victor Harbour last Monday night.

Mr. Neville Dunn, of Maud Street, Encounter Bay, said yesterday that at 8.30 p.m. Monday he and his family and two friends from Bordertown saw two strange flashing white lights appear from the north-east at about 45 degrees.

After rising to a higher altitude one of the objects apparently disappeared into cloud. Mr. Dunn then drove to the nearby home of First Class Constable Max Griffiths in Philip Avenue and from there Mr. Dunn, Const. Griffiths and Mrs. Griffiths saw two separate flashing lights travelling from east to west in the direction of the Amscol factory just out from Victor Harbour.

Mr. Dunn said the first two lights sighted by his family and friends seemed to come from the direction of Amscol about a quarter of a mile apart.

After leaving Const. Griffiths, Mr. Dunn drove to Porter's Hill but did not again see the flashing lights which had been visible altogether for about 20 minutes.

Did any other readers see flashing lights in the sky Monday night?

It has since been verified that an aircraft was in the vicinity of Victor Harbour about 8 p.m. Monday night. The pilot was having radio trouble, and he was directed to land at Murray Bridge.

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VICTOR HARBOUR
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FLYING SAUCERS PLANETS, SAY ASTRONOMERS

MELBOURNE, Monday (AUP): Astronomers believe that this morning's sightings of unidentified flying objects over parts of Southeastern Australia were illusions. APR-16-74

They say the planets Jupiter and Venus are on a thirty-degree angle to the earth this time every year.

However, this year the planets came closer to earth than at any previous time.

The astronomers believe that the bright glow from the planets and the angle at which they are, can cause an illusion to make them appear as if they are moving.

Royal Australian Air Force investigators are to take up widespread reports of unidentified flying objects.

People in Sydney and Parkes, New South Wales, and in Melbourne, reported seeing bright lights in the sky.

Some reported that the lights seemed to follow them—and a police crew in Melbourne switched on their lights and siren to prevent what they thought could be a collision with

one object at a low altitude.

In Sydney, police stations in eastern suburbs received several calls from local people claiming to have sighted flying objects.

The best authenticated sightings came from Parkes and Melbourne, where police officers kept the UFO's under observation for some time.

Parkes Sighting

Two police constables on night duty in Parkes, said they saw two brilliantly-colored lights at 3.15 am.

They said the lights were close to the ground at first.

The lights had later moved higher, before disappearing over the airport.

Sgt J. B. Foley said one policeman went back to the station to point out the lights to the officer on duty.

He said a watchman at the saleyards had earlier pointed out the UFO's to this constable.

The watchman told the constable he first saw the

two objects "after hearing a noise."

When he had looked up he had seen two bright lights—one brighter than the other.

Police Alarmed

The best Melbourne sighting was at Police Headquarters at Russell St.

The news broke there when a young girl rushed in and told the desk sergeant there were two "things" in the sky, and that they looked like landing.

The sergeant, a senior constable, and a journalist, went to the 10th floor of the building, with 20-year-old Kerry Sheehan, of Northcote, and watched the two objects for about ten minutes.

They were very bright, and hovered around for some time before disappearing in an easterly direction.

An RAAF spokesman in Melbourne says there were no aircraft in the area at the time.

Two policewomen who also saw the objects told of their experience.

They said they were driving along Studley Park Rd, Kew, when on the objects chased them.

They said they turned on the blue flashing light and siren of their police car to scare off the "thing".

They then made a hasty retreat to Russell St police station to report in.

Department of Air Transport officials at Tullamarine say they did not see the objects at any time.

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NEW BOOKS

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At last, some sense about U.F.O.s

NO WONDER people are
confused about unidentified flying
objects.

On the one hand there is the cynical disbelief of some authorities, on the other the highly excited enthusiasm of the dedicated and often gullible UFO believer, who rattles off endless stories of 'sightings' which have never been scientifically examined.

But here at last is a man who cleaves a clear path through the clap-trap.

He is Dr Allen Hynek, director of the Lindheimer Astronomical Research Centre at Northwestern University, Illinois.

He was astronomical consultant to Project Blue Book, the U.S. Air Force's official investigation into UFO reports.

Dr Hynek bases his book THE UFO EXPERIENCE (Corgi paperback) on 20 years of close association with the subject.

He retells personal accounts of sightings he has investigated, not for their story value but in the light of scientific study.

He doesn't hesitate to assail fellow scientists who dismiss the subject of UFOs without adequate examination.

Dr Hynek has interrogated hundreds of people who have seen UFOs.

Why they tell

"Often," he says, "I wondered as I listened to a graphic account of a UFO experience, 'But why are they telling me this?' I realised at length that they were telling me because they wanted me to explain their experiences to them. They had been profoundly affected, and they wanted an explanation that would comfortably fit into their world picture so that they could be relieved of the burden of the frightening unknown."

Dr Hynek eliminates the dross, those cases that can be explained as balloons, aircraft, meteors, reflections, hallucinations and so on.

And he is left with many that cannot be explained.

But unlike many a writer on UFOs, he is not prepared to jump to conclusions.

Not a prophet

"After more than 20 years' association with the problem," he says, "I still have few answers and no viable hypothesis. And I have no desire to act the prophet."

He reminds us of the likelihood that billions of other stars apart from our sun have planets; of the possibility of civilisations elsewhere in the universe as greatly advanced beyond us as we are beyond mice.

And he reminds us that the eminent British astronomer Fred Hoyle has conjectured that it is possible that a great intergalactic communications network exists but that we are like a settler in the wilderness who as yet has no telephone.

"When the long awaited solution to the UFO problem comes," he concludes, "I believe that it will prove to be not merely the next small step in the march of science but a mighty and totally unexpected quantum jump."

If man is to discover the identity of UFOs, the discovery will come about, one suspects, through the work of men like Dr Hynek.

From THE EXAMINER,
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AUSTRALIA

UFO Sighted In Lindsay

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There are some things that occur in life for which there is a ready and plausible explanation.

Assigned to cover the Lindsay Recreation Commission meeting Thursday evening a Post newsman discovered things weren't working out quite as planned . . . There weren't sufficient members of the commission present to proceed with the meeting and the meeting which never commenced was adjourned for one week. This provided the reporter with a plausible excuse for not having anything to report.

While the 40 minutes or so elapsed waiting for the meeting to get underway, a heavy rain shower occurred. Emerging from the Victoria Park Armoury, a huge rainbow was seen to have formed above the southern horizon. There was a ready explanation for the appearance of this phenomenon.

It was later that evening, shortly after darkness had descended, the rain had ceased and skies cleared, that something for which there was no immediate explanation occurred.

Walking through Victoria Park, the newsman, thinking back over events of the past few days, recalled that a Don-gola resident had reported seeing what may best be described as UFOs in an area near their home. Glancing skyward without the slightest hope of seeing anything but stars in the heavens, what greeted his eyes dispelled a lot of previously held skepticism about UFOs.

High above and moving soundlessly from east to west at a steady clip, was a yellow, globular-shaped object. It flew in a straight course, neither dipping nor elevating, until it disappeared from sight below the western horizon. The time of first observing it had been noted — 10:08 — and it was lost to view about a minute later.

A few moments later one of the many jetliners which traverse the sky over this area in the evening hours moved swiftly from east to west but it was easily identifiable. There was the usual visible arrangement of lights and the sound effects were unmistakable.

Still fascinated by what he had earlier beheld, the newsman couldn't resist looking skyward again, although hope of seeing a repeat performance

of his earlier sighting was slight.

But the heavenly show wasn't over yet!

From out of the west what at first appeared to be a star but was soon seen to be moving at high speed, an object streaked across the sky in the course almost directly opposite to the earlier UFO, equally soundless but seemingly at a much higher altitude.

The experience served to give rise to a less skeptical attitude toward reported and unexplained sightings of flying objects viewed in many parts of this district, the rest of Canada and other parts of the world.

Naturally, like those who have witnessed such things the question arose: What are these things which flit across the sky and for which no one has yet come up with a satisfactory explanation?"

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AUSTRALIA
UFO report

It landed on Mt Warrenheip Say five

An unidentified flying object landed on the top of Mt Warrenheip about 8.15 last night.

That is the unshakable conviction of three independent sources who contacted The Courier last night.

Two wanted to remain anonymous. The third was a Melbourne steel-worker in the area, Graham Tetherson.

The other two sources were a man and his wife who live in the Warrenheip area, and two young men from Ballarat who were out driving near the mountain.

All related the same story. They saw a cigar shaped object, with flashing green lights, travelling at a slow speed at a low altitude.

They saw the flashing lights become static and the object slowly descend until it appeared to land on the summit of the mountain.

It stayed there for some minutes, slowly rose into the air and then travelled off at a tremendous speed.

A Courier reporter was on top of the mountain within an hour of the reported sightings. He could not find any tracks or signs of a disturbance.

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"HERALD" AUSTRALIA
Melbourne, Vic.

GEORGE'S UFO IS LATE

Gordon Hepburn's yellow-tailed UFO turned up again today. It was five minutes late.

Saturday's time was 6.50 a.m. Today's appearance was 6.55.

It was in the north east. It was shapeless. And it had a yellow tail.

Mr Hepburn, of Wunnamurra Drive, East Keilor, was working at Yarraville with three workmates when he saw it today.

"I pointed it out to my mates and they saw it too," he said.

At 6.50 a.m., Saturday, Mr George Evans, of Albert Park saw the object as he was driving on the Tullamarine freeway.

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Unidentified scientists

UNIDENTIFIED flying objects are to be studied by scientists — a professional group who have remained largely sceptical for the last 30 years.

But the Canadian scientists who have contacted the voluntary British UFO Research Association for information on which to base their investigation still prefer to remain anonymous. Their interest is being welcomed by Mr. A. R. Pace, Admitting that this was pro-

bably because there was only limited tangible evidence which could be viewed through a scientist's microscope," Mr. Pace added: "There is a pattern of events throughout the world which has so far been ignored by scientists." Mr. Pace's lecture was one of a number in a week-end course which examined extra-sensory perception, witchcraft and spiritualism under the general heading "Believe it or not."

4 MAY 1974

"Speeding light" sighted

A Glenorchy couple yesterday reported sighting a "speeding light" which travelled from Mt Wellington to Elwick on Thursday morning and in the opposite direction yesterday morning.

They said the light appeared at the same time, 5.55 am, both mornings, and was brighter than the brightest star.

They said they watched it for about five minutes and its speed was irregular — sometimes travelling at a "terrific pace" and other times hardly moving at all.

The secretary of the Tasmanian Unidentified Flying Objects Investigation Centre (Mr K. Roberts) said yesterday it was difficult to say what the object could have been "on the evidence."

"If the light had travelled at a steady speed it could have been a satellite."

He has asked that the witnesses contact the Centre's sightings officer (Mr K. Bennett) on 28 5248 and give him more information.

"MERCURY"
AUSTRALIA
Hobart, Tas.



HERE and THERE
with
NORM MAIDENS
CANADA

CR: G. DUPLANTIER

(It would appear, as noted below, that even Fenwick Finch's Howland Jct. is not immune to UFO's. Admittedly, there has been a fair number of identified and unidentified objects flying around and about Howland Jct. lately, including the Finch himself. However, we thought readers might enjoy this latest flight...er, sight. Ed.)

About 8.45 Sunday night, July 21, an Unidentified Flying Object was sighted at Howland Jct. This 'sighting' was reported by telephone from the Kinmount area to N. Maidens, columnist for the Minden Progress. The caller seemed reluctant to identify himself for fear of the ridicule that might follow, but finally gave his name as Goudah Schmierkase, a big cheese from Davisville Ave., Toronto. Mr. Schmierkase is originally from East Germany and has been in this country a little over two years. He has spent most of his life in the dairy and associated trades. The telephone caller asked for Fenwick Finch as he understood he was 'in der Govmint' and therefore should know of the incident. The connection between Finch and Maidens was established and Mr. Schmierkase gave the following 'exclusive' interview.

'As you know', he began, 'there is a new sub-division being offered to the public on the Howland Jct. road, it is called 'Howland Pines'. My wife and I came up from Toronto to see if there was a lot we would be interested in buying. The only lot we liked was at the Eastern end of the plan opposite the residence of Ambrose Watson. This lot was apparently an old farm site many years ago.

It was about dusk when I turned my car off the main road and started up a small hill to the North. Suddenly, part way up the hill, my car motor stopped as if someone had turned off the ignition; at the same time the lights went out. I tried unsuccessfully to start the car. My wife and I stepped out of the car and our dog, a small spaniel jumped out also. The dog hardly touched the ground before it crouched down whimpering and refusing to move. The hair was standing up on the back of its neck.

As my wife, Gerda and I walked up towards the top of the hill we noticed everything bathed in a green light. Approaching the top of the hill I experienced a tingling sensation on my skin--my wife also felt it.

Reaching the crest of the hill we looked down into the small valley and clearing and saw what was causing the green light. It looked like two plates inverted together with a small dome on the top. There was a faint, high-pitched hum but no sign of motors as such. It was of a dark greyish colour and seemed to pulsate. The air began to get quite warm and my wife and I found that, for some reason or other, we were unable to walk any further as there seemed to be a force-wall between us and the object. It was difficult to judge the size owing to the green light and a mist that seemed to be forming in the air. It looked about 70 ft. in diameter and almost 20 odd feet in height. Suddenly, the machine seemed to pulsate faster and the green faded into an orange-red colour then, the object just disappeared in front of our eyes--with no sound. As the machine disappeared, my wife and I found we were free to move again. Needless to say, we rushed back to the car. Our dog was cowering in the back seat and all the lights were on. Turning the ignition key brought the motor to life right away'.

We tried to reach Fenwick Finch to get his opinion, but he wasn't available. However, we do know, many strange things have happened and do happen at Howland Jct.--so, why should a UFO sighting be so unusual?

Mr. Schmierkase never did tell us whether he bought the lot or not!

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Coboconk Woman And Kin Report UFO Sightings

Those UFOs are back in the news! . . . Not new sightings but more or less confirmation of the fact that unaccountable activity by an unexplained airborne vehicle was noticed elsewhere than in Lindsay last Thursday night.

A Coboconk resident called The Post this week to say that she and two members of her family were returning home from Newmarket when her granddaughter saw something in the sky which puzzled her youthful eyes. Calling attention to it, her mother and grandmother both witnessed the unusual aerial display which occurred near Kirkfield around 10:00 p.m.

The grandmother, who properly identified herself but requested to remain unnamed, said what they witnessed appeared like the head of a meteor and yet unlike a meteor in other respects. It seemed to be on a descending course and travelling at a high rate of speed . . . and it disappeared before the trio could have more than a momentary glimpse of it.

However, the grandmother reporting the incident says it is not the first time she has witnessed aerial displays that couldn't be attributed to aircraft of any kind with which she is familiar. On one occasion she witnessed a group of airborne vehicles estimated

to number about 25, flying in formation at low level and high speed, each emitting an orange glow. She is inclined to sum up her observations by saying, "the department of defense knows more than it is letting the general public know." She isn't convinced the things which people are witnessing, originate anywhere else but right here on earth — possibly in Canada or United States.

Visitors From Space?

TORONTO (CP) — A United States nuclear physicist said Friday there is overwhelming evidence in favor of the theory that intelligent beings from outer space visit the earth regularly.

Stanton Friedman, 39, a physicist in industry for 14 years before he took to a lecture circuit, said the cancellations of Air Force UFO (unidentified flying objects) studies was only a "public relations cover."

The real information went deeper into the Pentagon and has remained secret, he said. "And people are wrong if they think it's impossible for secrets to be kept in the United States."

Mr. Friedman said the real information is not released because it would bring about political chaos and stock market panic.

He said his approach is to present scientific facts — analysis of reliable sightings and of chemical changes in soils where landings have been reported.

Mr. Friedman is in Toronto to appear on a television show tonight.

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SYDNEY, Monday (AAP).— People in Parkes and Melbourne have reported sighting two unidentified flying objects overnight.

Two police constables on night duty in Parkes, in the central west of NSW, said they saw two brilliantly colored lights at 3.15am.

They said the lights were close to the ground at first. They had later moved higher before disappearing over the airport.

Sgt J. B. Foley said one policeman went back to the station to point out the lights to the officer on duty.

He said a watchman at the saleyard had earlier pointed out the UFO's to this constable.

The watchman told the constable he first saw the two objects after hearing a noise.

When he had looked up he had seen two bright lights — one brighter than the other.

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Melbourne Observer
Melbourne, Vic. May 5, 1974
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UFO seen over the rooftops

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REPORTS of unidentified flying objects over the state of Victoria were confirmed today.

Witnesses reports all agreed that the unidentified object was a flying machine and that it was propelled by a weird little fellow with a strange hair cut.

The witnesses also agreed that the strange airship had assorted prizes on board and that it seemed to hover over certain houses, drop these prizes and fly off in the opposite direction.

The Department of Civil Aviation would like to hear from any readers who happen to spot this strange aircraft.

Left are on the spot eye-witness drawings of the great unidentified flying machine.

The top drawing was sent in by Jimmy Davidson who spotted the Mail plane over the orange Baron Wotchy over Highbett.

Robyn Cahill, star artist as she is, identified the weird flying contraption in the second drawing buzzing low over Watsonia. And Darren, prizewinner, Osborn quickly sketched the twin bird propelled Wotchy Mail Plane over East Burwood.

SR: J. B. MUSGRAVE CANADA
EDMONTON JOURNAL, Saturday, June 8, 1974

STAR-STRUCK?

YORKTON, Sask. (CP)—A Yorkton youth received the scare of a lifetime Friday night when a molten substance flashed from the sky and onto the car he was driving, burning a hole in the car's grill and melting in to the windshield.

Other particles struck the ground around him, igniting briefly the grass beside the car one mile south of Yorkton.

RCMP officers confirmed the youth's story and named the culprit—a meteorite.

THE NIGHT PC KETTLE HAD THE SHOCK OF HIS LIFE

A SPATE of scare stories about mysterious flying objects has hit the city over the years. People have claimed to have seen balls of light soaring across local skies. 3252

Still the mystery remains. Were they flying saucers from another planet or simply freak

weather conditions? A new book just published suggests that the mysterious object a Peterborough policeman saw in 1909 may well have been a flying saucer.

Pc Kettle was on duty one dark night in March when he saw a powerful light hovering over the cathedral.

"I heard a loud buzzing

noise, and when I looked up I saw a powerful light hovering about 100 feet above the ground," said Pc Kettle in an article in the *Peterborough Advertiser* of March 24, 1909.

Pc Kettle described his "airship" as oblong and narrow.

In 1956 a brother and sister on their way home from the cinema one evening claim they saw a "circle of light" cross

the sky at a terrific speed.

Mrs Sheila Bennet was so scared by the phenomenon that she ran home, her father Mr Ralph Noke told the *Advertiser* at the time.

Rumours of flying saucers were rampant in the villages of Farcet and Yaxley and all over the area.

In 1967 two "flying saucers" were seen within two weeks; one at Orton Longueville and one at Alwalton. Witnesses said both objects were oblong in shape with pointed ends.

Another mysterious object was seen at the Ortons seven months ago. Amazed onlookers saw the "flying craft" drift across the sky shining red and white lights.

So what are these things which make freak appearances in our skies?

Some years ago a worldwide movement was set up to further research into unidentified flying objects. A city woman, Sandra Kruger, ran a

branch of Contact UK in Peterborough.

"UFOs in this country are not recognised by the government as flying saucers from other planets," said Miss Kruger. "But in South America, where regular sightings are made of mysterious flying objects, the government accept them as possible craft from another planet."

Miss Kruger no longer plays an active part in the local movement due to pressures of working life.

The South Lincolnshire UFO study group has investigated the mysteries further and has come to the conclusion that some of them are genuine.

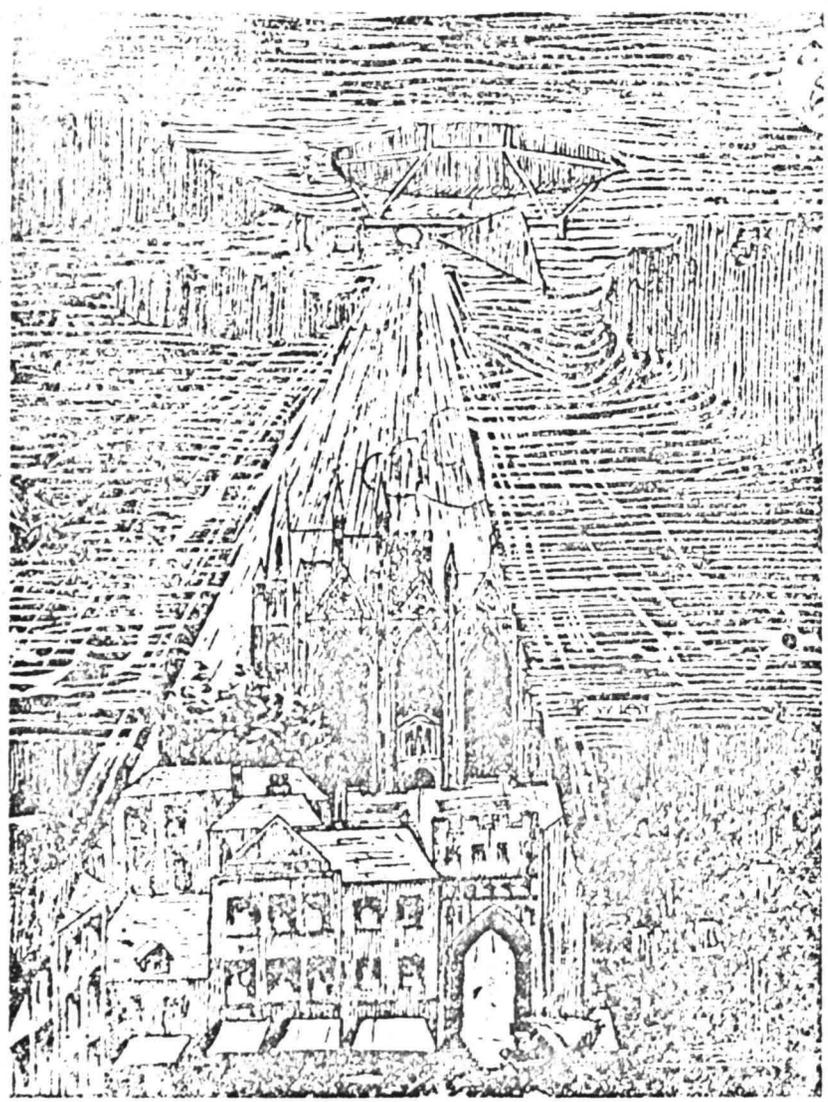
"Many of the alleged sightings are just ordinary aircraft seen at a different angle to make them appear as balls of light," said Mrs Patricia Barnes, secretary.

"But cases such as the 1909 one are almost definitely genuine," she affirmed.

NAOMI PHILLIPSON

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An artist's impression of Pc Kettle's sighting published in the *Advertiser* on March 24 1909. Note the amazed guardian of the law at the bottom and a somewhat indignant moon top right. The accompanying text recorded: "Our Artist has endeavoured to give picturesque plausibility to the gallant Policeman's vision."

Peterborough Advertiser
London June 28, 1974

Macksville, Guardian-News (N.S.W)

A planet or UFO?

One Nambucca resident, Mr. Des Hill, is still asking himself if he saw a planet in the eastern skies this week or an unidentified flying object.

Des was fishing on the wall on Tuesday night (or the early hours of Wednesday morning) when he saw a bright light above Wellington Rock.

The light seemed to be capable of moving at terrific speeds.

First it appeared to hover and when the light

filtered through light cloud cover, appeared to be cylindrical in shape and looked hollow.

Examination through binoculars seemed to indicate that the light came from many small windows, joined into one mass.

According to other fishermen, the light appeared at about 1.30 a.m. and stayed on till after 4.

On Wednesday night Mr. Hill called on local police on inspect the object.

On this occasion the light appeared to be stationary although it changed colour in a cloudless sky.

Police said the object could be a planet.

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Skeptical Norland Man Says He Is No Longer UFO Doubter

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Fishing Party Sights Five Over Area

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Mr. Boyce said there were about a dozen people in the fishing party and there was therefore no doubt but what they had seen was real, however unexplainable it might be. If it hadn't been for the erratic flight pattern he said shooting stars might have been a logical explanation for what they had witnessed but there was absolutely no similarity between the way these flying objects moved and any shooting star he had ever witnessed.

Skeptical Norland Fishing — There's no doubt in the mind of a Norland sporting goods store operator that there are more things in the sky than those which can be satisfactorily explained away.

Something of a skeptic who operates on the theory that 'seeing is believing', Jim Boyce says he was skeptical when smelt fishing companions told him they had sighted a UFO while he was away getting something from his car.

Fishing at a creek on Highway 503 with some friends and their sons, he says he was inclined to laugh the whole thing off when they told him what they had seen but changed his mind minutes later when he was a witness to a series of sky-borne objects for which he had no ready explanation.

Recalling the incident, Mr. Boyce said it occurred around 9:00 p.m. and the night was dark when moments after the first sighting, four more successive sightings were made by the whole group. He told The Post whatever they were they came out of the west and didn't follow any set pattern. Flying quite high and giving off lights alternating in color from blue to orange, they maneuvered in different ways. Each one was visible for only a few minutes and the series of sightings lasted over a period of about half an hour. Of the five observed coming over from the west, two seemed to reach a point almost directly overhead and then zoom straight up. The other three veered off in different directions—one south, one northwest and one east. Speed was incredible, he said, as each one scooted across the sky in a matter of seconds.

This latest report is just another in a series of unexplained aerial sightings extending back into last winter, many of which have been in the Haliburton Highlands area but two at least having been witnessed south of Lindsay.

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THE UNEXPLAINED

Tales Of UFO Visitors Stranger Than Fiction

L.204 By ALLAN SPRAGETT CANADA

In October 1973, a U.S. Army helicopter over Ohio met a UFO that whisked it 2,000 feet straight up, though at the time the helicopter's controls were set in the dive position. Fact or fiction? In the same month two fishermen in Mississippi were taken aboard a UFO by "crab men" who subjected them to some sort of physical examination, then released them. One of the men later passed a lie detector test. Fact or fiction?

The U.S. Army and other researchers and the only "normal" explanation offered was the casual suggestion by one astronomer that the helicopter crew may have been "hallucinated." On Oct. 11, 1973, in the now-celebrated case of the crab men of Pascagoula, 42-year-old Charles Hickson and 19-year-old Calvin Parker said they were accosted by a UFO while fishing, "floated" aboard it by creatures with leathery skin and pincers for hands, and subjected to a head-to-toe examination by a "giant eye."

Beings from aboard a UFO showed a New Hampshire housewife a "star map" which she later drew under hypnosis and which showed actual stars the woman couldn't at the time have known existed. Fact or fiction?

The Blums quote a report of a lie detector test, taken by Hickson, two weeks after the experience, in which the polygraphist concluded that Hickson "believed" he was telling the truth.

These, and other cases like them, are reported by husband-wife team, Roy and Judy Blum, who started looking into UFOs, they say, with open mind. They claim to still have them.

But was the truth that the experience, though real, occurred only in the minds of the two men?

"My mind's very open as to the final interpretation of the UFO phenomenon," said Blum in an interview. A 42-year-old New Yorker, former Fulbright scholar and Russian language expert, he has written three novels, including two science fiction works well received by the critics.

To this question, Roy Blum replied: "I believe that their experience was the result of an external stimulus." He refused to speculate about the nature of the stimulus.

But his latest book, Beyond Earth: Man's Contact with UFOs, isn't fiction but fact, he says. He submits the evidence and the reader makes up his own mind. Consider some of the evidence.

However, the Blums aren't so coy in their book where it's made plain that they favor the theory that UFOs are spacecraft. And, they suggest, we may have a pretty good club where some of them come from.

On the night of Oct. 18, 1973, Army Capt. Lawrence J. Coyne, 36, was piloting a Huey helicopter with three other reservists aboard on a flight from Columbus to Cleveland, Ohio. Suddenly, at an altitude of 2,500 feet, the captain and crew saw a red light approaching on a collision course. Coyne, a veteran of 20 years of military flying put the helicopter into a dive to avoid hitting or being hit by the object.

The Blums cite research by an Ohio Grade 3 schoolteacher, Marjorie Fish, on a "star map" drawn under hypnosis in 1963 by Mrs. Betty Hill of Portsmouth, N.H. Mrs. Hill, with her now deceased husband, Barney, allegedly was taken aboard a UFO examined by "humanoids," and released. The map was said to be a reproduction of one which the UFO commander had shown Betty Hill, indicating a certain planetary system, as his craft's home base.

The helicopter dropped 2,000 feet. Meanwhile, the mystery object appeared to stop momentarily about 500 feet above the helicopter.

Mrs. Fish claims to have identified the stars in the map as parts of actual constellations which, in some cases, were unknown to astronomers when the map was drawn.

"We never saw anything like it before," said Coyne. "It was a cigar-shaped craft with a glowing steady red light on its leading edge. A green light emitted from the rear of the craft filled our cabin with a green glow. It was eerie."

"No astronomer on earth between 1961 and 1964 could have known that," Dr. Allen Hynek, head of the astronomy department at Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., is reported to have said of certain features of the map.

What was even more eerie was that when the UFO "streaked away" Coyne discovered that the helicopter had risen some 2,000 feet from the low point reached in its dive, though none of the crew had felt the gravitational pull normally felt when a helicopter rises.

The UFOs home base, according to the map, is a planet orbiting one of two stars, identified as Zeta Reticula One and Two. Both are a mere 30 light years from earth (a light year being the distance that light, at a speed of 186,000 miles per second, travels in one year).

This case, say Roy and Judy Blum, has been investigated by

That's a long trip. But, as Roy and Judy Blum see it, evidently not too far for somebody who really wants to pay you a visit.

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UFO Reported

A West Moncton resident this morning reported a Monday night sighting of an unidentified flying object in the vicinity of the city approach to a Moncton Airport runway.

Doug Spinks of 41 Killam Drive said he watched what he initially thought was a low-flying airplane for about a minute and a half Monday around 10 p.m. before realizing there was something different about the illuminated object.

Mr. Spinks estimated that the craft was little more than 1,500 feet above his home when a small light on the rear of the UFO broke away and fell earthward. Seconds later, the entire object, lights and all, disappeared.

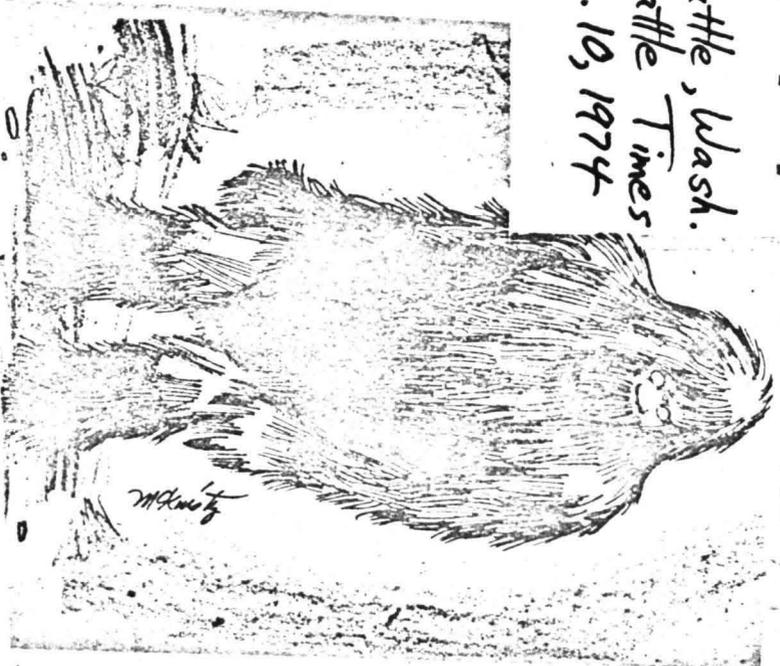
A spokesman for the Ministry of Transport air traffic control centre at Moncton Airport said this morning the runway approach which would normally cross the Killam Drive district and the centre of the city was closed to traffic flow Monday night.

He indicated that the only aircraft flying in the vicinity at the approximate time of the reported sighting was a small Moncton Flying Club plane.

Why, it's a s-s-Sasquatch,

p-p-presume

Seattle, Wash.
Seattle Times
Jun. 10, 1974



brother and uncle went back to the scene, but they also found no clues of significance.

McLennan said he doesn't know how he would react if he saw the creature again. "Maybe I wouldn't grin quite as fast, but I still wouldn't shake hands with it," he said.

AND IN ANSWER to a question some might ask, McLennan was quick to reply he never drinks. "I get sick if I even try it. All I had last night was Coca-Cola."

McLennan's mother, Mrs. Josephine McLennan, vouched for her son's story. She talked to him last night and this morning about the experience.

"If he's trying to feed you a line his eyes are twinkling all the time," she said. "But when he's got a straight face he's telling the truth."

"His eyes weren't twinkling at all last night. Even this morning he had a white look on his face when talking about it."

By ERIC LACITIS
Driving home last night from visiting his girl friend in Maple Valley, Tony McLennan believes he met a Sasquatch.

At least his description could make it pass for the legendary Northwest mountain creature.

Today, McLennan described his experience: "I had a complete feeling of total fear."

McLennan, 29, of Tukwila, spotted the creature at 10:30 p. m. while driving in Lake Francis Road one mile east of Cedar Grove Road in Maple Valley.

HE SAID he thought at first the creature was an injured dog.

"It was just laying there off the side of the road, kind of curled up. I came to a dead stop (about eight feet away) to check it," McLennan said.

"But in five seconds it started to rise. It just pulled itself up by its front arms. It stood there and stared straight at me with a curious-type look."

McLennan said the creature was covered with dark hair, was about 6 to 8 feet tall and had eyes that glowed red much the same way "a bear's eyes glow when you shine light into them."

The Tukwila man, a mechanic at the Ideal Paper Stock Co., in Seattle, decided to leave as soon as possible.

"I just thought, 'Hey, there's an animal out there and it's bigger than me!'" McLennan said.

HE SAID he did not hear the creature utter any sounds and that it never moved from its original position.

McLennan said he had a .22-caliber pistol with him in the truck, but the thought of shooting the creature never crossed his mind.

"I didn't want to hurt it and have it attack," he said. "And it wasn't hurting me none."

Minutes after he drove away, McLennan flagged down a King County police car. Then he and two policemen went back to the site to investigate.

THEY FOUND nothing, except a beaten-down path through foliage leading back to the woods by the road.

McLennan then drove to his home and he and a

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Team of Scientists Keeping Lookout For Fabled Big Foot of Northwest

THE DALLES, Ore. — A team of scientists has begun a sophisticated search for Big Foot, the fabled hairy ape-man of the American Northwest.

The 10-member team, commissioned by the National Wildlife Association, includes a biologist, a medical doctor and several archeologists.

They are using this Oregon city of 11,000, located where the Columbia River leaves the rugged Cascade Range at the foot of Mount Hood's north slope, as their base of operations.

The Big Foot search party is keeping a vigil on a rocky promontory high above the river near the Dalles.

Their watch is aided by sophisticated optical instruments and night-time photographic equipment.

The barren post is in the midst of deep, shadowy crags that seem to appeal to Big Foot, for in past years many have reported seeing him prowling these heights.

Team members, however, report no new sightings.

They are using as their headquarters the new Big Foot-Sasquatch Exhibition and Information Center in the Dalles. Sasquatch is the Indian name for the ape-like creature that some believe has inhabited these mountains and forests for many years.

Big Foot's notoriety has grown to the point that he rivals the Himalayas' Abominable Snowman or Yeti, and Scotland's Loch Ness monster in folklorish mystery and scientific fascination.

Peter Byrne, the Irish explorer who recently founded the Big Foot Museum, considers it most fortunate that the opening coincided with the beginning of the National Wildlife Federation's search project.

Byrne is a friend of Robert Morgan, head of the Federation's team. The two men searched for the Himalayan Yeti together on a previous expedition.

The current search is being financed with money donated to the Federation by an unidentified woman at Fort Lauderdale, Fla., who has long been interested in getting the goods on Big Foot once and for all.

Byrne says there has been some misunderstanding about the financing and the nature of the Federation. He assures those who protest the expenditure of \$29,000 to find what may be a wild goose, rather than a fearsome man-beast, that the Federation is a privately endowed organization, not a government agency.

Byrne set up his Museum in a 60-foot trailer on the western edge of the Dalles. Above it

waves a yellow pennant bearing a huge black footprint.

Inside, the walls are crowded with reprints of news articles, photographs, charts and drawings, all featuring Big Foot. Display cases contain plaster casts of the creature's tracks and the skulls of prehistoric humanoids.

Byrne himself has never caught a glimpse of Big Foot, but is 99 per cent sure that the elusive giant exists.

"The accounts of other people — reliable, stable people * * *, I have discussed Big Foot with enough of those who have claimed sightings that I believe I know accurately whether someone is telling the truth about what he saw.

"I can't discredit many of the reports I have heard."

Byrne argues that Big Foot sightings have been reported over a span of too many years to be a hoax. The Museum walls bear copies of newspaper articles about hairy apes in the Northwest dating back to the 1850s.

One purpose of the Museum, he said, is to act as a clearing house for Big Foot facts. People who have sighted the creature are eagerly sought.

The Center is offering a \$1,000 reward to anyone "providing information that leads directly to a find by the Center's investiga-

tive team, a find that is deemed of value."

Byrne says some people have been reluctant to report Big Foot sightings. They fear ridicule for lying or hallucinating. He says he will preserve the anonymity of anyone who wishes it.

Though this Wasco County town is by far the largest in the area, it is not the likeliest focus for Big Foot attention.

Folks here have never been appreciably Big Foot-conscious, whereas Skamania and Klickitat Counties across the river in Washington have been hotbeds of Big Foot speculation for years.

In Skamania County, for example, a flurry of Big Foot sightings stirred the scattered populace in 1969. Lest the furry monster be hunted down by a mob and slain, the county Board of Commissioners enacted an emergency ordinance decreeing that anyone who "willfully and wantonly" kills Big Foot can be tossed in jail for five years.

The law still stands.

The Sasquatch Hunters—'We've Got a Lead' 3 Years of Sifting Rumors

BY STEPHEN GREEN

P-I Staff

THE DALLES, Ore. — "We've got one interesting lead," confided Peter Byrne as he gazed across the balsalt-studded cliffs of the Columbia Gorge.

"It's like a thread in a blanket of mystery, but it's all we've got. Several people saw "something." We consider them to be fairly credible sources."

Byrne, a soft-spoken Englishman who helped lead four Abominable Snowman expeditions in the Himalayas, has been on the track of the Northwest's legendary Sasquatch for three years.

This summer he's part of an eight-man team of scientists, trackers and researchers sifting out a few plausible facts from vast amounts of Sasquatch hokum.

It's an unusual bunch, as Sasquatch hunters go.

People setting out to find the gorilla-like monsters who allegedly stalk the Cascade Range are often a little weird. Some speak of conversations with Jesus or creatures from other planets.

Four members of Byrne's group make their living in biology, archaeology, anthropology and botany. Byrne is a former tiger hunter with 25 years of Africa and Asia experience behind him.

Together, they hope to prove once and for all that giant humanoids stalk the 54,000-square-mile wilderness of the Cascades. They're convinced the evidence refutes the popular belief that the Sasquatch is simply a hobgoblin of numerous fertile imaginations.

The National Wildlife Federation in Washington, D.C., and the Academy of Applied Sciences in Boston thought enough of the group to put \$50,000 into the expedition.

Byrne refused to disclose the identity of the person who made the sighting this summer or the location where tracks were allegedly found.

"If it got out (where the sighting took place) we'd have a hundred kooks with rifles up there," Byrne apologized. "I promise you that we'll make the facts of the incident known once everything has been thoroughly investigated."

Byrne has checked out 76 possible sightings during the last three years. His first year of hunting was spent in the Colville, Wash., area. For the last two years he's been based in The Dalles while concentrating the search in the Columbia Gorge and the remote area between Mt. St. Helens and Mt. Adams.

Byrne spent 16 years leading big game and Abominable Snowman expeditions in Nepal.

In 1968 he gave up hunting and founded the now defunct International Wildlife Conservation Society. Since then he's devoted his time to protecting endangered species and hunting for unexplained phenomena like the Sasquatch.

Other members of the team came last spring and will continue searching until the grant money runs out in the fall. Byrne's co-leader, biologist Robert Morgan, has previously spent two years in the area on National Wildlife Federation hunts.

"Most of the information we get is very old, incomplete or just pure bunk," Byrne sighed.

He puts the alleged Sasquatch sighting in Maple Valley near Seattle last month in the "bunk" category.

"That guy was sure they're tied into outer space somehow," Byrne continued. "He thinks the reason one's never been captured is that they live underground and travel through huge tunnels that go all the way to San Diego. That kind of people make the job so much more difficult for us."

Another alleged Sasquatch sighting this summer turned out to be a good-sized bear. Still another "huge monster" left tracks like an elk.

Much more Sasquatch lore is com-

ing to light since the team set up a house trailer information center and museum at the west end of The Dalles.

Clippings, photographs and other Sasquatch data are on display along with exhibits on primitive men.

"The center is turning out to be one of the most valuable parts of the effort," said Dee Dee Killeen, a researcher with the expedition.

"People who've seen something and have been afraid to talk about it have come in or phone here. We guarantee that everything they say will be held in strict confidence. No one will laugh no matter how hairy a tale they have to tell. That makes them more willing to talk.

Byrne added, "We're getting about one piece of good information per week. That may not sound like much, but it's really a lot for this kind of thing."

Part of the team spends its time in the field scouting remote areas for signs of the elusive prey. Others are rumor chasing and doing research.

Much of the field work involves visiting secluded areas with good foliage cover. If someone saw something there in early August of 1972, for example, a team member will try to search the area about the same time this year in the event that the creature returns to the same place.

In some areas, like a rocky valley west of The Dalles, a blind has been built and manned around the clock at certain times.

"Nine different people saw something there in late May of '71, Byrne said, we were here waiting and watching in late May. There was nothing."

If the Sasquatch is a hoax, "then it's a hoax that's been perpetuated in a wide geographical area for 160 years," Byrne maintains. "Hundreds of people have seen something. We're not sure just what it is, but I've come to believe it's humanoid. We hope to find it and photograph it. My greatest fear is that some kook will shoot one."

Byrne cited four factors for his belief that some offshoot of the evolutionary chain is lurking in the Cascades:

- A 163-year written history of sightings in diaries, newspapers and books. The first record was found in the diary of surveyor David Thompson who found huge, unexplained footprints on two occasions during 1811.

- Analysis of footprints found in areas stretching from Northern California to central British Columbia. Many were phony, but others were either real or very good fakes.

- Sightings by people considered credible.

- A 1967 film shot by two Sasquatch hunters in Northern Califor-

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A crawly nightmare

WINNIPEG (Special-UPI) — A vast army of caterpillars is chewing its way through Manitoba, turning farm life for hundreds of families into a black, crawling nightmare. They are fighting a round-the-clock battle against the pests.

"Once the sun comes up and it gets warm, they begin moving en masse — like a carpet," Mrs. Henry Mozdzon of Alonsa, about 180 miles northwest of Winnipeg, said yesterday.

"The windows are covered with them. I can't work in the garden any more. You just shovel them from one place to another."

A neighbor has found caterpillars dropping down the chimney and crawling up through the water heater. Other residents are shovelling the pests into buckets, covering them with fuel oil and setting them alight.

The hardest-hit region is a 25-mile area just west of Lake Winnipeg. At one point, between Arborg and Erksdale, an infestation stretches 12 miles long and three miles wide. Trees have been completely stripped of leaves.

The caterpillars, black with green stripes and white specks on top, often appear at this time of year — but never in such numbers. They are expected to remain until the end of the month, then become cocoons and evolve into moths about the end of July.

Now Where's That Sphere?

Mrs. Jerri Betz, whose discovery of a strange metal sphere on her property sparked a scientific inquiry, said Tuesday she still owns the sphere, but it is not in her home.

Mrs. Betz refused to disclose the whereabouts of the approximately 25-pound sphere which she found in early April while walking with her husband and son on the grounds of their Ft. George Island home.

"Our lawyers have advised us to refrain from discussing the whereabouts of the sphere," said Mrs. Betz.

"We have taken security precautions to protect it from possible theft or damage."

MRS. BETZ says she still believes the ball may have extraterrestrial powers, although a group of scientists who studied the sphere in New Orleans at a conference on unidentified flying objects (UFO) concluded it was probably man-made.

Shortly after the discovery, a Jacksonville mill supply house produced a sphere having the same weight and dimensions as the Betz ball which is used as a floating stopper in valves which operate paper pulp mill machines.

The mill supply house said one of the balls could have been discarded by a nearby paper mill and somehow found its way onto the Betz property.

Mrs. Betz said the sphere "is still doing what it did before — emitting strange noises and vibrating wildly from some source within the ball itself."

"Even the scientists don't know yet what makes it do these things."

SHE SAID THE sphere still has three separate magnetic poles which scientists have identified by marks on the surface of the metal.

When the Betz family first discovered the sphere, they found that it made their pet dog whimper and cover its ears with its paws whenever it was nearby.

This led scientists to conjecture that the object may be emitting some form of high-frequency radio signals. But the UFO scientists, who attended a conference sponsored by the National Enquirer newspaper, said the object was constructed of some type of stainless steel made on earth.

The enquirer has offered a \$50,000 reward to anyone who produces an object that can be proven to have come from outer space.

Mrs. Betz has not received the \$50,000 from the newspaper. But she says a group which is studying similar phenomena has offered her \$750,000 for it.

She said she declined the offer because she didn't want to see the sphere lost to science.

She refused to identify the name of the group, saying that she was acting on the advice of her lawyers.

ABOMINABLE SNOWMAN SLUGS GIRL

KATMANDU, Nepal (AP) — malayan foothills adjoining Everest. Nepal's national news agency reported Wednesday that the Himalayas' legendary Abominable Snowman had knocked out a teen-aged Nepali girl near Mt. Everest.

The agency said the 19-year-old girl claimed the yeti, as the snowman is known among the mountain folk, knocked her unconscious and killed five yaks she was shepherding at a height of 14,000 feet in the Himalayas.

According to the agency, the girl also claimed the yeti had four feet but could walk faster by using only two feet. According to the news agency, district authorities have sent foreign expeditions that have searched for it as proof that it does exist.

Snowman's prints found

KATMANDU (UPI) — Nepalese police have found clear hand and foot prints of a creature which attacked a 19-year-old shepherdess in a remote Himalayan mountain area, according to a report from the official Nepal news agency.

The unidentified girl said she was attacked by a yeti — abominable snowman — which killed five yaks in her herd a week ago near the village of Pheriche at the foot of Mt. Everest, the world's highest mountain.

The news agency said the animal's hand prints, which the girl preserved by covering them with boulders until police could arrive to verify her story, were 10.5 inches long and four inches wide. Its foot prints were 12.5 by 4.5 inches.

The girl said the creature was covered with thick black hair on the lower part of its body and brown hair on top.

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nia. One of the hunters is now dead and the other lives in seclusion near Yakima. "It took me a long time to accept the film as real," Byrne said. Numerous scientists have examined the 28-second segment with mixed results. "What convinced me was the animation experts at the Disney Studios," Byrne said. "They studied it closely and agreed that if it's a fake, it's a magnificently done fake" by men with no technical expertise who also happened to be broke at the time the film was taken. "She was definitely female," Byrne noted, pointing out blowups of the film at the Center. "Unlike an ape she had breasts and buttocks. The most convincing thing was the way she walked. It was fluid and natural. "The Disney people said they could probably duplicate it with some kind of robot. But it would be very expensive." Asked why bones or fossil remains have never turned up, expedition staff members explained that

archaeological digs normally take place in lowland areas rather than a Sasquatch's mountain habitat. In addition, bones of bear or deer are rarely found in the wild. Rodents chew them up in a season. As to the infrequency of sightings, Ms. Killeen pointed out that her father, a retired forester, spent 30 years in the Oregon woods and never saw a cougar. Yet it has been documented that there are quite a few of them in the mountains. "Things have only to be alert, physically fit and shy to hide and remain hidden," Byrne believes. He discounted frequently advanced theories that Sasquatches have highly developed ESP and use it to avoid man. "Highly developed senses, yes," Byrne acknowledged. "There's nothing magic or supernatural about this." Despite all the random evidence, expedition members point out that the best proof in existence dates back to 1884. In that year, a railroad gang captured what is believed to have been

a half grown Sasquatch at Spuzzum Flat on the Fraser River in British Columbia. They called the creature Jacko and took him to the nearby siding of Yale where in the next two years he was examined by several dozen newsmen and hundreds of curiosity seekers. At the time of his capture, Jacko weighed 127 pounds and stood four feet, seven inches. Wrote a reporter for the Victoria Daily Colonist: "He has long, black, strong hair, and resembles a human being with one exception. His entire body, excepting his hands and feet, is covered with glossy hair about one-inch long. His fore-arm is much longer than a man's fore-arm, and he possesses extraordinary strength." Reports of Jacko were published in area newspapers for the next two years. Then he dropped from the news never to be heard of again. As late as 1946, however a reporter found residents of the area who had seen him. To skeptics, expedition members point out that Jacko — a Sasquatch, escapee from a circus, mutation or whatever — was captured 90 years ago. It was the same year that the Trans-Canada Railroad connected British Columbia with the rest of the world. Also, it was before scientists had demonstrated that true apes have never existed in this hemisphere. Since then wilderness travelers of all sorts have reported signs and sightings of huge ape-like creatures that walk upright, emit eerie screams in the night, and have a musk that even Right Guard couldn't subdue. Sasquatches have reportedly harassed campers, pulverized dogs and kidnaped lone hunters and skiers. A California woman claimed she was raped by one. A group of miners on Mt. St. Helens insisted their cabin was attacked by a whole tribe. Investigators found their boulder-bashed cabin and lots of tracks. But it took a sports writer for a Portland newspaper to discover that all of the tracks were for the right foot. Byrne and his team have heard all those stories and hundreds more. But they're not discouraged from chasing a legend that, at best, puts them on the fringe of the scientific community. They're convinced that at some time they'll be in the right place at the right time. Then the textbooks will have to be updated as they have been 10,000 times before. What will they all do then? "Once we've photographed it, once I've proved it to myself, my job is finished here," Byrne reflected. "I've got several projects in mind to go on to. There's still the Yeti (Abominable Snowman). I think we've got to do a lot more looking for him before we give up the hunt."

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CR: J.B. MUSGRAVE
Great hairy beast visits B.C. boys' camp
CANADA

VANCOUVER (CP) — A Vancouver youth project director says he saw a Sasquatch last Thursday night, but tried to keep the sighting of the seven-or eight-foot-tall hairy creature a secret to keep the camp where it was seen from being overrun with curiosity seekers.

Wayne Jones, director of the Durbar-West Point Grey Youth Project, said he watched the creature for about five minutes after it came around the corner of a building about 25 feet away at the head of Harrison Lake, about 70 miles east of here.

Over the years there have been several sightings reported of Sasquatches in western British Columbia, and in the United States northwest, where the creatures are known as "Bigfoot." A scientific study into the possible existence of the human-like beasts is currently underway in Oregon.

Word of the Harrison Lake sighting leaked out through someone who had been working with the young people at the camp. Mr. Jones said he had sworn the 30 youngsters at the camp to secrecy to keep the camp from being deluged with Sasquatch hunters.

He said the creature looked more like a human than a bear.

"It had a well-rounded head with long ears and arms," he said. "It was big, something between seven and eight feet tall. It was huge. My first reaction was 'My God, what is this'. It was quite wet and I could make out that it was covered with hair, not fur."

He said the creature left when startled by flashlights of a few campers. "A few of them saw it then and all of them heard it crashing through the bush," he said. Casts are being made of footprints left behind. They are 15 inches long, six inches wide and each has what appear to be five toes. Mr. Jones said only prints of a right foot were found.

Thing From Deep Up a Creek

Strange Mammal in N.J. Stream

By JUDY RUSSELL

For three weeks, the long, sleek form of an ocean-going mammal has been seen gliding, through the murky, polluted waters of Matawan Creek near Keyport, N.J.

Its estimated seven-foot length makes it too long to be a harbor porpoise, and its dark gray or black color means it probably isn't a bottlenosed dolphin, both native to the ocean waters off the New Jersey coast.

Whatever it is, it has no business being in the creek and its life has been endangered by children throwing stones, teenagers firing at it with a rifle and passing motorboats whose operators buzz near the creature.

Despite the fact that all marine mammals are protected against harassment by federal law, an apparent breakdown in communications has caused the three-week delay in protecting the animal from area residents.

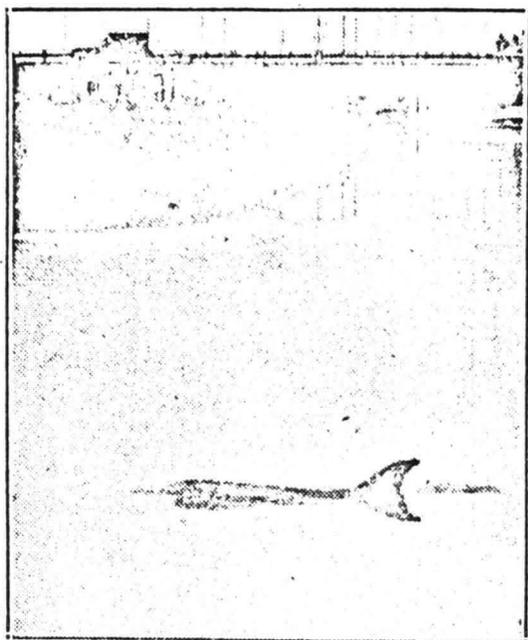
According to Teddy Schubert, a biologist with the New Jersey Division of Fish and Game, the state does not have the authority to remove the creature from the creek. She said it is strictly up to the federal government.

When questioned by a News reporter, regional director William Gordon of the National Marine Fisheries Service said his agency has not been informed of the mammal's presence in the creek. He promised to turn it over to his law-enforcement division.

Alan Mager, chief of the division in Gloucester, Mass., said he would send an agent today to "take a look at the situation and see what needs to be done to protect" the mammal.

He said the animal was protected against being harassed, hunted, captured or killed by the 1972 federal Marine Mammal Act. Penalties for violating the act range from a \$10,000 fine for an accidental violation to both a \$20,000 fine and a year in jail for purposefully breaking the law.

Miss Schubert said the mammal followed



News photo by Harry Hamburg

The mammal of Matawan Creek.

a fishing boat from the ocean into Raritan Bay to the mouth of the Keyport harbor.

From there, it apparently swam on its own up the waters of the creek and now travels from the area underneath the Route 35 bridge only as far as the Keyport Marina.

"I'm really worried about it," said Robert DeSilvestri, owner of the marina. I'd sure hate to see it get killed, but the kids keep pestering it all the time."

Lemuel A. Smith, owner of Snug Harbor Marine Inc., echoed him. "The kids have been terrible. I keep trying to chase them away."

Alberta
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YETI LEFT HIS PRINTS IN HIMALAYA SNOWS

KATMANDU (Reuter)—Nepalese police have confirmed evidence of an encounter between a yak herder and a yeti, the abominable snowman of the Himalayas, reports reaching here said Thursday.

The Nepalese news agency said a team of police sent to verify the story returned with photographs of footprints the young Sherpa herder said she marked with stones.

The agency said the police found the footprints at a place called Marche, situated above Periche, the last inhabited area in the Everest region. The footprints were found at an elevation of about 14,000 feet.

Lapka Sherpani, 19, said she was knocked unconscious and five of her yaks were killed by the yeti. She said the creature was covered in dark, thick hair.

Police said the footprints were between 10 and 12 inches long and more than four inches wide.

SPIDERS

BLOT OUT AUSSIE SKY

SYDNEY, Australia (Reuter) — Millions of spiders floating across the sky on webs are causing communications chaos in rural southeastern Australia.

Whole clouds of spiders thousands of feet high often blot out the sky, and dew falling on webs spun between telephone wires has caused short circuits, disrupting service.

A Canberra entomologist says the spiders can be controlled by spraying, but this might harm livestock. "They will eventually go away of their own accord," he said.

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He said, however, the story reached the news media accidentally and he was determined not to encourage its spread.

(Alberta)

CR: J.B. MUSGRAVE
Sasquatch seekers snubbed

snubbed

HARRISON LAKE, B. C. (CP) — A frigid welcome awaits any would-be Sasquatch hunters at a remote camp on this lake about 80 miles northwest of Vancouver.

"This is private property and anyone who comes here will be asked to leave," camp director Wayne Jones said.

Mr. Jones saw what he believed was a Sasquatch at the camp last Thursday, but kept the sighting secret until Tuesday.

Then the visitors began dropping in at the camp at the foot of a 7,800-foot mountain, five miles from the head of Harrison Lake.

There were two California men on a fishing trip, three professional Sasquatch hunters including B.C.'s well-known Rene Dahinden, and a reporter and photographer.

They got an excited friendly welcome from about 40 Vancouver teenagers, many of them emotionally disturbed, who are camping here for the summer.

Several claimed to have seen the Sasquatch Friday.

Mr. Jones, who had left the camp for several days, returned Tuesday and ordered all the youngsters to stop talking about the Sasquatch.

He said he would block the road and a gravel strip on which the Californians landed their plane.

Mr. Jones assured the youngsters he is still convinced it was a Sasquatch he saw for four or five minutes as he sat beside a campfire Thursday.

Deep in the dark waters of Lake Conway lurks a terrible monster (or maybe not)

It's still as dark and deep as ever in the hidden away recesses of Lake Conway. The water still rolls mysteriously at times and presumably the same finny monsters lurk there that plagued the imaginations on the first fishermen to ply those waters when the lake was created more than 20 years ago.

But one thing is missing these days: the Lake Conway Monster.

There was many a tale in 1953 and even earlier about this creature who was once dragged to the surface on a trotline, only to push away from the boat and its big-eyed occupant, and slither back into the dark water. One man shot at it and the story ran all over the state, growing larger with each telling.

Then, nothing.

Was it just a hoax? Most would say yes, and some cynics even viewed the stories as a means to promote interest in the new lake.

Maybe that was it.

Anyway, here's a review of

sorts for those who were too young or too far away to follow the breathless accounts first hand of what a front page article in the April 11, 1953 issue of the Log Cabin Democrat described as a "mysterious creature in Lake Conway."

Reports had circulated for some time before the 1953 story. In fact, according to the story, "reports of persons seeing a strange marine creature stirring the waters of Lake Conway have been circulated about southeastern Faulkner County since before the area was inundated."

One man, a carpenter living east of the lake and about six miles south of Saultillo, fired two shots at an animal which he couldn't describe while he was fishing in the lake.

He was reluctant to be interviewed about it, saying he feared he would be ridiculed.

He saw the "back of its head,"

he said, and the head was "bigger than a man's." He went on to confess he had "never seen anything like it before."

The man said he was casting for bass in shallow water when he noted a stirring motion in the water some distance away. Thinking it had to be feed fish, he approached silently. The motion moved toward his boat, past it to a distance of about 40 feet and then back again. Up to that time he had seen only the movement in the water.

The disturbance ceased about 25 feet away and in a moment a "head" came to the surface in some brush as the creature's body also became visible. It was larger than a man, and had no hair, only dark brown frog-like skin, he said. He could see no ears or eyes and it did not move.

The man took aim with his .32 caliber pistol and fired once. The bullet went high. The animal remained still, and the man fired again, whereupon the creature thrashed about for a moment and disappeared.

The fisherman waited for a moment, then moved his boat to the spot where he had last seen

the creature. He dipped his paddle to the bottom, stirred it about and momentarily felt a vigorous motion.

The water swirled about as the creature moved away, the man said, and then the surface was calm again. There was no trace of blood in the water, he added.

Later that day, the fisherman returned to the lake with a friend and they searched in hopes the creature had been wounded or killed and they might find it. No luck.

The fisherman told the newspaper reporter that he had fished and hunted in the area for many years, and insisted he was making no outlandish claims.

Articles published a year before had told of another fisherman who found what he described as a freakish animal of about 80 pounds on his trotline. He pulled it to his boat, the man said, looked at it, and then the creature pushed away from the boat and disappeared.

On June 5, 1953, there was another account of the "monster."

A 13-year-old Conway boy was fishing out of Brannon's Landing when he hooked something which yanked his rod, reel, line and all out of his hands and disappeared "in large waves."

It was, the youngster said, "the thing."

Was it? CR: Lou Farish

'Sasquatch' hair human

By our county news bureau
The strand of "Sasquatch" hair tested in the King County crime laboratory this week is human hair. Criminalist K. M. Sweeney, who made the test, said he had no idea whether the single strand was from the body of the alleged sasquatch that Tony McLennan says he saw near Tukwila Sunday night.

"But if the strand is from the 'sasquatch' or what was seen by McLennan, the sasquatch is a human. Of course, I have no standards on this," Sweeney said.

McLennan claims he saw a dark creature over six feet tall with glowing red eyes and covered with dark hair. The strand of hair examined was silver white.

Sweeney said the hair was very dirty which could, in part, account for early police reports they had found hair at the site which was dark in color and very coarse.

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Caterpillar plague hits Manitoba

WINNIPEG (UPI) — An army of tent-caterpillars is stripping thousands of acres of foliage in parts of Manitoba.

"Roads are slippery with the bodies of the crushed pests, piled five inches deep in places.

"Once the sun comes up they begin moving . . . like a black carpet," Mrs. Henry Mozdzon, whose family farms near Alonsa, about 180 miles northwest of Winnipeg, said.

"The windows are completely covered with them," Mrs. Mozdzon said. She is keeping her two children, aged 2 and 4, indoors and

has managed to keep the caterpillars out.

But a neighbor said caterpillars are dropping down a chimney and crawling up into a water heater. Other residents are shovelling them into buckets, covering them with fuel oil and setting them alight.

"But more come back.

There's nothing you can do," Mrs. Mozdzon said.

Hardest hit is a 25-mile area west of Lake Manitoba, which includes Alonsa, Arrows, Edgeworth and McCreary. At one point, an infestation stretches 12 miles long and three miles across.

"Leaves are completely stripped. It's extremely severe. The area is carpeted with caterpillars," an agriculture department spokesman said in Lundar, 60 miles northeast of Winnipeg.

A provincial agriculture spokesman in Winnipeg said

residents should have sprayed two weeks ago, before the eggs hatched.

The plague has reached its peak, he said.

The inch-long caterpillars, black with green stripes and white specks, rarely appear in such numbers, entomologists say.

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Joe Mosby

That Monster At Conway ARKANSAS Of the Gazette Staff

CONWAY — The civic leaders of Conway are really missing the boat. Here they have a tremendous natural resource and they're keeping it hidden. Or seemingly so.

They've got so many things going for them in Conway — three busy, growing colleges; a whole slew of small and medium-size industries, and more coming in; an expanding, prosperous population.

But these folks, these leaders aren't doing the first thing about the Lake Conway Monster.

It's a glaring oversight. What better addition to a well-founded, modern community could there be than its own healthy, resident monster? Lake Conway has a good one, too.

Now we're all familiar with the Fouke Monster. He even got into the movies. Fouke is just a little bitty place down the other side of Texarkana, but folks there are quick to tell you about their monster. At Newport, the White River Monster even has an officially-declared sanctuary to live in. He's endorsed by the city council. When the sanctuary was established two or three years ago, it made the national wire services, and newspapers in places like Bergen, N.J., and Billings, Mont., devoted two or three paragraphs on Page 24-B to Newport's White River Monster Sanctuary.

But in Conway, they don't even tell you about the Lake Conway Monster. Not officially, that is. Drop around to one of the filling stations or bait shops, however, and they'll talk about it. You have to be careful, though. You can't always tell if that lump in their cheeks is tobacco or their tongues.

Conway's monster is an active fellow. He's been going strong, more or less, since the lake opened about 1950. He's been kicking up his heels like a youngster this spring, apparently, but maybe 24 years isn't old as far as monsters go.

No Name Mentioned

MOST MONSTER STORIES, as you know, are second hand. Or third hand. Somebody tells you that they "heard" Ole Sam saw the monster the other day. There are first-hand reports on the Conway critter, though. Being a kind and sympathetic writer, we aren't going to mention names here. In some circles, monster-sighting isn't accepted. Some folks are just backward and intolerant. They don't mess with monsters and don't mess with other folks who may mess with monsters.

Latest Conway Monster story we have heard came from the uncle of a Gazette reporter. He's a man of good reputation. Not given to drink. Honest. Reliable. He even uses Zip Codes on his letters.

While fishing, by himself, in Lake Conway, the monster splashed around near his boat and raised up out of the water. It was dark-colored, probably dark brown, but marked by noticeable orange spots. Its head was rounded, with little or no visible neck.

Now this description was a little different from previous Lake Conway Monster sightings. This is the first time we've heard the orange spots mentioned, although we'll be the first to admit we aren't exactly experts on the Lake Conway history. We have tended to clutter our Conway file with information on college enrollment and new buildings and expanding factories and all that dry stuff.

But orange spots? Maybe the monster is aging now. Maybe they are monster liver spots or something. Or maybe Darrell Royal or one of those orange-flavored guys from down in Texas slipped into Conway and decorated the monster. After all, Conway is where the Razorbacks work out and spend the night before they play in War Memorial Stadium.

What's that? Somebody in the office claims the monster is a Hendrix College graduate, since Hendrix colors are orange and black. No truth to that.

Three Shots From .38

EARLIER IN THE SPRING, another solo fisherman in Lake Conway had a run-in with the monster. This fellow heard a splashing and steered his boat closer, figuring it was a bunch of schooling bass. But the monster reared up from the water. The fisherman dropped his casting rod, whipped out his "snake gun," a .38, and pumped three shots into the monster. It fell back into the water, then the fisherman "jobbed" at it with an oar. He felt it down in the water. He went back to a dock to

get a friend to help him recover the body. When they returned — no sign of the monster. No blood or anything.

Now this sounds more like the typical Lake Conway Monster stories from back in the early Fifties when the Lake was new and the monster was apparently busier than a one-armed paperhanger with the seven-year itch.

In our salad days on the staff of the Log Cabin Democrat in Conway, monster stories were nearly as common as bridal showers. Each time someone came in and told about an encounter with the monster, Joe McGee, who covered Conway news like a Hoover, dutifully reported it in the Log Cabin. Finally, the paper's publisher decreed one day: "No more Lake Conway Monster stories unless they are accompanied by a photograph."

That killed off interest in the monster. It wasn't long after that that a tornado came through Conway and Hendrix gave up football. A time of depression.

Go find a civic leader in Conway. Tell him you want to move your business to town. He beams. Then ask him about the monster. His expression changes like you told him his wife had bad breath.

A Cultural Balance

THEY JUST DON'T APPRECIATE this natural resource they have. Maybe they regard monsterism as uncultured or something. Conway has so many Ph.D.'s running around, they're falling over each other. A little development of the monster image could be a cultural balance, we think.

And, who says monsters and Ph.D.'s can't live together? After all, Frankenstein was created by some guy with half the alphabet after his name.

A year or two back, Conway's best-known personality, State Sen. Guy (Mutt) Jones, introduced in the Legislature a bill to erect a lighted sign on the Interstate pointing the way to Lake Conway. The Legislature voted it down. Good idea, but boy, the Legislature is no place to take your monster-promoting projects. Keep them at home. Do it yourself.

Just think, though, what an idea this could be, tied in with the monster theme. A 10-foot orange and purple neon sign of a monster along the Interstate at Lake Conway, blinking off and on. That would wake up the drowsy motorists speeding from Memphis to Fort Smith. They would know where Conway and Lake Conway were.

Conway is missing the boat in this monster. But the city had better watch out. Tiny little Mayflower is blowing and going. The community of some 400 population has expanded and counts some 1,300 now. Its boundaries extend to Lake Conway.

Mayflower Mayor Bill Patrick and his associates have some ambitious plans for the future. They just may adopt a monster.

The Mayflower Monster? Well, it rolls off the tongue a little easier than Lake Conway Monster.

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Abominable experience

Some will cry fake, others will be skeptical but 42-year-old Ron Gummell of Calgary says that now he's a believer.

Mr. Gummell said he was driving east from Jasper Saturday morning on the David Thompson Highway near Abraham Lake. He turned a bend in the road and there, standing in the middle of the road, were two Sasquatch.

He said: "They were so big they could have picked my car up and thrown it into the lake."

He estimated they were 12 feet tall, very big and covered with hair. They had flat faces.

As soon as they saw the car they sauntered into the bush.

"I was really shook up." Mr. Gummell admits he was somewhat skeptical before his brief encounter but "you can be assured I'll be the last to scream fake the next time Sasquatch stories are in the air."

The Sasquatch is the Canadian equivalent of the Abominable Snowman. Canadiana says Indian mythology records the Sasquatch as a legendary tribe of aboriginal giants, hairy monsters with wide, flat noses and abnormally long arms, found in British Columbia. A Hudson Bay Co. man who established a post near Harrison Lake, B.C., in 1846 mentioned such wild giants frequently in his written reports.

Sasquatch elude searchers in Skamania County forests

By JOHN GUERNSEY
of The Oregonian staff

THE DALLES — Two months of intensive Sasquatch hunting in nearby Skamania County, Wash., have not resulted in sighting one of the 7-foot, gorilla-like humanoids.

But the Sasquatch expedition has caused residents of the Hood River and The Dalles areas to be unusually "big foot" conscious.

"Since we established the Big Foot Museum here in The Dalles people have been coming in regularly to tell us of sightings or believed sightings," explained Peter Byrne, a big foot authority who took part in Himalayan yeti hunting expeditions in 1957-59.

"We have made some encouraging discoveries, but they have to be confidential for the time being, while we examine and evaluate them."

Byrne said the big foot hunt is in the wooded areas between Mt. St. Helens and Mt. Sherman, but would not pinpoint the search locations more precisely.

"We're not advertising where we're working because in the past we have had people with guns follow us. If we discover one they want to shoot it and make a million bucks from the Smithsonian. We carry cameras with us, but no guns."

Although sightings of massive footprints of the 7 to 8-foot tall Sasquatches have been reported in the Northwest and northern California for about 150 years, a big foot has never been captured.

But Robert Morgan, in charge of the current expedition working out of The Dalles, said one was nearly bagged in 1971 in the Gifford Pinchot National Forest in Washington. Morgan also headed a Sasquatch hunting expedition in Skamania County in 1970, sponsored by the National Wildlife Federation.

"The important thing now is that

people are contacting the Big Foot Center to tell us of their sightings or findings," Byrne said. "They know the information will be held confidential, and no one will make fun of them for reporting a big foot."

"We have had seven or eight interesting reports already this summer. And we have had reports which didn't pan out. One 12-year-old boy's report turned out to be the foot of a good sized bear, and a woman's report turned out to be an elk which startled her."

The Sasquatch expedition is being financed by a \$29,000 grant from a Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., family and is expected to continue into December — unless one of the hairy humanoids is discovered and photographed before that time.

One of Oregon's most recent big foot reports came from a small group of climbers about a month ago, at the 9,000-foot level on Mt. Hood.

"We were just trudging along about five in the morning when we heard the weirdest scream I've ever heard. It was loud and clear and weird — I've never heard anything like it."

Another summer report of screaming big feet came from the Three Finger Jack area of Central Oregon.

In 1967 two Washingtonians, hunting in Del Norte County in northern California, photographed what they described as an 8-foot tall something. The footprints measured more than 14 inches long, and the humanoid appeared more like a gorilla than a man — although it stood and walked erect.

Among the earliest reports was the sighting of a strange creature near Yale, British Columbia. The news account of the incident was published in 1824. The Oregonian published an account of several miners being stoned out of the Mt. St. Helens area by a band of "gorilla-like things."

And the reports are still coming in.

Kent, WASH.
News Journal
June 12, 1974

Sasquatch visiting Valley?

The infamous Sasquatch is back again — and this time in the Valley.

At least that is what one Tukwila man reported Sunday to King County Police.

Tony McLennan, 29, 15238 52nd Ave. S., Tukwila, waved down a King County officer Sunday night and told the policeman that he had just seen a large, brown-black shaggy furred creature with long arms and glowing red eyes.

McLennan said he was driving westbound on Lake Francis Road when he saw the creature lying alongside the roadway on the north side.

The Tukwila man said he slowed his car to about 10 miles per hour and saw the "thing" raise up on its hind legs to a height of six to eight feet. McLennan said the animal towered over the cab of his truck.

The man reported he left the scene — a little frightened — and waved down officer Leo Hursh in his patrol car.

The policeman said he returned to the area where the creature was reported. But he found nothing except a two-foot swath through the brush and a mass of trampled bushes and scotchbroom.

King County Police reported that they are questioning residents in the area in an attempt to locate the ... whatever it is.

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Monster has his very own legal habitat

To this day, the White River Monster has a home between Old Grand Glaize and Rosie, where he can hide and rest.

NEWPORT — White River has a monster, according to a legend told to the early settlers of Newport, Arkansas, by Indians. While no one really knows the actual home of the "White River Monster," the city of Newport took action in 1973 and proclaimed that "the White River between a southern point on the river known as Old Grand Glaize and a north point on the White River known as Rosie," would be the natural habitat of the monster.

In that same proclamation, the Newport City Council said that "the two points on the White River designated would be the White River Monster Sanctuary and Refuge" and that it would be illegal to "molest, kill, trample or harm the White River Monster while he is in the above retreat."

This was done so the monster will be safe, and so that sightseers will be able to see him when the monster chooses to appear.

In the summer of 1937, the monster made an appearance which resulted in nationwide publicity. Then, 34 years later, in 1971, the monster again made an appearance, and again received nationwide publicity. Each of these sightings were by reputable persons who signed sworn statements.

One man, W. E. Penix, who saw the monster in 1937, said it was as long as "three autos." The monster is reported to be a long, serpent type.

YOUR CLIPPINGS of newspaper items are very welcome. We apologize here for being generally unable to acknowledge these items as the pressure of work on our tiny staff and on our postage resources is too great. However, please do not be deterred by this seeming lack of courtesy. We really do appreciate anything you care to send.

'Monster' Eludes Search

By Larry Fowler
A Member of the Staff

Jim Lloyd is a practical man who apparently is not prone to superstition, but he spends his free time searching for a 7-foot, ape-like creature whose reported activities have puzzled humans from Nepal to Platte County.

Lloyd, a truck driver, is president of the Sasquatch Research Group, which he operates from his home, 535 Dover Drive, Independence. "Sasquatch" is better known here as "Big Foot" or "Mo Mo" (Missouri Monster).

Since February, the four men in the Sasquatch group have been interviewing witnesses and searching wooded areas near places the Sasquatch has been reported. They have investigated incidents around

Fouke, Ark., Louisiana Mo., Murphysboro, Ill., and Weston in Platte County, where last fall about 12 persons said they saw the creature.

They have gathered what Lloyd calls some speculative evidence in the form of impressions—but not clear footprints—in the ground and in reports from witnesses, but the men are not ready to proclaim the creature as fact.

Lloyd said he believes the creature exists but likes to quote Dr. John Napier, an anthropologist, who said of the legends created by the sightings: "Man must have his gods and his monsters, and the more remote and unapproachable the better."

"We think there is something out there, but until we get a photograph or catch one, we

won't know what it is," Lloyd said. "It's not a monster but could be either a lower (form of) man or an animal. It has great strength, but no supernatural powers."

The researchers—Lloyd, Ray Johnson, 533 Dover Drive, Independence; Ron Adams, 635 Peck, Independence, and Erich Aggen, 514 Harrison, Liberty—are all laymen. None have formal training in anthropology.

The creature they seek came to public attention in the 1950s when news stories of the scaling of Mt. Everest contained accounts of a "Yeti" or "abominable Snowman" who terrorized persons living around the Himalaya Mountains. While descriptions vary by country and by region, Lloyd said most Midwest reports have been similar.

"It is about 7 feet tall and is usually covered with grey or white hair 4 to 6 inches long," he said. "It has a domed (sloping) head and no neck, like a football player who has developed his shoulder muscles. The only description of the eyes is red, which indicates it is a daylight animal.

The creature reportedly emits a sulphur-like odor and makes its way through wooded areas by breaking underbrush and saplings in its path. It is believed to be extremely curious and is attracted by music, loud noise or bright lights, he said.

The creature has been reported in many countries, including the Soviet Union. Lloyd predicted 10,000 sightings

the help of the Missouri Speleological Society to investigate the cave theory.

Lloyd said he became interested in the Sasquatch when he was a teen-ager and saw a 12-second film of an unknown creature which later was used in the movie "Big Foot." While living at Lake Tahoe, Calif., Lloyd went on a search party for a lost camper. He said he became separated from the others and came across a mound of dung 1 foot high and 2 feet in circumference.

Nearby were 14-inch-long foot impressions made in the pine needles covering the ground.

"It scared me and I ran. I never could find the spot again."

Lloyd believes the creature he is seeking may have migrated to America across the Bering Sea, and its appearance

may have been modified in different regions. All the Midwest sightings have been near rivers and other large bodies of water. There is enough wilderness left in America that an unknown creature could remain hidden from humans, he said.

"The gorilla was discovered only 105 years ago," he said. "For centuries there were tales of a 10-foot tall man-eater, until someone had the guts to go in and check it out."

The group is planning a trip to Florida, where numerous sightings have been reported, Lloyd said, and hopes to organize an air search and have topographical photos taken with infra-red film. They are seeking funding from science foundations, he said.

The Sasquatch has shown no aggressiveness toward man in

Man, animal or Sasquatch? Fred Van Camp is still not sure.

Van Camp, 25, a resident of Semmel Dr. N.W., was walking with two dogs in a heavily wooded area about one half mile from his home on Monday evening, May 20, about 7:30 p.m. when the dogs started chasing something. Van Camp didn't think it unusual as the dogs frequently found rabbits or chipmunks to pursue. What Van Camp saw next was unusual, however.

Van Camp turned in the direction the dogs were and saw a creature jump from a crouched position and start to run. It crashed noisily through the brush and was quickly lost from sight. Total time that the creature was visible to Van Camp was approximately three seconds. It was just enough time for Van Camp to notice that the creature was at least as tall as he (6 feet), stocky build, heavy set and ran upright. The creature was bending down in a marshy area as if to gather vegetation. Van Camp does not think it saw him, but was surprised by the dogs.

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Van Camp said his first she appeared apprehensive, "barefoot quickly across uncertain footing was possible, but not probable. It was only later than Van Camp thought it might be a Sasquatch. Sasquatch is the Indian name for a shy, hairy, manlike beast who leaves footprints four to seven inches wide and 12 to 17 inches long. The Sasquatch has been reported in Canada, Washington, Oregon and California. Families of Sasquatch are claimed to have been sighted and some tracks found. The animal is said to have good night vision and to live mostly on vegetation.

Walking through the dense toe indentations were heavier vegetation, it was hard to than the remaining print of imagine how anything could the foot. The prints were run quickly in the area. A spaced far apart at first, then small animal no bigger than closer together, indicating the Sheba, a German shepherd, creature may have slowed Footing is often on wet, mossy Van Camp had quickly logs or marshy areas. ruled out the possibility of the Stickers and thorns are creature being a bear as it ran upright on two legs. The plentiful. confirm this. He "Upon coming to the area prints where the dogs had chased the thought it might be a human, creature, Sheba was cautious but he had never seen anyone and stayed close by. This was in the area on recent occasions, and the possibility time she spent in the woods that a human could run

Whatever it was, Van Camp hopes the creatures will be left to pursue his life in peace.

Man, Animal or Sasquatch?

← (Independence MO. Paper) (August 1974 Cr. SRG)

would be reported in 1974 in North America alone.

The Platte County sightings occurred in late September and early October, Lloyd said. On one occasion, two young men, in a car parked in a farm driveway, reported they heard something approaching. One youth said he got out and saw a creature 7 to 8 feet tall and covered with white hair walking toward him. The youth said he jumped in the car and the two youths sped off.

Two persons in Platte County reported the creature ran alongside their cars, Lloyd said, and two youths searching for the creature said they got within 20 yards of it, but it started toward them and they panicked and ran.

When such reports surface,

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Local Group Hopes to Prove 'Big Foot' Exists

EXCERPT () Legend of Boggy Creek" also were based on true stories. Roger Patterson's 12-second film clip of Big Foot used in the movie "Big Foot" is the only one of its kind.

The descriptions are all similar, he said, from the Big Foot of the Northwest, to Momo of Missouri, to Swamp Man in the Everglades. The creatures, which walk upright, are reported to be

seven to ten feet tall and weigh several hundred pounds. They are hairy and have long arms, no neck, and huge heads with orange or red eyes. The hair is black or gray.

for several days in a cave in the Northwest.

Still, until one of the creatures is captured or killed, the general public is going to doubt they exist, Lloyd knows. There is an Oregon county ordinance against killing Big Foot.

Lloyd said the books and magazine articles have reported many interesting stories. There have been many mysterious disappearances of persons in the Northwest. Lumberjacks have been found crushed to death. One tale is about a man who claimed to have been carried away in a sleeping bag and held captive

The sightings usually are so unexpected that the witnesses are not prepared to photograph or shoot the creature, Lloyd said.

"They usually panic," he said.

Searches following sightings, he said, are rarely organized and too much

evidence is destroyed by amateur hunters. He added that the creatures are extremely fast, making it difficult for anyone to keep pace with them.

Lloyd is optimistic about reports that the Russians have found a skull and jawbone from what could be a Big Foot. He hopes it will be considered proof.

"I understand it is estimated to be only about 20 years old, Lloyd said. "They are attempting to reconstruct what it looked like."

Lloyd's theory, which he clearly labels as that, is that

large australopithecines or gigantopithecuses, thought to be extinct, crossed the Bering Strait and "has had the strength and intelligence to survive."

He believes families of the primates live in caves in heavily wooded areas. He believes they avoid civilization unless food and water supplies run low.

The theory that the creatures are experimental animals brought to earth by super intelligent alien spacemen is possible, Lloyd said. Many monster sightings have been linked with unidentified flying object sightings, he said. Lloyd said he would rather believe that aliens are studying the monsters rather than using them.

His research group now exchanges information with the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON). The group also has established good rapport with several spelunker organizations who explore caves.

Spelunkers who know what to look for could be the ones to prove the existence of the creatures, Lloyd indicated.

The spelunkers probably have overlooked bones and other evidence in the past, thinking they belonged to a bear or other large animal, Lloyd said.

Far more Americans believe Big Foot exists because of the publicity, movies, and credible sightings.

Lloyd said few people in an Illinois community doubted the word of their neighbor who said she saw the creature. She was throwing away her marriage by describing her sighting. She was parked with another man when they saw the creature!

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*If old Sass is up there
he's cooler than we are*

The expeditions are out again this summer in search of Sasquatch, the Northwest version of the abominable snowman.

Some of the searchers are as confident as our friends who regularly head for Las Vegas to use the new system they worked out on their boss's computer during long winter evenings, and mix only a little mysticism with their science.

For example, one of the Sasquatchers has worked out intricate temperature charts which he claims will show the exact elevation where Sass can be found each week of the year. But our friend says he'll rely on the full moon, too, which has strange powers over the 8-foot beast.

Good luck. We'd be less surprised to see a reindeer-powered sleigh cruise over at 3,000 feet some December 25.

If there are such massive bipeds around Oregon and Washington, how come no one ever has found the carcass of one? Or his bones? Surely they must be mortal.

And where are his wife and kiddies and uncles and aunts? Man—and Sasquatch—does not live by being unbred alone.

In fact, a biologist tells us that species just never exist in tribes of less than 50 or a hundred, even though individual families may be scattered. So, you say, there are just a couple of critters out there, the last of the dwindling herd. Okay, then, why didn't anybody run into the herd a century ago?

CR: SASQUATCH
RESEARCH GROUP

Another biologist—a game specialist—says that the suspected Sasquatch country, above 4,500 feet, can't support one 300-400 pound biped, let alone a village of them. Gorilla-like animals ought to eat vegetation. But at that elevation they'd have to run a hundred miles a day to scarf up minimum calories—and most certainly would be seen puffing along. Bipeds aren't fast enough to catch small animals regularly, even if they have such a taste, as any homo sapiens knows. It would take 20 pounds of meat or so each day to keep such a hulking brute going. That's 80 chipmunks, 100 birds or two dozen rabbits, even if you're fast on the grab.

Anyway, Ol' Sass doesn't exist.

But we don't much care if he doesn't. When it's this hot in the valley we're ready, too, to sit in a Cascades snowbank and wait for him to amble by.

CR: J.B. MUSGRAVE
Sasquatch
expedition
gets ready

VICTORIA (CP) — A team of United States scientists will launch an expedition this summer in search of the Sasquatch. Bill Ward, editor of the Wildlife Review, said Friday.

The review is a provincial government publication dedicated to the understanding and wise use of the province's wildlife resources.

Ward said helicopters and the most modern technical devices will be used in efforts to track down the hairy giants.

The investigation will be headed by Robert Morgan of Miami, Fla., who will be accompanied by a number of specialists from several universities.

Ward said the family of Louise D. Carpenter of Lauderdale, Fla., donated \$29,000 to launch a proper expedition in search of the Sasquatch.

"The scientists won't say what areas they have chosen to search for Sasquatch," he said. "They don't want any publicity and people interfering with the search."

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