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### Colorful Object Puzzles Nevada Sky Watchers

A number of persons called various police agencies, the weather bureau, the airport control tower, and this newspaper Tuesday evening to report an "unidentified object... changing colors" in the sky over Reno.

The high flying object was reported by observers as far away as Battle Mountain.

A spokesman for the Federal Aviation Agency identified the object as a weather balloon released from Chico, Calif., and last seen floating off to the north west.

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### Six Children Claim Seeing UFO In Sky

Six children of Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Dickson, 1201 W. Randolph, and two others in the neighborhood reported seeing an unidentified flying object (UFO) Monday night, apparently in the sky above their homes.

The children, ranging in ages from 12 to 20, told their mother that about 8 p.m. Monday, they spotted four objects in the sky that they knew were no jets. They described one as being egg-shaped, one circular with lights flooding around it, and one with sides projecting out like wings. Phyllis Dickson, 17, told her mother that the four objects all at one time were coming in from different directions. And, she explained that just before they disappeared, they got brighter. Those viewing the objects were unable to estimate the distance between the bright objects and the ground.

Two other persons in the neighborhood about 10 p.m. Monday told the Dicksons that they spotted the objects again at that time. Police officers were summoned to the scene, by the frightened children, but the objects had reportedly disappeared by the time the officers arrived.

A call on the police hot line for the reporting of UFO's this morning revealed that no UFO's had been reported last night, so apparently, no one else in the Enid area saw the UFO, or at least did not report a sighting.

Reno, Nevada  
Nevada State  
Journal  
Nov. 20, 1974

Rawlins, Wyoming  
Daily Times  
Oct. 29, 1974  
Cr: Lou Farish

SEA COAST ECHO  
Bay St. Louis, Mississippi

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### New Orleans bound UFO spotted

Football season is here and the seasonal phenomenon which sober people whisper about is upon us. On Monday night at 9:15, Mrs. Nunez C. Pilet of Highland Drive in Bay St. Louis spotted an unidentified flying object.

Mrs. Pilet said she noticed the well-illuminated object with "star-like light effects" as it traveled rather swiftly "in a northeast to south direction." In a matter of less than two minutes, the object was out of sight, last seen going in a path along the highway leading to New Orleans.

Mrs. Pilet said that she noticed the UFO as she was drawing her draperies before going to bed. Sweet dreams, Mrs. Pilet.

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LAKEWOOD, NJ  
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### Man Sees UFO; Police Don't

A man says he spotted an unidentified flying object (UFO) early yesterday over the Clarke School field in Lakewood.

Police Sgt. John Marshall said two patrol cars were sent there at 2:45 A.M. but found nothing.

The man said he saw something with green lights stopped over the field. The man said he was in his back yard. Police said the man did not give his name but he said he was calling from 516 East Fifth Street, which is near the school.

### Rawlins man describes hunting experience

By SUE TAYLOR

"Everyone will think I'm a quack, but it really happened," Carl Higdon said Monday.

He was referring to his elk hunting trip Friday which turned into a bizarre experience for him.

Higdon was hunting south of Rawlins on the north boundary of the national forest about 4 p.m. Friday when his "experience" began to unfold.

"I walked down over this hill and saw five elk," Higdon said. "I raised my rifle and fired, but the bullet only went about 50 feet and dropped. I looked over to my right and there in the shadow was this sort of man standing there."

Higdon said the "man" was about six-foot-two and weighed 180 pounds. He was dressed in a black suit and black shoes and wore a belt with a star in the middle and a yellow emblem. He was quite bowlegged and had a slanted head. His forehead and facial features were similar to humans but he had no chin. His hair was thin and stood straight up on his head, Higdon said.

"He asked me if I was hungry and I said yes," Higdon said, "So he tossed me some pills and I took one. I don't know why I did it - I never take pills of any kind unless a doctor prescribes them, not even aspirin."

Higdon said the "man" then pointed, what resembled a long finger at him and the next thing he knew, he was in a seven by

seven foot cubicle with two "men" and the five elk.

"He asked me if I wanted to go with him and I said 'yes', Higdon said. "I told my wife a long time ago, when these stories about UFO's and strange creatures were coming out, that if I ever got a chance, I would talk with them or go with them."

Higdon said the "men" placed a helmet on him with a strap around his neck. Six wires were sticking out from it on three sides, Higdon said. The "men" then told him they were going "home" which was 163,00 miles away.

"In no time we arrived at this tall tower similar to a rotating restaurant like the Seattle Space Needle," Higdon said. "The lights there were so intense and hurt my eyes a lot and the "men" said our sun affects them in the same way."

Higdon noted that the "men" were never in the sunlight but always in the shade.

Because the light was so intense on his eyes, Higdon said the "men" said they would take him home.

"The next thing I remember is talking to Roy Fleming on the radio," he said.

Fleming is manager of the Maddox Well Service and Higdon is employed by AM Well Service of Riverton.

"My truck was about three miles from where I parked it," Higdon said. "It's only a two-wheel drive and was in a mud hole where no one without a four-wheel drive would attempt to go."

After Higdon was rescued by the Carbon County Sheriff's officers, he was taken to Carbon County Memorial Hospital for observation.

"My doctor said there were no bruises on me and I wasn't bleeding anywhere, but I'm still suffering from headaches and a backache," Higdon said.

Higdon's wife said she and two friends went looking for her husband when he failed to return home on time and as they approached the area they saw a bright red, white and green light resembling a large star. Mrs. Higdon said it was too high for a helicopter but too low for an airplane.

Higdon said he does not drink and does not take drugs of any kind.

KANSAS  
Plainville Times

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### UFO'S SIGHTED?

Several rural Plainville residents claimed the sighting of unidentified flying objects along the Saline river area, and also in the Webster area last week.

Equipped with camera, binoculars, and heavy clothing your Times editor joined others "hoping to experience the phenomena close enough to capture it on film" but evidently our timing was off. We are still interested, and appreciate any information of sightings any time they occur.

Dear Subscribers: Due to illness and a very busy Xmas we are forced to combine our Dec. 74 and Jan. 75 issues, for which we are sorry. The Feb issue will go out on time. Thank You.

Courier-Review  
Barrington, Ill.  
Nov. 7, 1974

# Residents spot UFO over Baker's Lake

By MIKE CAMERON

Friday night started out like any other night for Mrs. Madeline McKoane, her son Michael and Michael's friend, Dan Burke.

Mrs. McKoane was merely driving the two boys home from a hockey meeting at Langendorf Park. But as they continued down E. Hillside Avenue toward the bend by Baker's Lake, they spotted something definitely out of the ordinary.

"We saw these glaring lights," Mrs. McKoane explained. "It was a large spinning object less than 1,000 feet off the ground. It was going straight across from

Eastern Avenue over Baker's Lake and just hovering there.

"It was such an awesome sight that it's difficult to explain," she continued. "It just hovered there for about four minutes and then started going up. It looked like a great big, white cigar or a frisbee as it went up."

Mrs. McKoane, who lives nearby the eerie scene at Whispering Oaks Lane near the Deer Lake subdivision, claims that about five teenage boys in a car in front of hers got out of their car to look at it. "I should have gone to talk to them, but I

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cone shaped.  
But it is difficult to tell how close it is because it appears for the most part to be high in sky.  
Some pictures have been taken of the object by the Ryden's and by a friend, Ken Hueser.

But the object shows up only as a pin prick of light in the Ryden photos, and the Heuser film, taken recently, has not been processed yet.

"To me, it's just something that's there," Mrs. Ryden says. "Someday we'll know what they are."  
But she is not afraid of the object, partly because she thinks that if it had intentions of doing harm, it could have done the harm at any time.

of the sky, and the next, it is above the opposite horizon, Mrs. Ryden says. She doesn't know why other people in the area haven't seen the object, unless it's because they don't want to believe in it, and because they won't get up to watch it during the night.

Charles and Ted Ryden are ranchers and Larry DiGuglielmo is a carpenter. Lois is a substitute teacher in the New Castle schools.

Although all the sightings except one have been at night, Mrs. Ryden does have a description of the object.  
In addition to the reddish lights around the top of it, there are other lights that create a "golden glow" around the bottom. The object itself is

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was so shook up I just didn't think of it at the time."

She continued to explain why she feels it was an unidentified flying object (UFO) and not a plane. "There were no wings at all. There were no windows like on a plane, and this was so much brighter than the lights of a plane."

Michael feels that it would have been bigger than a 747 if they had been able to see it from a closer range. They observed it for about 15 minutes and, according to Mrs. McKoane, it looked like about half the size of the moon after about 10 minutes as it continued in a southeasterly direction.

She later was told to contact Dr. J. Allen Hynek, a professor of astronomy at Northwestern University, who has been trying to establish a center for the study of such unearthly creations.

Mrs. McKoane was only able to reach members of Hynek's family, who told her Dr. Hynek has "spotters" around the area, including Lt. Ron Hemingsen of Barrington. "But I didn't think to call the police. I thought the news media and people like Dr. Hynek would have been contacted by other people who may have seen it."

As a matter of fact, there were other

witnesses from Mrs. McKoane's neighborhood, and they claim to have seen a similar "thing" the night before, which just happened to be Halloween.

After trick-or-treating, Cynthia Burchell and Jean Remack, both seventh graders at Middle School, were in front of the Burchell home with Cynthia's mother, Lee.

"I don't believe in UFOs, but I did see something. It was quite large and had lights all around," said Mrs. Burchell, who tends to think it was a publicity stunt of some kind.

Understandably, both girls were excited. "It looked round and black and was going around in a circle," said Cindy. "It was bigger than an airplane. It was making a strange, beeping sound and was going toward Baker's Lake."

Jean also heard the beeping sounds and agreed it was bigger than a plane. "It was shaped like a cigar and it had little square lights that went on and off."

Each witness has encountered the usual amount of skepticism when telling the story, especially the reactions of the children's friends.

As for Mrs. McKoane, when she tried to tell her sister-in-law, "she just changed the subject. She refused to hear any of it."

And her father? "He went back to his football game."

That was between Adams and Elk Lake, and since then, the object has been seen by all the members of the family at one time or another, sometimes as often as three nights in a row during the fall.

Sitting around the dinner table at night, the family sometimes theories about the bright object, and sometimes there are jokes about it.  
"If they're after specimens from earth, I hope I'm not what they take," Angela says.

"They move more like a hummingbird moves," Mrs. Ryden says. "You don't see them move. They don't leave a streak of light across the sky." One minute, the object is in one part

inside to tell the others.  
They were the first to see the object three years ago.

It was between hay cuttings in late July, and they had taken their children camping on Clinetop.

That night they were in their car when they saw a bright object just above the thick, black timber.

They stopped and watched it a while. A bright glow was coming from the bottom of the object, which hovered in one place, lighting up the heavy timber around them.

Charles thought about shooting at it with his rifle, but then decided that could be dangerous. They did not have a camera and eventually they became nervous and left that area.

who were in the other room of the DiGuglielmo home on Middle Elk Creek, about the sighting, but they did not go look.

"You might say we're kind of used to it," Mrs. Ryden said later.

The bright light in the sky has been seen by members of the Ryden family off and on for the past three years. The two women saw the light from the bedroom window last Saturday night.

Monday night of this week, Charles and Angela Ryden saw it over Clinetop to the east of Ryden ranch house which sits down low among the cottonwood on 243 Road, about five miles from the DiGuglielmo house.

Charles and Angela were getting into their car after dinner and went back

BY NICK PABST  
Sentinel Staff Writer

NEW CASTLE — After the kids were tucked in, the two women turned off the lights in the bedroom and glanced quickly out the window. It was too cold to be outside looking up at the night sky.

But Elva Mae Ryden and her daughter Lois DiGuglielmo saw through the window what they were looking for.

It was a silver colored dot with reddish lights around the top hovering above the bars, leafless trees of Coal Ridge north of New Castle.  
The two women told their husbands, Ted Ryden and Larry DiGuglielmo,

Oxnard, Calif.  
Press Courier  
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All three men requested that their names be withheld.

A spokesman at Point Mugu offered the explanation that the bright object was just that, a bright hovering object: in other words a flare.

He said a flare had been dropped about sunset over San Nicolas Island. According to the spokesman the type of flare dropped floats slowly to the ground, then at about 300 feet fizzes out. He said the flare would have been extremely bright, "putting out one million candle power."

He refused to say why the flare had been dropped.

A second spokesman said no unidentified flying objects had been seen or tracked by radar.

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UFO Seen;  
Mugu Men  
Have Theory

A UFO was spotted Saturday in Ventura County, but officials at Point Mugu may have solved the mystery.

At least three persons reported seeing a bright object hovering in the sky above the Channel Islands and then suddenly disappear Saturday at sunset.

Two persons in a Channel Islands Boulevard apartment building said they saw the object hover, then after a few seconds explode and disappear.

An officer at the office of the Ventura County Harbor District also claimed to have seen a hovering object at sea about sunset. He said the object faded, then just disappeared.

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# New Castle family reports several UFO sightings

# Interest in Aztec UFO continues high

Interest continues to flame across the nation about the report of a real UFO landing in Hart Canyon, Aztec, with calls to the Review coming this week from the Christian Science Monitor, Boston, and from radio stations in Dallas, Texas, and Alberta, Canada.

The Review story last week apparently got picked up by one of the wire services and the story of the meteor sighting caught the fancy of the media people. Meanwhile, further checking reveals that the meteor was seen sometime in the early 1920s by Martin Pacheco of Blanco. The Catholic priest who held the service for the world coming to an end scare was Father Albert Baeger.

Further information is that a book, "Behind the Flying Saucers" by Scully, carries an account of the Aztec landing. Report also comes that the Denver Post carried a story about the supposed landing sometime in 1950 or 1951. With an election going on the Review reporter has not had time to run down all the leads. These two additional pieces of information shed further light:

"The U.S. Air Force," wrote the editor, "has investigated a large number of the reports of saucers and come to the conclusion that the evaluation of evidence submitted makes their probable existence zero. . . . The occasional releases to the press by this Corps is a good way to condition the public mind for the advent of guided missiles with atomic warheads whizzing overhead," he added ominously.

The editor went on to explain that from June 28, 1949, to July 22, 1950, naked eye observations of the planet Venus were made daily at 12:30 p.m. "During the time of the planet's maximum brilliancy there were many reports of 'flying saucers' being sighted in this vicinity. It was near this time that the reports came in from Farmington and Aztec that a flock of saucers were seen over these cities."

**Aztec, New Mexico  
Independent Review**

**Sale of Right-of-way To Be Discussed**  
According to City Manager Bernard C. Taylor sale of the railroad right-of-way property in east Aztec will be discussed at the next regular meeting of the Aztec City Commission on November 13, 7:30 p.m.  
All abutting landowners to the property have been notified of the meeting and invited to attend.

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"The best piece of reporting I read in 1950," the editorial continued, "was done by Mr. George Bowra, editor of the Aztec Independent when he viewed this happening. Mr. Bowra's exact words are not recalled, but they were to this effect: 'What I saw was a bright object about two hours west of the sun. It maintained this relative position throughout the afternoon and set about two hours ahead of the sun. I believe the object was a bright star or planet of some kind.'"

Editor Peterson went on to explain that, "When the planet (Venus) is visible in the daytime sky and a scudding cloud is near it, the planet appears to be moving rapidly in the opposite direction. All have experienced this beautiful illusion while viewing the moon through thin moving clouds."

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NOV-21-74 **Flying Object Not Found**

CLEWISTON — A bright blue flying object that emerged from the fog south of here before dawn yesterday remained unidentified last night, despite county and federal efforts to determine what it was.

A search of the area by Hendry County sheriff's deputies, the Civil Air Patrol and the U.S. Coast Guard yesterday turned up no evidence of the object.

It was spotted at 2:15 a.m. by two Hendry County deputies and a Palm Beach County sheriff's deputy.

"It looked like the tail of a plane," said Deputy Carlos Sloan of Henry County. "It burst into a blue flame."

The Palm Beach deputy, David Estes, said the object looked like a camera flashbulb. He said he saw the object while he was on patrol near the Palm Beach-Hendry County line.

"It looked like a plane on fire," said Estes. "I have no idea how fast it was going but a car couldn't possibly keep up with it. I saw it for about 30 seconds, then it was gone."

All three deputies said the object was flying toward the southeast.

Airport officials in West Palm Beach, Miami and Tampa said they knew of no missing planes in the area, and Hendry County deputies said military officials had reported that no aircraft were overdue.

Helicopters from the Coast Guard Air Station at St. Petersburg searched an area from Immokalee north to Clewiston for an hour and a half but found nothing.

The Civil Air Patrol searched a larger area, also without success.

Four Hendry County Sheriff's Patrol cars searched the southeast corner of Hendry County from about 2:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m., but found no trace of the object.

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## U. F. O. Spotted By Brackenite

Paul Taylor, who resides with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. F. N. Taylor, on Parina Road is the first to report seeing a U.F.O. (unidentified flying object) in Bracken County.

The young Army veteran was headed home from Maysville around 20'clock 8 p.m. Saturday when he spotted the round object in the sky at Fernleaf. As he traveled along Highway 10 in the direction of Germantown the U.F.O. moved toward Brooksville. Several times the object would get very bright and fade away and then appear again.

After arriving home he awakened his mother and the two observed the object for about fifteen minutes and then phoned Bracken County Sheriff Roy A. Jett at his home in Germantown. The pair last saw the U.F.O. heading toward Cincinnati around 2:45 a.m.

Mr. Taylor described the object as being round in shape and dull yellow in color. Each time before it disappeared it would change from the dull yellow color to bright silver and orange and would also change in shape.



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## UFO sighted at Pine Lake

Michael Foley of 13707 Pine Lake Road in Cedar Springs has reported seeing an unidentified flying object on the evening of November 6 at about 9 p.m.

Mr. Foley told the Clipper his youngest son saw the object first while looking for their dog. The dog had gotten loose and run away from the house. "I thought he was kidding me. I looked out the back door and saw this thing up in the sky, glowing bluish, greenish," said Mr. Foley. "Then it shot a single beam of light down to the ground - it looked like a tube of light. It was flying near the power lines about 75 feet up."

Foley called his neighbors, but they couldn't see it. He called the State Police, and they went to the Pine Lake area, but they couldn't see the object either.

Later Foley reported seeing the flying object across Pine Lake, high up in the sky. This time he said Tom and Phyllis Townes and son Danny Townes also

saw it as well as two other young people.

"We were watching it go to the west again. Right over the top of our house there was a red light, but it went by at unbelievable speed. It covered the whole sky in a moment," said Foley.

Then it hovered west of us: it might have been over Cedar Springs. It hovered for quite a while. I tried to figure out its shape," Mr. Foley stated. "It seemed to be a cylinder shape. Phyllis Townes said she thought it looked like a triangle. It seemed to come down close to Myers Lake Road. It was closest to the ground at Pine Lake Road."

Mr. Foley said there were many lights on the object, and he described it by saying, "It sparkled like a Christmas tree. There was no noise to it that I could hear, but my hearing is not too good.

However, my kids thought they heard a whirring noise. The kids said they saw the same thing over the lake last summer."

He said the whole family stood in the yard watching it for several minutes.

# "Two UFOs seen at Cedar Hill": Alda Wild

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Dear Sir:  
Upon reading the UFO account on page 1 of the October 31 Review, it brought to mind an evening in the summer of 1958.

My husband and I drove into our driveway about sundown to discover several cars lined up along the road where our mail box now stands. We assumed they were waiting for the evening bus, but then noticed something strange: though they all sat in their cars, they were craning their necks to look skyward — over toward Hart Canyon. Later, when I came into the house and chanced to glance out the kitchen window, I saw what they were looking at: a cigar shaped object, glowing red to gold with a luminous circle of pulsating gold light around it, poised over and a little beyond the top of the mountain. It looked like this:

It hovered, moving very little, but when it did move it moved laterally. It was very pretty and stood out sharply after sundown. We watched it, on and off, for hours. After a time, we noted that a second similar shaped object joined the first one, positioned a little farther back. They pulsed, but remained there.

We are accustomed to lights in the canyons around here, this being oil well country — to the "Xmas trees" of the derricks, the Dante's Inferno effect of wells coming in. This was not that at all. These objects had clean, well defined, precise lines. The lights were controlled. And when they vanished, they vanished utterly.

We have always thought we sighted a couple of Unidentified Objects so many other people have seen over the world.

Very truly yours,  
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**TV SCENE**  
**Fewer People Laugh At UFOs These Days**  
By JULIA INMAN

WHEN YOUR neighbor tells you he's seen a flying saucer and little green men from Mars, it's no longer the thing to laugh in his face and then view him with deep suspicion. Believe in UFOs (Unidentified Flying Objects) or not, there is a climate of much more open-mindedness about them that has grown up recently.

An NBC News producer Craig Leake made no startling discoveries when he prepared an hour long special

"UFO's: Do You Believe? which will air tomorrow night at 10 p.m. on Channel 6. He did, however, find out that current feeling is much more accepting of the possibility.

"I think the ridicule has died down," Leake said on the telephone from New York. "For instance two police officers who saw an exotic thing and reported it to their superior were not told to take a couple of days off but were back at work the next day."

ONE REASON is that most scientists agree that there almost has to be intelligent life elsewhere in the solar system, the producer found out.

"Also, we've been out there (in space) and fewer and fewer people rule out the possibility," he continued.

Leake, who says he personally was on his guard about being "converted," maintains he still hasn't been convinced even after all his research.

HE REPORTS he was not very interested in the subject until a wave of sightings was discovered in September-October of 1973. He was asked to look into it but was delayed by energy crisis reporting. Then last summer he got down to the subject in earnest.

The producer maintains that very few sightings are obvious hoaxes, that people really do see things and that they are people like his neighbors with nothing unusual about them.

During his preparation he visited 22 towns and cities, sampled the opinion of the scientific community and consulted the three major organizations which UFO believers have formed.

WE COMMENTED that UFO's almost always seem to be found in isolated areas and if they really are visitors from outer space, why are they so shy?

"That was the impression I had also," said Leake. "And it is true to a certain extent. Statistically more than half of the sightings have been in the middle West and South." But he also has found witnesses on Long Island and near Cleveland.

"One theory, is they avoid heavily populated areas so as not to be detected, but it is also easier to see things in the sky in a rural area where there is less glow from outdoor lighting."

So the conundrum goes on with almost no recognition from the government, at least. The U.S. Air Force conducted a 20-year study of flying saucers, called Project Bluebook. Despite growing acceptance and the '73 sightings, it has not been reopened.

All the research has been declassified and is in archives at Montgomery, Ala. But still the interest is there.

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# Author: Space Creature Missing Link Between Man, Ape

By CHRIS STOEHR  
Sun Staff Writer  
TAMPA—The missing link between man and ape was a creature from outer space. Erich Von Daniken said Saturday at the International Airport here.

"This planet was visited by creatures from outer space sometime in the dis-

tant past and we are the product of that artificial union," the noted author said at a press conference prior to his appearance at a Flying Saucer Symposium.

Von Daniken will begin research in January in an attempt to prove his theory that space creatures visited the earth thousands of years ago.

"There are 23 sites where proof — time capsules left by these visitors — may exist," he said. The proof may be in the form of an industrial table book or on walls of caves. "Until now, we have not looked for this proof in a logical, mathematical way."

Von Daniken reiterated points in his best selling books, "Chariot of the

Gods," "Gods from Outer Space," and "God of the Gods." He reaffirmed his belief that beings from other planets who visited the earth were a higher form of life than primitive man.

He also said archeologists and other scientists have overlooked or ignored thousands of pieces of evidence including inscrip-

tions on pyramids, reference to visits of gods in the Bible and cave drawings.

Pointing to a copy of a drawing found on a cave wall in Santa Barbara, Calif., he showed that when it was enlarged and examined it was a diagram of the process of life synthesis.

"Scientifically, nothing is

missing from this drawing," he said.

Asked if he thought UFOs were making contact with the Earth, Von Daniken said he had never seen one and was a little skeptical. However, he did not rule out the possibility of their existence, saying they may not officially visit the earth for several reasons — fear of culture

shock or a lack of knowledge about life on earth.

Or they may be preparing the population for their landing, he said.

"A recent Gallup poll said 51 per cent now believe UFOs exist. In two years it could be 75 per cent," he said.

The self-educated writer also said the foreign visitors wanted the "right gener-

ation" to find proof of their visit. He believes that superior beings want man to find proof when there is sufficient scientific knowledge to find and study their "time capsules."

Too many unexplained ancient artifacts are ignored by scientists, Von Daniken concluded.

# UFO's sighted in County

"We see them on cold, clear nights, said 13-year-old Mark Van Horn, of nearby Newberne. "They're not stars, although stars do have blue light at certain times of the years. These are multi-colored and they moved all over the sky and then stop. Star's don't move like that."

Cpl. C.R. Davis, of West Virginia State Police Barracks at Sand Fork, has seen them, too. But he's not too certain what the objects are.

"Well, they sure looked like stars," he said. "Except they had red and green lights. And they moved along the horizon a lot farther than stars do. And I saw

"Chariots of the Gods" last week in Parkersburg and those things might've been around along time ago."

So the authorities aren't sure what those multi-colored lights are, and UFO's are sighted every day.

Mr. W.E. Van Horn, Mark's father, said they were visited by a retired Navy officer from Parkersburg who spent a lot of time authenticating pilots' versions of being pursued by UFO's.

It all began when Mark and his Dad spotted strange movements in the sky about three weeks ago.

"I thought I saw a plane in trouble," Mark said. "It was standing in one place with it's lights blinking on and off. Then Dad and I saw three, then 10."

Mark checked the objects with his 560 power telescope. First he used a celestial eye piece and refractor to view them, but they just appeared as blurred multi-colored lights. He then used a terrestrial eye piece and refractor. This brought the blur into clear shape and focus.

"They are round, with ports around the sides," said Mark. "And one night we saw small objects, transparent discs passing around and in front of the UFO."

Mark called the UFO Center in Denver, Colorado. It was Sunday night and he had to leave his message on

Glenville, W. Va.  
Glenville Democrat  
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tape. Officials there contacted State Police in Charleston, and Cpl. Davis was soon dispatched to the Van Horn farm.

The Van Horns describe the UFO's appearing low on the horizon early in the evening, then rising overhead. But their patterns of movement can change at any given moment.

"They camouflage themselves among the stars," said Mr. Van Horn. "One night a UFO moved right into the Big Dipper; another night one came up rather close and then sank rapidly down the horizon when I signaled with my flashlight. Another dropped down across the sky, then over, then down again and stopped. Shooting stars don't stop."

About sixteen persons, friends of the Van Horns, have seen the UFO's. They are among thousands who have seen unidentified flying objects every year.

The Van Horns have recently returned to Gilmer County, having lived in Florida for many years where Mr. Van Horn was a college and high school instructor in accounting and psychology. He also taught at Salem College, Salem, W.Va.

# UFO Reported By Ocala Youth

Butch Buford, NE 12th Court, Ocala, is a guy who has done extensive research on unidentified flying objects for three years. Sunday night he saw what he is sure is a flying saucer.

Buford reports he was driving home Sunday night from Salt Springs when he glanced out of the back of his car and spotted a red object in the sky which could not possibly have been a plane.

"It was able to go at a terrific speed then turn sharply in the other direction, planes can not do this," Buford pointed out.

When Buford reached home he went to a friend's home across the street, because the friend has built a UFO detector "that works", built according to specifications obtained from a Navy man who operates one.

The two took the detector into the backyard and in about 10 minutes the detector started flashing as an object streaked through the sky, taking off at a tremendous speed.

Backing up his opinion that there was indeed a flying saucer in Marion County Sunday night, Buford said the detector only picks up objects for a 30-mile radius and only picks up objects with some kind of magnetic pull, which planes do not have.

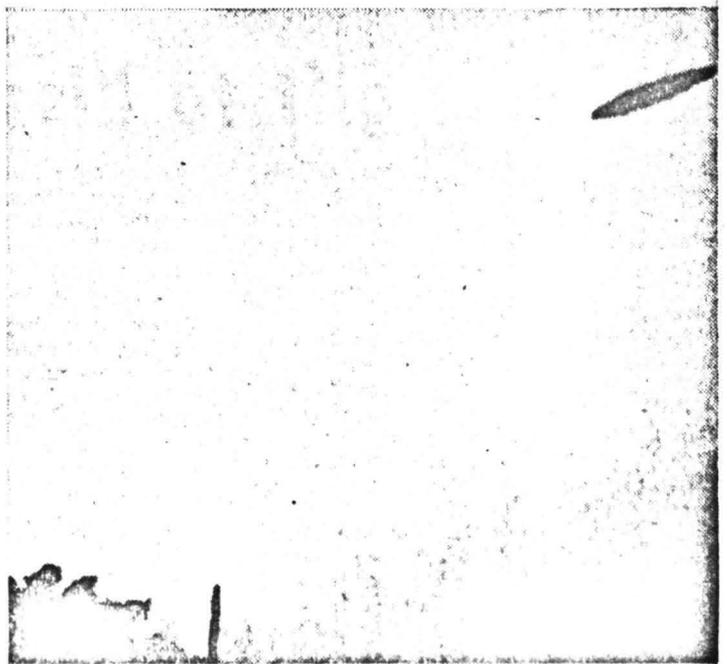
Buford said he called the police department and was informed there had been three other reports of flying saucers in Marion County on Sunday night.

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## UFOs can be fatter or saucier

Skeptics might say that someone is pulling the old hat trick, but believers may be inclined to suggest that, as in Detroit, flying saucers are now coming out in varied models. The photo at left was

taken by Kazuhiko Fujimatsu, 15-year-old Japanese high school student, at Onomichi, near Hiroshima, to buttress his claim that he had seen a hat-shaped flying saucer. Photo at right, also taken

by the boy, is of a disc-shaped flying saucer but it was not established whether it is just another view of the hat-shaped UFO, or an earlier, more primitive, model.

—AP photo

By Cherry Valley Residents

# Unidentified Craft Sighted In Sky Here

**SAN GORGONIO PASS** — Three Cherry Valley residents witnessed a strange phenomenon last night, in the western sky.

Mrs. Beverly Coyle called this morning and — not using the term "U.F.O." or even seeing particularly alarmed—questioned as to whether we had any knowledge of an Air Force test in the area. She said she and her husband and daughter were sitting in the den of their home on Orchard, watching the Streets of San Francisco. That puts the time between 9 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Looking toward the west, the trio first spotted two bright lights, each with a red and a blue light on either side.

Nothing particularly strange about that. Two airplanes. Right?

Probably wrong, if our witnesses are correct.

Airplanes were the first things that came to their mind, too. But after a short

while it became obvious that these were no ordinary airplanes, because they remained stationary in the sky.

The crafts appeared in the western sky, in a location estimated as Calimesa or Redlands.

A little later, two identical craft appeared, and joined the first two. These came from the south through a route approximately similar to Lamb's Canyon Road.

Thereafter, all four hovered together.

The Coyles' second thought was that the crafts were helicopters, but this too was ruled out, when the 12-year-old daughter pointed out the absence of any sound or noise.

Eventually, all four craft took off in a southwesterly direction, towards the general area of the Badlands along Route 60. They reportedly moved sideways and then away—not banking as a regular airplane would.

The single light in the center of each craft was bright, but not penetrating as a spotlight would be. Each had an aura of light encircling the center core.

The Record-Gazette today contacted March Air Force Base in Riverside and Norton Air Force Base in San Bernardino with a negative response from both regarding any tests they may have done last night.

A public information spokesman for March Air Force Base said the only hovering craft the Air Force owns is a helicopter. At that, he added, there are no helicopters at March.

A spokesman for Norton Air Force Base said the crafts, if they belonged to the Air Force, would most likely be something experimental, perhaps a test out of Edwards Air Force Base near Lancaster. "All we have is old cargo planes," the Norton spokesman added.

A call was placed to Edwards Air

Force Base regarding any test they may have conducted last night.

The public information officer was not available as The Record-Gazette went to press. However, a woman working in that office seemed skeptical when told of the occurrence. "A U.F.O., perhaps," was her taunting reply. She did say, however that their office would check the information out and be "back to us."

If the Air Force owns the crafts appearing in the Pass last night, they apparently don't know it—or don't want to say it.

The possible UFO sighting yesterday was the second such sighting here in recent months. In the early hours of July 12, 1974, a mammoth unidentified flying object was sighted 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 then. 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 credible 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 the 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 per 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's Sighted Early Tuesday

Mrs. Harold Coleman, Mitchell, arose early Tuesday morning, November 19, 1974. She got out of bed to turn the furnace up and just happened to look out. The time was 5:30 a.m.; it was a very dark morning.

In a north-westerly direction (but more westerly than north) she saw a brilliant, flickering light. At first she thought it was a very bright star. As she continued to observe it, she noticed that it was hovering but literally dancing up and down,

back and forth from side to side. She decided to sit down, to stabilize herself, to make certain she was not moving. After seating herself and assuming a stationary position, her observation was the same as when she first sighted the object.

She observed this UFO from 5:30 a.m. to 6:15 a.m. when it seemed to take off; it seemed to fade in the distance in a westerly direction.

Shortly after 5:30 a.m. when Mrs. Coleman determined she

was seeing something other than a star, she wanted someone else to also observe the phenomenon. She looked out to see if any of the neighbors were up. She called Dr. W. F. Mahan at approximately 5:45 a.m. He immediately went to the Coleman home; he took his binoculars. Mrs. Coleman reported he came in to make certain — "I wasn't having a flight of fancy"; she pointed out to him what she had been observing.

Dr. Mahan then went outside and shortly after 5:45 a.m.

sighted another object. He described this one as an extremely bright light, white, moving at a high rate of speed in a south-westerly direction. He observed this for a period of 6 to 8 seconds through the binoculars. He said he could discern no shape or form, just intense, white light and estimated it to be 10 miles away. There was no sound. The UFO then seemed to "scoot" away. Dr. Mahan changed his position to try and locate it; it was lost from his view. Mrs. Coleman did not observe this object.

The two people then continued to observe the object Mrs. Coleman had first sighted until it faded at 6:15 a.m.

# Girl, Mother See What They Believe Was UFO

By RAYMOND RANEY

"It was a ball, orange and green, spinning, about 15 or 25 feet away," said an upset 13-year-old Elkhart girl the day after seeing an unidentified flying object.

She and her mother saw something in the sky over Northern Elkhart at around 9:45 p.m. Sunday on their way home from church. They were traveling east on Elkhart County Road 4 when something appeared. "It was several different colors, but mostly green; my daughter said it looked like a rusty ball," the woman said. "It was there and gone at the

window" on the passenger side, disappearing and reappearing at least four times," she said.

She said she was all over the road trying to elude whatever it was. At one point as the light hovered the woman said her car died and went off the road. The thing left.

When the woman returned home she called Elkhart police. Two officers were sent to the scene. They drove the length of the road but found nothing, said Patrolman James Ianigro.

The investigation continued and when the officers

went to the woman's residence to interview her, she denied making the report until pressed about it, Ianigro said. She told the officers she didn't believe in such things and was reluctant to talk about it, he said.

After taking her statement, the officers asked if what she saw could have been an airplane. The sighting was in the proximity of Elkhart Municipal Airport. She said no.

The woman explained she had traveled the road many times and could make out the shape of a plane, Ianigro said.

The woman and her daughter remain reluctant to talk about the incident, "it was a terrifying experience and I wouldn't want to go through it again," she told a Truth reporter.

A check with area law enforcement agencies yielded no other reports of sightings Sunday night. Elkhart's airport tower closed at 8 p.m., before the incident, but the Michiana Regional Airport, at South Bend, radar monitors Elkhart.

Bob Patrick, South Bend tower assistant chief, said he talked to some of the persons

who worked Sunday night, but there were no reports of unusual sightings.

South Bend radar can pick up planes as they take off from Elkhart airport at 50 to 100 feet, Patrick said, "but we could lose a 747 out there, if the heading was right in relation to the rotation of the radar antenna."

A check through The Truth's files for the last 10 years yields several UFO reports in the area.

March 25, 1966 — A truck driver told police "a strange blinking light" shadowed his truck for 15 miles between Cassopolis and Niles.

April 22, 1966 — A Three Rivers policeman reported seeing an unidentified object flashing red, green and white lights, hovering between White Pigeon and Three Rivers.

April 28, 1967 — Two persons reported "unusually bright lights" near the DeCamp Bridge off Hively Avenue.

Oct. 3, 1967 — Police received dozens of calls reporting "objects in the sky" in the Syracuse-Warshaw area.

Dec. 14, 1967 — Goshen Police and sergeant captain

reported seeing a bright white ball travel laterally across the sky, stop for a time and then proceed.

Aug. 12, 1971 — Several residents reported objects falling and then appearing to hang in the sky in the vicinity of Parkmor Plaza.

Oct. 27, 1973 — 15 Civil Defense men reported seeing an object with a red flame on the bottom and a blue light on the top. When police arrived at Indiana and Plymouth avenues in Goshen the light appeared to be several miles off and was described as a round shaped light.

**Object Seen**  
**Flying Saucers**  
**Claimed in Area**

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Pilots of unidentified flying objects have not abandoned the Pacific Northwest, where the first such sky riders were spotted 27 years ago, according to Mrs. Jack Campbell of Moran Prairie.

"I saw what definitely could be a UFO just last week and I am sure many other residents of the Spokane area witnessed its journey," Mrs. Campbell said.

"It was about 5 p.m. when I saw the object climb from the northwest, streak across the sky and disappear over the horizon in the southeast. The bright body had a red tail or streak in its wake. It was faster than anything I've ever seen. I am sure it wasn't a shooting star or meteor because it arced all the way from horizon to horizon."

Both Mr. and Mrs. Campbell have been UFO buffs for several years but neither is currently active in any of the organizations engaged in reporting and investigating sightings. However, there are several Spokane area residents who have membership in UFO clubs.

The largest such group is the Mutual UFO Network, headquartered in Quincy, Ill., with a western office in Mt. View, Calif. That organization recently reported that there have been 546 confirmed cases of UFOs landing, hovering or leaving physical evidence of landing throughout the U.S.

UFO sighting reports have received comparatively little public notice since the U.S. Air Force abandoned its official UFO investigations in December, 1969.

The first reported sighting in the U.S. was in June 1947, when Kenneth Arnold of Boise claimed that, while piloting a light plane over the Cascades, he spotted nine flying, saucer-like objects between Mt. Rainier and Mt. Adams, moving at an estimated speed of 1200 miles an hour.

In a nation-wide poll taken last year 51 per cent of persons contacted said they believe in UFOs from outer space and 11 per cent claimed to have actually seen them.

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## 'Wizard' flees as spacemen don't show

AVIGNON, France (AP) — About 1,500 people gathered in a field near here Sunday to welcome three inhabitants of the planet Venus who a "wizard" said would arrive aboard a flying object, according to "messages" he alone was receiving and understood.

The rendezvous was set for 2 p.m. local time, but the space visitors never turned up and the wizard was chased from the field by the angry crowd.

The wizard, 32-year-old electrician Antonio de Rosa who says his hometown is Novara, Italy, had told neighbors in this Southern France city of the pending arrival of the three beings from Venus.

The rumor soon spread and a crowd of people gathered — some with bottles of wine — to greet the space visitors.

"They are coming . . . I feel it. They have just started orbiting around earth," De Rosa said to calm the crowd as minutes passed and no flying object was in sight. But, obviously, the wizard had made some error in his supernatural calculations.

"They will come Jan. 2, 1975, and that will be the most historical day for mankind," he shouted as he ran away from the angry crowd.

# Mysterious Object Seen

## Log 10-22-Possible UFO

Folks, either Santa Claus is using a new mode of transportation in a preliminary check of his Christmas route, or its the beginning of a new UFO season.

Early Thursday morning the Jackson County Sheriff's office received a call from the Altus Air Force police that they had a report of a plane on fire that may have crashed some two miles to four miles south of Mock's feed lot. An Altus Police Department log report finally listed the item as "10-22 (no further action needed), possible UFO."

Chuck Paris, Jackson County undersheriff, said that what appears to be the "Unidentified Flying Object" resulted in several deputies searching the area for what was believed to have been a crashed plane. Paris added that the search was called off around 4 a.m. after no fire or indication of a crash was found.

Paul Kackley, information officer at the base, confirmed that AAFB personnel received the report and tried to find it on radar. There was no report of a find on any of the radar screens, Kackley said.

The UFO sighting is the first such incident in some nine to ten months. Around this time last year, UFO incidents were reported through Oklahoma as well as the rest of the nation.

In Altus, several such UFO incidents were reported with some fairly responsible people saying they "saw something."

One such sighting near Altus was from college students on their way to Western Oklahoma State College from the Blair area. That report included drawings of the purported UFO.

UFO sightings are now the subject of an upcoming movie concerning the recent incidents and reportings from Air Force personnel and other responsible parties.

Carmel Valley, Cal.  
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### UFO sighting

Residents of a home on Garzas Road in Carmel Valley reported an unidentified flying object on Sunday evening and are wondering how many other Valleyites viewed the strange phenomena.

The windows of the home were undraped while the interior is being painted giving the family a clear view of the approach toward the Valley from the Greenfield area of a bright red object, pink in the middle, the size of a full moon. The large red disc descended over a vacant lot behind the Valley home, emitting a green light which sparked off toward the ground. The ship's intensely bright lights blinked off leaving a softer glow. It was visible 15 to 17 minutes and during that time the house lights blinked several times and every dog in the area barked and howled, then were uneasy the remainder of the night.

It left two sparkling vapor trails estimated to be many miles long. The time was 8:55 P.M. Sunday evening. If you saw the object and have any further details would you please drop a note to "Oaks 'N' Cactus" or call 659-2468.

### ROSCOE DRUMMOND

## UFO Film Will Buzz Air Force

UFOs are in the news again and with mounting evidence that they are real, not imaginary.

They will remain in the news because the time is getting nearer when the U.S. Air Force will have to abandon its long-standing tactic of concealment or be repudiated by the Department of Defense.

Some degree of repudiation is already in the making.

The evidence of this is contained in a letter which Secretary of the Air Force John L. McLucas has just received from Maj. Donald E. Keyhoe, Ret., for 13 years director of the National Investigation Committee on Aerial Phenomena.

Maj. Keyhoe's letter discloses:  
1. That "a startling UFO film, a documentary prepared with Defense Department aid, contradicting past Air Force denials," will soon be released for nationwide audiences.

2. That this documentary "contains

hitherto classified film and convincing evidence (contrary to all disclaimers) that UFOs are alien spacecraft."

3. That Col. William T. Coleman, for several years the top Air Force debunker of UFO sightings, is ready to reveal a UFO encounter he had.

On this point Maj. Keyhoe adds:  
"As Coleman will disclose, he was piloting a B-25 bomber with two airmen aboard when a disc-shaped metallic craft suddenly approached the bomber.

"If it had been hostile the crew could not have escaped — the UFO's speed was too great. But the spacecraft abruptly turned away.

"For years, under Air Force orders, Coleman continued to deny UFO reality and to ridicule witnesses. His encounter was kept secret."

Maj. Keyhoe's letter ends with a strong appeal to the Air Force Secretary to take the lead in getting all the facts into the open.

## UFO sighted over Heppner

Heppner has an unidentified flying object, and it's giving three of its observers the jitters.

The object was first observed at 7:48 p.m., Dec. 4, by Ernie Ertz. At 8:20 the same night he watched it again. It reappeared at 8:50 p.m., Dec. 8.

The first sighting was on an overcast night. The object came low over the hills of Hinton Creek, moved over the town and departed over the Kinzua mill. It is described by Ertz, his neighbor, Mrs. Etta Parker, whom he called as a witness, and Bob Lowe as moving slowly, emitting no noise. It is, according to Lowe, shuttlecock-shaped and "about the size of the moon." It glows from orange to red as it approaches and takes on a greenish hue as it departs. Lowe got into the act when

Ertz called him and asked him to verify his observation of the object. Lowe saw the object himself at 8:15 p.m. Monday night. This time it came low down Willow Creek, flew silently over the hospital where Lowe is employed, and disappeared toward Kinzua mill.

"I know people are thinking Ernie and I must be drinking out of the same bottle," Lowe said, "but we haven't. What about Mrs. Parker seeing it, too?"

Ertz is setting up nights now with a camera, hoping to catch the UFO on film and, perhaps, restore his credibility.

The last incident of unidentified flying objects seen in the Heppner area was in the mid-1940s when Al Lovgren was among several people who saw three UFOs cavorting over the town.

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## UFO spotted by rural family near Johnstown

Frank and Dee Day spotted an unidentified flying object (UFO) in the backyard of their farm home five miles south of Johnstown Wednesday evening, Oct. 16 at about 8 p.m.

Although it was dark and no shape was distinguishable, Mrs. Day said the object had three pulsating red lights in the shape of an elongated triangle. It hovered for about 10 minutes at 150 feet off the ground, but didn't disturb any of the animals in the pastures, she said, noting also that the dogs didn't bark.

"It was huge . . . large in size," she said. "They (the lights) moved

in unison, not separately."

The Days and two of their four children witnessed the spectacle. They called the Colorado State Patrol, who referred the matter to the Johnstown Police. By the time the local police arrived at the farm, however, the object had disappeared.

Mrs. Day said a UFO was reported in Denver that same night at about 11:30 p.m. When the object left the Day's home, however, it was headed northeast.

Mary and Hank Jakel, neighbors of the Day family, also saw the object.

# Morning UFO Sighting Here Baffles Observers, 'Experts'

By **MIKE PHILIPPS**  
News Staff Writer

A photograph of what only can be called an "unidentified flying object" taken by a former Lima News photographer this morning remained unexplained at noon.

The photograph was made shortly after 6 a.m. from the parking lot of a 2114 Spencer-ville Rd. dairy store and approximately 15 persons observed the phenomena.

The photographer, who asked to remain unidentified, said he saw four or five of the comet-like objects move quickly across the sky over a 20-minute period.

He was in his nearby office when he learned of the UFO's.

"One of our men came in and asked if I had seen the comets," he told The News this morning. "I knew there were no comets visible now so I went out to investigate."

He said he had plenty of time to put film in his camera and used a 200mm Nikkor lens on an Olympus Pen F to make several pictures of the UFO's.

"They were round and they flattened out to teardrop shape as they moved," he said.

The objects were observed in the southeast sky and moved from south to east before disappearing. He said they appeared one at a time as if in a line.

He also reported observing

several jets flying around in that area approximately 10 minutes after the objects disappeared. Unlike the UFO's, the jets left vapor trails behind them and criss-crossed the area for about 10 minutes.

Don Hurlless, a local amateur astronomer, was contacted later in the morning. He suggested they may have been weather balloons.

"Weather balloons are the first thing we consider in these sightings," he said. "Wind currents can do anything with a weather balloon."

Officials of the Environmental Sciences Service Administration weather bureau in Dayton discounted the weather balloon explanation, however.

"We released a balloon this morning," they said, "but the winds are easterly and would not have carried it to the Lima area."

He said balloons were probably released at approximately 7 a.m. from weather bureau stations in Ft. Wayne and Indianapolis, but said winds of 10 to 20 miles-per-hour would not have carried them to this area so soon. He also noted that their 1,000 foot-per-minute rate-of-climb would have placed them far out of site of ground observers.

"From my experience," a weather official said, "it would not be a weather balloon."

Officials at Dayton's Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, formerly the headquarters of the now disbanded Project Blue Book UFO studies, said the Air Force had conducted no flights in this area this morning.

Air Force officials could not explain the jets observed by the photographer following the sightings.

The local sighting comes amid recent rumors of space beings and space craft being held at the air base and spokesmen discounted those rumors.

"There are no little creatures from space or craft from space at Wright-Patterson now, period," an official told The News this morning. "There are none now and there never have been."

"The reports are without foundation," he concluded.

Rumors of two spacecraft and as many as a dozen bodies of space creatures being held at the air base have been circulating recently.

Officials said the Project Blue Book UFO study program began in 1947 and was cancelled in 1969.

"A University of Colorado study of the program and a review of that program by the National Academy of Science plus two decades of Air Force experience in investigating such sightings contributed to Blue Book's cancellation," an Air Force official said.

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## MILFORDITE REPORTS SIGHTING OF UFO

MILFORD — An Unidentified Flying Object was reported to have been sighted in the vicinity of the Bic Pen corporation on Schoolhouse road by a city motorist early Tuesday morning.

Richard Clark, 26, of 7 Beechwood road, told police that he saw the UFO shortly after 1 a.m. yesterday for about 10 seconds before it disappeared from sight.

Mr. Clark described the UFO as a round orange object that moved quickly across the horizon. He added that, being a Vietnam veteran, he didn't recognize it as any aircraft he had been acquainted with.

Police department reports indicated that the information has been turned over to the UFC Central Information headquarters.

The Air Force, he added, has no means of investigating the local sighting.

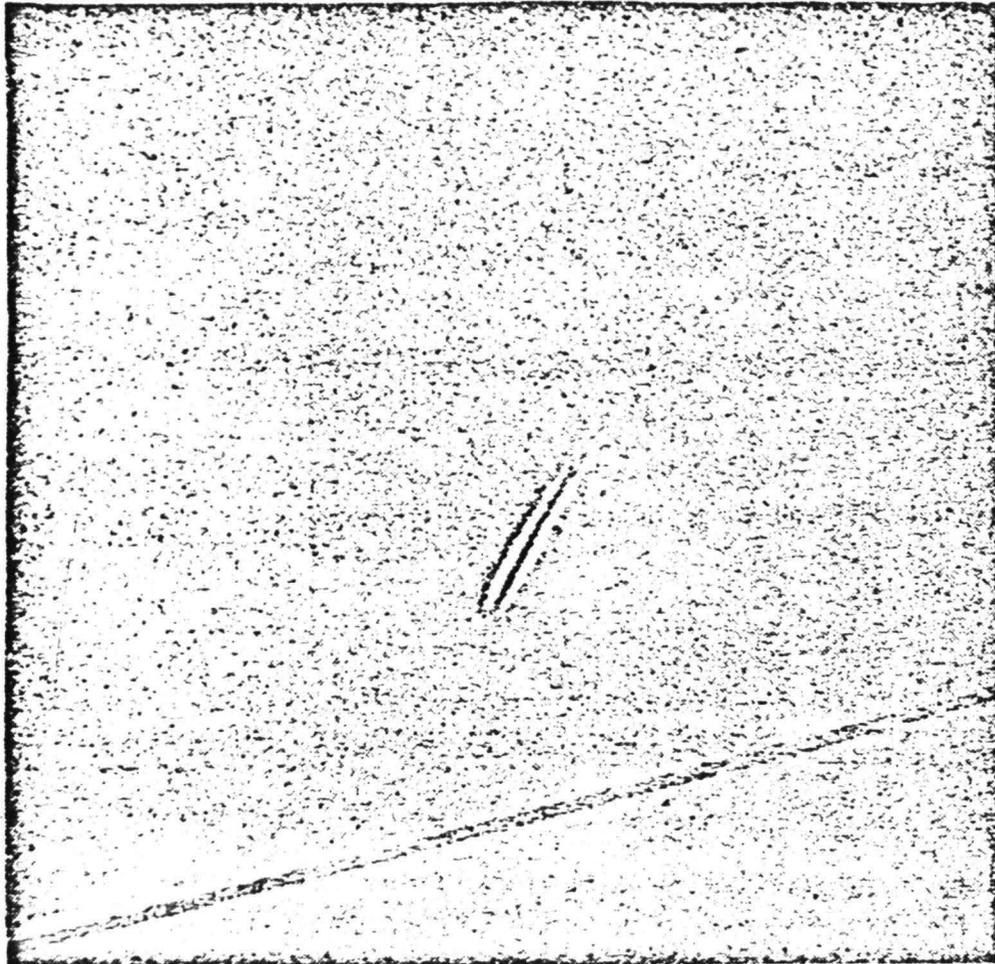
With this morning's photograph of a UFO still unexplained he was asked if he had any idea what it might be.

"Nope . . . and I don't know where to tell you to go from here."

**October 10**  
Tim Moll, who resides at 811 Lucy Street in Perryville, advised that he spotted a U.F.O. between 7 and 7:10 last Wednesday evening, Oct. 10.  
Tim advised that he used binoculars to see the saucer, which, he added, had blue and red lights.  
He went on to say that the U.F.O. sat motionless in the sky, but moved when a plane came upon the scene. The plane chased the saucer, but it could not catch it and the plane returned to the Perryville area and then flew off.  
Some other residents of the area said that they also saw the U.F.O.

**Spots U.F.O.**  
**Tim Moll**

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**UFO PHOTOGRAPHED NEAR LIMA THIS MORNING**  
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## UFOs Are No Joke To Tucson Group

Ever since the first reported sighting of a UFO, many persons have felt that additional unidentified flying object reports were fictitious and absurd. But a couple by the name of L.J. and Coral Lorenzen felt so strongly about the thought of extra-terrestrial life that they established an international organization devoted to the research and investigation of these reports.

Aerial Phenomenal Research Organization (APRO) was founded in 1952 and is the oldest organization of its kind in the world, according to Sheila Kuderle, office administrator for (APRO's) main headquarters in Tucson, at 2708 N. County Club Road.

Kuderle said APRO is governed by a board of directors and is a non profit organization committed to the premise that the UFO phenomenon is important enough to warrant an objective, scientific investigation.

She added that all employees of APRO work on a volunteer basis. There are more than 700 international investigators, 38 professional consultants and 48 international representatives.

University professors Robert S. Mellor, Walter W. Walker, and B. Roy Fieden are three of the staff's consultants.

Total membership is about 3,000 persons, Kuderle said, with 10 per cent of that number outside the United States.

With radar reports, ground sightings and aircraft observations all disclosing unidentified flying objects, Juderle said there is "sufficient evidence" that extra-terrestrial life exists.

When reports come into the main headquarters, she added, staff members near the reported case investigate the incident and then forward the results to APRO in Tucson.

If the case seems valid, Kuderle said, the consultants in such fields as metallurgy, astrophysics and aeronautics will probe the case even further.

According to Kuderle, APRO has thousands of reported UFO cases filed, because general members in the organization send in leads and newscippings concerning UFO cases.

Twenty five years ago, the reports of UFOs were rejected by many people" Kuderle said adding that since so many "professional" people are now studying the field there has been a lot of progress made because the community is starting to look at UFO phenomenon more objectively, but there is still much resistance."

Kuderle was referring to the Nov. 2 statement of Dr. Robert S. Carr who reported that the

federal government found several 4 feet tall green men in a spaceship in New Mexico in the late 1940s but has kept the discovery secret for national security reasons.

Kuderle even received a mimeographed notice in the mail in October from Carr stating, "The flying saucer cover up enforced by the CIA is threatening the fate of humanity on our entire planet. Americans want the truth and I intend to tell it on Nov. 1, 1974."

Kuderele said it is entirely possible that a spacecraft could be found, but a person just can't go around making claims like this."

UFO cases are more authentic if a photograph is taken of the phenomenon, she said, adding that APRO can "eliminate many photos that are fake," because photos submitted with a report are analyzed by photo experts.

She said the famous photos taken at Trindade Island Brazil in 1958, have been proven authentic by experts.

The photographs taken by Almiro Barauna aboard the Brazilian Navy ship "Almirante Saldanha" clearly portray a spaceship-like craft hovering above the island. Five photos were taken and there were supposedly 200 other people who witnessed the object's flight over the island.

Also kept on file at APRO, Kuderle said, are the numerous UFO related publications sent from more than 50 different countries. "Infospace" from Belgium and "Lumieres Dans La Nuit" from France are two of the publications received.

She added that APRO even receives "The Flying Saucer News" a magazine published in Japan.

With \$8 a year general membership fee, APRO also sends out an 11 page bimonthly bulletin on the various research and cases concerning unidentified flying objects.

Kuderle said that one problem in receiving foreign publications is the difficulty in reading them.

"APRO needs more translators" she said. "Foreign conversational language is much different than foreign technical language," she added.

## Mystery Sky Objects Are Spotted In Franklinville

FRANKLINVILLE — A Franklinville man Friday spotted two "unidentified flying objects" (UFOs) in the Fish Road vicinity of the Town of Franklinville.

The man, wishing not to be identified for purposes of a newspaper story, said he spotted two bright, flashing lights in the northern sky at about 7:50 p.m. and observed them for about 15 minutes.

"There were two lights, right next to each other at first," he related. "One was larger than the other. They were like big, blinking flashlights.

"The smaller one went west real fast, then moved up and down, then took a quick, sharp left hand turn and disappeared over the southern horizon.

"The larger one stayed in the same place for quite a time, then moved east and stopped, then turned north and stopped a couple more times before moving over the tree tops."

Both lights blinked off and on at about the rate of an automobile turning signal, he said. Both lights were gone by 8:05 p.m.

Skies at the time were very clear but clouds moved in within 15 minutes after the "weird" sighting, he said.

The man's wife, headed for Franklinville in a car at the time, also spotted the brighter light, he added, and told him about it when she returned.

A check with police agencies turned up no other reports of UFO sightings Friday night.

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## Wallkill Folks Spot UFOs in Valley Skies

Those pesky UFOs are back in the skies over the Wallkill Valley.

Residents of the Wallkill area reported two sightings during the last week. The first was by John Yagle of route 208, a Wallkill teenager who spied an object flashing red, blue and green lights as it hung motionless just above the western horizon. The second sighting was made by Mrs. Ann Schulz and her son-in-law and daughter Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Smiley of Buena Vista avenue.

Young Yagle was obviously shaken by his sighting early Thursday evening. "I think I just saw a UFO," he said in a telephone call to the Citizen Herald. "I've been watching it for a half hour and it just stays there in the sky flashing red, blue and green lights."

Managing Editor Dick Ambrose joined Yagle outside of Clara's Diner on route 208 and watched the object until it

disappeared ten or 15 minutes later.

Mrs. Schulz and the Smileys watched two flashing objects between 11:30 and 1 a.m. Sunday night. The object in the western sky disappeared below the horizon, indicating a possibility it was a star or planet, but the object in the eastern sky only moved further east. On this object they trained a telescope, capable of bringing into view the moons of Jupiter and the rings of Saturn. It was too bright for them to make any positive identification, but they definitely saw red, blue and green light flashes along its perimeter.

Alamogordo,  
New Mexico  
Daily News  
Nov. 10, 1974

## UFO glimpsed, then vanishes

Two Holloman Security Policemen reported to State Police late Friday evening that they saw something that looked like a "big ball of fire with red and green lights on top" flying in the vicinity of the base.

The incident apparently began when someone called the State Police office, at 11:15 p.m., to report the same object making what appeared to be a landing approach approximately one mile southeast of the base.

Several minutes later, the report from the security patrol was received, noting that the object moved up, down and horizontally as it approached the base before finally disappearing in the vicinity of a night club on Highway 70 west.

The report from the pair ended with the comment that "the whole thing must sound crazy" but that they had never seen anything like it before.

# Not all UFO tales can be tossed off

By JAY JOHNSON

Only about 20% of reported UFO sightings are "the real McCoy," Walter H. Andrus Jr., an expert on Unidentified Flying Objects, said at Foothill College in Los Altos Hills Friday night.

"About 80% of the reports can be explained as real phenomena," he told about 350 persons.

Andrus is executive director of the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON), an international organization trying to probe the mysteries of unexplained airborne phenomena.

"It isn't a case of believing in UFOs," he said, adding that indisputable data indicate they exist. The problem is to find out what UFOs are, where they come from, how they are powered, and what scientists can learn from them, he said.

Andrus showed his audience slides of famous UFO photos, depicting objects shaped like saucers, tops, cigars, eggs, and blurs of light sailing overhead.

A few photos stand up to minute examination and are considered pictures of "real" UFOs. A large number prove to be explainable phenomena, such as light reflections. Still others turn out to be hubcaps or garbage cans lids hurled in front of cameras by fame-seekers, he said.

MUFON has its own tough criteria for accepting a photo as evidence of

a UFO sighting. The object must have been observed by more than one witness, there must have been no opportunity to fake the picture, and the film must be developed by someone other than the photographer.

One good example was a flying disk observed by 98 sailors aboard a Brazilian navy ship. One sailor managed to take four shots of the object as it passed over an island. The film was developed under supervision of the vessel's captain, and printed later on shore. The Brazilian government scrutinized the prints before releasing them to the public.

In most sightings, however, the witness doesn't even have a camera, Andrus said. And if a picture is taken, it likely won't show much detail. Most of Andrus's slides, although considered good examples of UFO photos, were fuzzy or taken at a considerable distance.

In one case, a man shot several minutes of movie film as an object hovered near a group of school children and nuns. The man neglected to remove his lens cap from the camera. Another case, however, needed no photos to prove something unusual had taken place.

On Nov. 2, 1971, a young boy claimed to have watched an object take off from his family's Kansas farm. The object left an indentation in the ground that glowed phosphorescently for days. Tests showed the spot had been heated to more than 800 degrees.

When researchers examined the earth in the indentation, their fingers turned numb. Further tests showed the chemical content of the ground had been changed, revealing far greater amounts of calcium, potash, and magnesium than was present a few yards away.

Austin, Texas  
American Statesman  
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Nowata, Okla.  
Circ. 2,786

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Flying Blue

Light Seen  
By Sheriff

# Object Purported To Be UFO Seen

By DEBORAH BYRD  
Staff Writer

On Wednesday night last week, seven observers for Project Starlight International were routinely scanning the ink-black Hill Country skies outside Austin when one of them spotted an exceptionally bright object.

"Look at this!" he cried, managing to focus a camera on the yellow-white light before it disappeared.

The result of this incident is a photograph Ray Stanford, director of the project to attract UFOs, claims records the path of an airborne, unknown object.

Stanford said at a Friday press conference that the photo records two high-speed turns which could not have been made by a man-made satellite or aircraft. "The right angle turns are certainly indicative of a UFO," he said.

It also shows the squiggly wave pattern which, according to Stanford, is often reported in UFO observations.

He said he and his cohorts made no attempt to signal the object which approached from the southwest and passed near the zenith of the circular, multicolored light system which the group has built 15-20 miles northwest of Austin as a UFO station. "We were more concerned with it," he said.

Atmospheric effects on the object's

light suggest that it was traveling outside the earth's atmosphere, possibly 90-100 miles away, Stanford said. He estimated the object's speed to be 15,000 to 25,000 miles per hour.

Though the sky was exposed on film for about 10 seconds, it took the UFO only an estimated two to four seconds to travel the path recorded plus "that fantastic maneuver," claimed Stanford.

He said he didn't know why the vehicle apparently cut off its lights just as it was being photographed. Later he added, "Personally, I think they (apparently the drivers of the vehicle) can read our thoughts."

Sam Wilson of the Travis County Sheriff's Office said that no UFOs were reported in that area on that particular Wednesday night. "We didn't have any UFOs reported anywhere that night," he said.

Project Starlight International is sponsored by the Association for the Understanding of Man, a nonprofit organization which studies such subjects as UFOs, parapsychology, and dreams. It is funded through membership fees and private contributions.

Stanford considers the study of UFOs potentially valuable since they might be a source of knowledge about methods of generating energy.

"The nation that discovers the secret of UFOs has a corner on the market in terms of energy," he said.

A brilliant, bluish light in the sky, sighted around 6.45 p.m. yesterday, has law enforcement officers in Nowata and Washington Counties stumped.

Sheriff Bill Sutton reported seeing the flashing light one mile north of Delaware and west of Highway 169 while driving north on 169. Sutton said the small light, about a foot in diameter, blinked off and on rapidly west of the highway. He described it as similar to the light given off by "someone welding at night."

Sutton drove slowly toward Lenapah and watched the light travel south toward Nowata where it appeared to circle the town. After reaching his destination at Lenapah, Sutton said, the light headed north toward Coffeyville where he lost track of it.

Shortly after the sighting, Sutton received a call from the Washington County Sheriff's office where law enforcement officers there had seen it. Sutton said Nowata County Deputy Gilbert Gilmore who was in Nowata also reported seeing the light as it circled the town.

The sheriff could come up with no explanation for the mysterious light. "I've never seen any airplane with lights like that."

Later, odd, shriveled mushrooms grew around the indentation, apparently caused by heat acting on spores in the ground. Although the farm's owner didn't know it, other UFO landing sites around the world have sprouted mushrooms afterward, Andrus said.

Finally, he said, something happened that caused biologists to "throw up their hands." The family's sheep were giving birth around the time of the landing, and some of the lambs born then gave birth themselves only six months later. Since the gestation period of sheep is six months, the lambs, in effect, were born pregnant, he said.

Palo Alto, Calif.

Times

Oct. 26, 1974



Roscoe Drummond —

# Air Force on UFOs

Washington — UFOs are in the news again and with mounting evidence that they are real, not imaginary. They will remain in the news because the time is getting nearer when the U.S. Air Force will have to abandon its longstanding tactic of concealment or be repudiated by the Department of Defense.

On this point Maj. Keyhoe adds these details in his letter:

"As Coleman will disclose, he was piloting a B-25 bomber with two air-men aboard when a disc-shaped metallic craft suddenly approached the bomber.

"If it had been hostile the crew could not have escaped—the UFO's speed was too great. But the space-craft abruptly turned away. When Coleman went to full power for a closer look, the UFO raced out of sight.

"For years, under Air Force orders, Coleman continued to deny UFO reality and to ridicule witnesses. His encounter was kept secret."

In the forthcoming film, this cover-up—familiar word—is discussed by Coleman himself, by two other retired Air Force UFO-debunkers, Lt. Col. Hector Quintella and Robert Friend, and also by a former AF-UFO consultant, astronomer Allen J. Hynek.

While the Air Force apparently still clings to secrecy and denials of all possibility of alien spacecraft surveillance of this planet, the Defense Department appears to be adopting a new tack. It is either pursuing an independent policy on UFOs or quietly telling the Air Force that it better get in line.

Some degree of repudiation is contained in a revealing letter which Secretary of the Air Force John L. McLucas has just received from Maj. Donald E. Keyhoe, Ret., for 13 years director of the National Investigation Committee on Aerial Phenomena and author of the recently published book, "Aliens from Space—the Real Story of Unidentified Flying Objects."

Maj. Keyhoe's letter discloses:

1—That "a startling UFO film, a documentary prepared with Defense Department aid, contradicting past Air Force denials," will soon be released for nationwide theater and television audiences.

2—That this documentary "contains hitherto classified film and convincing evidence (contrary to all Air Force disclaimers) that UFOs are alien spacecraft."

3—That Col. William T. Coleman, for several years the top Air Force debunker of all UFO sightings, is now ready to reveal an impressive UFO encounter which he himself had.

## Another View

# UFO's Make Still Another Appearance

BY B. J. WORRELL

UFOs (Unidentified Flying Objects) are back in Surry County after an absence of over a year.

It was in October, 1973 when UFO reports kept the sheriff's department busy, as well as reporters and photographers from near by daily newspapers.

Dozens of residents including a physician and his wife reported witnessing a speeding "ball of light" cross the northeastern skies three weeks ago on Saturday night at 10:23.

Sightings of the phenomena—still unidentified at this writing—poured in from the local citizens as well as

Raleigh, Durham and Greensboro.

According to the eyewitnesses, it appeared about 75 degrees above the horizon and moved like a comet. It was described as "a fireball with a green tail by some witnesses."

A weather newsman in Greensboro reported an unusual blip on the TV weather radar screen at the same time.

The light was also cited, as it flew above Interstate 85, near Highway 70 near Durham.

Most observers agreed it lasted only four to five seconds.

In Raleigh and Durham the object was reported to have lighted the treetops without making a sound.

A check with the Naval Space Surveillance Center in Virginia, and the U. S. Naval Observatory in Washington, D. C. brought no confirmation or additional information.

Some witnesses said it looked like an airliner on fire about to crash.

The object sighted in Surry County, however does not look anything like the light Joe Nall of Putnam has been seeing for some 30 years.

The light Nall pointed out to me is much smaller and is only one color, bright white.

Maybe the government made its first concrete move in the direction of educating the public on UFO happenings when the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D. C. opened its "Life in

the Universe," exhibit this fall.

A recent report revealed that insiders in the nation's capitol feel the Government is almost ready to release some of the information it has reportedly withheld from the public for 25 years concerning UFOs.

Some people believe the exhibit at Smithsonian is the beginning of a government program to condition the people for a landing by alien beings.

It was in the late 1960s when Gerald Ford urged Congress to open hearings on UFOs and Nelson Rockefeller expressed the same feelings. Now they're in better positions to do something about it.

If the government is hiding important information from the public concerning UFOs I think it is time the officials start to educate the people on what is happening. After all it is our money they are using to conduct the investigations—and we have a right to know their findings.

# Patrolman Reports UFO Sighting

A Savannah patrolman early today reported seeing an unidentified flying object (UFO) in the area of southwest Savannah.

Patrolman Robert Glenn Christian reported a "light" toward the southwest about 3:45 a.m. Patrol Sgt. J. A. White, called to the scene, said the light moved, stopped momentarily and then disappeared.

The report came shortly after a statewide lookout was posted by police in Dawson

where several similar objects were seen.

White described the object here as being a yellowish hue which turned to a bluish white color.

"It was real bright," he said.

White said he did not make a report but reported the sighting to the radio dispatcher.

Earlier, Dawson police sent a statewide teletype lookout about 3:02 a.m. for two UFO's reported from the Smithville

area seen leaving a large open field.

Smithville is northeast of Dawson.

Similar reportings came from DeKalb and Fulton counties, including the Georgia Bureau of Investigation office in Atlanta.

Other reports described the objects as bluish-purple in color.

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# Spun Like UFO,

## Then It Sank

Carbondale, Pa.—A mysterious flying object that witnesses said "spun like fireworks on the Fourth of July" reportedly landed here and disappeared from view Saturday night in a water-filled, abandoned coal breach.

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Didn't Believe Them

The boys ran from the woods and called police, but a dispatcher refused to believe their claims. However, when the switchboard began to light up with other reported sightings, a patrol was sent out.

Residents of this coal town just north of Scranton in Lackawanna County, talked excitedly yesterday about "the UFO," and before long swarms of curious gathered at the breach.

Today, Carbondale's acting police chief, Sgt. Francis X. Dotts, roped off the area to

protect the spot for investigators.

Effort to Surface It

Officials said divers were expected to try to bring the object to the surface today.

Dr. Allen Hynek, who is affiliated with the Center for UFO Studies at Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., was reported on his way to Carbondale.

Earlier Hynek said the object could not be a meteorite because the glow would have fizzled out immediately upon hitting the water.

Hynek said there is a possibility the object is part of a communications satellite.

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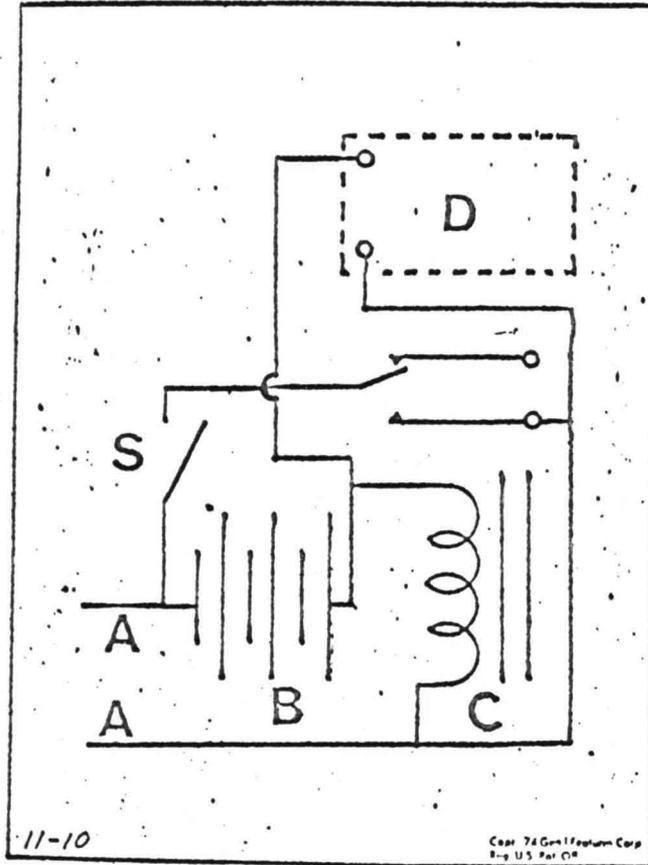
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Indianapolis, Indiana

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### SCIENCE FOR YOU



By BOB BROWN

PROBLEM: Bell assembly for UFO detector.

NEEDED: Wires, bell, battery, switch, relay.

DO THIS: Assemble the parts as shown. An electronics or electrical man will help, and this will be a good introduction to electrical circuit diagrams. The bell is shown (D), the relay (C), battery (B) and the wires leading from the UFO detector (A) that was in an earlier column.

An electronics or hardware store is the place to get the parts, and the man there will help select them so they match.

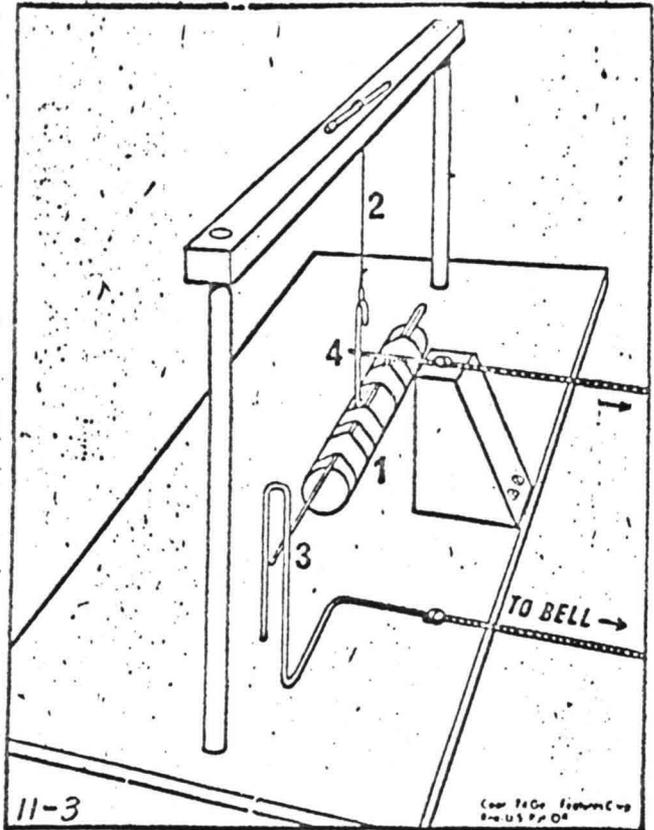
HOW IT WORKS: When the UFO detector magnet is disturbed, it turns slightly, making contact to short out the wires (A and A). The bell starts to ring.

At the same time the relay operates to close its contacts, providing a permanent short to keep the bell ringing. The bell is silenced by opening the switch (S).

As stated before, this UFO detector is not guaranteed to detect a flying saucer. But it is an interesting project for a boy or girl for the science fair or just for fun at home or at school.

(Adapted from a design by John Oswald, North Hampton, N.H.)

### SCIENCE FOR YOU



By BOB BROWN

PROBLEM: Make a UFO detector.

NEEDED: A strong bar magnet, copper wire, brass screws, wood, tape, thread.

DO THIS: Build the detector as shown. The magnet and some of the wire are put together by wrapping tape around them, as shown (1). Part of the bare wire forms a loop or hook. A thin thread (2) hooks into the wire loop to suspend the magnet so it can turn freely.

A bare wire touches the hook or loop (4), making electrical contact. A loop (3) is touched by the magnet and wire, which turn slightly, making another electrical contact.

HOW IT WORKS: Set the instrument where it cannot be moved and where it will not get dusty (cover it!). There must not be a draft or breeze on it. Move it around until the magnet, pointing north and south, comes to rest so the extended wire is between the wires of loop 3, not touching. Keep all iron away.

A variation in the earth's magnetic field caused by a flying saucer or a geomagnetic storm will turn the magnet slightly, making contact at 3 and ringing the bell. The bell assembly will be described in a later column.

This instrument does not guarantee the appearance of a flying saucer; it does not mean that flying saucers exist. But it will make a good construction project.

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# Police Report UFO Sighting

Three sheriff's deputies last night reported seeing an unidentified flying object (UFO) in skies over Lakeland.

Sgt. Thomas Lavere said he saw a blue, red and green object in the vicinity.

Both deputies and state police last night said they received reports of UFOs. Deputies said they had about 20 telephone calls and troopers at the North Syracuse station reported five.

Nearly all the calls put the flying objects over Lakeland, while several persons reported UFOs over Otisco Lake.

Lavere said he was aided in observing the phenomena by a telescope. He saw the UFO from Winchell Road, Lakeland, where several persons were gathered.

The telescope was owned by a neighborhood resident, he said.

Lavere said the object was at first stationary and then moved to the left. He said he kept bearings on the object by noting its distance near a high tower.

He said he observed the object for about 45 minutes after which it disappeared. A second nearby object, multi-colored and donut shaped, was thought to be a star, Lavere said.

He said he was looking at the multi-colored star when the UFO apparently disappeared.

Police said they received calls on UFOs between 8 and 9 p.m. yesterday.

Besides Lavere, Sgt. A. C. Baxter and Deputy Michael Haven reportedly viewed the UFO over Lakeland. They were with Lavere at Winchell Road.

Reports differed as to how many UFOs there were. Some persons who phoned police reported seeing two, others said they saw three or four.

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Not a bird... not a plane... but a UFO

Six young persons were standing by a driveway in Lewiston Orchards Friday evening, eyes turned upward, watching a soft glow of red and orange drifting into the western skies. But they weren't observing a sunset.

It was oval in shape, possibly the size of a jumbo jet but with no wings. It traveled in a straight line from southeast to northwest, dipping vertically and rising again as it sped through the atmosphere. It glowed faster than an airplane would at that level, although he could not estimate the altitude. He said it seemed to gain elevation as it flew westward.

When it got above Clarkston," he said, "it looked like it was falling apart."

Pieces of large reddish metal dropped from the craft, and it then disappeared into the clouds, he said.

No other reports of the sighting were received by the Lewiston Morning Tribune, and an official in the control tower at Lewiston Airport

red, he said, adding "the whole thing was kind of glowing by itself."

The object shone orange and

He said the object was going

would have hit the ground on

the north side of the Snake

River a few miles west of

Clarkston.

There was no other traffic

that we knew of."

Lewiston, Idaho

Tribune

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## No Fame for Carbondale

# UFO Just Flashlight In Lake, Diver Finds

By THOMAS J. BREEN 3d  
Of The Bulletin Staff  
Carbondale, Pa.—There is no joy in Coalville.

Mark Stamey took a dive. The crowd booed, jeered and hissed.

"Stay away from flashlights", sneered a wiseacre 10-year-old.

"We're embarrassed," whispered a policeman.

"I feel," said Mark Stamey, "like a ding-a-ling."

This is the way it was yesterday, in this Eastern Pennsylvania town, when the mysterious flashing intruder from Who Knows Where turned out to be a very unmagical 12-inch, battery-powered railroad signalman's light. The light had stayed lit underwater for almost two days. When it was uncovered, it still was burning.

Watch and Wait

The crowd of at least 500 persons, forced by police to stand behind a wire fence, watched expectantly as Mark Stamey disappeared beneath the murky silt and soot-bottomed water. They were rooting hard for Mark Stamey. They really wanted him to corner the unknown intruder so Carbondale would get on the map.

"Not much happens in Carbondale. We don't have much crime. We used to have gambling. But that was a long time ago," John Hart, a resident said.

Some Joke

So that's why they were rooting for Mark Stamey... for something "to happen."

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Mark Stamey  
... found the light

"Who knows what it could be," said a man, as he watched Mark Stamey slip into the water. Others talked of "little green men" and "flying saucers" and "new government weapons" and "huge meteorites." Some were joking. Most were perfectly serious.

They could see bubbles made by Mark Stamey's breathing gear. Occasionally, they saw his chunky head pop up. Finally, sometime around 3 P.M., Mark Stamey paddled his way to shore. Dressed snug in a rubber diving suit and hood, looking somewhat like a pudgy penguin, Mark Stamey had his diving light in one hand. In the other hand, he was holding something. The crowd wasn't sure what it was. But it was very small. And it certainly was no Unidentified Flying Object (UFO). It was a very Identifiable Dull Object (IDO).

"What the heck is that?" asked someone in the crowd.

2 Small Bulbs  
"Are you kidding... It's... it's... a lantern," they groaned

Yes, Mark Stamey, a 26-year-old skindiver from a Syracuse, N.Y., suburb, It came up with a lantern. It was 12-inches long. It was chrome plated. It had a curvy black handle. It had two small bulbs. It had a Sears battery. It is commonly called a railroad lantern, used to signal trains. And it was made in a very earthy place — Oregon.

"It's not your fault," whispered a sympathetic person to Stamey. "You're just the diver. You tried."

But the crowd had to blame someone for finding a lantern, instead of a sea monster or a flying saucer. So they booed Stamey.

Carbondale's near 48-hours in fantasy land began Saturday night when three teenagers, who live less than a mile from the pond, reported to police seeing a whirring object "lit up like the 4th of July" go crashing into the pond.

Police ignored the teenagers until they got a later report from an adult.

Several police drove to the pond, which is filled with silt and was once used to clean coal at a breaker that is no longer in operation.

When they arrived, the object was flashing, and "pulsating," according to police.

At least one policeman, and possibly others, fired shots at the "invader," which was said to have crashed from the direction of Salem Mountain, which towers over Carbondale.

Continues to Glow

Finally, when the flaring object continued to glow, the police department called a research center at Northwestern University. Their advice was to surround the area. One of Northwestern's regional agents came on Sunday and supervised the rest of the operation. Other UFO experts, including several from the Philadelphia area, showed up.

# 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/NOVEMBER 1974

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Witnesses</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Followup</u>
02	Waynesboro, PA	4	NL	*
07	Gaston, NC		NL	
08	Pontiac, MI		NL	
08	Hoffman Estates, IL	3	DD	*
08	Poughkeepsie, NY		NL	*
08	Woodbridge, NJ	1	NL	
08	Fairfield, CA	+	NL	*
08	Malibu, CA	1	NL	*
09	Northbrook, IL	1	NL	*
09	Mountain View, CA	1	DD	*
09	Ellicott, MD	1	NL	*
09	Quincy, MA	3	NL	*
09	CARBONDALE, PA	+	HOAX	-
11	Tacoma, WA	1	NL	*
12	Independence, MO	1	NL	
12	McMinneville, OR		NL	
12	Byron, TX		NL	
13	Norwalk, CT	7	CE	*
13	Rockford, IL	1	NL	*
13	Antigo, WI	2	CE	*
14	Louisville, KY		NL	
14	Everett, WA	+	NL	*
15	Portage, WI		NL	
16	Ithaca, NY	2	NL	*
21	Plattenville, LA	1	CE	*
21	Gretna, LA	1	NL	*
22	Cincinnati, OH	2	DD	*
23	Albuquerque, NM	+	NL	
23	Auburn, CA	1	NL	
24	Red Bank, NJ	2	NL	*
24	Freeman, WV	11	NL	*
26	Beckley, WV	2	NL	*
29	Auburn, CA	1	NL	

TYPE: DD-Daylight Disc, NL-Nocturnal Light, CE-Close Encounter

See: THE UFO EXPERIENCE, J. Allen Hynek, (Regnery 1972, Ballantine 1974)

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## UFO CENTRAL CALLS/ DECEMBER 1974

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Witnesses</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Followup</u>
1	Sterling, CO	1	NL	*
2	Titusville, FL	1	NL	*

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# Local UFO sighting will be investigated

By GAY BAKER

The "strange flying object" seen over Baker's Lake the night of Nov. 1 by Mrs. Madeleine McKoane and her son, Michael, is being investigated by the Center for UFO (Unidentified Flying Objects) Studies at Northwestern University. Lt. Ron Hemingsen of the Barrington Police Department is conducting the local investigation.

A director of the center, Sherman Larsen, was in Barrington Thursday to present a program on UFOs at a meeting of the Barrington Area Chapter of the Chicago Junior League. Larsen's appearance, scheduled long before the "sighting," took on local interest and significance. Mrs. McKoane attended the program and recounted her story.

Larsen explained the work of the center and the scientists, engineers and professional persons who volunteer their time and effort to explore the UFO phenomenon. He noted that the significance to society of these objects is being obscured by popular confusion and misconceptions. The United States government, he said, has treated the problem as a "distinct inconvenience."

To pursue the study and analysis of the phenomenon, Larsen said, the non-profit center is calling upon the talent of center associates and employing the facilities of universities and industry wherever possible.

He gave examples of studies done by the center after several reported sightings and outlined some of the procedure used to determine whether a reported object is termed a UFO.

He showed slides of various objects photographed by individuals and indicated which were actual UFOs and which were unintentional tricks of lighting, photography, etc., or hoaxes.

One slide of a confirmed UFO photographed by an astronaut on a space flight looked to Mrs. McKoane like the object she saw in the sky. She said the shape was almost identical to that of the

bright, large object she saw spinning over the lake.

## Center interested

Larsen said the center is interested in Mrs. McKoane's sighting and that it is under investigation. He said two aerial advertising firms in the area, already have been contacted about flights over Barrington on Nov. 1. Neither firm, he said, had a plane in the air at the time.

The Courier-Review, however, had a report that Congressman Philip Crane was using aerial advertising during his re-election campaign. A call to Crane's office confirmed the report.

Pilot of the plane, Barry Barnow, a partner in the Aerial Advertising Co., Highland Park, told the Courier-Review his firm operates the only plane in the area with an electronic billboard. For five nights prior to and including Nov. 1, Barnow said he flew his small single engine monoplane over the Barrington area, carrying the 10 foot by 50 foot lighted billboard which read, "Re-elect Philip Crane Nov. 5." On the night of Nov. 1 he said he was over Barrington and a

"darkened area" near Route 14, traveling southeast around 8 p.m. He concluded the darkened area could well have been the lake.

Explaining how his billboard works, Barnow said the message "travels across the board, like the Times Square sign," and can only be read from directly below the plane. From a side view spectators get a variety of impressions, he said, and O'Hare Airport has called him when

reports of planes on fire or other strange sights have been called in.

As of last Thursday, he said, the UFO center had not called him.

Hearing of the Crane plane, Mrs. McKoane was skeptical that so small a craft could have looked so large and the lights so bright. "I'd have to see it," she said.

Lt. Hemingsen said, "That could be it," adding that he would follow up the report.

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# I SAW A flying saucer!

LAST week we asked readers to tell us about their experiences with UFOs and flying saucers. The letters have poured in and here are some of them.

**SIR:** While holidaying in northern Victoria last summer, my husband and I saw what we are convinced was a flying saucer.

It appeared to land in a field about 300 yards from where we were picnicking. As we ran towards it the saucer quickly took off.

Mrs H.W. Creel

## HOVERED

**SIR:** I reckon I saw a flying saucer many years ago when I was mending fences in northern New South Wales. It hovered in the air about a 100 yards or so from me.

Richard J. Croydon.

● This letter wins a Tatts ticket.

## RUBBISH

**SIR:** Flying saucers? Flying objects from outer space? It's just a load of old rubbish.

Farmer, Ballarat.

## RESEARCH

**SIR:** I have made an extensive study of reported sightings of flying saucers and the like.

My research has convinced me that most of the sightings are optical illusions.

Allan Richards, Dandenong.

## Mystery flying light buzzes 3252 climbers

Express Staff Reporter

TWO CLIMBERS came down a mountain last night and told of a weird, brightly-lit flying object which passed close to them early yesterday.

Policeman David Dawson, 33, of Fort Matilda Place, Greenock and Alan Kerr, 25, a civil engineer from Aldutha Avenue, Dumbarton were returning from Tower Ridge, on Ben Nevis when they spotted the UFO.

### 'Like a star'

"At about 4 a.m. we were sitting resting when it happened," said Constable Dawson.

A bright light appeared about 400 feet below us, as if it was travelling slowly along the bottom of the glen. At first it looked like a star. Then it rose and came above us, about 600 feet away, and we could hear a deep, rich, powerful sound like the humming noise of an electric transformer.

It was not a meteorite or any plane or helicopter that we have seen or heard before. There was an engine and I would have guessed that it was a manned vehicle.

Last night the authorities could give no answer to the mystery. No other report had been received and there should have been no aircraft in the area.

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### "MELBOURNE OBSERVER"

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● An amateur photographer took this photo of what he says is a flying saucer.



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## Couple spots UFO near Drayton

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A Whitecourt couple spotted what they termed an Unidentified Flying Object while on their way to Drayton Valley Friday night, October 25.

Ken and Rose Case reported they were driving south on Highway 57 when they spotted what they first thought was a white star in the east. This observation was made about 16 miles north of Drayton Valley at 9:50 p.m.

After driving for several miles, they realized the object was too low to be a star,

and they pulled over at the Tomahawk turnoff to observe it from outside the car.

Mrs. Case saw only a white light at first. Then it came closer, and she saw three white lights, "like spot lights" - which would flash on and off alternately, with two on at once. They heard a distinct "funny droning sound", which was not loud but could easily be heard once outside the car.

She said the object, which they firmly believe was not an airplane or a helicopter, was about twice as high as

the tree tops. However, she regretted that they could not make out a distinct shape, but could only see the three flashing lights.

The UFO then turned towards the northeast for a short distance, whereupon the Cases noticed a single red light "on the back". All the while the object did not maintain a level or constant flight; rather it "sort of hovered, but not on one level".

Then the UFO turned in a general direction towards Drayton Valley. About five minutes had elapsed from

the time the Cases had stopped their car to watch the object.

The couple resumed their journey to Drayton, all the while trying to maintain a sighting of the object. However, it eventually disappeared from view.

"You hear of UFO sightings from other places, but you never think you might spot one some day", reflected Mrs. Case.

She has so far not made an official report of the sighting to the police.

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# Scientists Rule Out Alien Message Theory

delays in the echoes are a code which he had broken. He claimed they show a map of the stars as seen from earth 13,000 years ago — the time the 'message' would have arrived.

Although most experts were skeptical, interest in Luanan's theory redoubled last fall when Samuel Kaplan of Gorky University and some other Soviet scientists reported detecting radio signals from what might be an alien messenger in the solar system.

The mystery signals came in pulses after definite time lapses. They lasted for several minutes and were repeated several times a day.

Efforts to explain the signals as coming from secret U.S. military communication satellites have been unconvincing. At this writing, they remain a mystery. But Mr. Luanan's claim now looks rather thin.

With the help of an 18-foot satellite-tracking antenna donated by EMI Electronics, the firm that employs Mr. Luanan, Mr. Lawton and Mr. Newton listened for the probe on frequencies and in a manner that should have raised "it if the Luanan theory is correct. Instead, the few delayed echoes they did detect were random and clearly due to natural effects.

As reported in New Scientist, Mr. Lawton con-

cludes that the space messenger theory is "a nice idea — but that's as far as it goes." He adds, "We would now definitely say that no records to date support the hypothesis that LDE's (the echoes) emanate from an artifact."

The search for intelligent life on other worlds is one of the most ambitious explorations of our time. Success would profoundly change our view of life and of our place in the universe.

But to leap to a romantic conclusion on flimsy evidence, as did Mr. Luanan, only serves to damage the credibility of this imaginative, but to conservative thinking, intellectually suspect research.

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**U. F. O. SITED...** Reports came in to The Ponoka Herald last week that Mr. and Mrs. Ensminger of the Ponoka district had seen several unidentified flying objects while they were combining in the evening. They were described as having very bright lights and hovered at about 100 feet above the ground!!

By ROBERT C. COWEN  
Christian Science Monitor News Service

It has been intriguing to think that certain radio echoes might indicate the presence of a messenger probe from a distant star system. But the notion is not standing up to scientific scrutiny.

British radio engineers Anthony Lawton and Sidney Newton recently told the International Astronautical Congress at Amsterdam that efforts to raise such a probe failed last summer. Instead, they reinforced the probability that the mysterious echoes are due to natural phenomena and nothing else.

This doesn't absolutely rule out the possibility of such a probe existing. But it does underline the need for caution in the fascinating search for signs of civilized life elsewhere in the universe.

The echoes in question have puzzled scientists for decades. First detected in 1928 and occasionally heard thereafter, they seem to come from something in space at a distance less than, or comparable to, that of the moon. Furthermore, there is a delay in the echoes of a kind to be expected if a space capsule picked up earth radio signals and rebroadcast them.

Ronald N. Bracewell of Stanford University suggested in 1960 that an alien messenger might be doing this sort of thing to attract attention.

British science writer Duncan Luanan revived interest in this notion early last year by announcing that the intervals in the

As reported in New Scientist, Mr. Lawton con-

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## UBC astronomer hits outer space claims

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Erich von Daniken is at least in good company, a University of B.C. astronomer said Friday.

Dr. Michael Ovenden, conducting a UBC extension course on von Daniken's theories, said in an interview that men have always attributed the inexplicable to supernatural or extraterrestrial forces.

The difference, he said, is that von Daniken tries to use scientific evidence in his best-selling book *Chariots of the Gods* to prove that beings from outer space visited earth centuries ago.

The trouble, said Ovenden, is that he cheats a lot in the process.

For example, said Ovenden, the author claims a Sahara Desert cave painting depicts a man from outer space because he appears to be wearing a space helmet.

However, von Daniken ignores the fact that there are similar paintings of nude female figures sporting the same headgear, the professor said.

"I can't believe female astronauts visited earth without wearing clothes. I think the answer is that they are fertility paintings."

He said von Daniken makes the same kind of tenuous speculation when he writes of the Piri Reis, a 16th century map which he claims is an aerial view of the earth.

Ovenden admitted the map

is close to being an accurate aerial representation of the earth's surface and said it requires an explanation.

"But that's a long haul from saying it's an aerial photograph taken by men from outer space," he said.

"Von Daniken points out a lot of anomalies that deserve inquiry. But he uses a catch-all answer: If it doesn't fit into the normal scheme of things, attribute it to the supernatural."

But Ovenden said that, even if scientific evidence hasn't proved indisputably the possibility of extraterrestrial beings, it hasn't discounted it completely either.

Why is the subject so popular?

Ovenden said the answer may be that society's values are being so rigorously challenged that people find security in the idea of superior intelligences looking after us.

He said interest is renewed every time an "unidentified flying object" is sighted.

Although von Daniken does not believe in UFO's, he thinks — as does Ovenden — that there is some yet unexplained phenomenon which accounts for the multitude of strikingly similar sightings.

But Ovenden, unlike von Daniken, is not so sure when it comes to the possibility of past visits by extraterrestrial beings.

"The main purpose of the extension series is to make up your own mind," he said.

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## Experts skeptical over UFO sightings

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By David Climenhaga  
(Herald Staff Writer)

The sighting of a bright and noisy unidentified flying object near Calgary Sunday was prompted a swarm of reports of mysterious lights over the city — but the experts are skeptical.

Most of the reports, many from policemen on early morning beats, described two red, white and blue pulsating objects which spent several hours hovering over the southern part of the city.

But officials at the Calgary International Airport's control tower said they believe the pair of lights were stars discolored by atmospheric conditions.

Calgary police radio buzzed throughout the early hours of the morning with sightings of the lights.

A police spokesman said Wednesday that the police contacted the control tower during the sightings and were told the tower had tracked an object moving almost 1,000 m.p.h. in the skies over Calgary.

Parker Currie, the airport's chief of air traffic control, said the tower did track such an object but described it as an "angel" — an unexplained reading caused by weather conditions often seen on radar.

"We did have what appeared to be a target," he said. "But what occurred looked just like the false targets we often get."

"This one last night would be, in my opinion, a star. The things that appeared on radar had nothing to do with the objects spotted, it was just one of our normal false returns."

Sightings of bright lights over Priddis and Turner Valley — the area about 30 miles southwest of Calgary where the object was seen — also left controllers doubtful.

"There are flights come in around that time of the morning," said Mr. Currie. The first UFO was spotted at about 2:30 a.m., Oct. 13 and a similar one was seen Sunday around 2:50 a.m.

"Turner Valley and the Priddis area is on a flight path where aircraft do come and go," he said.

It was about four miles south of Priddis where the first report — the only one to involve the sighting of more than a light — was made.

An object described as 60 feet in diameter and 25 feet high, giving off a very white light and making a sound like a jet aircraft was reported by a woman living in a farmhouse in the area.

A Turner Valley RCMP officer who rushed to the scene said he watched three diamond-shaped objects flit about in the air above the Rocky Mountains for several hours.

"What I saw was not a star, not an airplane and not a helicopter," Constable Dave Grundy stated in a Herald interview Sunday.

Constable Grundy, now in Edmonton to take an RCMP advanced driving course, still insists he saw the three objects but says he's beginning to wish he hadn't.

Both Constable Grundy and his corporal in Turner Valley have been plagued with hundreds of calls from across North America since his report was made public in The Herald.

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# Mysterious Flying Objects Re-Appear In Minden Area

## Description Parallels Wintertime Sightings

More than falling leaves are reported to be flying through the autumn skies in the Minden area.

After a lull of several months with no known sightings in that area since the incidents which were reported during the winter and early spring, unidentified flying objects are again being sighted.

The most recent occurrences have been reported in the Gull Lake area and the description given is remarkably similar to those which were reported at the time of the sightings around Boshkung Lake and not unlike those given by observers who witnessed the phenomena while travelling along highways thereabouts.

Minden hydro worker Allan Rogers and his son were returning to their home via Highway 35 around 8:00 p.m. on a Friday evening when two fast-moving, low-flying objects flitted about Gull Lake and held them spellbound.

They first noticed the unidentified flying objects as they passed through Miner's Bay. Their description is that each object had blinking lights — green on top and red below — and appeared to be only a couple of miles distant. The pair said that although the blinking lights had no apparent pattern or sequence, the two objects appeared at one point to be following hydro tower lines at about tree-top level and on a north-south course.

Both Mr. Rogers and his son said afterwards the strange sky riders were unlike any known aircraft and could change direction abruptly and at very high speed.

To compound the mystery created by the sightings reported near Minden and to add a more local touch to the incidents of unidentified flying objects, a young person in the Pleasant Point area was more than a little put out when her peers tended to discredit a story she related to them the other evening. It seems she had been outside

her cottage when she witnessed a strange lighted object take to the air and appear to go straight up. She was startled by the experience and whatever it was she saw, it was in marked contrast to the everyday things such as planes and helicopters which might be expected to be seen flying through the sky.

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There have been many reports of UFO sightings lately and this area isn't an exception. However, this week police have investigated a strange sight which was discovered on a property just south of Baldwin.

The sighting was reported to the police and the Advocate by Pete Dmitrovic, who lives just south of Baldwin on Highway 48. Although Pete saw nothing or heard nothing he would like someone to explain what he discovered.

On the Dmitrovic property there is a pond and next to the pond Pete discovered a large indent in the ground. The indent was in the form of a perfect circle about 20 feet across. Inside this there were two smaller perfect circles. The indent appears to be fresh although Pete told the Advocate that he had not visited the area during the past month.

An Advocate reporter visited the sight just at press time and called in to say that whatever made the mark not only flattened the grass but actually left an indentation in the earth indicating something of fairly heavy weight. He also indicated that the indent looks extremely fresh.

The matter is under investigation to determine an explanation for the strange happening.

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# Minden Milkman Said Pursued By Unidentified Flying Object

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## Went Straight Up Made No Noise

A Minden area milkman says he will never again doubt the existence of unidentified flying objects . . . He was pursued by one as he started out from his Lochlin home on his early morning drive to the dairy for which he works.

Vividly recounting the experience to a reporter for the Minden Progress, 36-year-old Ron Smith said he was driving along the Ingoldsby Road when an unidentified flying object overtook and pursued him, leaving him shocked, shaken and landing his vehicle in a shallow ditch alongside the road.

Here is how the Progress reported Mr. Smith's hair-raising experience:

The 36-year-old dairy delivery man said he had just left his Lochlin home and was driving to work at Minden about 4 a.m. Thanksgiving Day when the object suddenly rose from behind the barn of the Doug Carpenter farm to hover an estimated 500 feet in the air. Mr. Smith, who stopped, turned off his car's motor and got out leaving the headlights on, said the object 'was as wide as a house'. He described it as 'shaped like a sea shell', and said its perimeter was marked with glowing red and green lights 'like a truck's marker lights'.

Above it, as though attached to a mast, was a flashing, white light, 'the brightest light I've ever seen'. Mr. Smith said he could hear what sounded like a car engine 'idling'.

Seconds later the object darted away towards Lochlin at 'incredible speed'.

Continuing on towards Minden, Mr. Smith said he had driven less than a quarter-mile when he noticed that the object had returned and overtaken him and was keeping pace with his car from slightly above and to the right.

'It seemed to be possibly 1,500 feet in the air and I had to crouch in order to keep it in view through the top part of the windshield,' he recalled.

Mr. Smith said that although he was travelling at only 20 miles an hour, he was so intent on watching the object that he drove into a shallow ditch.

The object at first hovered above the car, Mr. Smith recalled.

'I left the lights on and the motor running', said Mr. Smith, 'but when I stepped out of the car the object shot straight up in the air at a simply unbelievable speed, then disappeared without a sound'.

Employed by Kawartha Dairy for the past two years, Mr. Smith is married with four young children and a lifelong resident of Haliburton County.

According to Mr. Smith until now he has always believed that reports of UFO's were figments of imagination.

Perplexed and frightened by his experience he says only 'I don't know what this was, but I know I saw something and it sure shook me up.'

A check revealed that no helicopters or other aircraft were in the Lochlin area when the object was encountered by Mr. Smith.

Discussion of the incident with Lochlin resident Geoffrey Wynne, clerk of Snowdon Township, and Mrs. Wynne indicated that the Wynnes as well as other residents have repeatedly seen strange lights above Lochlin moving in bizaare fashion at night during the past few weeks.

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YOUR CLIPPINGS of newspaper items are very welcome. We apologise 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.

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## Man reports UFO sighting

A Coquitlam man reported a "queer sighting" outside his home on Sunday, RCMP report.

Ross Marcus, who lives in the 1000 block Howie, said he saw a very bright object in the sky west of Burke Mountain at 7:42 p.m. that night.

As the object travelled west towards Burnaby Mountain it emitted sparks, then suddenly dropped out of sight. A police spokesman said the incident was reported to the Vancouver International Airport, but nothing further was known.

# Surrey students stick to saucer story

No matter what anybody else says, Surrey schoolboys David Knutsen and Blair Chorotopyski are convinced that a flying saucer hovered over their homes two weeks ago. They have a picture of the object to prove it and they're sticking to the story even though nobody else saw what they did.

"Two RCMP officers saw it, they were pointing to the sky," David said today "and there were people standing in the street when I took the picture. They must have seen it."

But Sgt. Arnold McPherson of Surrey RCMP said that if two officers saw a flying saucer over Surrey they are

keeping quiet about it. "No report of a UFO sighting has been filed with us and the officers haven't come forward," he said.

A Vancouver Airport Radar Centre official said today that nothing had shown on radar on the day the boys said they saw the flying saucer. And enquiries among the residents of the apartment where the boys live failed to produce anybody who will admit to seeing a flying saucer.

"Since we saw the saucer our friends have been teasing us," Blair said. "They keep telling us we must have been drinking and things like that. But we saw a flying saucer and

nobody is going to make us change our minds about that."

Both boys agreed that the object they saw hovering in the sky was round, silver-colored and appeared to be spinning at a very fast speed.

"It just went straight up and disappeared," Blair

By ALAN JAY  
Columbian Staff Reporter

said. David nodded agreement.

At the Yale Road Elementary school today David and Blair drew a picture of the mysterious object on the classroom blackboard for their friends.

It all began, the boys

said, on Oct. 15 when 11-year-old David was leaning out of his bedroom window at 29 - 10326 - 127A St., Surrey, with his friend Blair, aged 8, of 24 - 10340 - 127A St., Surrey. They heard "a buzzing noise" in the sky, looked up and saw a round silver disk circling and manoeuvring in the sky above the apartment buildings.

David grabbed his camera and took a picture of the object. When it was developed last weekend it clearly showed a circular object hovering in the sky, a blueish glow around the perimeter. No other markings are visible and there is no obvious ex-

planation for what the object is.

David told his father, Harold Knutsen, who was skeptical until he saw the picture. Now he doesn't know what it is but he isn't prepared to guess.

Both boys agree that the object they saw - which was visible for about three minutes - was not an airplane or a helicopter or any plane that they knew of. And it wasn't a frisbee or a flying hubcap because, David said, "a frisbee or a hubcap doesn't go straight up. And this is what this one did - straight up, higher and higher, until it disappeared. I don't know of any airplane that can do that."

# Flying saucers over Bewdley?

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A flying saucer was seen by two people over Bewdley last night.

Mrs. L. Lachner, who lives on Valley-view Crescent was the first to sight the unidentified flying object from the window of her living room.

She had seen a similar object about three weeks ago and became worried when she sighted it again last night.

She phoned her neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Wood, and explained to them what she saw. Mrs. Wood said this morning they were sceptical, but Mr. Wood went outside to look.

Mrs. Wood was talking to Mrs. Lachner on the phone when her husband came indoors and said, "She's right!" He described the object as pie-shaped and about the size of a pie. It made no noise and was moving slowly with a red and a green light which were not flashing.

"It was visible for about ten minutes and then just disappeared", Mrs. Wood reported.

Mrs. Lachner said this morning that it seemed to be the same object she saw about three weeks ago.

"My son told me at that time not to say anything because it could have been a plane. I was sure it wasn't a plane and heard on the radio the next morning that a man who lived near Bewdley had seen the same thing."

"I don't know, it seems funny to me. Now I've seen it twice I'm getting a little scared", Mrs. Lachner said.

Both times the object just disappeared. "It didn't go left, nor right, in a second it was gone", Mrs. Lachner said. "To me it looked about twice as big as an airplane usually

looks in the sky at night and the red and green lights were turning around. The lights were very big and round".

Mrs. Lachner said that her house is on a hill and she can see right out over the valley. Both Mrs. Lachner and Mrs. Wood

report that the object was directly over their homes in north Bewdley.

Mrs. Wood wonders if anyone else has sighted the object and pondered whether it could be some sort of exercise out of Trenton.

"It certainly wasn't a

plane though", Mrs. Wood said.

"There were no little green men", Mrs. Wood said apologetically.

Ontario Provincial Police had no calls on UFOs last night, according to a spokesman.

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## UFO sighted?

A group of local young people, interested in astronomy would like some information if anyone is in a position to help them.

They would like to know if anyone in the Taber area sighted what they believe to be an unidentified flying object (UFO) last Saturday night.

So, the group would like a description and any other information available.

Letters are to be sent to P.O. Box 2073, Taber.

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## UFO Fizzles Out

It looked like the real thing for a while . . . So real that police were called to check it out and even the officer responding was in some doubt as to what the low-flying object was that was scudding across the sky over Lindsay just before 8:00 p.m. Saturday.

The unidentified flying object was subsequently identified as a low-flying aircraft with no mysterious point of origin somewhere in outer space.

## More flying saucers reported in Minden

and at very high speed. To compound the mystery created by the sightings reported near Minden, a young person in the Pleasant Point area was more than a little put out when her peers tended to discredit a story she related to them one recent evening. It seems she had been outside her cottage when she witnessed a strange lighted object take to the air and appear to go straight up. She was startled by the experience and whatever it was she saw, it was in marked contrast to the everyday things such as planes and helicopters which might be expected to be seen flying through the sky.

to their home via Highway 35 around 8:00 p.m. on a Friday evening when two fast-moving, low-flying objects flitted about Gull Lake and held them spellbound. They first noticed the unidentified flying objects as they passed through Miner's Bay. Their description is that each object had blinking lights - green on top and red below - and appeared to be only a couple of miles distant. The pair said that although the blinking lights had no apparent pattern or sequence, the two objects appeared at one point to be following hydro tower lines at about tree-top level and on a north-south course.

Both Mr. Rogers and his son said afterwards the strange sky riders were unlike any known aircraft and could change direction abruptly

More than falling leaves are reported to be flying through the autumn skies in the Minden area. After a lull of several months with no known sightings in that area since the incidents which were reported during the winter and early spring, unidentified flying objects are again being sighted.

The most recent occurrences have been reported in the Gull Lake area and the description given is remarkably similar to those which were reported at the time of the sightings around Boshkung Lake and not unlike those given by observers who witnessed the phenomena while travelling along highways thereabouts.

Minden hydro worker Allan Rogers and his son were returning

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## Boys Report UFO Sightings

Three Lindsay boys are now convinced there are unidentified flying objects hurtling across the heavens.

Michael Manning, Tod Melville and Stephen Gray, of Lindsay, say they saw two UFOs this week with flight patterns which were entirely different.

Michael told The Post the first one they saw zipped across the sky at a fantastic speed and was quickly out of sight. Their second sighting that evening was of a lighted object "going up and up and up until it disappeared from view." In this case the description was given of a flickering light which seemed to go on and off at timed intervals.

# Priddis sighting termed just an ordinary UFO'

The blazing white unidentified flying object which hovered over a farmhouse near Priddis was a pretty ordinary kind of sighting, according to a leading UFO expert.

Dr. J. Allen Hynek, an astronomy professor at Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill., called "the dean of UFO experts" for his extensive research on the subject, said the occurrence was "very typical".

"Yes, it does fit," said the UFOlogist recently. "It falls into the general line of things, though it was a little large."

Dr. Hynek said the type of saucer described is usually reported to be about one-half the size of the object seen at

Priddis. "But the proportions would be the same."

The object was described in an RCMP report Sunday as being 60 feet in diameter and about 25 feet high, with a crown with windows which gave off a very white light and making a noise like a jet aircraft.

The strange craft reportedly hovered about 100 feet in the air and quite close to the farmhouse.

"That's certainly a close encounter," said Dr. Hynek. "Too bad no one had a camera."

Of lights seen hovering over the Rocky Mountains by Turner Valley RCMP constable Dave Grundy, the astronomer

said "That's a typical nocturnal light."

"A nocturnal light is when you have a light whose behavior can't be explained. It's fairly common but there's nothing you can do about it."

Dr. Hynek said in the interview said he doesn't really believe UFOs come from another planet.

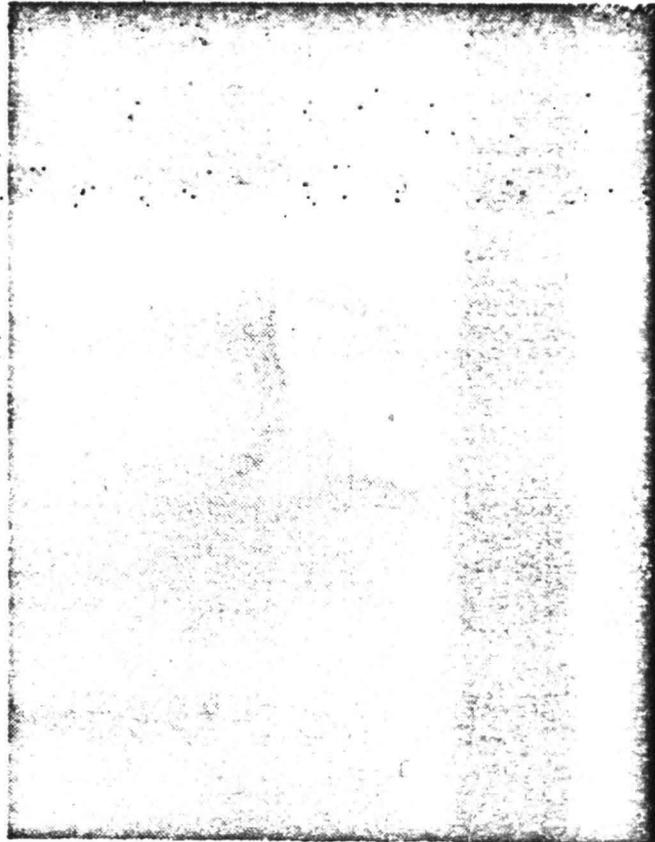
"Well, I certainly would say visitors from outer space are a possibility," he said. "But it seems strange they'd come so far for . . . what? To hang around and scare us?"

"And there are just too many reports. One every 10 years would make more sense — it's a little like having a dozen Apollo launches every day.

"We may be in the same fix as Benjamin Franklin," he said. "He just couldn't figure out what made the sun shine."

As for reports of crashed flying saucers and the bodies of little blonde men which have been circulating recently, the doctor isn't impressed.

"I don't think much of it," he said. "It sounds to me like the product of a rumor mill."



**FLYING SAUCER?** This UFO-shaped image, created by Herald photographer Ian Christie, demonstrates how the camera or binoculars inadvertently "see" a flying saucer. The form is actually a light flare, caused when sunshine reflects across the lens and then into the camera. The shape is due to the way the light reflects inside the lens mechanism before it reaches the film. The picture's background has no effect on the type of image produced.

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# ARMED FORCES SPOKESMAN U.F.O. Incident Shot Down

As far as the Canadian Armed Forces in Sydney is concerned, the people who claim to have seen an unidentified flying object in South Bar several weeks ago didn't really see anything. And the patch of grass the object is supposed to have killed when it landed is just another piece of dead grass.

The sighting occurred in early October but was not reported for several weeks. Karen Vernon and her father Alie were looking out the window at about 9:30 p.m. one night from their home in South Bar near the radar station and the radio towers.

Ms. Vernon said she saw this object "coming down really fast." There were lights on it but she cannot remember what colours they were. However because of the positioning of the lights, she is sure it was not a plane or a helicopter.

"We saw it going above the woods really fast and thought it was going to crash," she says. Even though it was travelling above the woods, she says it was still below the top of the 200-foot high radio towers. She heard no noise, and when she heard nothing more about it, she says she just forgot about it, assuming there was a food explanation for it.

### DEAD PATCH

However a short while later, a neighbour across the road, Robert Dingwall, noticed a dead patch of grass in a field back of the house. The patch, about 15-20 feet in diameter, was not there before he says. It is a classic saucer-shaped circle, and when he first noticed it, there were faint indentations in the ground, believed to be from the U.F.O.'s legs. He also says that particular patch was "very soft and spongy" unlike the surrounding ground.

"This spot is on a small hill directly facing the radio towers, a couple of hundred yards away, and the radar station.

When he heard some of his neighbours had spotted an object in the area, he called the Armed Forces. They visited the site, took photographs, took earth samples and checked the spot for radioactive material.

### NO SIGNIFICANCE

According to Armed Forces Information Officer Captain Nelson Weatherby, nothing was found and there is "no significance" to the reports at all. He says it is a "closed subject."

No unidentified flying objects have been spotted at the radar station at least since 1963, he says, and certainly there was nothing on this occasion. If there was anything there, it would have been too small he says for radar to pick it up.

## About

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## UFO...

A UFO-sighting last week by a Whitecourt couple has been identified by RCMP as a light aircraft with search lights.

A sighting was made the night of October 24 by visitors to town. They described the object as a UFO since it appeared to bear no resemblance to a helicopter or a winged aircraft. Three white flashing lights on the front and one red light at the back were noted by the couple.

However, police here reported that a government aircraft was being used that night in the Tomahawk area to spot "lamp-lighters", or hunters using lights to hunt after dark. The light aircraft was equipped with three white search lights under the wings, which were turned on and off as the plane turned.

A police car from the D.V. detachment was in the area in case a poacher was spotted by the aircraft.

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# UFO — who saw what?

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By ERIC DENHOFF

The Mounties are having a problem getting their story straight on a reported sighting of an unidentified flying object near Priddis Saturday.

Turner Valley Constable Dave Grundy was reported as saying he had seen, through a telescope, "three objects jumping around all over the place in the west above the Rockies," after arriving at a farmhouse to investigate an earlier sighting. Reports quoted Grundy as saying he stayed at the farmhouse from the time of his sighting, 3:15 a.m. Saturday, until day-break.

The first sighting of the object was reported by an unidentified woman on a farm Oct. 13.

But Monday, Staff Sgt. Gerald Provencher, of Calgary subdivision RCMP, denied Grundy had seen anything Saturday.

"The constable did not see anything. He reported only what he had been told by people who had seen something. The news story was incorrect," said Provencher of a Herald report quoting Grundy.

However, Cpl. Gerry Wakely, in charge of Turner Valley detachment, told The Albertan a different story Monday afternoon.

Wakely said Grundy had reported to the press the farm sighting by other people of an object 60 feet in diameter, 25 feet high, and giving off a white

light as it hovered about 100 feet above ground. The object was reportedly oblong, with a crown and windows on the crown giving off a clear light. It was close enough to compare it in size to their house, according to the farm family, and it sounded like a jet engine without a whine.

But, said Wakely, Grundy did see something.

"Certainly he saw something. But not the same thing as the initial sighting. Grundy said he saw something, some lights moving, through a telescope at night over towards the mountains. But what he saw could be anything, a satellite or satellites or just stars or anything. He didn't see the same

thing, as the woman saw, but he did see something."

The Herald quoted Grundy as saying, "What I saw was not a star, not an airplane and not a helicopter. I saw what I saw."

The paper quoted him as saying he saw three, diamond-shaped objects moving every two or three minutes.

Airport officials said Monday nothing had been seen on their radar screens in the area at that time.

And Const. Grundy?

He left Monday for an RCMP driving course in Edmonton — which Cpl. Wakely says was previously scheduled — and could not be reached.

## Object in the sky frightens youngsters

Two boys thought it had been an ordinary night as they strolled down First Street on Tues. Oct. 22. It had been an ordinary night until they reached the intersection of First Street and Meadowlark Road.

The two boys, Michael Collins and Randy Noll, both 10, were on their way home from a cub meeting when they saw something strange in the sky at about 8:45 p.m.

Michael saw it first. He pointed it out to Randy. It was three lights in the sky. The lights were red, green and white. They were in the shape of a triangle on the bottom of grey mass which they couldn't describe.

At first, they thought it was an airplane. But it didn't move like an airplane and it made no sound. It hovered in one spot. Helicopters can hover, they thought, but helicopters make noise.

The object hovered lower. It turned as if on its side. Michael and Randy could no longer see the red and green lights. They could see only white lights which spun rapidly in a circular motion.

Then, the object sped off and was gone. About two minutes had passed.

The boys were shaken. They were convinced they had seen what many persons have described as flying saucers or unidentified flying objects, UFO's.

Some companions who had been close by looked at the lights briefly but paid no attention to them. The companions continued home.

They had missed an experience which left Michael and Randy frightened and nervous.

Randy burst through the door of his home almost in tears he was so frightened.

Michael told his parents but they didn't want him to make a fuss about it.

Both boys said later that they have always thought UFO's might exist.

They had been discussing the subject during classes at St. Theresa Separate School.

What they discussed were recent reports on some radio stations about an American scientist who claims the United States Air Force has two vehicles from outer space and three dead alien beings at a base in Dayton Ohio.

But since that night, just over a week ago, Randy and Michael have become firm believers in the existence of UFO's.

The reactions to the sighting they made have ranged from outright disbelief to awe.

"Some kids say they have to see it before they'll

believe it," Michael said about several of his fellow pupils at school.

The principal of the school, Garnet Daley, said the boys are conscientious and reliable.

He questioned them at length when he heard about their story. After interviewing them separately and individually he was convinced that the boys were sincere when they said they saw what looked like a UFO.

The control tower at the Waterloo-Wellington airport reported that there were several aircrafts flying in the area at 8:45 p.m. on Oct. 22. To tell exactly where those crafts were flying at the time, however, is impossible, a spokesman said.

But according to Randy and Michael the thing they saw did not fly like an airplane and it made no sound.

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### CANADA UFO Predictions

reaches a peak every five years and one month, and that the location of most sightings is moving across the world at leaps of about 2000 miles each time. Doctor Saunders says the last peak occurred in South Africa in November of 1972; he predicts the next peak should occur in northern Russia around Christmas of 1977.

University of Colorado [znsl]-A U. of Colorado researcher states that the number of UFO sightings around the world hits a distinct peak every 61 months. Dr. David Saunders says he fed information from 50,000 sightings into a computer to see if there were any patterns. He has found that UFO activity

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JAPAN



### Claims Photographed UFO

ONOMICHI, Hiroshima — A student of about 400 meters, moving toward the northwest. He photographed it, and a few minutes later he sighted and brought pictures of the unidentified flying objects he had shaped "saucer" flying from northwest to southeast. The UFO was about 40 meters in diameter and five meters in depth, he estimated. A little past 2 p.m. on October 21, he and three of his friends sighted a hat-shaped UFO at his home.

Fujimatsu told his teacher that he had first seen the UFO about 6:30 a.m. October 11. When he was asleep in bed, he had a headache and opened the window of his room. Then he sighted the UFO flying above Mt. Senkoji near his home in Kurthara-cho here, at an altitude of 1,000 meters.

# 'Golden cigars' in the sky

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DID YOU see a mystery golden cigar-shaped object burning its way through the sky over Haslingden last Sunday?

Two such reports were given to officials of the Rosendale and District Astronomy Society, at the weekend.

The first was seen by Mrs Tate of The Fields, Haslingden, who reported the fact to Mr Timothy Evans, secretary of the society. She told him that she had seen the golden cigar-shaped object travelling at a great speed over Haslingden towards Holcombe. The time was 4 10 pm.

One hour later, chairman Mrs Hilda Rogals contacted Mr Evans with a similar report.

Mr Daniels of Lovers Lane, Haslingden, had sighted three of the "things."

He told Mrs Rogals that they were approximately a quarter of a mile apart, and the third one was slightly larger than the other two. He said there was no sign of any wings, and the "cigars" left no smoke trail. The time of Mr Daniels's sighting? 4 10 pm.

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# UFO sighting is taken seriously

Oct 18 1974

THE British Unidentified Flying Object Research Association is "taking seriously" reports of a flying saucer near Kildale.

The sighting by a 24-year-old Cleveland man and his girl friend is categorised as a class one sighting because the UFO appeared to land near the observers.

"We have interviewed the young man, and he sees"

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seriously

very reliable," said a spokesman for BUFOFA.

"It appears he was driving along the Kildale to Comondale road with his girlfriend when he saw what he thought was a helicopter in his rear view mirror. They stopped the car and saw what appeared to be a metallic object, and quite large."

MIDDLESBROUGH EVENING GAZETTE

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# Mystery of silver disc in the sky

Oct 21 1974

Mrs Marian Crawford and her daughter Lorraine were watching the birds high above their home today when they saw it — a disc-shaped, shimmering object hovering in the sky.

Mrs Crawford, of 180 Kinfauns Drive, Drumchapel, Glasgow, said — "We were watching the birds and talking about them migrating about this time of the year when this silvery, sparkling thing appeared."

"Lorraine actually saw it first and shouted to me. We stood at the window looking at it for about five minutes

before it seemed to move off across the river behind some thick cloud."

Like a star

She added — "It looked just like a star at first, with a sort of sparkle coming from it."

Ten-year-old Lorraine said — "The thing was round and sparkling. Just before it faded behind the clouds, the glitter seemed to leave it and it was just white."

Glasgow Weather Centre were unable to throw any light on the mystery.

Mrs Crawford spotted the high-flying object at 8.30 a.m.

A spokesman at Glasgow University's observatory said — "We have not seen anything out of the ordinary, and there have been no reports made here of anything like that."

"But there has been a lot of silvery, light cloud about."

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GLASGOW EVENING TIMES

# SPOT ON 'INFO'

CELESTIAL OBJECTS seen proceeding in a "suspicious manner" are to be reported by Cleveland Police — to local flying saucer spotters.

After scores of Teessiders phoned in reports of a strange red light over Billingham last weekend, the force has agreed to a request from the British Unidentified Flying Object Research Association that police information be made available to them.

"We had a call from a very dedicated young man asking for our assistance," said public relations officer, Inspector Ron Ansley.

"We shall be quite happy to help, and if we get any information in which he might be interested, we shall pass it on."

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MIDDLESBROUGH EVENING GAZETTE

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# — U.F.O. —

# sighting

Eighteen-year-old Harry Pinhorn of Wyoming used to laugh at stories about flying saucers and strangers from outer space — But not any more.

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Not since a large grey object hovered over the factory where he works at Lisarow and then disappeared upwards "as if there was a hole in the sky."

Harry kept his secret from just after 12 noon on Tuesday last week until a staff reporter (who heard a whisper a flying saucer had been sighted) phoned him yesterday.

"It flew across from the north west, from the Mangrove Mountain area I think, hovered over the factory and then went straight up out of sight."

"I looked up at the trees because the birds had all suddenly gone quiet and there it was, flying towards me."

"It was a clear blue sky — there was no mistaking what I had saw."

"I have never seen anything like it before — it sort of gives you a funny feeling to think there is really are things from outer

space flying around. Harry said the "thing" was completely silent, no engine noise no exhaust fumes.

# Report is "authentic"

The secretary of the Central Coast U.F.O. Research Bureau, Mr. Harry Griesberg, said Harry Pinhorn's report appeared to be quite genuine.

"I spent almost two hours interviewing him and he seemed quite a level headed young fellow," Mr. Griesberg added.

He said the Central Coast Bureau was investigating the sighting and would contact the R.A.A.F. in case they could come up with an explanation.

He added that the course reported for the object would rule out any possibility of it being a plane or weather balloon.

It was the first U.F.O. report received by the Central Coast Bureau since April.

Mr. Griesberg said the lull in activity between April and October had been general all over Australia.

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CENTRAL COAST EXPRESS GOSFORD N.S.W. AUSTRALIA

# Two Flying Saucers reported

MANY people have reported sightings of 'flying saucers' or 'unidentified flying objects' but two Gold Coasters on Wednesday night saw, not one, but two UFOs.

Gary Fardon, 23, of Bolton-St. Kirra, told the Bulletin that, with his girlfriend, Lynne Bell, 21, he was leaving home to go out to dinner.

"Lynne looked up into the western sky and saw what appeared to be a falling star except that instead of falling it was moving horizontally at a very fast speed.

"We watched it for three or four minutes going overhead us until in the eastern sky it 'fluttered about a bit' and finally disappeared.

"It just zipped across the sky."

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"It was the colour of a star and when Lynne first sighted it in the western sky it was at an angle of 45 degrees."

Gary said that Lynne was 'really surprised' when she looked towards the south-west and saw another UFO.

"It was high up in the sky but not as high as the first one.

"And it was red and flashing on and off like an aeroplane navigational light but travelling much faster than a plane.

"It, too, travelled from west to east and again we were able to watch it for three or four minutes."

Gary said the first UFO was the more brilliant and the second one about the brilliance of a star, but red.

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# THE CITY SKY

ENGLAND

## AT NIGHT

## MORE UFO'S

noise. They looked up and saw a round object hurtling through the sky.

A letter to the Gazette, describing the sighting, was signed by the five people, Mr. and Mrs. D. Oddy, Mr. and Mrs. C. Mead and Mr. T. Chamberlain.

A spokesman for air traffic control at the Canfield Institute of Technology said the UFOs could be high altitude weather balloons. "Then again, who knows. I would very much like to see one of these things myself," he said.

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ENGLAND

# SIGHTED

BY CHRIS BINDING

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STUDENT Mrs. Janet Stevenson's sighting of a UFO over Milton Keynes was no pie in the sky claim, according to other Gazette readers.

Reports of bright objects hovering over the city have come in all week.

Mrs. Stevenson, of Windmill Hill Drive, Bletchley, started the ball rolling with her account of a "saucer-shaped" object high in the sky to the west of Bletchley.

On the same evening Mrs. Elctrie Giffard, of Arnolds Close, Padbury, near Buckingham, spotted a bright circle in the sky. She wrote to Mrs. Stevenson to tell her about the sighting.

On Friday Mrs. Dorothy Miller, of Westminster Drive, Bletchley, announced that she had seen the same object as she was coming out of Sainsbury's supermarket.

"I was with my daughter, Katrina. I saw it for about 30 seconds hovering and then they heard a "strange

# MONSTER IN THE SKY!

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By FRANK SEARLE  
(The man who put  
Nessie in the picture)

# Trying to solve that UFO riddle

ENGLAND OCT 21 1974

REMEMBER Frank Searle, the 40-year-old Londoner hunting the Loch Ness monster?

Well, Frank's pie in the sky dreams have come true.

Because the candid cameraman from Cockneyland has snapped up a monster.

But not Nessie. Frank's latest mind-boggling spic—pre-viewed above—is of a flying saucer zooming over the Inverness-shire loch.

### Sharp

Are you sitting comfortably? Then here's his nerve-jangling account of how it all happened.

"I was halfway across Loch Ness in my boat when suddenly I saw this 'thing' coming from the direction of the new hydro electric station at Foyers," he said yesterday.

"It was travelling

about the speed of a jet and at around 2000 feet when suddenly it shot away westwards over Meall Faurvounie.

"It was only in my view-finder for a few seconds."

Frank's pictures are now in the hands of American scientists at Evanston, near Chicago, who are investigating unidentified flying objects.

Dr Fred Backman, a member of the team, said over a transatlantic phone: "Mr Searle's pictures are good and sharp. But on the other hand it is very easy to make a sharp picture which isn't real.

"I don't doubt his word, but it is impossible to say anything positive because there is no background but blank sky."

Ah, well. That's show-business.

## ENGLAND UFO riddle

OCT-21-1974

HAVE YOU SEEN A UFO? Do you believe in them? Would you know one if you saw one? And, probably more important, would you dare tell anyone if you did?

At one time most people dismissed such phenomena as flying saucers as humbug or utter rubbish. If you saw one you were "loony" or letting your imagination run riot.

But nowadays ufology—the study of unidentified flying objects—is a serious business. If you were one of the audience packed like sardines in Kettering's Manor House on Saturday, you would know that interest is rife—among people of all ages.

They had all braved the rain to hear an illustrated talk by UFO expert Mr. Lionel Beer, vice-chairman and one of the founder members of the British UFO Research

Association.

The evening arranged by the growing Kettering UFO Research Group, acted as a promotional platform for investigation into the possibility of visitors from outer space.

Mr. Beer, former editor of the now defunct SpaceLink magazine, explained that flying saucers were not a modern concept and various reports from Egypt and India recorded sightings thousands of years BC.

He recounted the mystery of a series of UFOs spotted by American airmen over East Anglia in 1956—and the cover-up which kept them a secret until 1969. Many bright lights were seen and shown by radar scanners to

have been travelling at a fantastic 4,000 mph.

"There must be over 100,000 interesting cases on record from all over the world, including many contact reports," he said. "But one has to be down-to-earth about this. Probably only about 0.1 per cent of cases stand up after intense analysis and investigation."

"Unfortunately the UK is rather backward when it comes to promoting UFO research. We have a lot of catching up to do on America and France," said Mr. Beer. "In France, ufology is official and this has been achieved without any hysteria or panic."

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# Riddle of Greg's flying saucer



Mr. Ian Vinten . . . I had it under observation for 45 minutes.

**Mr. Vinten**  
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**sees the**

**light**

**Oct 31-1974**  
A red rotating light sighted over Weston-super-Mare was probably a vehicle from outer space it was claimed today by Mr. Ian Vinten of 55, Hutton Park, Weston, West of England area commander of the British Unidentified Flying Objects Research Association.

Now Mr. Vinten wants to hear from anyone else who may have seen the mysterious red light sighted over Weston at 9.45 p.m. on Tuesday.

He said: "It was a red light, slightly orange, concentrated in one central part and it seemed to be rotating. It was in view for 45 minutes during which it moved west over the Bristol Channel and then changed direction and travelled back towards Burnham-on-Sea and disappeared."

Mr. Vinten added: "I am certain that it was not a plane because there was no green light and there was no sound of engines. Anyway, no aircraft would take 45 minutes to cover that distance."

"At one point it came down low over the sea," he added.

Mr. Vinten, who arrived in Weston five weeks ago from Chingford (Essex) has made an exhaustive study of U.F.O.'s.

This is his theory about that red light: "I believe it was an extra terrestrial vehicle keeping observation on this planet from some other planet or solar system."

"This could be the start of a flap — a series of similar objects — as you don't usually get one isolated case."

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**BRISTOL ENGLAND EVENING POST**

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THIS is the photograph lorry driver Greg Marchant says he took when he spotted a strange object speeding across the sky over a seaside town.

Mr Marchant says he saw a moving light from his bedroom window, grabbed his Polaroid camera and rushed outside. He had time for just one picture.

Now, after investigating his story, an organisation which researches unexplained phenomena says there is no doubt that an unidentified flying object has been sighted over Bournemouth.

Investigator Mr Ron McClure of SCAN International says: "This is no fake. There can be no doubt about this one and no 'official' explanation could dismiss this picture. It must be the best ever taken."

"It shows the conventional lines of a UFO, but in amazing detail. It should go a long way towards convincing people of their existence."

Mr McClure said the picture backed up claims by an American, George Adamski, that he photographed a flying saucer that landed in the Californian desert in November 1952.

"For years some experts have thought the famous Adamski pictures of a similar type of craft were fakes," said Mr McClure.

## HOAXES

"Until now we've been sceptical, but as a result of this Marchant sighting there's no doubt in our minds that the Adamski craft did exist."

Mr McClure added: "Mr Marchant underwent a very strenuous interview. A lot of people like to think they've spotted a UFO and we also get used to finding hoaxes."

Mr Marchant, aged 21, was at home in Highlands Crescent, Bournemouth, on October 21, when he saw what he described as a greeny blue light moving fast across the sky.

He said: "I had time for only one picture. The strange thing was, there was no sound—just the traffic noise outside our house."

"I've never believed in these things before, but I do now. It was so real. I knew I couldn't have imagined it."

"I'm terrified of what I saw and I never want to see anything like it again." His father, Mr Albert

Marchant, said: "I know this is genuine. My wife and I were watching television when Greg rushed downstairs with his camera shouting that he had spotted something in the sky. He came back in and developed the print in front of our eyes. There's no way it could be a hoax."

The Marchant home is on the direct flight path of nearby Hurn Airport. But a check revealed that no aircraft were flying at the time.

Airport director, Mr Harry Longhurst, said of the picture: "It's like nothing I've seen before. I just can't explain it." Airport staff and radar operators said they were equally mystified. Nothing was picked up on the radar screens.

The airport's meteorological office said there were no unusual atmospheric conditions that evening.

Bournemouth police said they had no other reports of strange objects in the sky.

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## 'Sky saucer' for schoolgirl Jackie

**OCT 18 1974**

A SIXTEEN-YEAR-OLD Kingswood schoolgirl got the fright of her life when a bright light she and several friends had been watching in the sky suddenly looked like landing in a field.

Jackie Elliott watched fascinated as the unidentified flying object zig-zagged across the sky, moving at terrific speed.

"It kept on moving its position. At one point the UFO looked like it was going to land. That really worried me," said Jackie, of Beech-drive, Kingswood.

## Bright light

"We got a pair of binoculars and could see a metallic saucer shape with a very bright white triangular light on top. It certainly wasn't an aeroplane and could move really fast."

Jackie and four of her friends were tending horses in a field near Kingswood Golf Club when they saw the light. They claim there was no noise, and that the mysterious object darted above them for more than three hours.

"When Jackie came home she had a vivid picture of the whole event," said her mother, Mrs Pamela Elliott.

Jackie, who has never been interested in UFOs, is certain the object wasn't made on earth. "Nothing could fly like that and suddenly stop still without breaking up," she said.

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## BRIEFLY SAID

Unidentified Flying Objects have been sighted again. Some were seen in the Agincourt area. Good. We thought we had seen the last of the shimmering UFOs but our faith in interstellar travel and all that has been restored with the latest sightings.

**UFO-01**

**What**

**was it?**

**OCT 27 1974**

**DID anyone see an Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) off Surfers Paradise at about 9.30pm last Thursday?**

An anonymous reader has written to the Gold Coast Bulletin claiming to have seen a UFO that night about a quarter of a mile out to sea and about 100ft above the ocean.

This letter writer said: "It was oval-shaped, orangeish-yellowish in colour with a fiery appearance and was quite large in size."

"It was stationary for a period of at least five to seven minutes. It was noiseless."

"I was distracted and when I looked back it had disappeared."

"I wasn't the only witness. Other people saw it too."

An RAAF spokesman from Amberley Air Base told the Bulletin there had been no recorded sightings of a UFO off the Gold Coast last Thursday night.

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DESPITE numerous sightings of  
which were reported

# Eyes on the skies

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## —it's saucer time

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NOVEMBER, I am assured by members of the British Unidentified Flying Object Research Association, is going to be a very good month for flying saucers in Cleveland.

hubcap-shaped object which skimmed the moors and then settled in a nearby field. The speed with which the van whipped through Castleton, I am told, would be a tribute to the British motor industry.

Late at night near the same spot several days later... Black as Old Nick, with a cutting wind whistling over the moors and an eerie moon peeping from behind some black clouds.

### FLICKERING

In the car are BUFORA saucer hunters Dave, a young local government officer from Redcar, and Ian, an electrician living at New Marske.

Both are excited because the sighting has been categorised as class one—which means a landing or near landing. I don't know what category actually talking to saucer pilots falls into, but this apparently hardly ever happens.

By the flickering glow from the interior light, Dave

unfolds an Ordnance Survey map and traces out the flight path of the UFO as reported by the frightened couple.

We have parked at the start of a rock-strewn track which leads to a low, grey stone farmhouse standing by itself on a ridge. Reasonably, we assume that if there had been any flying saucers about, some members of the household would have seen them.

Someone has forgotten the flashlight, so we stumble up the winding track feeling for all the world like characters in one of those creaking-door, I-was-expecting-you type horror movies.

### DILEMMAS

The place was in total darkness with no response to three loud knocks on the door. Whether the absence was due to the occupants being spirited off to Venus or to the equally compelling delights of the local agricultural and horticultural society hop, we shall never know. Perhaps someone ought to check.

Since many scientific dilemmas have been solved over a pint, we decided to adjourn to the local, some three miles distant and still on the saucer's flight path.

Blissfully unaware of the landlady's cat snaffling his crisps, Dave told me that in fact, most people had some experience of UFOs. A Gallup Poll conducted in the United States last year revealed that more than 15 million Americans claim to have seen UFOs, and 51 per cent of the population accepted them as being real.

It was then I recalled in 1965 driving from London to Cornwall — and seeing a golden cigar-shaped object hovering in the sky near Avebury in Wiltshire.

### ENVIIOUS

The UFO flashed eastwards at an incredible speed after about ten minutes and hovered at another point before zooming off vertically. The whole display was witnessed by scores of other motorists who stopped by the roadside, and the next day the national press gave the incident big coverage.

Both Dave and Ian were envious of my sighting. Their joint experiences add up to fast-moving lights of doubtful origin — but with close sightings, landings or meetings with Venusians confined to wishful thinking.

Serious ufologists are careful not to harbour preconceived ideas about the identity of flying saucers. We know that UFOs exist, because they are sometimes

picked up by radar. There are also detailed reports from military pilots who have been sent up to investigate strange craft.

The United States Air Force has started two new UFO studies, codenamed "Blue Paper" and "Old New Moon" which supplement earlier recognition handbooks.

### SHATTERED

Naturally, the subject has given rise to some incredible stories. In November, 1967, flying saucer researcher Dr. Frank Stranges claimed that the Pentagon had a man from Venus staying as a guest for three years.

The Venusian gave important information to Pentagon officials before starting a new, earthbound life in California.

At about the same time, a Russian rocket battery loosed off a salvo at a UFO in a moment of panic. The rockets are supposed to have shattered against a force field and the battery subsequently neutralised by electronic interference.

In Cleveland, flying saucers have been busy for at least the last 20 years.

were eight, and not seven, stars in the Polung system.

The eighth — at the end of the "panhandle" — is the point from which saucers whizz down sometimes as low as 3,000ft over Saltburn, and disappear at phenomenal speeds. Often there is a whole flotilla of these things, and sometimes they display all the colours of the rainbow.

Oddly, though, substantial parts of his story are confirmed by several other observers, and the "Evening Gazette" files carry stories of frequent sightings in the Saltburn area going back over many years.

Why Cleveland should be attractive to flying saucers is a mystery, unless you happen to believe that the pilots are using archeological remains, Anglo-Saxon burial mounds, Roseberry Topping or the ancient earthworks at Comondale as navigational points, using mysticism and folklore rather than a compass and slide rule.

### EXPLODES

One determined band thinks the saucers are following "ley lines", electromagnetic fields of energy which criss-cross the country rather like celestial trams.

One of these ley lines, I discovered from a dog-eared tome owned by David, does cross over East Cleveland — and it runs more or less in the direction that most saucers have been seen to travel. Perhaps, more credibly, ufologists believe that the spacecraft have an interest in heavy industry, since many of the best sightings and photographs occur in these areas.

In investigating flying saucers, it's important to stick to the straight and narrow path of gathering and co-ordinating evidence. Rather like solid matter at the speed of light, conjecture explodes into a welter of pseudo-science and rather shaky philosophy.

### WELCOME

My night out with Dave and Ian was fairly typical in the life of a saucer hunter. Hours are spent marching over moorland to prime vantage points, being polite to hoxers and cranks and fending off the sneers of cynics with that peculiar brand of humour ufologists have to develop to safeguard their sanity.

As I left Dave at his home after a welcome cup of coffee he shouted, "Keep looking at the skies!"

Funny, but I found myself doing just that.

After a bit of a spring filing, with discoid objects being sighted from Hartlepool to Saltburn, the extra-terrestrial beings now seem set for a more dramatic entry into local life.

The first signs of this came about two weeks ago, when a young man and his girl friend driving from Kildale to Comondale late one night saw red flashing lights in the rear view mirror of their van.

With some consternation, they saw that the lights were on the underside of a large

CR: J. Auburn - M.R.S.

## A SECOND SIGHTING OF LIGHT

Another Kempsey resident has reported sighting a strange light in the sky.

After reading an article published in last Thursday's "Argus" entitled "Things that go Clunk", Mr. Patrick Mowle, of Elrington Avenue, Kempsey, reported that he had sighted a UFO in the sky a week before the sighting on September 8.

Mr. Mowle said that at about 6 p.m. on September 1 he and three other members of the Kempsey Flying Club had seen "a small white light rapidly flashing on and off in the sky halfway between Crescent Head and Port Macquarie."

The flashing light, which appeared to be about the size of a half moon, had flashed on and off for about 10 seconds and disappeared on three separate occasions.

The first time it had been situated at about the altitude of a normal aircraft, halfway between Crescent Head and Port Macquarie.

Mr. Mowle said: "It did not move, but just flashed on and off for a few seconds, then disappeared."

It had appeared again about one minute later in the same place and then, after disappearing for about five minutes, reappeared in the sky about 8 kilometres (5 miles) south of Crescent Head.

Mr. Mowle said the light had finally disappeared at about 6.10 p.m.

He said all the men who had seen the light were experienced pilots, but they had all agreed, the light could not have been a normal aircraft.

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# Seen any little green men lately?

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The explosion of technical knowledge in the past 20 years has encouraged many people to accept the possibility of intelligent life beyond earth.

As evidence of this public interest, a spate of UFO sightings has been reported in recent years to police and air forces, research foundations and the media around the world.

Many of the sightings proved to be explicable in terms of natural causes, but some have remained a mystery.

It was in the hopes of studying this mystery on a global basis that one of the world's most respected astro-physicists, Professor J. Allen Hynek, of the United States, recently established in Illinois a centre for UFO studies.

Last week it was announced that an Australian Co-ordination Section of the centre had been established in Gosford. Its purpose is to provide a centre to which all Australian UFO sightings can be forwarded and dispatched to its American parent body.

The membership of Hynek's centre is made up largely of scientists, engineers and faculty members from various American universities.

According to the centre's definition, a UFO is "the reported perception of an object or light seen in the sky or on land, the appearance, trajectory and general dynamic and luminous behaviour of which do not suggest a logical conventional explanation, and which is not only mystifying to the original percipient, but remains unidentified after close scrutiny of all available evidence by persons who are technically capable of making comprehensive identification, if one is possible."

A large number of the UFO sightings reported in the Hunter Valley area in recent years have come to the attention of Professor C. Keay, Associate Professor in the Department of Physics of the University of Newcastle.

"I have an open mind on the matter, but if there are such things as flying saucers, a good reliable sighting is much needed," Professor Keay told SCOPE last week.

"I believe about 99 per cent of sightings are naturally explicable, or, to put it bluntly, the result of some kind of hallucination. Unless a really trained observer such as a skilled astronomer can be present at a sighting, and bring instruments to bear upon the object, we will not be able to progress very far."

In the past 20 years Professor Keay has investi-

gated about 100 UFO sightings. Only about 12 of those warranted extensive investigation, and the answers which Professor Keay came up with in those cases varied from the planet Venus to lenticular clouds.

"Lenticular clouds can be very confusing," Professor Keay said.

"They look like a lens seen edge-on, but they're not very common around here.

"Other sightings have had some weird explanations. I remember a group of surveyors once swore they had seen a flying saucer. They claimed it had zoomed off leaving a kind of exhaust which they had caught in a box.

"They had picked up the white filament left by the saucer from a barbed wire fence. I persuaded them to take it to a Government analyst, and it turned out to be spider web which had drifted downwind. They still claimed they had seen the saucer, but it was probably a lenticular cloud."

According to Professor Keay, a trained investigator will be on the watch for two traps: whether the UFO was seen from a moving vehicle or through glass. Both circumstances can produce misleading effects.

"I have never seen or heard of any soil sample which has revealed anything unusual after a supposed UFO landing," he continued.

"There are certain types of plants and fungi which produce a ring effect on the ground, and that could be taken for the mark of a space ship.

"And there have been cases of pranksters. On one occasion someone launched an object which drifted right across the city and gave rise to hundreds of UFO reports. The fact that it was moving in the direction the wind was blowing was a dead giveaway. But even so, many people swore that it wasn't caused by a prankster at all.

"A lot of people would like to think flying saucers exist. I would say there are very many people who believe in them without evidence. I think their belief is generated by the hope that some outside influence conveyed by a UFO will come along and put the world to rights, removing all threats of destruction, and revealing to mankind that the race is behaving stupidly."

**FOOTNOTE:** The address of the Centre for UFO Studies, Australian Co-ordination Section is PO Box 546, Gosford, NSW, 2250.

— JENNY KING

### UFO SIGHTED

The letters UFO stand for Unidentified Flying Object and that's just what was seen east of Consort Wednesday morning. A group of Grade 3 boys on their way to school about 8:40 a.m. saw what they described as a white disc with a vapor trail. This description fits very closely that given by Evie Webb and Gail Dick, who happened to be standing in Gail's yard when they spotted it. It made no noise, was not high in the sky and travelled in an east by north-east direction.

We'd appreciate hearing from anyone else who saw it.

### UFO in the night

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RE the article on UFOs (GCB, October 8): In the five months I have lived on the Gold Coast I have seen this object about six times.

It is usually in the direction indicated at about 4a.m. to 4.10 a.m. It awakens me with a high pitched sound.

I used to watch it and one night my husband wanted to know what I was looking at through field glasses. I told him and he said I was seeing things — so I told him to take a look and now he believes me.

I haven't said anything to anyone else before because I thought, with all the modern devices these days, the Air Force or Army or Navy would have picked it up.

C. KEANE,  
Moana Park.

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# UFO'S OF THE WORLD UNITE

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AUSTRALIA recently joined a growing world body which is studying the unidentified flying objects phenomenon on a global basis.

The nerve centre of the International body is "Centre For UFO Studies" — an organisation set up by Prof J. Allen Hynek, chairman of the Department of Astronomy of North-Western University, USA.

Dr Hynek visited Australia a year ago and personally investigated sightings made in Tasmania and other States.

On his return home he set up Centre for UFO Studies, an organisation which now has hundreds of investigators across the United States.

Membership of the centre is made up largely of professional scientists and engineers and faculty members from various universities. The centre is entirely supported by private funds.

The centre also operates a toll-free telephone line 24 hours a day for the use of official agencies in transmitting UFO sightings. All police departments and sheriff's offices are co-operating.

Computers are used for comparison of UFO sightings. Laboratories test anything affected by UFO's, such as trees, soil, plants, cars, radios, television sets.

Medical studies are made of witnesses who report being temporarily blinded, paralyzed, and subject to nausea, headaches, and other complaints after sightings.

In Australia all UFO groups are being urged to use a standard report form which has earned praise from the RAAF.

Another move is to introduce the International "Panatone" colour system. Instead of a witness describing a UFO's colour as "yellow-goldy" one of the 150 colours in the "Panatone" system can be picked and logged as Panatone 120 (or whatever the number is).

The Australian section of the Centre For UFO Studies will co-ordinate reports from all UFO groups across Australia, and pass them on to the American centre.

Similar work is being done in France, England, South America, and Japan. A complete global network is the aim of Dr Hynek.

The Tasmanian UFO Investigation Centre will be filing information with the Australian section which is based in Gosford, USA.

There have been many sightings in North-East and North-West Tasmania this year.

One of the most recent was near St Helens (a number have been reported in SEM) and recently the RAAF said it could not logically account for what was seen.

The sighting was made by a woman who wished to remain unnamed. She was sitting in her car waiting for a relative when the car's radio began "playing up" — crackling, and making piercing noises. Formerly in good

condition, it is now still faulty.

She then noticed the UFO (see diagram). It was about 30 metres off the ground, and it flew in low towards the car.

The woman said it hovered at "fence-top height."

She was alarmed, and reversed her car with the intention of turning round and going home. In her panic she bogged the car.

While she was reversing her car the UFO followed slowly, and the car radio gave out a "piercing noise."

The woman got out of her car and ran the one mile home. She picked up her car the next day.

What investigators cannot understand is that the front of the car which had been facing the UFO was absolutely clean when the woman picked the car up the next day.

The rest of the car was "filthy."

The woman drew the UFO for the RAAF. She said she had it in view for about four minutes before it flew off.

The case was discussed at the recent annual meeting of the Tasmanian centre. Officers elected:

President, J. Bigwood; secretary, J. Roberts; investigating officer, K. Benetto.

Committee: Messrs E. Bantick, P. Jackson, Mrs K. Bevis.

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# Now everyone's seeing strange things flying over Dartford

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## over Dartford

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EVERYBODY'S doing it now—getting flying spots before the eyes. Since reports in the "Dartford and Swanley Chronicle" of unexplained sightings over the area and mysterious sounds, more and more people are saying they have seen THINGS.

A Ministry of Defence spokesman said all written reports sent to the Ministry were being checked.

If possible, he said, people should try to assess the speed and height of the object, and also make a note of its direction.

Most important, he said, is to make an accurate time-check on the sighting. "This means we can accurately tell if it is merely an aircraft or not."

Most "UFOs" turn out, in fact, to be aircraft. Out of an example list of 201 sightings reported, most of them were aeroplanes. Most of the remainder turned out to be stars, meteors, satellites or debris from satellites.

Only five could not be explained.

But fast-moving lights in the sky and high-pitched buzzes have become this week's major talking point in Dartford.

Sightings have been reported at Swanley Village and along the A2.

### RED LIGHT

A local businessman reported seeing a bright red light speeding across Swanley Village. Unlike an aircraft, it did not show two flashing navigation lights, he said.

# Fly-by-night sets poser

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MYSTERIOUS objects in the sky over Preston are puzzling local residents.

Latest sighting was by Mrs Lillian Whiteside, of Falcon Street, Deepdale, who wrote to the "Post" after reading of an object seen by Mr Irene Yates, of Frenclwood.

"My husband and I saw it last Saturday evening," she said. "It was like a green headlight, with a white tail, about four to six feet long, and came from the direction of North End, and went very speedily on its way, very high in the sky,

towards Ribbleson Lane."

Her husband laughed when she said it came from outer space, said Mrs Whiteside, "but it was certainly not a plane."

A spokesman at the Jeremiahs Horrocks observatory in Preston said that Mrs Whiteside's UFO was probably a meteor, or shooting star, or the remains of a satellite burning up in the atmosphere.

But at the Radio and Space Research Laboratory at Slough, Bucks, there was no record of a satellite that night.

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the light move off "at a fantastic speed."

"Although we are on the flight path for Heathrow," said Mrs. Forgie, "I know it was not an aircraft. The lights of a passing aircraft are like a pinprick, compared with the size of this light."

Although Mr. and Mrs. Forgie have always laughed at people who have spotted UFO's before, they're not so certain now.

They reported the sighting to the police and to two bureaux which deal with UFO's. The British UFO Research Society, said the light could have been aircraft landing lights, but Mrs. Forgie is certain in her own mind it was something more mysterious.

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# Plot thickens in 'flying saucer' puzzle

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MYSTERY has deepened over the UFO that baffled people in Wilmington last week. Other residents of the area have spoken of being alarmed by a bewildering oscillating sound without explanation at about the same time the "saucer" was spotted.

The noise was also heard in Dartford and in Oakfield Lane. One woman reported hearing a final "whoosh" before the siren-like blare stopped.

Mrs Wendy Kirrage, 20, of 3, Red Cottages, Wilmington Common, said: "The sound awakened my husband and myself at 4 a.m. It lasted 20 minutes. I can only describe it as an oscillating sound—whistling up and down."

She added: "We went downstairs and looked out the front and back doors, but we could not trace the origin of the noise."

"It seemed to be coming from all around us rather than from any one point. The odd thing was it was just the kind of noise you hear in a science-fiction film when a space ship is landing."

Mr Martin Kirrage, a storeman, commented: "Every time we thought it was dying away, it shrieked up again. Everybody in Wilmington is talking about it."

A down-to-earth answer was offered by Mrs Joan Simmons,

of Clayton Croft Road, Wilmington.

She said: "If the wind is in the wrong direction, some very strange and disturbing traffic noises float off the A2 at night. They can give you quite a scare."

But Mrs Kirrage added: "So many people say they have seen flying saucers or faced other unusual happenings, I am convinced there is something in it."

A weird noise was heard the same night by Mr John Ripley, of Claremont Road, Hextable At 1.30 a.m. when he left his house to give some friends a lift home, he heard an "oscillating sound" in the sky towards Lane End, Dartford Heath.

He and his friends drove in the direction of the sound, but it had gone by the time they arrived at Lane End.

Mr Ripley is still puzzled by it. "I am an engineer and know what most noises are," he told the *Kentish Times*. "I can't think what it was—it made me feel really strange when I heard it."

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# UFO SIGHTING BY COUPLE

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THE AREA may be under surveillance by alien spacecraft. For a Wilmington couple reported seeing something they could not explain over Dartford Heath recently.

Ivor and Edna Bell were returning to their home in Leyton Cross Road, Wilmington, at about midnight when they saw what they thought to be a parachute.

Mrs Bell told the *Kentish Times*: "It was just like a parachute except it was a reddish-orange colour." It glowed in the dark. "Just as if someone was shining a light up inside," said Mrs Bell.

The couple were in a car and Mr Bell speeded up to keep up with the object. They opened the windows thinking the "parachute" was a reflection of street lights in the glass, but it was still there.

The object then came to a set of trees where the Bells thought it was going to stop.

It then rose. "We saw it

hover over the trees and move away straight across the sky towards Swanley," said Mrs Bell.

Mrs Bell said, "It was an absolutely clear night and we were just amazed. My husband has always been interested in these things and I have always pooh-poohed them."

"We definitely saw something. I would vouch my life on it."

At the time of the sighting there were no other cars about, and Mr and Mrs Bell asked neighbours if they had seen anything, with no result.

Did anyone else near Dartford Heath on a Saturday night about three weeks ago see anything?

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# Plumstead UFO mystery

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A BRILLIANT sulphurous light hovering above Plumstead Common, on Sunday night which shot off into the night sky at high speed, was seen by three people from a flat in Bostall Lane, Plumstead.

Mrs. Marian Forgie her husband Alan and brother-in-law Peter Marchant, all saw the unidentified flying object.

She and her husband watched

the light move off "at a fantastic speed."

"Although we are on the flight path for Heathrow," said Mrs. Forgie, "I know it was not an aircraft. The lights of a passing aircraft are like a pinprick, compared with the size of this light."

Although Mr. and Mrs. Forgie have always laughed at people who have spotted UFO's before, they're not so certain now.

They reported the sighting to the police and to two bureaux which deal with UFO's. The British UFO Research Society, said the light could have been aircraft landing lights, but Mrs. Forgie is certain in her own mind it was something more mysterious.

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# 'U.F.O.' SPOTTED OVER BRAY BY AMATEUR ASTRONOMER

A MAN with an interest in astronomy says he briefly studied through a telescope an unidentified flying object over Bray this morning.

Mr. James Doyle, a 25-year-old insurance clerk who has

studied astronomy for some years, says the object was circular and had flashing lights. He saw it from his home at Ardmore Park in Bray as he was going to bed after watching television at about 12.45 a.m.

He saw it first with the naked eye and then focused a telescope on it. He could not make out any distinctive markings.

It picked up speed and vanished after a short time and he watched for half an hour afterwards but could not pick it up again. He was reporting his sighting to Dunsink Observatory today, he said.

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# SIGHTINGS OF MYSTERY UFO

A LARGE, oval-shaped Unidentified Flying Object claimed to have been sighted off Surfers Paradise last Thursday was also seen on Tuesday night.

Mrs D. Michael, of Miami Keys, said yesterday that she saw a bright orange object hang in the sky from 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday until 9.30 p.m.

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An anonymous reader told the Bulletin on Monday that a UFO was over the sea about 400 metres from shore about 9.30 p.m. last Thursday.

Mrs Michael's description of the object was similar to the anonymous reader's description.

Both said it was orange, oval-shaped and very large.

They also said it was about 40 metres above the sea and about 100 metres from the shore.

Mrs Michael saw the object from her Miami Keys home, while the anonymous reader was at Surfers Paradise.

Both also said it was stationary for about five minutes, but Mrs Michael said it hung in the sky for two hours.

"All my neighbours were with me when I saw it, and I'm sure a lot of other people must have seen it.

"It was very bright and stood out in the sky," she said.

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# Her aim is to contact a UFO

LEGANA housewife Mrs Ursula Curran wants to make contact with an unidentified flying object.

"I am quite convinced that earth is not the only planet with life on it," Mrs Curran said yesterday.

"My big yen would be to make contact with one of these things," she said.

"I'm not afraid of them."

Mrs Curran said that she and her husband, Jeff, early yesterday morning watched a UFO at close range for more than two minutes in the Launceston suburb of Riverside.

Mrs Curran had just picked her husband up from work at Launceston about 2 am when they first saw the UFO.

She said the object hovered over a power station at Riverside and then gradually moved towards her car.

Mrs Curran stopped the car as it approached, and when it was directly above her she noticed it was triangular shaped with round edges.

She said she got out of the car and watched as the craft accelerated and headed south towards West Launceston.

"It seemed to have two retractable skids about two metres long running just behind the two white underside lights," she said.

"They were hard up under the body and could have been a type of landing platform."

She said the object emitted a powerful pulsating noise as it disappeared.

Mrs Curran has made several UFO sightings in New Zealand.

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By RAY BARWICK  
TWO frightened people drove into Bridport early yesterday morning after an experience on the road over Eggardon Hill.

Mr. Michael Byatt, of 12, Symene Close, Bridport, and his passenger, Mrs. Pamela Williams, were returning to Bridport after an evening with friends at Malden Newton.

As they approached the crossroads on the top of Eggardon the car's engine started to lose power and the car's lights dimmed — for no apparent reason.

## LIGHTS

"All of a sudden it became intensely cold," Mr. Byatt told an Echo reporter. "I did not lose my lights altogether. There seemed to be an eerie presence."

Mr. Byatt said he saw a yellow-blue light in

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# Ghost or a U.F.O.

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the sky in the form of an eclipse.

As a registered gliding instructor and senior N.C.O. in the Air Training Corps, Mr. Byatt is no stranger to aircraft observation, and he said he could not identify the light with any known flying object.

Nor were there navigation lights to be seen. "There was a sort of glow about it and it moved slowly backwards and forwards," he said.

Mr. Byatt said he would never drive over Eggardon Hill again at night.

Mrs. Williams said: "I felt it was an evil presence. I would like to know more about the ancient history of Eggardon."

"Perhaps some sort of devil worship went on up there in pre-Roman times. There was a certain horrible ring about what went on up there last night. I felt it was something terribly old and evil."

## SIGNAL

Mrs. Williams added that she was not normally easily frightened, but that her experience that night was one she would not easily forget.

FOOTNOTE: About two years ago it was reported that three cars climbing the hill over Eggardon at night all stopped at the same time and their lights went out, as if by some pre-arranged signal.

The failure lasted only for a short period and then the cars were able to proceed normally.

Eggardon Hill is known to archaeologists to have been an occupied hill fort in Romano-British times.

## DORSET

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# It's that U.F.O. again

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I WAS very interested in the article about the unidentified object the lady saw in the sky. I saw it last Tuesday night about 8 pm. It was yellow and green and was sailing along through the sky. No noise at all so it was not an aeroplane or a firework. It was passing over the top of Whittingham Street, near St Walburge's Church as we were walking along Weston Street. — M. C. Ibbson, Woodlands Grove, Grimsharsh.

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**INSTRUCTIONS**

The phone number of the Centre has been given to every sheriff and police chief in the U.S. and it has access to computers, and laboratories to establish information about areas affected by reported sightings.

While U.F.O.'s are often treated lightly, all airforces and airlines issue instructions to pilots about what to do in the case of a sighting.

The Centre regards U.F.O.'s on a definition made by Professor Hynck: "The reported perception of an object or light seen in the sky or on land, the appearance, trajectory and general dynamic and luminous behaviour of which does not suggest a logical conventional explanation and which is not only mystifying to the original percipient but remains unidentified after close scrutiny of all available evidence by persons technically capable of making a common definition."

If a U.F.O. is seen, Mr. Griesberg advises to:

- Try to give an accurate account of the size, colour, shape and noise (if any) of the object.
- Try to record the exact time, date and area where it was seen.
- In the case of any landing, identify the exact spot and try to analyse any changes in the soil or trees in the area affected.

● Ring / Harry Griesberg on 242594. — Staff Reporter.

# Central Coast U.F.O. Study Centre

The Australian Co-ordination Section for the International Centre for U.F.O. Studies has been established at the Central Coast.

The Centre will collect information for the Centre for U.F.O. Studies being operated by Professor Allen Hynck in the U.S.A.

Co-ordinators of the Australian Section are Harry Griesberg of Springfield and David Seargant of The Entrance.

They will collect information about all U.F.O. sightings in Australia and forward it to Professor Hynck's Centre in America.

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# Do you believe in flying saucers?



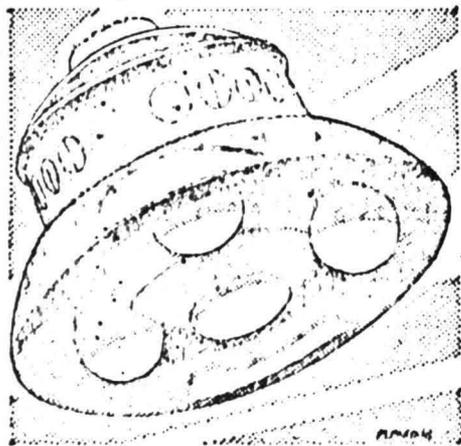
ARCHIE ROY, astronomer and thriller-writer, takes a critical look at unidentified flying objects.

WHENEVER I give a public lecture on astronomy and question time arrives, I am pretty certain that one of the questions will be "Do you believe in flying saucers?"

Twenty years of this have convinced me that the public's interest in this subject is perennial. The simple straightforward question, which has nothing to do with cruising crockery of course, implies others—namely: Is there life elsewhere in the universe than on earth? Is there intelligent life? Have we been visited by emissaries or observers from other worlds in space?

Diverging from this main trunk line of questioning are other related branches of development, for example the suspicions held by many people that a conspiracy exists among Government, scientists, military (you choose the conspirators according to your predilections) to keep hidden from the public the knowledge that earth has been and is being visited every day of the week by superior intelligent beings from other worlds because if mankind learned of this we would panic, collapse from cultural shock, learn that our science and technology are false, and so on.

A further body of legend has grown up around the proposition that at some time in the past, super-beings from another world visited the earth and by genetic manipulation



transformed our ape-like ancestors into mankind. In some versions, the visitors, like Captain Cook's sailors when they met complainant South Sea Islanders after a long voyage, created our ancestors by more direct means.

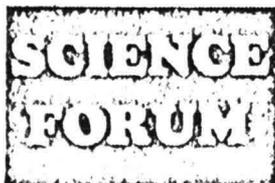
The super-beings, being incredibly careless with their super-weapons and super-technology, left artifacts here and there, we are told, scattered about our planet, and it is only the hidebound, reactionary attitudes of orthodox scientists, archaeologists, and anthropologists that prevent acceptance of this new evidence of our origin by celestial midwife.

A third line of development in the flying saucer saga is that for 20 years or more people have been contacted by occupants of flying saucers, sometimes for commendable altruistic purposes such as the imparting of esoteric wisdom to help man towards maturity or warn him that the inhabitants of other planets are getting worried about his childish, dangerous ways; sometimes, as we have seen above, for more earthly reasons. Some lucky human beings have even been for trips in flying saucers and have had the privilege of visiting other worlds. And so on. And so on.

If one had to choose a starting point for all this, 1947 would be as good as any. In that year an American pilot Kenneth Arnold

claimed he saw flying discs just like flying saucers. Enormous publicity was given to this event. An attempt was made in the space of further alleged sightings to change the name to unidentified flying objects—UFOs—it being felt that this nomenclature was more scientific, being more neutral. Both names—flying saucers and UFOs—are still there.

In the years that followed, thousands of sightings were reported and the cults described above developed. Books were published, clubs and societies were formed in many countries,



the members of which devoted themselves to the study and understanding of UFOs. Their enthusiasm has continued to the present day.

Thus George Adamski and Desmond Leslie in 1933 published "Flying Saucers have Landed," claiming that Adamski met a Venusian and was allowed to go for a trip in his spaceship. This book was influential, probably inspiring a host of imitators, all of them sparking off the development of the flying saucer movement.

More recently, W. R. Drake, Otto Binder, Andrew Tomas, and Erich von Daniken, among others, have published books on the "visitors from outer space" theme adding to the public's conviction that planet Earth must have been or is still the Plectadilly Circus of the universe. In particular Erich von Daniken's three best-selling books are full of pictures of rock-carvings, statues, paintings, stone monuments, cylinder seals, and so on, supposed to be primitive man's records and impressions of the celestial visitors who interfered with him.

Unfortunately von Daniken's scientific arguments seem to be for the most part on the level of that of the man who said that surely the oldest motor car is the Triumph for is it not said in the Bible that David's triumph was seen in the streets of Jerusalem? The artifacts he draws attention to are as dubious as the exhibit in the Irish museum labelled "Skull of Oliver Cromwell as a young boy."

What is one to make of it all?

With respect to sighting reports of flying saucers, or UFOs, several painstaking investigations by scientists and air force groups, particularly in the United States, have been made. Leaving aside the hoaxes, vague unconfirmed descriptions, and reports by people with a history of mental illness, some thousands of saucer sightings, visual and/or radar, were scrutinised.

It was found that about 93% could be satisfactorily explained as being due to high-flying aircraft, meteorological balloons, aircraft vapour trails, meteorites, ball lightning, even the planet Venus, which can be a brilliant object in daylight. About 7% of sightings remained for which no explanation in known terms could be put forward.

Perhaps they were caused by natural phenomena science has not yet recognised, studied, and understood; after all, our knowledge of electromagnetism is only a century and a half old. Or it could be that a fraction of those 7% were indeed due to craft of unknown origin. But that, I maintain, is as far as it goes where sightings are concerned.

Where reports of contact with extra-terrestrials, voyages in flying saucers ("a trip round the bay"), warnings, gifts of esoteric know-

ledge by these beings are concerned, the vast majority are so fatuous, so downright wrong in questions of elementary dynamics, astronomy, or any other science, commented upon, that their credibility is zero. These beings could not even cross the street, far less the universe.

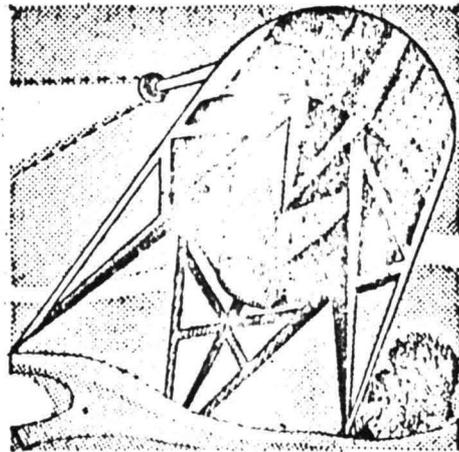
Their philosophical and religious teachings are embarrassingly puerile, so stuffed with meaningless jargon that one is charitably forced to believe that everything has been lost in the translation.

For an up-to-date example of this branch of saucerology I would recommend Uri Geller's recent biography where it is revealed that Mr Geller and his associates are in contact with a race of computers, built by super-beings to reach and guide the human race. No. On second thoughts I really cannot recommend it.

To an astronomer the whole topic is sad and irritating. For these people have got hold of something important, an idea, as Carl Sagan has said, whose time has come, but in so doing they have distorted it, kicked it along the muddled streets of their minds, and possibly spoiled its chance of proper acceptance by mankind. That idea is the concept of extra-terrestrial life.

Everyone knows the universe is large and old but few appreciate just how large and old it is. If the universe were Glasgow Cathedral, the 100,000,000,000 specks of dust in it are the galaxies of stars; if our galaxy is the Continent of Asia, the 100,000,000,000 dust motes in it are the stars—the solar system being one penny in size. If the universe is one year old, created on January 1, man appeared 15 minutes before midnight on December 31 of that year; his last three and a half centuries of science and technology occupied the last one-third of a second in that year.

Either there is life in the universe or there is not. If there is not, then that's the end of it, except that it would suggest that terrestrial life is a highly improbable and purely temporary accident in the universe's career. For one brief moment of time a microscopic pinch of the universe's material took a highly unusual form, became self-conscious, probed the depths of



space, and then decayed to its inanimate substance again; surely the epitome of that well-known and poignant little poem:

La vie est breve,  
Un peu d'espoir,  
Un peu de reve,  
Et puis, bonsoir.

But if life is common throughout the universe, intelligent life may be too. Then the possibility of communication with other intelligent species exists. That is why international conferences of astronomers, physicists, linguists, psychologists, historians, and so on have taken place to consider seriously and rationally the problems associated with the search for and communication with extra-terrestrial intelligence, a challenging goal to aim for but one with the most far-reaching consequences for mankind if achieved.

Saucerology, in all its frenzied idiocies, its alleged encounters, some hilarious, others merely pathetic or misguided, is no more related to the serious subject of exobiology than astrology is to astronomy or alchemy to chemistry. That "something strange in the sky" syndrome is really a projection of man's wish to believe in something wonderful, in gifts from the saucers, in a source of easy truth and security.

The fault, dear Brutus, is not in our stars but in ourselves.

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Will anyone with information on any mysterious cattle killings please send all data (or photocopies) to us. We are trying to get a file put together for use by other researchers and ourselves. Our thanks.

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CR: L. Coleman

**Lost Circus  
Mystery Is  
Solved**

Oxford, England  
The circus bound for Oxford that dropped out of sight over the weekend finally surfaced yesterday in Cambridge.

Apparently somebody got the university towns, which are 70 miles apart, mixed up.

Policemen from Oxford to London scratched their heads in bewilderment earlier when their car radios told them to look for eight horses, six llamas, two camels, a troupe of French jugglers and trick cyclists, six Shetland ponies, three mules, two palaminoes, two baby elephants, a bison, a ringmaster and five trailer trucks.

It was all part of the Hoffman Circus that was supposed to arrive in Oxford Sunday night from London. When it failed to show up the worried owners, who arrived in Oxford early, turned to the police.

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. - CHRONICLE

# Cattle deaths are shrouded by mystery

Strange and bizarre cattle deaths in western Kansas and Nebraska crept across the state line and into Yuma County last week.

A cow, belonging to Marvin Dickson, was found dead in a field east of Eckley early last week, just off highway 34.

Bob Murphy, assistant sheriff, said that a surgical incision had been made through the cow's ear and every ounce of blood had been drained from the 1,100 pound animal. The bag and all vital organs had been removed. Otherwise, the animal was intact when discovered.

One veterinarian described it as a high class surgical job, requiring skill and technique beyond the capabilities of any known person in the area, professional or not.

Adding to the mystery, no tracks or marks were found at the site.

According to information from the Yuma County Sheriff's office, the case closely parallels several incidents in Kansas and Nebraska during the past two months.

As far-fetched as it might sound, UFO's and witchcraft are at least mentioned in police reports. In fact, UFO sightings seem to correspond in time and

location with the slain cattle. One sighting was reported by a reliable eyewitness between Holyoke and Wray last week, one day after the dead cow was discovered on the Dickson ranch.

It's a crazy, unexplainable story, and the Pioneer is only relating information from law enforcement officers. In the meantime, ranchers are advised to closely check their herds—and not to shake hands with any little green men wandering around in the pasture.

San Francisco, California

ARKANSAS GAZETTE  
Mon., Nov. 4, 1974.

# Disappearance of Family From Camp Unsolved After Intensive Search

COPPER, Ore. (AP) — On Sunday, September 1, Richard Cowden and his son, David, walked into the general store at Copper in southern Oregon's rugged Siskiyou Mountains for a quart of milk.

They left with the milk and haven't been seen since.

Neither has Cowden's wife, Belinda, 22, or their 5-month-old daughter, Melissa.

For two months, the police and volunteer searchers have probed the mountains for clues. There are no known motives for foul play. Friends and family describe Cowden as a reliable, likeable, hard-working man with no apparent reason to vanish voluntarily.

Cowden, 28, a log-truck driver from White City, near Medford, had taken his family camping during the Labor Day week end. On that Sunday, they were to have gone to the home of Mrs. Cowden's mother, Mrs. Ruth Grayson, for dinner.

But they didn't show up, and that evening people started to worry. Mrs. Grayson went to the nearby campsite and found nobody there. The quart of milk they had bought that morning was there, and a plastic dishpan was set out on the picnic table. Fishing poles were against a tree. The family pickup was parked nearby. There were Mrs. Cowden's purse and Melissa's diaper bag, and the camp stove. Near the creek was Cowden's

expensive watch and his billfold with \$23 in it. His wife's opened pack of cigarettes was there.

For more than a week, the mountains were smothered with searchers.

State police covered both sides of all the creeks and rivers in the area and the gullies leading down to them as well.

The Forest Service checked every road and trail within a 25-mile radius of the camp. Planes and helicopters crisscrossed the sky taking infrared photos.

The National Guard came. So did bands of Explorer Scouts and scores of other volunteers. Bloodhounds were brought in.

But there was nothing. Not a footprint, not a scent. Nothing.

There was nothing at the Cowdens' home to indicate they hadn't planned to return.

Vegetables ripened in the window. The freezer had been filled for winter. They had just redecorated David's room.

The only known witness is the family dog, Droopy, a basset. Droopy showed up at the store at Copper early September 2 and scratched at the door.

The police don't know where

Droopy was in the meantime. His pawprints were added to the slowly thickening file, on the disappearance.

Mrs. Grayson made periodic checks of the area for weeks after the Cowdens vanished.

She said the Cowdens were in debt. "But who isn't?" she asked. Cowden vanished during what was described as a peak earning time for workers in the logging industry.

She said they may have been forced into a car at gunpoint, but is at a loss to say why.

Two other vehicles were reported in the area that day. One has been accounted for. The other, a van, has not.

Reports and tips still dribble into state police headquarters at Medford. Lt. Mark Rezar, who heads the investigation, said most of them were hunches or reports of dreams and visions. He said if they bring to light any new possibilities, they are followed up.

Friends and family members still check the area occasionally with the scant hope that something was missed, or an old mining shaft was overlooked. A \$2,000 reward has been offered.

CR: LOU FARISH

CR: J. B. MURRAY Loch Ness Society to build life-size monster

For years the Loch Ness creatures, Ross builds life-size cement and steel models tained round-the-clock vigils around the loch without any positive proof. Now the group has had its own Nessie made by London artist Alan Ross. An authority on prehistoric of monster sightings at Loch

EDMONTON JOURNAL, Wednesday, Oct. 23, 1974

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CANADA

# Anthropologist Says Sasquatch Is Real

By K. HAMSHAR

Dr. Grover Krantz, anthropologist and author, presented a compelling case for Sasquatch, or Bigfoot at a lecture held the afternoon of Oct. 24 at the Popcorn Forum at North Idaho College in Coeur d'Alene.

Dr. Krantz said that many people (about 600 reported), have claimed to have seen one or more of these creatures, and that their descriptions are essentially identical.

The first impression is, that they are viewing a wild animal which is standing like a human being. These human-like forms are large — about eight feet tall, weighing approximately 800 pounds (which is in the range of a large grizzly bear), and described as having a heavy covering of hair, two to three inches long. Parts of the face were free of hair, looking vaguely human and also something like a gorilla. The arms were said to be heavily muscled, so that no neck was visible.

## Stories Not Believed

There is a definite hazard connected with being one of the fortunate, or unfortunate, people who have seen a Sasquatch. Some of them have given detailed accounts of what happened to them after sighting such a creature. A composite of these accounts goes something like this: "A man is out on his farm or ranch in the early morning. He looks up and freezes in shock as he sees a strange, hairy thing at the edge of the trees. It turns and glances at him. The man rushes into the house and tells his wife, who scoffs at him. He tells his neighbor, who accuses him of drinking too much booze in the morning. He tells a police officer or the sheriff, who laugh and turn to more important things. He may go to a newspaper man, who will say, "No way!" No one believes the poor fellow, and from then on he keeps his story to himself."

Since this is the general reaction of most people when they hear such stories from their friends, it is understandable that some who have seen Bigfoot or his tracks, would be very cautious about mentioning it.

Dr. Krantz estimates that there have been at least ten times as many sightings as those 600 which were reported, which would amount to several thousand. He said he believed that about half the reports are true.

## Convinced by Evidence

Until a few years ago, when he had the opportunity to examine new evidence. Dr. Krantz did not believe that Sasquatch existed. In the first place, in order to maintain a breeding population, he said there would have to be a group of approximately 200 of them, and there has been no evidence of such a band. However, as hunters know, humans, bears (and Sasquatches), do not leave many footprints as they walk in forests or wild, rugged country. Only when they happen to step on something soft, such as mud, clay or a dusty surface, will they leave a trail.

In the case of Sasquatches, it is a matter of record that many people have found such trails. A good case can be made for about six hundred, Dr. Krantz said. He showed plaster casts which he had made of footprints found in southwestern Washington. These casts, the exact shape of the impression left in the ground and showing all the markings of the underside of the foot, were 17" long. They had a human shape, and were 5" wide at the heel. A trail of 500 such prints was examined, and some shorter trails were also found.

What was so unusual about this set of prints was the fact that one foot clearly showed the effects of crippling. Hundreds of these tracks were laid down and were well defined. Dr. Krantz said that the type of crippling involved is easy to identify because of what it has done to the bones. The long axis of the foot was twisted or bent; the middle toe was missing; and the outside edge of the foot was longer than the other foot. Since the heel was a mirror image of the other heel, there was no mistaking the fact that this was a pair of footprints. He deduced that the bones had been pulled apart by an infection between them.

In drawings of a reconstruction of the bones in Bigfoot's foot, Dr. Krantz showed that the front part is relatively short and the heel is long compared to a human foot, meaning a change where the body weight strikes the foot. He explained that if this were a hominid it could not walk as we do, with the same foot design, since it would weigh too much for its strength. It would have to change the structure of its foot — to the exact design shown by the plaster cast.

## Authentic Tracks Can't Be Faked

Few, if any, persons attempting to fake Sasquatch footprints would know this mathematical fact about anatomy, and those who have gone to all the effort to make false prints have simply expanded the outline of the human foot.

To produce an authentic-looking set of Sasquatch tracks, Krantz pointed out, the faker must be an expert in human anatomy and understand how size affects strength and weight; he must have a whole organization working for him, laying down tracks in remote areas in hundreds of locations where the odds are against their ever being found; he must have been active in this work since the early 1930's, when some of the first photos were taken of Bigfoot tracks; and he must be very old, since some descriptions date back over 100 years ago. In fact, Sasquatch is an Indian name and the creatures are described in American Indian folklore.

In short, all explanations for Sasquatch are impossible except that they exist, Krantz said.

He told of tracks which he recently examined in Southwest Washington along an abandoned logging trail. Many of the 161 footprints originally reported had been destroyed by persons who first arrived at the scene, but he studied between 40 and 50 still remaining intact.

The evidence showed that Sasquatch walked very carefully, putting his feet down softly. Striding downhill, his steps were five feet apart.

Computing from the depth and length of the print, which measured 18", the animal had to weigh over 800 pounds. It would be impossible to fake impressions, due to the fact that one would have to leap five feet at each step with 600 pounds of sandbags on his back.

## Hand Prints Found

Assuming that Sasquatch exists, one must also assume that he has to eat. He probably eats what a bear eats; roots of plants, berries, insects, etc. Since he would dig with his hands to get roots, he might leave hand prints in the soft dirt brought out of the hole. And so he does. Dr. Krantz produced a plaster cast of a hand print, 14 1/2" long (he was a small Sasquatch) and it was no ordinary hand.

The cast showed all five digits on the hand, but the thumb turned in the same direction as the fingers. All humans have an opposable thumb. Also, while in humans the muscles that control the thumb are located at its base, making a rounded hump, the hand that made the print in question was flat at the base of the thumb. Fingerprints were clearly visible in the mold. The hand was roughly half again longer than a human hand, and twice as wide. Length of the fingers were more nearly equal than those of a human hand.

## Pictures of Sasquatch

Dr. Krantz showed color slides taken by a California man of a creature thought to be a Sasquatch. It was 7 feet tall and weighed about 500 pounds. The photographer was so excited he tripped and fell, dropping his camera, but picked it up and snapped pictures from a kneeling position. His experience was made particularly unforgettable, he told Dr. Krantz, when the creature turned and looked at him with an expression of utter contempt in its eyes.

Another man who was considerably shaken by his experience related that he was awakened from a nap in a beached rowboat by a Sasquatch which poked him with its finger and walked away.

Hunting Sasquatch with dogs has never been successful, Dr. Krantz said. Persons who have attempted to follow these tracks with dogs have reported that when they neared their quarry, the dogs became absolutely terrorized. They have the same experience with horses.

## Young Ones, Too

Sasquatch youngsters have been seen, too. One man reported the appearance of a four-foot specimen, and others have seen their footprints.

There is no proof of any relationship between Sasquatch and the Abominable Snowman, who is reported to inhabit the Himalayas, but Dr. Krantz said the latter may be a smaller species — if they actually exist.

Priest River,  
Idaho  
Priest River  
Times  
Nov. 7, 1974

## Advocates Shooting One

The only positive proof that Sasquatch is real, Dr. Krantz emphasized, is to obtain a piece of the animal, or a set of his bones. No one has ever found a skeleton of Sasquatch, but then, who has ever found the bones of a cougar or bear which has died a natural death? The only solution, Krantz said, is for someone to shoot a specimen of Bigfoot — one only. But, once he is shot, don't go for help — immediately cut off his head and take it. If one were to go for help in removing the body, chances are it would be gone upon his return.

In case one has misgivings, Dr. Krantz pointed out that Sasquatch is no more human than a gorilla and probably lives much like a bear.

However, he did not advocate killing more than one for scientific purposes, and cautioned that it could be extremely dangerous to wound one. Taking of a specimen should be attempted only by an experienced and accurate hunter.

ARKANSAS GAZETTE,

Sun. Dec. 1, 1974.

## Pilot Left On Runway By His Plane

COLUMBUS, O. (AP) — Walter H. Murphee was left standing at the airport, watching his airplane take off without him.

Unfortunately, Murphee was the pilot.

Murphee, 47, had tied down his two-place airplane at a private air strip near Columbus Friday while he ran an engine check. He was standing outside the airplane.

The Ohio Highway Patrol said somehow the throttle opened. The plane broke its restraints and headed down the runway, Murphee in hot pursuit.

Officers said the plane lifted off for about 75 feet, then landed. Murphee grabbed a wing strut, forcing the plane to taxi in circles.

After a wrestling match, during which Murphee was knocked down several times, the plane broke away and rammed a utility pole.

Murphee was treated and released at a local hospital for cuts. The airplane, a 1946 Aeroanca Chief, suffered major damage.

# PSU Expert Doubts 'Bigfoot' Exists

By JAMES LONG  
Journal Staff Writer

A Portland State University anthropologist who has made a scientific study of Indian "Sasquatch" legends says he doubts that such a "Bigfoot-type" creature exists.

"I'd be delighted if someone actually found a Sasquatch, but I don't think it will happen," Prof. Wayne Suttles told The Journal.

Suttles, who will be one of the speakers at the 86th annual meeting of the American Folklore Society Thursday through Sunday at the Benson Hotel, is author of a survey of Sasquatch-type legends of the Coast Salish Indians in Southern British Columbia and the Puget Sound region.

This study, published recently in Northwest Anthropological Research Notes, catalogues the similarities and differences in Sasquatch-type stories in the folklore of seven Salish tribes.

He said all the tribes have stories about gigantic forest creatures resembling men or apes — but that few of the

tales agree on a description of the creature.

Two tribes — the Stalo and Lummi — describe the Sasquatch as "hairy" ape-like beings, whereas the Twana describe them as human-like and wearing a breechcloth, said Prof. Suttles.

The Quinault, he said, describe the Sasquatch (or Cejatko) as having a 6-foot quartz spike on the right big toe.

Suttles said the wide disagreement on what a Sasquatch supposedly looks like causes him to believe the legendary creature falls into the same category as Asian-European myths about werewolves, vampires and dragons.

It is possible, he added, that 20th century technological man has even developed his own modern-day Sasquatch — the flying saucer.

"Why do such tales arise, and why do people seem to need them?" chuckled Prof. Suttles. "Damned if I know."

Suttles, who lived and worked with the Salish to gather some of their folklore first-hand, said it was his impression that the Salish do not equate the "supernatural



WAYNE SUTTLES  
... 'too simple'

wrote in his Sasquatch article.

"We may have done this because we are professionally interested more in native culture than in the facts of zoology, but I think it is more because we are operating with too simple a version of the Western dichotomy (equating the "mythical" with the "unreal.")

Suttles continued: "Once, years ago, I was eliciting ethnozoological information from an aged Lummi friend, Julius Charles. I had gone through Dalquest's 'Mammals of Washington' asking about everything from shrews to elk and when I finished Julius said something like, 'There's another animal you haven't got there. They used to be around here but they've become pretty scarce and the white people have never caught one and put it in a zoo.'

"It had a big body in the middle and two heads, one at each side. It lived in swamps where it swam about. But it could turn into a couple of mallards and fly away. It had three kinds of noises — one was like the laugh of a

loon, one like the hoot of a hound, and one like the hissing of a mallard drake. It was a great thing to get so you'd become an Indian doctor.'"

Suttles said Charles told him that such creatures were seen by men who were training to become doctors — or in other words were questing for shamanistic visions.

"Evidently to Julius the two-headed serpent was just as much a 'real animal' as the rest of those on my list. It belonged to a class (of power-transmitting creatures) that included most or all of my animals.

"For Julius, as for other Coast Salish I have worked with since, a distinction between 'real' and 'mythical' or 'natural' and 'supernatural' beings just is not there.

"Thus a description of Coast Salish culture that is truly 'emic'—that is, organized by native categories — should describe whales and bears, Sasquatches and two-headed serpents all under the same heading as part of the 'real' world of the Coast Salish.

"But this is not to say that they ought to have the same kind of reality for the Western scientist, who surely ought to go on seeking evidence and doubting what evidence does not support. But rather than trying to sort out the beings Indians talk about into the 'real' and the 'mythical,' it might be better to apply our dichotomy to the attributes that Indians ascribe to these beings."

Included in the Salish legends, said Prof. Suttles, are stories about creatures that knock down trees with a stick, dwarfs known as "Little Earths" who live in the forest and steal human souls, and "underwater people" who live in plank houses at the bottom of Hood Canal.

Also, he said, there is a widespread legend about a child-stealing female ogress, bearing some resemblance to the European Hansel and Gretel tale.

Although Prof. Suttles said he doubts the "reality" of the Sasquatch, he stressed that it is not completely impossible that such a creature exists — or existed at some time in the past.

## 2 Report Seeing Prints of Snowman

KATMANDU, Nepal — A Polish mountaineer and a Sherpa guide have reported seeing the footprints of the Abominable Snowman.

Andrej Zawada said in a message he saw the prints "in two distinct individual tracks along a long distance of snow and ice. They were clearly the track of the Yeti," the Nepalese name for the creature.

A Sherpa guide said he also saw Yeti prints several hours after Zawada did. The guide said the prints were pointed at the toe with round heels.

Many residents on the Himalayan slopes have reported seeing the creature, described as a cross between a man and a gorilla, but it has never been captured, even on film.

Zawada and his team are trying to scale Mount Lhotse, a 27,903-foot peak next to Mount Everest.

ARKANSAS GAZETTE, Monday, Nov. 11, 1974. • 17A

## 'Psychic' Occurrences Called Hoax; Daughter, 10, Blamed

BRIDGEPORT, Ct. (UPI) — Police said Tuesday that the bizarre happenings in a Bridgeport home were a hoax perpetrated by a 10-year-old girl.

Police Capt. Anthony Fabrizio said Meredith Goodin, adopted daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerard Goodin, admitted that she tossed items around in the home Sunday "when no one was looking."

In one incident she said she had hurled herself against a wall five feet away to make it appear as though she had been propelled by an invisible force, Fabrizio said.

Police and firemen summoned to the home over the week end said they witnessed what appeared to be unexplainable movement of furniture and the rattling of dishes. A newsman said he saw the girl slam into the wall.

"The hoax was perpetrated by the girl. When she wasn't being watched she moved things about," Fabrizio said.

"The girl is in need of a little help. She is into the spiritual bag and has read a number of books on religious cults and gurus," he said.

Edward Warren, a self-styled researcher of psychic phenomena who spent two days at the Goodin house, said he still believed the events were genuine.

### Priest Discounts Singing Cat

Rev. William Charbonneau, who observed the scene for 10 hours Sunday, said Tuesday it was "theoretically not impossible" but he did not believe the girl was responsible for the hoax.

There were "so many credible, objective witnesses" to the occurrences, including himself, that he discounted only reports that Sam, the Goodin's calico cat, talked and sang.

In one case, he said, Meredith was next to him showing him a bracelet, with both hands on the bracelet, when a heavy dresser moved behind her, he said.

In another he was looking at a television set when it moved off a table top and crashed to the floor when the girl was not in the room, he said.

The reports of strange happenings in the house brought large crowds of curious sightseers to the quiet side street and police were called in to patrol the area.

### ARKANSAS GAZETTE, Sat., Dec. 21, 1974.

### Cave Skull Indicates Neolithic Operation

BELGRADE — Archaeologists have discovered a skull on which an apparently successful operation was performed during the Neolithic Age, some 7,000 years ago, according to a Belgrade newspaper.

The newspaper said the skull was found in a hidden cave in the Dalmatian mountains. The paper said the skull healed after the operation, indicating the patient survived the operation.

# Myths Become A Part Of Folklore

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Dr. S. Dillon Ripley, Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C., is a distinguished ornithologist who has traveled throughout the world on research expeditions.

By S. DILLON RIPLEY  
For AP Newsfeatures

Through the ages, man has manifested a need to believe in scientifically unproven facts as a way to reinforce his other beliefs. Such myths have become part of the traditional folklore of many civilizations, both old and new, as humans seek to explain somehow a practice, a belief, or a short or long-lived phenomenon.

What is fact? What is fiction? The scientific method often can be used to ferret out the truth. Mythology, however, still confronts modern science with some animal legends that offer challenges to those who seek to explain them.

One of the most fascinating things that the Smithsonian Institution's large staff of scientists and cultural historians docs, is to verify whether "facts" brought to our attention are really facts.

A good example was our study of the famous Kensington stone, a piece of rock found in Minnesota that appeared to have runic inscriptions on it, leading one to believe that the Vikings may well have explored the interior of our continent as early as the 14th century. We spent considerable time studying this stone and finally concluded that it was a hoax.

## OFTEN CHALLENGED

Over the years we have often been challenged by the question of whether certain animals actually occur in the world or are merely myths or hoaxes. On one occasion a report that seemed at first fantastic turned out to be true. The coelacanth, a fish thought to be extinct for 60 million years, was found in 1938 still alive near South Africa in the Indian ocean.

One report that I have had a particular interest in for a long time is the existence of the so-called Abominable Snowman. For years I have been traveling in the Himalayas, that range of mountains that fringes Northern India and Tibet and Pakistan, trying to make a definitive tabulation of all the species of bird life indigenous to that area. But I am also interested in mammal species and have been fascinated with rumors and reports from natives and travelers of a strange creature in these mountains called the Abominable Snowman.

No hard evidence has turned up that such a creature exists. I've examined a scalp that was purportedly that of a Snowman and the hairs that were embedded in the scalp were from a goat antelope or serow, not from a primate.

The scientific method, which we at the Smithsonian endorse, consists of ferreting out facts and real evidence, which might be a skull, hair, bones, digestive leavings, or some other solid, objective piece of evidence by which trained scholars can make dispassionate conclusions.

## NO PRIMATE HAIR

Hair, for example. The Abominable Snowman is reportedly a mammal, and must have long fur to keep it warm in cold weather. Experts at the Smithsonian can examine the cellular construction of hair under a microscope and tell whether it belonged to a pig or a bear or to a primate. So far no primate hairs have been found.

Footprints that have been seen in the mountains and photographed are very elusive and controversial because in the snow footprints enlarge or become smaller with the melting and freezing cycle in the high mountains. There is nothing that really enables one as a scientist to say that the footprint is quite obviously a primate, a higher primate, a gibbon, or some equivalent animal.

And, of course, there is the fact that a great many of the events from the people who live high in the Himalayas — Tibetans, yak herders, Chinese, Sherpas, Nepalese — often are thought to be fanciful and mythical. Naturally, there is a remote possibility that there are animals up there which we have not yet discovered. I wouldn't totally exclude it, because the vastness of the landscape, the distance, the difficulty of moving, as a human being, through these high altitude mountain ranges, is immense.

## NOT ABOMINABLE

This animal, if it exists and is not just a series of folk tales, certainly should not be called "Abominable" or a "monster." If it's the sort of small harmless primate gibbon-like creature that I think it could conceivably be, it's certainly not abominable; it is merely some living species of animal, that is as yet unknown.

Our purpose at the Smithsonian is to make a tabulation of all the species of plants and animal forms on the face of the earth and under the seas and in the skies. It will require generations to complete this task, and there are many, I am sure, that may become extinct before we've known of their existence.

## Poltergeist? Moves unexplained

BRIDGEPORT, Conn. (AP) — Unexplained movements of pictures, dinner plates and furniture at a residence here have local officials mystified. But churchmen aren't yet ready to talk about supernatural forces.

"Dinner plates started rattling, pictures were jumping off the wall, a TV fell over and a big heavy leather chair jumped at least six inches off the floor," Fire Chief John Gleason said in a telephone interview Sunday night.

Gleason said his men made the observations Sunday morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gerard Goodin and their 10-year-old daughter.

"We're not very good at chasing devils," said Gleason, noting that his men notified department chaplain Rev. Edward Doyle after they determined that the four-room structure's foundation was secure.

Police said they were called to the house about 10 a.m. when Mrs. Goodin reported that a kitchen table had flipped over. Police said shortly after arriving they asked for fire department assistance.

Gleason said there was no immediate explanation of the disturbance which continued periodically throughout the day. He said his men left the scene after notifying the chaplain.

During the course of the day a crowd of about 1,500 persons gathered in the streets, and extra police were called to control the crowd.

A spokesman at nearby St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church, where Father Doyle serves and the Goodins are parishioners, said:

"We waiting to see that every human angle has been checked out on this before looking at it as a supernatural force. The pastor has talked to the bishop and that's the church's official position."

Meanwhile, psychic examiner Edward Warren of Monroe visited the house but was unable to give any explanation for the movements.

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The Boston Globe Thursday, November 28, 1974

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Boston, Mass.

Family given new housing

# 'Haunted' apartment vacated

By Ann-Mary Currier  
Globe Staff

**BARNSTABLE** — The local public housing director has allowed tenants to transfer because they said their apartment was haunted.

Leonard Jones, director of the Barnstable Housing Authority, approved the transfer of a woman and her family late last week and sent her a letter authorizing her to seek new housing.

"It's an unprecedented ghoulish experience," according to Sheldon Israel, assistant to Comr. Lewis Crampton of the Massachusetts Department of Community Affairs (DCA), which oversees local housing authorities.

The woman reportedly really isn't much use to them."

"Mr. Jones has a right to use his discretion," Israel said, "and we don't think he abused his discretion. But I don't think he believes the house is haunted. If other housing is available, we put people where they'll be happy."

The Globe could not reach Jones, but in earlier statements he had refused to identify the tenants or give their address.

He was quoted as saying he did not want to hold them up to ridicule or jeopardize the value of the apartment. But he also said he did not investigate to determine whether the apartment actually is haunted.

Israel also refused to reveal the tenants' names because, he said, "when it comes to putting a low income person into a controversial situation I'm not going to do it."

Israel said the woman rented the apartment under the "707" program in which a tenant pays no more than 25 percent of his or her net income.

The house is not far from the ocean, according to Israel, who added: "People who live near the ocean usually get used to strange sounds."

The woman had lived in that apartment only four or five months, he continued, but she had been in Barnstable several years.

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Outdoors with Phil Bishop

# 2165 Woman encounters family of Sasquatch

Rejoice all ye bigfoot lovers.

According to our Oregon resident expert, Jean Fitzgerald, of Roseburg, a pair of bigfeet (bigfoots?) have reproduced, hatched, given birth to or some how or another conceived a baby bigfoot — at least that's Jean's latest sighting.

According to Mrs. Fitzgerald, she met a family group composed, of all things, a male, a female and a baby. They were sitting around a huckleberry bush having breakfast — or lunch — or dinner, depending upon the time of the encounter. They were making noises like a bird, which upon being questioned Mrs. Fitzgerald indicated as "like a raven." Presumably they were "cawing."

Mrs. Fitzgerald said that she first met the Sasquatch on Aug. 28th or 29th and since that time she has been feeding them Mounds bars and apples. She says that she goes within 50 feet of the mysterious creatures, but somehow pictures she has taken have not turned out properly.

Pictures of bigfoot's bigfoot, however, were easily procured. The snaps Mrs. Fitzgerald sent me show a flaw which has got to be one tremendous blister. It's apparent that old BF stepped on a cigarette thrown out by some careless human.

May have saved us all from one heck of a forest fire.

When asked why movies had not been taken, Mrs. Fitzgerald first responded that she would only permit such activity when the animals knew her well enough. At the moment she felt it best that observers have nothing in their hands — except apples and Mounds bars, of course.

About two paragraphs later, Mrs. Fitzgerald described how a movie company had taken films of her and her discovery but then refused to pay her. She then refused to allow them to publish the film. To quote her concerning this incident, she concluded, "I'm not stupid."

Mrs. Fitzgerald says she intends to catch a bigfoot for her very own. I inquired as to how this was to be done. She said that the answer to this will only be made after the catch.



Jean Fitzgerald and her big foot

Somehow, I have the feeling I'm not going to find out too much about how to trap Sasquatch.

Mrs. Fitzgerald has not given the local papers (Roseburg) pictures of her "footprint" because she doesn't want a lot of people chasing around and frightening bigfoot. If one is required to take offerings containing sugar she can count me out. With skepticism rampant I doubt she will see a great rush to the woods.

In fact, several reporters from the Capital Journal appeared as nonbelievers. Some of them even questioned the existence of bigfoot. I informed them that they would surely be sorry when they saw me leading a hairy, little creature with big feet in for a photo — and they agreed.

## High on mushrooms

I note that the younger generation has taken to the woods in great numbers in search of mushrooms. How nice. From the story I read, it appears our avid outdoors persons are seeking the semi-poisonous types. Several species of *Panaeolus* and *Amanita muscaria* will cause one to hallucinate and do other strange things.

Some Russian types living in Siberia eat *Muscaria* and end up on some monumental drunks. But who can blame them? Were I living where they live it's possible *muscaria* would be served from time to time.

South American Indians use *Panaeolus* which causes them to flail their wives in and about the jungle clearings. They see some very vivid color TV — without the aid of the TV. But for those who seek such joys, a word of caution: the users of this mushroom age very rapidly and many show signs of senility at the age of 35.

Last year we found a great group of *Panaeolus* growing on a compost heap. We picked them and brought them home where I had thoughts of eating one every morning just prior to facing the daily parking ticket crowd.

That didn't work out, though. My wife threw out the whole mess and said, "Just tell them you ate them. The way you carry on, no one will know the difference."

Turned out to be true and I'm so happy that now I won't be senile at 35.

Glasgow, Scotland  
Scottish Daily-  
Express

We saw Nessie,  
say boys

6 NOV 1974

Two boys of Fort Augustus Abbey School claim they saw the Loch Ness monster near the entrance to the Caledonian Canal at Fort Augustus.

The boys, Kevin Burrey, 12, of Shotts, and Hugh Kennedy, 11, of Forres, said the monster had a 6ft. neck and was about 400 yards off shore.

Edmonton, Alberta  
Edmonton Journal  
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on impossible card deal

Unpronounceable odds

PORT COLBORNE, Ont. (CP)—Dorothy Baughman was enjoying a foursome at bridge with three of her friends last Thursday when all four players were dealt unusual hands.

Mrs. Baughman said in an interview Tuesday that Helen Ford, one of the players, dealt herself 13 spades, Mrs. Baughman 13 diamonds, Bunny Sherk 13 clubs and Marty Bartlek 13 hearts.

The 1974 Guinness Book of World Records says the odds against each of the four players receiving a complete suit are 2,235,197,406,895,366,368,301,559,999 to 1. The cards were handed out during the first deal of the game.

## No Sighting

# TV Cameras In Pursuit Of Bigfoot

By Steve Hart  
Signal Staff Writer

### Bigfoot made the bigtime Monday.

A TV news crew came to Vasquez Canyon in search of the elusive monster. They were guided by Peter Guttilla, leader of a group which has been seeking a reported nine-foot hairy wild man in the empty hills north of Saugus. "All our evidence is inconclusive," Guttilla told Channel 4 newsman Jess Marlow. "But each day takes us a little closer to finding something."

Two teenagers reported seeing a hair-covered monster near Vasquez Canyon last June. Guttilla, a writer and investigator of unexplained phenomena, said he has interviewed some residents of the lonely canyon

who agree there is something strange going on in the area.

Guttilla and about a dozen fellow researchers took the film crew to a Vasquez Canyon ranch Monday, where they talked to residents and viewed the rugged search area.

One ranch woman said un-  
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Drain, Oregon  
Enterprise

Nov. 14, 1974

## Big Foot Seen In Tye Area

Big foot has reportedly been seen in the Umpqua-Tye area, about 25 miles from Drain, according to Jean Fitzgerald of 4345 SW Carnes Road, Roseburg.

A woman, who did not identify herself, told Mrs. Fitzgerald that her granddaughter had been walking with a friend in an apple orchard near Coles Road when both sighted the creature.

Mrs. Fitzgerald said the description the girl gave matched with her own knowledge of Big Foot's appearance.

Mrs. Fitzgerald reports she has seen three Big-Foots in the Quartz Mountain of Umpqua National Forest. The small one is about three feet tall, another about seven feet and papa Big Foot, who is nine feet tall.

She came across a pile of fish stacked on the bank of Hemlock Lake, 12 miles south of Steamboat on a recent trip northwest of Quartz Mountain. The fish were not cleaned yet, fairly good size. She believes Big Foot caught them and got scared off. She says she has films of the family of Big Foot, which she is withholding from publication at the present time.

Mrs. Fitzgerald, describing Big Foot's appearance, said his hair is only an inch or a half-inch long on his body, no hair on his face, which is dark tan and leathery looking, huge arms 15 or 16 inches around, and really long, big feet, small flat nose, high cheekbones, and head sitting on shoulders looking like a football player with padding and helmet.

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usual things have been happening in the rural neighborhood. "My dogs have been barking all night long," she said.

A neighbor agreed about the strange events. "We've lost five weaner pigs recently," she said. The ranch wife attributed most of the disappearances to raiding coyotes, but said some of the animals had vanished under mysterious circumstances.

Channel 4 anchorman Marlow interviewed members of the research group, including some who told about seeing "Bigfoot" monsters in other parts of California.

Marlow said the event is being filmed for a feature program called "The Issue Is." "We don't make any judgments," he said. "It's just a weird story."

Some of Guttilla's colleagues are psychics. He said people with unusual mental powers such as ESP are instrumental in the search, because they can gather impressions about the whereabouts of tracks and other evidence.

"They've led me right to tracks," he explained.

"Most of our ESP-ers have been tested and proven to have psychic powers," Guttilla said.

With Guttilla on the expedition was Adelle Childress, a North Oaks resident who is a member of the Astro-Psychic Awareness Association of North Hollywood.

She said the group explored the area Sunday night and found several giant impressions near Vasquez Canyon. "We also saw three UFO's -- no kidding!" said another member of the APAA.

Guttilla said there was no clear evidence that the two-foot-long impressions were Bigfoot tracks, because they were not arranged to lead in any one direction. The holes were old and eroded, he said.

Guttilla took issue with a Signal account of the research group's earlier expedition in Plum Canyon. He said "tongue-in-cheek" press coverage of the event caused informants to "clam up" for fear of being ridiculed.

He said the newspaper's front-page picture of an expedition member carrying a lethal-looking M-11 semi-automatic rifle gave the misleading impression that the searchers "are a bunch of lunatics and fanatics."

He said the searcher, Ron Bailey, has never fired the gun, but carries it only as a precaution. The researchers are "sacrificing their reputations and personal fortunes" in conducting the

investigation, he said.

Guttilla decried a hoax by a group of Canyon Country youths who took turns dressing in a gorilla suit to imitate a monster and frighten motorists on Bouquet Canyon Road.

Some people who witnessed the ruse were deeply

disturbed, he remarked.

The researchers are carefully gathering testimony from residents in the canyons, and soon hope to release an account of the findings, Guttilla said.

A spokesman for Channel 4 said the Bigfoot program will appear Sunday night.

## Industry aiding search for beast

Weyerhaeuser Company loggers have been asked to keep an eye out for the legendary Bigfoot while working in Northwest forestlands.

The request was carried to Weyerhaeuser workers in this month's issue of the company's employe newspaper.

The request was made by Peter Byrne, nationally known explorer and naturalist who is directing a long-term study of the Bigfoot, or Sasquatch, phenomenon.

His research is backed by the Boston-based Academy of Applied Sciences. Byrne wants Weyerhaeuser employes to be on the lookout for signs of the creature and report any information to him at his center in The Dalles.

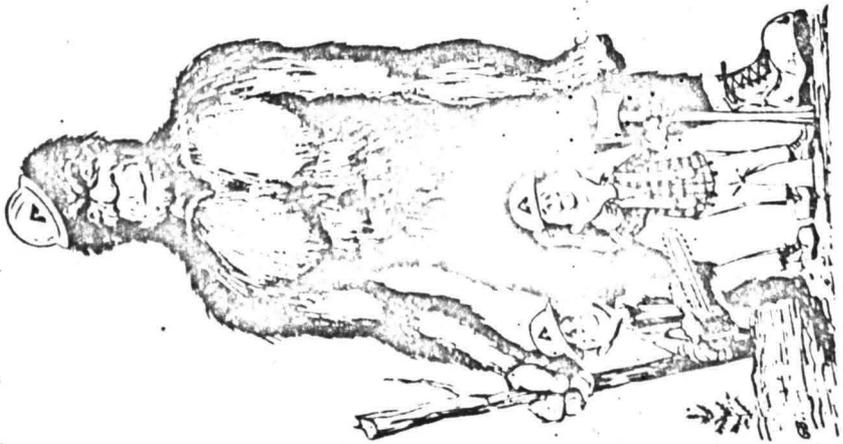
John Hauberg, Seattle, a member of Weyerhaeuser Company's board of directors, is quoted in the newspaper as being interested in the project, too.

"It seems to me that Weyerhaeuser might lend a hand through the many hundreds of our people who live in the Douglas fir region in areas where sightings have been claimed," he said.

Stories of Bigfoot, a huge, hairy, manlike beast, date back to Indian times in the Northwest.

The Bigfoot Information Center's address is P.O. Box 632, The Dalles, Ore., 97058. The center publishes a monthly newsletter called "Bigfoot News."

Eugene, Oregon  
Register-Guard  
Dec. 19, 1974



From Weyerhaeuser publication

# Sasquatch hunt 'irks'

The nagging doubt lingers on and the proof remains as elusive as ever for Rene Dahinden after his 21st annual Sasquatch hunt ended earlier this month.

From his Richmond home at the Vancouver Gun Club, the 44-year-old Dahinden recounted Thursday the frustrating experience of his latest hunt for the legendary man-beast in a three-week expedition to Golden Ears Park, 40 miles north of Vancouver.

"The maddening part is that doubt you have," sighed Dahinden. "You think in your mind that maybe you're wasting your time and your life on something that doesn't exist."

"I have these doubts all the time. In strict logic on the one hand, there is all the evidence saying there is Sasquatch. In strict logic on the other hand, you can dismiss it as inconceivable."

Dahinden said his original plans for a month-long expedition near a large alpine plateau north of Stave Lake had to be abandoned because of bad weather and arguments with two travelling companions who left the search early. He returned to Vancouver on Oct. 12.

"The pilot we hired ran into some bad air pockets and couldn't land at our base camp," Dahinden said. He settled for searching land that he said had been missed in a 1968 search which lasted 68 days.

The squabble with his companions was partly brought on by poor weather, Dahinden claimed.

"I'm a hard enough guy to

live with anyway," he admitted. "The last thing I need is a guy who just wants to be a sunny-day Sasquatch hunter."

One of the hunt's handicaps, he said, was the lack of berries in the area which would normally attract animals. He explored valleys, sand paths near rivers and several plateaus but came away empty-handed.

Dahinden said he will be featured soon in two television film on the Sasquatch being done by a Japanese crew and another from California.

He said a pending legal suit

involves a 1967 film taken by the late Sasquatch hunter Roger Patterson, which purported to show a Sasquatch in northern California.

Dahinden, who bought a copy of the film, is claiming breach of copyright against Arctic Safaris Ltd. in Edmonton and a Sasquatch explorer in Oregon for allegedly making copies of the film when they borrowed it from Dahinden.

And he said there is another Sasquatch expedition to prepare for next January near Squamish.

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CANADA

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## Antigravity motor announced

LONDON (AP) — A British scientist said Saturday he is on the threshold of inventing an antigravity motor that could fly a manned spaceship to the stars using nuclear fuel the size of a pea.

Eric Laithwaite, professor of heavy electrical engineering at London's Imperial College of Science and Technology, said the motor is based on the gyroscope, a rapidly spinning top that defies gravity. Gyroscopes already are used to guide spaceships.

"The motor is not easy to explain. If it was, others would have tried to produce one by now," said Laithwaite, who described himself as an astro-engineer.

Laithwaite began working on the motor about six months ago after Edwin Rickman, who works with an electrical engineering firm, came to him with the idea. Rickman had patented it after he said it came to him in recurring dreams. Laithwaite incorporated in the device the ideas of another amateur inventor, Alex Jones.

Laithwaite is the inventor of the electrical linear motor capable of propelling a device through strong magnetic currents.

—THE GLOBE AND MAIL, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1974 CANADA

## Only bats in the belfry

Anglican church on Toronto Island loses its bell and cross, but no one knows how and when they were taken

By ANNE PARSONS

Church people will say, with some embarrassment, they don't know just when it disappeared. But the bell from St. Andrew-by-the-lake is gone.

"It's a matter of some embarrassment, to be honest," Charles Millen, a warden for the Anglican church on Toronto Island, said yesterday.

"I really don't know when it disappeared . . . We hadn't been using the bell for some time and if you don't hear it you don't think to look at it."

The bell, which disappeared together with a black metallic cross from the top of the 90-year-old church, hasn't been in use since it broke last winter.

According to Mr. Millen, some yacht club members had offered to repair the bell.

"And, of course, if anyone saw someone taking the bell

down, they'd probably think it was just being taken away for repairs," he said.

But even when its disappearance was discovered, it was a few days before the loss was reported because, as Mr. Millen said, "we hoped it had dropped inside the belfry."

Last week the belfry was checked, but the bell wasn't there.

Rev. Joseph Abbott, who conducts services in the church, said last night that he was most upset with the disappearance of the cross and bell.

He said both were almost 100 years old and irreplaceable.

What puzzles both men is the apparent ease with which the old bell, made of solid brass and weighing about 300 pounds, was removed from a belfry about 35 feet above the ground.

Spokane, Wash.

Spokane

Chronicle

Nov. 27, 1974

## Man Shoots At Unidentified Creature Near Here

An unidentified creature that reportedly resembles a gorilla was reported last Thursday night near a home of the Bunn Road about five miles north of Fordyce.

Sheriff Roy Wayne Moseley said the incident was reported to Dallas County Game Warden Bill McLaughlin Thursday night by Myzell Thompson and later to his office by Clyde Williams, a brother-in-law of Thompson.

Reports said Thompson heard his dogs barking in the front yard and when he investigated he saw something moving in the brush. He then went into the house, got a flashlight and 30-30 caliber rifle. When he flashed the light, officers said, he saw a creature, fired two shots then the creature turned and walked away. He said it was at least seven feet tall.

This was not the first report of seeing "monsters" in Dallas County.

Reports of seeing a creature in the Holly Springs area have been made several times and one man said he shot, and definitely hit, it, about two weeks ago.

Sheriff Moseley also said a man reported seeing a creature in Hurricane Creek Bottoms recently. The man said he put a rifle scope on the "monster" and it looked like a gorilla.

Officials believe the creature was a large bear.

Other "monsters" have been reported throughout the state including the "Fouke Monster", near Texarkana, for which a book was written and a movie produced. Perhaps Arkansas' oldest Monster is the "White River Monster" which lives in the White River near Newport.

## "Sasquatch"

### Reported

Does a Sasquatch live north of the city?

Well, Eric B. Frank, 12, W2006 Toni Rae Drive, told sheriff's officers that he and two friends saw something like that Monday afternoon in the Forest Hills area, north of the city.

The boy described the creature as 11 feet tall, its body covered with brown hair and said it had slouchy shoulders and long arms.

Somewhat disbelieving, deputy sheriffs said they wondered if a TV program this week about such animals had anything to do with the alleged Sasquatch sighting.

'NOT DRUNK OR CRAZY'

'I Really Did See A Kangaroo'

RENSSELAER, Ind.—"I'm sure all the squirrels on campus are looking for me, thinking I'm 'the big nut,' but I really did see a kangaroo," explained Alfred Hentschel.

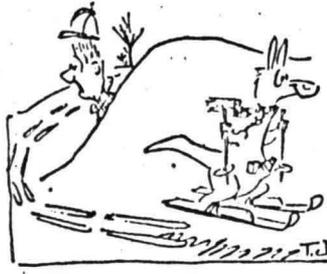
Hentschel, 58, head carpenter at St. Joseph's College, said he was driving along Ind. 53 between the campus and his home at 8:35 a.m. yesterday when he saw it.

"It was kind of a gray color, about 5 or 5½ feet tall, hopping around in front of the Hook's drugstore," he said.

While he watched, Hentschel said, the kangaroo hopped around the corner of the drugstore and disappeared into a cornfield, headed for a distant wooded area.

Hentschel had heard and read reports last week of kangaroo sightings in the Chicago area and said he told himself, "Well, that must be the kangaroo that's on the loose."

"I went to the police station and



reported it. I told them at the beginning that I hadn't been drinking and I'm not crazy, but I just saw a kangaroo."

A few hours later, Hentschel's sighting was corroborated by Charles James, a retired St. Joseph's College plumber, who told police he saw a kangaroo emerge from a wooded area not far from the campus and about 1.5 miles from the drugstore where Hentschel reported seeing the animal.

After police searched both areas without flushing any kangaroos, they issued

a short statement saying, "These are both reputable sources, and they weren't drinking either."

Investigators said they found a few tracks, but had no idea whether a kangaroo might have made them.

Since then, police have foregone any large-scale kangaroo-hunting expeditions in favor of sitting back and waiting for the next sighting.

"Sure, I've taken a lot of kidding about this," Hentschel chuckled. "Someone said maybe the kangaroo had caught a cold and went to the drugstore for some medicine, but left when he found it wasn't open yet."

Last week in the Chicago area a policeman and a trucker reported seeing a kangaroo cavorting with a herd of deer near Plano, Ill. Previously, two policemen tried unsuccessfully to catch a kangaroo on Chicago's Northwestside.

Where the animal came from remains a mystery. All Chicago area zoos report all kangaroos accounted for.

CR: LOU FARISH

ARKANSAS GAZETTE, Thurs., Nov. 14, 1974.  
**Kangaroo Seen Many Miles From Chicago**

CHICAGO — An elusive kangaroo seems to have put in an appearance at Rensselaer, Ind. Rensselaer police were puzzled when asked if the kangaroo was the same one spotted recently at Chicago. Alfred Hentschel, a teacher at St. Joseph's College, first called the police Tuesday and said he had seen a kangaroo hopping along Indiana Highway 53 in town.

Then it disappeared into a cornfield behind a drugstore. (There are still cornfields behind drugstores in parts of Indiana.) The police called the Indiana Conservation Department and both forces went looking for the kangaroo. They did not find it. Then, a little later in the morning, police got a call from Charles James, a retired plumber at the College. James said the kangaroo had emerged from a stand of trees in back of the campus, about a mile southwest of the first sighting.

Again police raced to the scene. In vain. They saw tracks, but they did not know what the tracks were. Police issued a statement, "These are both reputable sources, and they weren't drinking either." Rensselaer is 90 miles south east of Chicago, where the kangaroo first was spotted in mid-October.

San Francisco, Calif. S.F. Chronicle Nov. 22, 1974  
**The Peril of Man-Killing Bees**

San Diego Man-killing bees are moving toward Mexico and the United States from South America at the rate of about 200 miles annually, a California state entomologist said yesterday.

The bees' hatred of humans is said to have developed over millions of years as a result of raids on their treemap honey hives.

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AVOIDS CAPTURE

Elusive 'Monster' Remains On Prowl

STAR STATE REPORT Columbus, Ind.—The elusive Hairy Green Monster of Millrace Park "escaped" from a residential garage before patrolmen could arrive there, Columbus police reported yesterday.

POLICE WERE dispatched to a house here late Friday after a woman reported hearing noises and said her son had seen the monster in their garage.

She also reported the son locked the monster in the garage. But the beast, which police and others believe is a prankster attired in a green mask and green blankets, showed no signs of having

been in the garage, police said.

Fearful the beast is a man and may be shot, police have closed Millrace Park at nights to hunters of the monster until "this thing quiets down," one policeman said.

BEFORE THE park was closed Friday night, as many as 100 cars carrying persons armed with guns, knives and clubs were looking for the monster.

Two city dog catchers reported seeing the monster Friday at the park when they were sent there to rescue two scared cats from a tree.

The monster, also has been seen at the park at least three other times since Nov. 1.

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Israeli psychic convinces scientists he's genuine

LONDON (Reuter) — Uri Geller, the young Israeli who some call a psychic and others a showman, has emphasized that his super-normal powers are genuine and produced two British scientists to back him up.

Geller's supposed powers were tested again recently when he gave a radio broadcast during which listeners claimed he bent their cutlery, a policeman's hat, badge and keys.

John Taylor, professor of mathematics at London University, said Geller, 27, had bent metal objects at his laboratory by merely touching them briefly.

Taylor added: "As an atheist and a scientist I was puzzled and alarmed. Uri's power has something to do with

electricity and magnetism but I can't say beyond that."

Taylor said the impulses generated by Geller when he concentrated caused a geiger counter to register a level which, if caused by radioactivity, would have meant he was on the verge of death.

ARKANSAS GAZETTE, Wed., Nov. 20, 1974.  
**Churchgoers See Kangaroo Beside Road**

CHICAGO — The saga of the missing kangaroo has taken a 90-mile leap. This time the elusive marsupial, first reported loose at Chicago last month, has been sighted at Carmel, Ind., a hop, skip and a jump north of Indianapolis.

Two couples in the town of 1,400 said that they saw the kangaroo alongside state Highway 234 while riding together to church Sunday.

One of the men phoned the police from the church. "He said he thought at first it was a deer," a police spokesman said. "Then, when he looked a second time, he saw it was a kangaroo. He said it was sitting on its haunches and that it was a big dude."

The police later received a call from a woman who said she had seen the animal hop off into some woods. The kangaroo was reported seen at Rensselaer, Ind., 90 miles away, five days before the Carmel sighting.

# Those Who Disappear Could Explain Mystery of the Bermuda Triangle

By JIM GALLAGHER

Knight News Service

Weird things are happening in the Atlantic Ocean, just off the southeast coast of the United States.

That's the area you fly through when you vacation in the Caribbean.

Some people, apparently, fly further than they care to. They disappear — into thin air, it would seem.

Or into another dimension. Or the clutches of extraterrestrial beings. Maybe even some cosmic zoo, where they live out their lives in display cages for the enjoyment of a more advanced civilization.

These are some of the possible explanations advanced by Charles Berlitz for the phenomenon known as the Bermuda Triangle, a three-sided section of the Atlantic with Bermuda, Miami and Puerto Rico at its apexes, in which mysterious disappearances have been occurring for years.

The most famous incident involved a flight of five Navy TBM Avengers, with a combined crew of nine men, which disappeared simultaneously while on a routine training mission in the area. The aviators apparently lost their bearings rather suddenly and for no apparent reasons.

"Everything is wrong . . . strange," the flight leader radioed his ground control. "We can't be sure of any direction . . . even the ocean doesn't look as it should . . ."

As if that weren't mysterious enough, a twin-engine aircraft with a crew of 13 sent to rescue the nine Avenger flyers soon vanished as well. No wreckage was ever found, not even an oil slick.

A Naval Board of Inquiry studying the disappearances came up with no logical explanation. "We don't know what the hell is going on out there," one member said. "They vanished as completely as if they had flown to Mars," another one said.

Berlitz is pretty sure they didn't fly to Mars, and he admits he, too doesn't know for certain "what the hell is going on out there." But he isn't afraid to speculate.

For Berlitz, whose book "The Bermuda Triangle," is fast becoming a bestseller, the mystery of the Bermuda Triangle goes deeper than the sandy bottom of the blue Caribbean.

It reaches back in time to ancient civilizations destroyed by cataclism, and out into space to other galaxies where intelligent life may exist.

It even involves a possible universe existing contiguous

to ours — in the space between our atoms — another dimension into which we might slip and never return. The Bermuda Triangle, he suggests, may be a roadway into this mysterious dimension.

"In my opinion," Berlitz said, "we are not yet advanced enough scientifically to understand what is happening, but we are making technological advances at such a rate that I think we will know the answer in the near future."

What we know now, Berlitz said, is the fact that ships and planes are disappearing in the area (also known as the Devil's Triangle) at an alarming rate. One boat a week and two planes a month is his estimate, a figure that a Federal Aviation Agency spokesman in Atlanta thought much too high, but which a Coast Guard spokesman in Miami said was "not out of bounds."

From studying the radio communications of those who have not survived, Berlitz said he has determined that the appearance of the cloud occurs almost always. He believed it may be an electromagnetic haze, which would explain the mechanical failures. He argues further that such a haze might very well transform matter into an invisible state.

For almost three decades, he said, there have been reports that the Navy successfully conducted an experiment with magnetically induced disappearances in the Philadelphia naval shipyard. A ship and its crew, he said, was reported to have been made invisible, and then visible again.

He claimed an honorary close collaborator of his, J. Manson Vallentine, curator of the Museum of Science of Miami, has spoken to some of those involved, although he admits he has never met any of them. According to Vallentine, Berlitz said, some of the men died during the experiment and others became emotionally disturbed.

Some, he said, continued to disappear and appear again from time to time over the years.

The Navy never has verified that such an experiment took place.

If magnetism is involved, Berlitz said, it may emanate from a power source beneath the sea. In a previous book he suggested that the lost civilization of Atlantis is located beneath the Caribbean, where

recent discoveries have included structures that appear to be manmade.

Perhaps, he suggested, there may be a power source in the area so powerful as to still be operative, or which might flare up every now and then.

Or, he continued, there may even be a civilization flourishing beneath the sea . . . one that suddenly has become alarmed by man's pollution of their previously remote and protected environment.

While reserving judgment on this point, Berlitz did say that most sightings of unidentified flying objects and unidentified submarine objects — strange vehicles beneath the surface — have occurred in the triangle area.

Even Columbus, he said, reported seeing "flaming shield" hurl past his ship and continue down into the water.

Of all the disappearances in the triangle, perhaps the most intriguing involve those in which entire crews have vanished, while their ships were left to float adrift. It is these occurrences that have given rise to the cosmic zoo theories, which propose that alien creatures are collecting humans for study in some other part of the universe.

What makes these theories more palatable, Berlitz said, is the fact that animals are always left behind, except for talking parrots — as if the alien creatures used speech as the mark of a human being.

Spokesmen for the FAA and Miami Coast Guard unit refused to take the talk of a mysterious Bermuda Triangle seriously.

Both pointed out that the area includes more than 200,000 square miles, most of it water. Considering the great flow of air and sea traffic through the area, they said, the disappearances that do occur are not really unusual.

The Coast Guard spokesman added that planes or ships which sink in that area of the Atlantic would probably be sucked into deep currents and pulled north along the bottom of the ocean by the Gulf Stream, which he described as being "just like a river." Much of the free-floating debris in the North Atlantic, he suggested, may be wreckage of disasters in the Bermuda Triangle. Other vehicles, he said, probably disappear in the sandy ocean bottom.

"The Bermuda Triangle," he said, "is one of two areas in the world where compass needles point to true north, not magnetic north (the North Pole) as they do everywhere else."

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"If this compass variation is not accounted for, you can be put off your course by as much as 100 miles. You can be going out to sea and think you're going back to shore."

He attributed most of the disappearances to poor seamanship or poor airmanship.

In the face of such official pooh-pooing, which he refers to a "cosmic Watergate," Berlitz persists.

"When we learn more about the Bermuda Triangle," he said, "we will learn more about man's past. There are indications that past civilizations destroyed themselves in some sort of nuclear conflagration. Isn't that what we're on the verge of doing again?"

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## Kangaroo Is Spotted With Deer

PLANO, Ill. (AP) — Kinky, the fugitive kangaroo, was reported spotted Monday by a trucker on a rural road near the Fox River.

By citizen's band radio, the trucker reported to Ed Swanson, who operates a tow truck and service station at Plano, that what was thought to be a kangaroo was seen with three deer.

Swanson said the trucker, using only his radio name, Lone Wolf, reported he trailed the deer and "another animal that definitely is not a deer. Its prints in the mud of the field are much different and I think it is a kangaroo."

The trucker said Kinky — a name now given the elusive animal that no one is sure exists despite several reported sightings — disappeared as he headed toward the river about 40 miles southwest of Chicago, near Millbrook.

The Kendall County sheriff's office reported the sighting to the Humane Society at Aurora.

A kangaroo was first reported sighted October 6 when two Chicago policemen said they were attacked while trying to catch it.

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## More about those UFOs LIVERPOOL ECHO

Another Liverpool man has come forward to declare that reports of odd "things" hovering over the city are far from pie in the sky.

In fact, Mr. Kenneth Knight was so alarmed at the object that he saw that he sat down and drew a detailed sketch of it.

Mr. Knight of Glendevon Road, Childwall, saw "his" U.F.O. before either of two sightings reported since, but, fearing ridicule, kept

quiet. He broke his silence today after reading two Echo stories of people who have recently spotted what they are convinced are U.F.O.s.

Mr. Knight, who used part of a telescope to chart the progress of the "thing," said, "I followed it for a minute and a half. It was about 2,000 feet into the sky and moving at about 60 m.ph.

Doubling

Thomas

sees Nessie

An army recruiting sergeant claimed that he saw the Loch Ness monster yesterday.

"In case you ask," said 24-year-old John Keay, "I have not had a drink for three weeks."

Sergeant Keay, who lives in Inverness, said he was driving beside the loch when he spotted Nessie, 20 feet from the shore.

He saw a black dome about one foot high and four feet long.

It was "much too big" for a seal or a dolphin.

"It came as a great shock," said Sergeant Keay, who, until yesterday, did not believe in the monster's existence.

The creature disappeared with an enormous splash as Sergeant Keay was climbing out of his car.

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