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Curious About LV

UFO Crewmen Grill Musician

By JERRY COX
SUN Staff Writer

A touring country and western musician says he was stopped 14 miles southwest of Las Vegas and questioned by two UFO crewmen who were curious about the activity in this resort mecca.

His report and description of the UFO matched widely-reported sightings Thursday evening throughout the Las Vegas Valley and reports 24 hours earlier from the Reno-Lake Tahoe area.

"I think they learned more about me in two minutes than I could learn about anyone in a lifetime," the astounded singer said.

When he first called the SUN, the musician asked his identity be kept secret. However, after he had talked to his manager, and his manager contacted his attorney, he identified himself as Johnny Sands.

He had feared publicity would hurt his career and swore the story was not a hoax.

As he was driving he discerned the descending object to take the form of a cigar — "like the Goodyear blimp only longer" — with flashing lights on its bullet-shaped ends and a darker doughnut-like ring around the fuselage.

Suddenly, his car stopped and, believing he was out of gasoline due to a broken gauge, he got out of the car to look into the gas tank.

The object, described as a rusty orange color, hovered about 1,000 feet above the desert area, he said.

His description of the craft matched numerous reports made by observers in scattered parts of the Las Vegas Valley who said at about 8:30 p.m. Thursday they saw a UFO cruise westward from the Spring Mountain range. When it was over North Las Vegas, it veered sharply across Mt. Charleston, the observers said. It was described as rust colored, though it appeared to be reflecting the sun after sundown.

"As it got lower, I saw it wasn't an airplane," he said. He spotted 10-foot portholes and flashing lights on the ring around the craft and said red and white lights were flashing from each end of the UFO.

Something made him turn around from the hood of his car, and about 200 feet away he saw two men walking toward him. "I was afraid they were going to pull some junk on me,"

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he said, meaning he believed he was being targeted for a hold-up.

However, as they neared him, he saw they were wearing silver and black luminous uniforms.

He described them as about five feet, seven inches and proportioned not unlike a human being. Their eyes were squinted, complexion pale and beside their jawbones, under their ears, they appeared to have gills. Their mouths were said to be very small.

Their faces were hairless, he said, and had "puggish" noses.

The one-piece uniforms were pleated at the calf and had a black stripe running from one shoulder to a white belt which appeared to be similar to patent leather.

On their chests was an apparent circular emblem which was white with gold dots.

He stood transfixed as they approached him. "I was wanting to get in the car and lock the doors," he said. "I wanted to go but I couldn't."

One of the "men" did all the talking. "When he talked it wasn't like he really talked," the musician said. "He actually didn't talk out of his mouth."

He was asked, "What are you doing here?"

He said he did not want to reply but was instructed to answer the question.

For a reason undetermined by the musician, he replied in a broad sense, "I'm an entertainer."

Next he was asked, "Why are all these people here?"

Again, he answered in a generality and explained Las Vegas is a tourist city.

The alien asking the questions brushed his hand, and asked, "What are your means of communication?"

The singer said there are many forms of communication and wondered what specifically was meant.

Again, he was instructed "to just answer the question."

"I said I don't know what you mean and they looked at each other for a few minutes."

"I want you to come back," he was told and was admonished not to tell anyone about the meeting.

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Artist's conception drawn from the description given by Johnny Sands.

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Woman claims 'dissected like frogs' on UFO

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CHICAGO (UPI) — A Fargo, N.D., woman claims she and two others were abducted by an alien creature last August and "dissected like frogs," the director of the centre for UFO Studies says.

"She claims to have been abducted," said J. Allen Hynek, a Northwestern University astronomy professor. "I said claims."

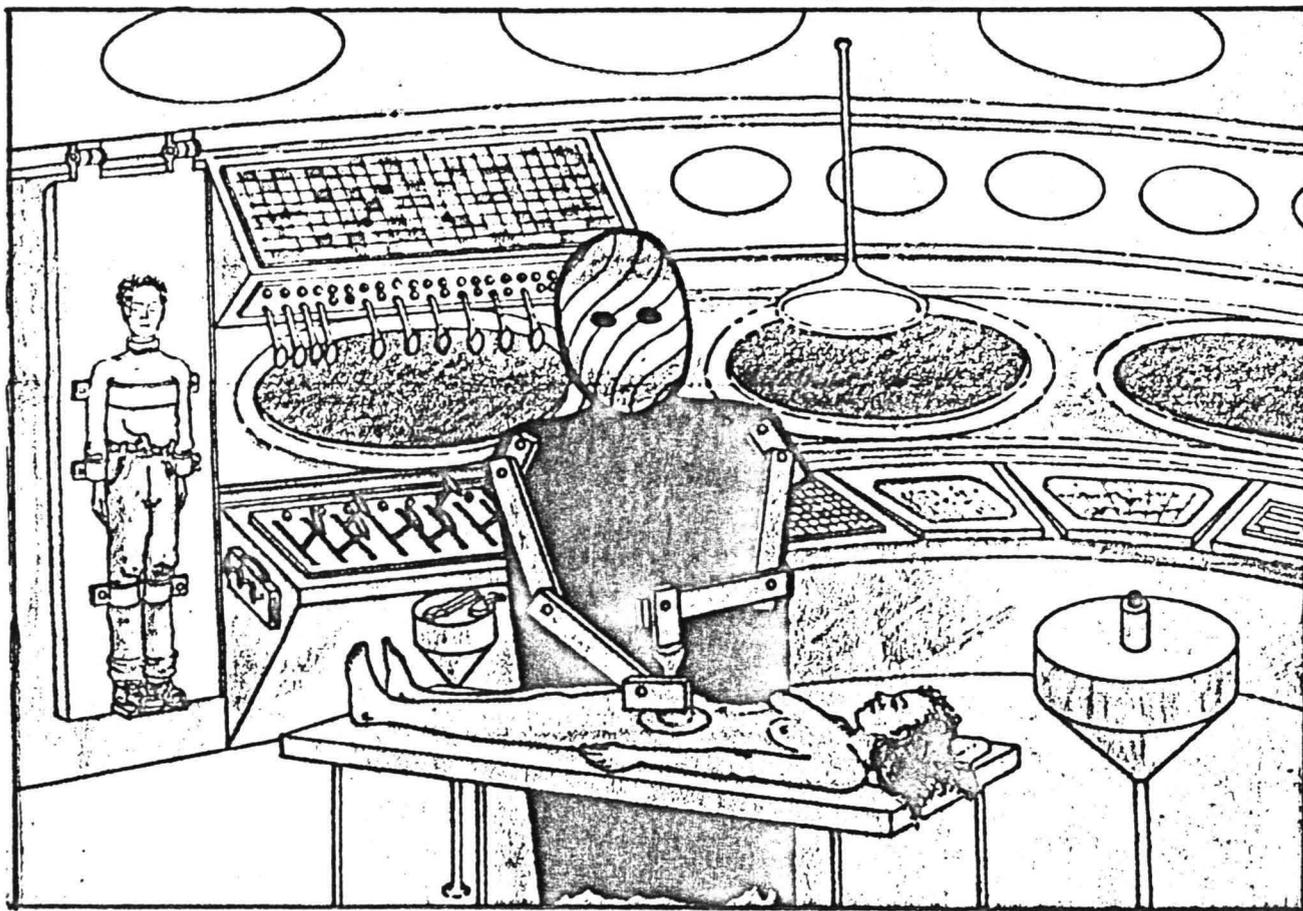
Sandy Larson, 32, said she, her daughter Jackie, 15, and Jackie's boy-friend were taken aboard a UFO which landed near Fargo last Aug. 26 and were given a complete medical examination, Hynek said.

Hynek was present last month in Fargo when Mrs. Larson was hypnotized and questioned about the incident.

Mrs. Larson said they were driving on a highway, 40 miles west of Fargo, when they heard a loud noise and saw "a series of eight to 10 glowing, round objects lined up in the sky, descending toward earth."

Frightened, she stopped the car. After the objects disappeared, she drove to a nearby service station and discovered it was an hour later than she thought.

Under hypnosis, Mrs. Larson said a creature "with elastic bandages for a head, or elastic bandages around its head" subjected her and her daughter's boy-friend to "a complete medical exam . . . stripped naked and all parts of the body examined . . . even our heads were opened and all parts of our brains looked at . . . we were dissected like frogs."



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HXPO21202-2/12/76-CHICAGO: While Mrs. Sandy Larson, Fargo, N.D., is examined by a creature in a UFO, her daughter's boyfriend is strapped at left, awaiting his medical exam. Sketch was made from description by Mrs. Larson while hypnotized. She said they were abducted by a creature with "a brown vinyl body" and "stripped naked and all parts of the body examined...even our heads were opened and all parts of our brains looked at...we were dissected like frogs." (UFO) (UPI) grgA

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Car Motors Stopped Mysteriously Near Two UFO Sightings

Two UFO sightings were reported in the Goodridge area recently both of which had mysterious effects on automobile motors, according to the TRF Times.

Three Goodridge girls were shaken by their experience on December 23 when they made a sighting of an unidentified flying object about 11 p.m. on TH 1 just east of its intersection with TH 219 south of Goodridge.

Gilda Manderud, 19, her 16-year-old sister, Lori, and 15-year-old Tammy Johnsrud, were returning home from the holiday girls' basketball tournament at Grygla when the incident occurred. Gilda was driving a 1969 model 8-cylinder car and the girls had just dropped off a friend at Goodridge.

She said she had just turned east on TH 1 when she noticed a light which she first thought to be a sign in front of the car. The vehicle's engine stopped, lights went out and it rolled to a stop.

Miss Manderud said the object was orange, flat on the top and bottom and round on the sides. She said it glowed brightly and had several flashing yellow lights appearing in the middle of the object which seemed to cover the entire roadway about 20 to 30 feet in front of the car.

She estimated the girls watched the object for about 5 minutes and then noticed a car approaching from the south on

the road from Highland. The object then began to disappear, the car engine started by itself and the lights came back on. She backed the car to the intersection and the object disappeared. The girls talked to the occupants of the other car, who had not seen the object and did not believe them. She drove home on the Highland road rather than proceed east on TH 1.

Another sighting of an UFO was reported by Mead Marquis who saw something on Thanksgiving night about 9 miles west of Goodridge. He was driving a new car west on a country road when he saw a glowing red object about a half mile ahead of him and several hundred feet south of the road.

He estimated the object to be about 8 feet in diameter. He said it rose about 200 feet in the air, hovered for a few seconds and descended. It rose up again, then settled back to the ground. He stopped his car, turned around to return home and the engine began to stall. The last he saw of the object it was still on the ground. The new car, which had only a few miles on the odometer and had given no previous operating problem, was brought back to the dealer and required extensive tuneup.

Paul Rindahl, who was driving on TH 1 about 2 miles away, also saw the light at about the same time.

"Don't say anything about our meeting," he related. "We will be watching you. We will see you again."

However, the manner in which this was said, he explained, was as if they were not expecting him to remain silent.

"They didn't mean any harm," he insisted.

They walked away, he said, about 200 feet in the direction from which they came and then disappeared. His car started and he drove to Las Vegas.

"Until now, I never believed in flying saucers," he said. The 30-year-old family man said his career is starting to develop and he did not wish to be characterized as a crackpot. He stated he had not read the Lake Tahoe reports and had not yet seen Friday morning's SUN which carried a local UFO story. He said he is from the deep South and has been touring in the northeastern United States.

"They kept looking at me like they were trying to figure me out," he said. "I think they learned more about me in two minutes than I could learn about anyone in a lifetime."

"They didn't act like they were worried about me. I was too scared to move."

He explained he understood what they wanted to know and got the impression they were confused as to why all the people were inhabiting this spot in the desert.

"Those three stupid questions they asked me told them a million things they wanted to know," he said.

He indicated he wished the meeting hadn't happened: "I'll be worried about that for the next year."

He told his story to the Office of Special Investigations at Nellis Air Force Base, a spokesman confirmed.

However, the Air Force stopped UFO probes in December, 1969, the spokesman said. The Office of Special Investigations only handles internal criminal matters.

The spokesman said the base's radar "pickup up nothing" last night when various observers reported the UFO, but only the base's runway headings were being monitored.

The singer said he reported the incident despite the warning, because he felt the armed forces should take an active role in investigating UFO sightings.

A spokesman at McCarran's tower said nothing out of the ordinary was noticed on the airport's sweeping surveillance radar which covers a 55-mile radius from the surface "to infinity."

However, he said the radar is "line-of-sight" and can't see beyond hills.

Le Roy, Minn.
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UFO SEEN HERE?

At least three Le Roy people reported seeing an unidentified flying object New Year's Eve.

Norman Orke reports seeing a bright light traveling northward, not very high, and parallel with the ground, which disappeared after about 30 seconds.

A similar object was reported seen by Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Volkart.

● A mysterious sight

A mysterious, pre-dawn visitor hovers above Sierra

By PHIL BARBER

The pre-dawn horizon west of Reno this morning had a mysterious visitor.

Law enforcement officers in Nevada and California watched a frisky multicolored light for three hours.

But, whether it was a space ship as some secretly hoped or perhaps just a refracted star never was determined.

Whatever it was, it caused a lot of excitement.

The Washoe County Sheriff's Department kept a chronological log beginning with this entry at 2:24 a.m.:

"CHP (California Highway Patrol) reports a large UFO hovering southwest of the city. Can be clearly seen . . . very brilliant . . . varied colors . . . dirigible-shaped . . . first seen as reported from Chico. FFA (Federal Aviation Administration) advised."

Two Nevada County, Calif., sheriff's officers, Sgt. Leroy Brombacker and Steve Bobbitt, saw the light moving southward toward Truckee.

They independently made similar drawings which depicted a flashing red and green object turning at right

angles at a high rate of speed and a second stationary object north of the first.

Washoe sheriff's deputy Jim Von Rosenberg at Incline Village saw the object drifting for about 40 minutes. He said it was low enough to illuminate the top of Slide Mountain.

"It was unbelievable. I just can't understand it. It was really interesting," he said.

Dawnette Vonasek, a Nevada Highway Patrol dispatcher at Carson City, said, "It sat up in the sky like it was on a hill. It was a white light."

She said she never has seen anything like it except when she was younger when no one would believe her.

She said: "It kind of twinkled and blinked. It moved downward and, as it spiraled down, it changed colors from kind of bluish-green to yellowish-orange. When it stopped, it went back to white."

"It moved in squares. It went across the sky to the south, then back to the north. It was really kind of eerie."

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She said neither the Reno International Airport nor Chico was able to get a reading on the light with radar.

The dispatcher said the highway patrol at Chico notified the office at Truckee, which alerted her office. Washoe officers said the object also was seen by deputies at Carson City.

One Washoe deputy examined the light from Hunter Lake and Plumb Lane in Reno with binoculars.

The radio log noted his description was of an object with red, white and green very brilliant lights.

An entry at 4:16 a.m., says, "Object illuminating the ridge west of Washoe Lake, then moved southwest. Sightings and changes being confirmed from Peavine Mountain."

It was reported climbing "at extremely

high rate of speed" at 4:30, then stabilizing at a very high altitude.

The last entry had it fading at 4:53.

At least two officers discounted the object as probably "atmospheric phenomenon."

Officers Bill Ruppert and Bob Friddell of the California Highway Patrol at Truckee said they followed it with binoculars and decided it was something which make the stars appear peculiar.

Harold Klieforth, a meteorologist at Reno's Desert Research Institute, said he didn't see the object, but believes there could be many explanations.

One could be a star refraction phenomenon resulting from a temperature inversion, he said.

He doubts it was the aurora borealis, which he said is extremely rare in these latitudes and which would appear as more of a glow than a single object.

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See bright lights

UFO spied over Yolo county

Reports of an unidentified flying object came from a wide area of Yolo county Wednesday.

None of the persons seeing the object would allow their names used for fear of ridicule, however the reports came from Capay Valley, Winters, Woodland and Zamora and all who reported seeing the object had similar descriptions of the UFO.

A Winters man said he spotted the UFO "with extremely bright lights" hovering over highway 505. "The light was so bright I couldn't get a good description of the object's shape," he told the Daily Democrat. "I just checked with you to see if any one else saw the same thing." He said the UFO moved out off very rapidly "heading toward Vacaville."

A woman in rural Woodland said she saw the UFO and said it as hovering "right over my backyard. I first thought it was a searchlight and thought there must be a plane crash somewhere near. My whole yard was ablaze with light."

She said she called a neighbor that lives a half mile away and the neighbor went outside and also reported seeing the brightly lit object that was shaped like a cone.

The most vocal of all was a woman in Zamora who said she not only saw the brightly lit object, but also heard it "and it sounded like a helicopter motor."

She said she was watching the 6 p.m. news when she first heard the motor noise. "It cut off and I just thought it was a helicopter landing nearby. Then I heard it start up again and I got nosey and went outside to see. As soon as I stepped out of my mobile home I spied it rising up from the almond orchard behind my house. It was a flashing light and just full of lights, a heck of a lot of lights."

She said she rushed back into the mobile

home and called a neighbor for help. "I could still see it out the window taking off toward Winters. It was full of lights — bright lights, not the blinking lights like a helicopter or an airplane would have."

She called the sheriff's office to ask if anyone else had reported the incident. "I hope to God I never see that again. I cried half the night from pure fright. I thought that thing had me."

In Capay Valley a farmer said he also spotted the UFO in his field and described it as aspherical, blue-green object. "It was all lit up and moved off to the east very rapidly. I never believed these things before, but I know that was something that was real and it sure as hell wasn't an airplane."

UFO reports have been coming in from many areas of the north state. In Truckee, two CHP officers Bill Ruppert and Bob Friddell discounted the reports and said after scanning the skies with binoculars from a summit in the Sierras believe it was just an "atmospheric phenomenon" which made the stars look peculiar.

Radió reports from other police agencies prompted the officers to drive the 7,100-foot summit of I80 to look for the object which other agencies reported.

Two other highway patrolmen, Norman Chavez and Dale Tuel of the Auburn station, said they saw it hovering over the Gold Run area for hours before it disappeared. They said it sort of bounced and moved from side to side.

The UFO was also reported by Police Patrolman William Doyle Sykes of Lincoln.

The first report came at 2:10 a.m. from an unidentified woman who phoned the Chico police to report a UFO "fading rapidly" in the eastern skies.

Woodland, Calif. DEMOCRAT
January 29, 1976

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.

Flying saucer?

Local athletes high on UFO's

By DAVID BURNS
Staff Writer

Do beings from other worlds spend their evening hovering in strange spacecraft over Willowbrook?

Two former Dominguez High School football stars believe they might.

The two college freshmen athletes report that, while they were spending their holidays at home, they saw what each is certain was a gen-u-ine UFO, that's short for Unidentified Flying Object.

Claiming the sighting are Chico McCall, who now toils as a running back at Arizona State University, and Alvin Logan, who has put his defensive back talents to work at Prairie View A. & M. University in Texas.

They called the Herald American to tell what they saw as they walked down Mona Boulevard near 126th Street at 11:30 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 8. The athletes were

about to visit a friend, who suggested they both go home after they told him of their sighting.

"I wouldn't believe it if I hadn't seen it," Logan said. He describes what he claims to have seen as "two flying saucers too close together to be planes."

"It was circular in shape and lights were all around us," Logan continued. "Actually, Chico saw it first — I was watching a pretty girl going down the street."

McCall said he saw "lights like the same as a plane only too bright" and he said the mysterious flying craft "was round with blinking lights."

In a dutiful effort to verify the tale of two athletes, the Herald American contacted the Firestone Sheriff's Station, whose deputies patrol the neighborhood of the alleged sighting.

"We haven't had any

calls on UFO's," said the deputy on the watch commander's desk. "Two or three weeks ago a woman called us several times saying she saw men from outer space. We finally dispatched a deputy to calm her down."

The deputy said he is "certain" the strange blinking lights seen by Logan and McCall were just lights attached to the sheriff's helicopter based at the Carson Sheriff's station, which flies routine air patrols over Willowbrook, frequently late at night.

But the athletes insist what they saw neither looked nor sounded like a helicopter.

Said Logan, "I only told what I saw so people would know in case they (the men from space) might attack us. Actually, I'm not afraid. I can rap with any Martian."

UFO seen at Sunrise

An unidentified flying object was sighted east of Sunrise Monday morning around 7 a.m., the Chicago County Sheriff's office reported this week.

According to Sheriff Floyd Pinotti his office received three calls reporting the object. He said according to the reports the object had three red lights, hovered for approximately three minutes over the St. Croix River or just into Wisconsin and then rose very rapidly out of sight.

Mrs. Reidel said it was the first time she ever saw anything like it and described it as "kind of spooky."

Ed L. Dickman of Sparks, the area investigator for NICAP, said he was notified of the sighting but didn't see it himself.

He said he is puzzled by the reports. Dickman and other investigators document UFO sightings for submission to NICAP national headquarters at Kensington, Md.

"I couldn't see any shape, but it definitely was not a star because a star doesn't move. "It was like a ball about half way up from the horizon."

Sheriff's Department notified Washoe deputies of an unusual light near Lockwood. Numerous officers and residents subsequently saw it.

The object was described to Washoe deputies as oval-shaped, moving very fast and emitting red and white lights.

The Washoe sheriff's log notes it was "gone on arrival."

One witness was Alicia Reidel, a Nevada Highway Patrol dispatcher who was off duty and at home in Sparks.

She said: "It looked to be due east, pulsating with red and blue lights. It would dip back and forth like a pendulum from south to north."

the Washoe County Sheriff's Department from Lemmon Valley, where a man described a blue ball with red and white lights in the sky. It was reported at 6:52 p.m.

The sheriff's log of the call notes the tower, apparently the control tower at Reno International Airport, advised the light was Saturn.

But, a sheriff's officer who saw the light from his residence at Golden Valley near Lemmon Valley said he believes it was a light from an airport tower.

However, he had never seen it before, he said. Sunday night at 11:28, the Storey County

By PHIL BARBER
Reno law enforcement agencies say there have been two more nights of flashing mystery lights.

The Friday and Sunday sightings prompted an investigator for the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP) to comment, "People are seeing something."

The sightings began Wednesday when Nevada and Eastern California officers reported watching for three hours as a dirigible-shaped object blinked over the western horizon.

Friday night, a report was telephoned to

More mysterious lights seen in Washoe sky

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Avoca Man Spots UFO With Square Headlights

Melvin Peters of Avoca has reported spotting a "UFO" on his farm located six miles northeast of Avoca.

Peters explained to the Journal-Herald this week that on the evening of Nov. 25 around 6:00 p.m. he sighted a bright light high in the sky south of his farm place.

Peters said that as he was returning to the house after doing the chores, he sighted the object and watched it proceed towards his farm house at a high rate of speed then slowing up as it hovered over the oil road located about 150 yards from his house.

Peters said that the object had bright square headlights which were much brighter and much closer together than regular automobile headlights.

He explained that he thought the lights were mounted on a round object which he assumed was something like a flying saucer.

Peters said that the object illuminated the ground beneath it and presumed that the object had lights on its underside.

In a matter of seconds after the object hovered over the road near his house, the lights went out and disappeared, he said.



Peters said that he wasn't afraid until the lights on the thing went out and then he got worried because his dog became frightened by the object.

Peters said that the entire incident occurred within about a minute after he first sighted it.

He said that he had no idea of where it disappeared to and explained that no signs of the object ever being there exist.

Peters told the Journal-Herald that he wished someone else would have seen the object since he knows it existed, yet he has received a certain amount of "Teasing" about the sighting.

Clovis police study burned spot in UFO chase

Albuquerque, New Mexico TRIBUNE January 24, 1976

white and blue flashing lights while on duty since Tuesday.

Clovis police today are studying a burned spot on the ground, about as large as a house, to see if an elongated, cigar-shaped object may have caused it on landing.

Policeman Henry Perez of Clovis told The Tribune today that he saw the spot Friday night and would return there today "with three Los Alamos men" to investigate.

feet long and 50 feet wide with two bare square places in the center of the burn. He said the bare spots are similar to wheel spaces.

PEREZ SAID HE and Policeman Randy Johnson saw "red, white and blue" flashing lights around 2 a.m. four mornings ago. He said the object hovered for 20 minutes and then was joined by two others.

Perez thinks they were government tests. However, he believes the cigar-shaped objects could be UFOs.

The burned spot is about 10 miles north of Clovis near a cemetery, Perez said.

EXCITED AND CURIOUS Clovis residents looked at the UFOs through a telescope from the ninth floor of the Clovis Hotel Friday night.

"I expect even more will be out tonight to watch," the officer said. "I wish we had a more powerful telescope."

Perez said he wanted to see the burned spot.

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By URITH LUCAS
Tribune Staff Writer

UFO's spotted

CRAWFORDVILLE — Two jumbo jet size UFOs, flashing "yellow and blue lights," hovered over the Evergreen Acres community five miles north of here Thursday night for about 15 minutes, according to four young women who said they saw them.

Sheriff Deputy Clinton Williams, who was called to the scene, said he saw "two oblong objects one flashing yellow lights and the other blue lights," but "they had gained altitude" by the time he got there.

Frances Kleinssaer, Deborah Bentley, and Sherry and Darlene Dyer reported seeing the UFOs about 7:15 p.m. at treetop level, making a "steady, loud, buzzing noise; not moving but hovering overhead."

"One had yellow lights and the other had blue lights," they said. "They seemed to be signalling to each other."

Tallahassee, Florida DEMOCRAT
January 3, 1976

UFO seen

It was cigar-shaped with a tail and rounded on top, according to Mary Baltensperger, who saw an unidentified flying object (UFO) in the sky near her residence south of Nebraska City. She is the wife of Postmaster Howard Baltensperger.

She said that she saw the object about 5:45 p.m. Thursday while she was driving. It was in a stationary position not far above the ground. The object zoomed off while she was calling her husband from their home but had stayed stationary up until that time.

She said that it was the first time she had seen a UFO.

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January 30, 1976
Credit: R. Garlipp

UFO chase

by daylight. He first saw it around 9:30 Friday night when police received a telephone call about it.

The officer said three Los Alamos men had arrived to look for UFOs and that they would join him today at the burned spot.

WHEN ASKED IF he would approach a UFO if he saw one, Perez said, "I wouldn't be afraid. If they had wanted to do harm, they'd have done it by now."

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The cigar-like object is described as thicker in the center than toward the outer edge and there are two black spots at each end.

Town Marshall Willie Ronquillo of Texico on the Texas border said he followed up on one of the reports. He said he spotted a silent, lighted object hovering about 300 yards over the community of 1,000. He said it had a green, yellow and blue lights and made no sound.

SIGHTING OF ANOTHER UFO OCCURS IN AREA

Another UFO sighting on New Year's Eve was reported this morning by an Austin couple.

Gus Jacobsen, 2007 5th Ave. SE, and his wife Delores spotted a fast moving, bright, three-sectioned object at about 7 p.m. New Year's Eve as they were travelling to Albert Lea on IS-90 between Oakland and Hayward.

According to Jacobsen, the three-sectioned object, with each section looking like an inverted teardrop, was bigger than a house and travelling at a fast pace across the sky.

The sections were on top of each other with the bottom two shooting off sparks. The unidentified object lit up the area, Jacobsen said, and was travelling north.

"I saw this big light in the sky. I thought it was a falling star at first but it wasn't," Jacobsen told the Herald. "It was moving faster than a jet but it didn't make any noise. We saw it for just a few seconds, maybe 30 seconds at the most."

The Jacobsens pulled off the road almost immediately but the object was out of sight when they got out of their vehicle.

"I used to think people who saw these things were kooks," Jacobson explained, "but I saw what I saw."

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Williamsport, Pa.

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Ball of Fire Above City Is Reported

It probably wasn't a bird or a plane, but what it was up in the city sky Thursday night is undetermined.

The object, described as a ball of fire, was reported by several members of the Williamsport Area Community College administrative staff. They said they had seen the object as they left the George H. Parkes Automotive Building along Susquehanna Street.

The several persons who reported the object said they had observed it for perhaps three or four minutes shortly after 9 p.m. The object was reported as a ball of fire moving across the sky in a westerly direction.

The observers said it was impossible to determine the altitude of the object or the size. Shortly after the object passed overhead, the observers said, sparks fell and the fire suddenly went out.

Later a college student described how such an object as appeared could be built with readily available articles. The observers of the ball of fire said the student's explanation seemed plausible.

Austin, Minn. HERALD January 7, 1976

'We saw something'

UFO reported hovering in Southern Wake

UFO sited in the area

Sheriff Russ Seals said that it looked round with alternating red and green lights. Dale Roetger, son of Duane Roetger, said that it looked like a triangle with alternating red, yellow and green lights around it.

Even though they disagreed on what shape it was, the two along with many other residents of Oioe and Nemaha counties who saw it agreed that an unidentified flying object had appeared in the area for the second time in two months.

Sheriff Seals said that he was at the Roetger farm south of Dumber at about 8:20 p.m. Tuesday evening when he saw the object about a quarter of the

By D. I. STRUNK
Times staff writer

Look out!
An unidentified flying object described as a "large, bright white thing with red lights and wings like a buzzard has been sighted by a number of people in Southern Wake.

sheriff's deputies and the highway patrol have reported seeing the object.

It reportedly makes no noise and moves up and down. It was spotted hovering over the plant site in the predawn hours Tuesday and this morning.

Wake Sheriff Deputy Ron Stewart described the UFO as a very bright, illuminous object. He said it was stationary and remained stationary for some time over the plant

this morning at altitude he estimated to be 1,500 to 2,000 feet.

The deputy said as dawn approached the object got lighter and lighter. "It then ascended higher until it just appeared to be a star in the daylight before disappearing completely," said Stewart.

A Federal Aviation Administration air traffic controller at the Raleigh-Durham Airport reported receiving several calls about the object early this

morning. But he said he spotted nothing on the radar screen.

Harris Plant guard Glen Goodwin reported seeing two of the UFO's Tuesday beginning around 4 a.m. and according to Deputy Stewart, another plant guard, Charles Stevenson, sighted three of the objects in the sky together about a week ago but thought little about them at the time.

Godwin described the object as "a large orange headlight

with red things on the side."

He said that Tuesday morning two of them came in together before moving apart and hovering over the plant.

"It certainly got me to thinking," Goodwin said this morning. "The things are real hard to describe. But I certainly would say they were unusual."

Apex police who have observed the flying object said nobody may know what it is.

Another plant guard, Vernon

Senter, said he is sure it wasn't a star because when he and the other policeman were observing it at 6:15 a.m. there weren't any stars in the sky.

"It looked like a bird with buzzard wings," said Senter. It had some sort of red lights sticking out and something of a circle around it lights. It was as big as a basketball or even bigger."

Strange Lights Sighted over Southern Wake County

By ERNIE WOOD
Staff Writer

While most people slept or were at home getting ready for work Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, strange white lights hovered over southern Wake County, then rose into the sky and disappeared as the day became brighter.

Wake County sheriff's deputies, Apex police and security guards said they saw the lights over the site of the construction of Carolina Power & Light Co.'s Shearon Harris nuclear power generating plant near Apex.

"I thought when I first saw them that they were airplanes," said Glenn Goodwin of Apex, a security guard "but when they stopped - I've never seen anything stop in the air like that."

On Tuesday, he said, he noticed two

such lights as he was making his 5 a.m. rounds. "One came to the right and one went to the left," he said. Then, said Goodwin, the lights stopped and remained motionless for about an hour.

Wednesday, another appeared, and stayed a longer time, he said. Another security guard had spotted three of the objects "week before last," he said.

"You can't explain what it looks like," he said. At first it had the shape of a boomerang, then it would appear to be round, he said. And it had bright lights on it.

Asked if he thought it might be a flying saucer, he said, "I don't know if they're from outer space or what."

Ross Denson of the Apex Police Department said he saw the lights at about 6:30 a.m. Wednesday.

What he saw Wednesday, he said,

was a "big bright light up in the sky" with "red lights coming from up under it."

"All we could see was the lights," he said, explaining that he could not distinguish the shape of the object.

The object "appeared to be over the nuclear power plant," he said. Its height, however, was "hard to tell just from the lights," he said. Sheriff's deputies estimated the object's height at between 1,500 and 2,000 feet, however.

"We left this morning at 7:30 and it was light and it was still up there in the sky. But it was getting smaller and smaller."

A spokesman for the Federal Aviation Administration at the Raleigh-Durham Airport said calls had come in both Tuesday and Wednesday mornings about the sightings, and that an air traf-

fic controller had spotted an unidentified object resembling an airplane Tuesday on his radar.

The object was brought to the controller's attention by a telephone call asking about the phenomenon, he said, and its location was estimated as about "five miles north of the Moncure (air) intersection" in southern Wake County. The object, which was stationary, remained on the screen for about half an hour, he said.

Although the tower's records showed no airplane traffic in the area at the time, the spokesman, who wished to remain unidentified, said the controller did not pay much attention to the object on the radar.

"There are so many things that come on there that have no explainable cause that we don't pay attention to them," he

said. "We are constantly seeing strange blobs and blips and all kinds of things."

He suggested the phenomenon might have been some object related to night maneuvers at Ft. Bragg. Air traffic controllers in the airport tower could see lights from helicopters and flares Monday night and Tuesday morning, the night the object was spotted on the radar, he said.

But a spokesman for Ft. Bragg said that although maneuvers were in fact being conducted at the Army base that night, there was "no training in the Apex area."

Security guard Goodwin said Wednesday evening that people were gathering at the Shearon Harris site in hopes of seeing the lights and that more people were expected by Thursday morning.

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Police Pursue Eerie Lights

By ROBERT BOUZON
Staff Writer

Officer Mike Perry of the Central Police Department sat alone in his stopped patrol car for a few minutes trying to regain his composure.

He then picked up his radio microphone and informed Officer Junior Dalton of the nearby Norris Police Department that he had just been following a reddish light in the sky.

That was Wednesday night. Three days earlier both Perry and Dalton, along with three other law enforcement officers in Pickens County, had spotted another reddish light in the sky. Between Sunday and

Wednesday the five officers had talked among themselves but didn't make their experience public.

After Wednesday's incident Perry believed it was time to talk about it.

"I was going down Church Street in Central," Perry said Thursday. "Just as I rounded a curve, right before I got out of the city limits, I saw a light."

It was about 8:30 p.m. He had just had a cup of coffee about 15 minutes earlier. The light seemed to be over Highway 123, Perry said, about two miles away.

"And if it was as close as I thought it was, it must have been about 150 feet off the ground," he said.

Perry gave this description of the light: a little big longer than it was tall, no sharp corners, but not completely round, and evenly bright, with a reddish tint.

Clouds hung low in the sky, Perry said. It had just stopped raining and was a little foggy. At first the light appeared to be stationary, and Perry said he proceeded north on Highway 93 (which runs parallel to Highway 123) to get closer to the light.

"I was trying to get underneath it," he said. "At first it seemed to be directly over the road. But as I got closer, it seemed to be on the right side of the road."

Perry said he thinks he drove

about a quarter of a mile before the light made its only move.

"It went straight up," he said, "and I lost sight of it in about five seconds." Though his windows were up, Perry said he heard a high-pitched noise — "like a bullet passing close by, or like the wind when you're traveling fast in a car."

Perry said he could see the light grow dimmer as it climbed.

"It kinda unnerved me... More than anything else I was anxious for somebody else to see it," Perry said.

"It took me four or five minutes until I could talk on the radio," he said. "I drove down the road, almost to Highway 88,

and then I stopped and sat there.

"It really shook me up. And I don't get upset too easy."

His wish for a witness came true — in a roundabout way. When he returned to the police station, a call came in from Carl James, a Central resident. James had heard Perry's call to Dalton on a police radio.

About 15 or 20 minutes before he picked up the Perry-Dalton conversation, James' radio mysteriously blacked out.

A member of the Central Rescue Squad, James was monitoring the police radio in case there were any accidents in the inclement weather.

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"About 8:15 I started to get an intermittent interference, like an electrical interference," James said Thursday. James said he has never had this problem before.

"If you have ever driven under a high-transmission line and heard what your car AM radio does — that's what it was like," James said. "I live right under a Duke Power high-transmission line, and I've never had this problem before — that's what bugged me about it, why I called the police station about it."

Dalton remembered Perry's first words when he radioed after the sighting:

Perry: You remember what we were looking at Sunday night?

Dalton: Affirmative.

Perry: I just saw it again — real close.

Sunday night, around 1:20 a.m., two Clemson police officers in department patrol cars spotted a reddish object

passing over Highway 76 at a high speed. Officer Ann Berry, who could not be reached for comment about the incident, was in one car, and Officer Horace Moore was in the other.

Moore said the two spotted the same reddish light traveling east over the National Guard Armory. Moore described the light as "red in color, with no flashing lights like an aircraft would have, and apparently round."

He said it passed from view in "no more than four seconds." Berry later described the light as resembling "a big orangy ball of fire." Moore, a 20-year Army veteran, later told an officer: "I never want to see anything like that again."

Berry contacted Clemson police headquarters. Within 15 minutes the neighboring Central Police Department was notified of the sighting.

Perry and officer Richard Owens were on duty in Central. Dalton, who was off duty, was at the station with them. When

Berry's call came over the radio, the three stepped out the station door for a look.

Dalton said, "Clemson had gotten a report like this earlier in the week, and we had all joked about it. And we laughed when Berry called. When we walked out of the door we stopped laughing."

Dalton said a reddish light was hovering in the sky over Central. By the time Owens got out the door the "pretty good-sized light" was moving east across the sky very fast. The officers got in a patrol car and tried trailing the light. Perry said the light was "pretty high up" when they spotted it again.

"As we speeded up to keep up with it, it seemed to speed up," Perry said.

As the patrol car sped at about 65 miles an hour down Highway 93, the object suddenly veered off to the right across Highway 123, and, Dalton said, "picked up speed that was unbelievable."

At about 4 a.m. the officers had breakfast. Then between 5 and 6 a.m. they got another call from Clemson that the lights were in the sky again.

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By MARY LASSWELL
Staff Writer

Strange Object Sighted In Sky

It may have been a weather balloon, an airplane or a helicopter—or it may have been a genuine unidentified Flying Object. Whatever it was, it shook Sonja Pierce up. And there seems to be no ready explanation for it.

Ms. Pierce, who lives in Pendleton, was returning home from Seneca around 11 p.m. Thursday when she saw a bright light, like a star, moving toward Clemson and passing high over the university.

As she drew near Clemson on Highway 123, she said, the light abruptly reversed its direction.

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shortly before Thanksgiving over a shopping center in Oconee.

Ms. Pierce, however, was not the only one to observe a strange light in the sky Thursday night. Around 7 p.m. bright lights were reported in the area of Interstate 85 and U.S. Highway 24.

At least three persons called the Anderson airport, the local radio station and the Anderson Daily Mail describing the sight.

One woman said it was a large bright light, shaped like a top. "The light hovered over a field," the woman said, "making sharp turns and flashing varied colored lights. It made no sound, but moved up and down as if it was trying to land," she said, "and then quickly moved upward and out of sight."

Spokesmen at Anderson airport have no record of aircraft in the area at either time.

Ms. Pierce reported her sighting to a passing policeman. A Clemson policeman said the department received a phone call, possibly from another woman, earlier Thursday night.

The policeman said someone called late at night about a strange light in the area about a month ago.

The president of a national organization that investigates UFO sightings said his group had received no sighting reports from South Carolina Friday, but "it would be hard to explain either one of these (sightings) from the

She was traveling a straight stretch of road, she said, and could not have been mistaken about how it moved. She pulled into the parking lot of a grocery store to watch. As she watched, the light dimmed. Then the thing showered sparks, like a Roman candle. The light then grew dimmer and brighter several times, then went back toward the university. Eventually it passed behind some trees, and she lost sight of it. She tried to follow it but could not catch sight of it again.

What really has her "torn up," she said, is that she saw an identical phenomenon. See SIGHTING, Page 8-A

description the witnesses have given. Jack Acuff, president of the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP), said, "From both of these reports... it doesn't sound like we could come up with any conventional explanation."

"We do end up explaining about 80 per cent of the reports as something conventional," he said. A UFO, or unidentified Flying Object, is something that "by its behavior or its structure or both" can't be a conventional aircraft.

It is not unusual for several people to report sighting a UFO at one time, he said. The UFOs "are usually disk shaped and usually with a dome on the top."

NICAP is an organization of private individuals interested in solving the mystery of unidentified flying objects. It was founded in 1956. Acuff said, and has about 5,000 members, mostly in the United States.

Several explanations have been advanced for the strange lights seen Thursday night. Possible explanations include reflections of lights from the earth, helped by cold, clear weather mixed with fog and vapor; a helicopter, perhaps with a strobe light to catch illegal hunters at night; a private plane; and a military weather balloon.

Those reporting sightings Thursday night, Acuff said, could be "badly mistaken in their record of what they did see."

Or, he said, they could have seen a UFO.

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The object

The brightly lighted object seen in the sky around Nebraska City several times in recent weeks, made an appearance again Monday night.

The object was spotted east-southeast of Nebraska City by Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Palmer. Mr. Palmer viewed the object with a 22 power telescope, but said the lights were so bright he was unable to distinguish any more than the different colors.

Captain Harris Esler said the sheriff's office received no reports Monday night of a UFO being located in the area.

FROM: JOE BRILL

UFO Sighted Near New Hamburg

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The Scott County Sheriff's Department received one report last week that several unidentified flying objects (UFOs) were sighted at about 5:43 p.m. Saturday near New Hamburg. Juanita Camol of rural Chaffee reported the sighting to the Scott County Sheriff's Department. She told them that she saw about 20 oblong objects in the sky.

Cape May Man Tells of His Earlier Experiences With UFO

By MARY DURAN
Press Staff Writer

VILLAS — Reports of unidentified flying objects in Wednesday's Press have spurred John Lare, 21, an employe of the Martee Construction Co. in Rio Grande, to tell of his three brushes with similar objects more than six weeks ago. The object seen on the Atlantic City beach Tuesday

was declared by Coast Guard authorities to be a "reflection of lights from fishing boats."

Residents of Heislerville and Dorothy reported "strange sights in the sky" Monday evening. Neither the Millville Airport, the Federal Aviation Administration, nor the Port Norris state police received any other reports of a UFO Monday,

he said. The first incident took place about 5:30 a.m. while he and four other employes of the firm were bound for work.

"The object was quiet and motionless about 300 feet in the air. It was down toward the bay over the Lower Township landfill area," said Lare. "It was huge with two gigantic lights on the front and some smaller red lights underneath," said

Lare. "It was boomerang-shaped, resembling the one seen by several

Heislerville residents Monday evening. Lare was again on his way to work the next day when he spotted the UFO again. This time he was alone and once more it was over the landfill area, "sitting there."

"It was in front of me, 300 feet up and I turned off the car lights. It moved then directly overtop of my car," Lare said.

On the third occasion of "the things" appearance, Lare said he was certain "many other persons must have seen it."

Driving on U.S. 9 between Rio Grande to Cape May Court House about 8 p.m., Lare was accompanied this time by his wife and another passenger when the object appeared overhead.

"Any drivers traveling north from Rio Grande had to be blinded by the lights," said Lare. The object soon turned and headed west with the same red lights glaring from its belly, Lare said. Since those days of the

sightings in the first week of December, Lare and his co-workers have discussed the object they saw, but felt they would appear ridiculous to make their experiences known to the media.

Two sightings of objects were reported in Wednesday's Press. One was seen on the Atlantic City beach about 5:15 a.m. by Press columnist Sonny Schwartz and Ventnor Pt. Frank Ingargiola. The other seen Monday in Heislerville had "headlights" and red lights underneath which dimmed and brightened at intervals, according to a witness, Mrs. Vi Camp.

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Sightings on Sunday 'strange'

By NANNETTE MILSTEAD
Staff Writer

OGDENSBURG — If you thought you saw something strange in the sky on Sunday night, you were not alone.

According to local police, numerous calls were received questioning the appearance of "two things" between 5:30 and 8 p.m.

One woman said she "never once believed it was a flying saucer," but it was a "strange, but beautiful, sight."

Another man said the phenomenon appeared to be two objects with white rows of lights about 10 miles parallel of one another that changed from orange to green every so often.

"If they had moved I would have felt differently," he said, "but this was sort of weird and eerie."

Dr. Henry Bartol, acting chairman of the High Point Regional High School science department and formerly of the Hayden Planetarium staff in New York City, had no official explanation for the sightings. He said clear cold nights such as on Sunday often result in "ice crystals that do funny things." With a setting sun, he said, there "might appear to be reflections."

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Opinions Vary In Lights Case

By ERNIE WOOD
Staff Writer

Sheriff's Deputy Lonnie Covert had a one-word answer Thursday to describe what he saw when he went flying saucer watching at dawn: "Nothing."

But to some folks, those mysterious lights that have been coming in over Carolina Power & Light's Shearon Harris nuclear generating plant site in southwest Wake County are still, well, mysterious.

"It was out there this morning," said Glenn Goodwin, a security guard at the site who has seen the phenomenon for three days running this week.

"It came in low and it just kept getting higher and higher," he said. It appeared to be the same type of thing that he and others had spotted Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, he said, except that it comes in at a different spot each day.

On Wednesday, he had described it as sometimes boomerang shaped and sometimes round, with bright lights on it. Thursday, he said the object he saw that morning had seven lights on it.

A flock of the curious showed up at the site Thursday, enough, said Goodwin, so that it took three security guards to keep them off the utility's land.

But among those were the skeptical.

"It's the same thing that's been there ever since I was born and ever since you were born," Deputy Covert told a reporter. "It was just what we used to call the morning star. It was just real bright."

Others agreed. John Hoffman of Airlift Associates, who flies a traffic helicopter for WPTF radio, flew over to the site to have a look about 6:30 a.m. Thursday and said he saw

no flying saucers.

"My best estimation is that they were looking at the planet Venus, which is low on the horizon this time of year and with the clear air we've been having, it's pretty bright," Hoffman said.

It nevertheless attracted what he called "quite a crowd." Some people had built campfires as they waited to see the mysterious lights, he said.

And Apex police officer Ross Denson, who had seen the light Wednesday, was apparently convinced that it was nothing more than a natural phenomenon.

"Venus started coming up about 5 a.m.," he said. "I think that's what everybody's been seeing."

He did report another strange phenomenon, however — five big "balls of fire" about 10 miles southeast of Apex about 6 p.m. Wednesday. "What we saw last night was completely different from this other mess," he said.

As for the lights at the power company's site, Denson said he does not plan to try to see them again.

"I'm kind of losing a lot of sleep," he said. "I'm going to catch up on my sleep. I'm going to let CP&L keep up with the Martians."

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Several people have contacted The Herald with additional reports of UFOs, giving additional credence to Herald Photographer Jimmy Haire's report in Thursday's edition.

Mrs. Marion Burris of Rt. 6 called to say she and her daughter, Beth, were headed toward Lee Avenue extension from NC 87 at 6:20 p.m. Wednesday, and they both saw three objects with yellowish-orange lights traveling along with them at tree-top level, she reports.

Another caller, Suzanne West, said she was riding her bicycle northeast of Broadway Wednesday evening, and she also reports seeing a UFO.

"I looked up and there was an object with something hanging down from it. It was a red-orange color and was moving real slow," Miss West reported.

On Friday evening, another report came in with a UFO sighting on the Cool Springs Road at 7:30 p.m. Armine Valentic said she was visiting with a friend in that area, and from the front porch, looking toward Johnsonville, "We saw something green, yellow and red in the sky."

'UFO' Said Reflection From Boat

By DAVID J. SPATZ
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Press Staff Writers

ATLANTIC CITY — That light on high...was just a reflection from the ocean early sky.

That's the official verdict from the Coast Guard station at Atlantic City on what many believed to have been an unidentified flying object (UFO) cavorting above the beaches of Absecon Island early Tuesday.

But an investigator for the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena, a private group based in Washington, D.C., said he's treating the incident as a UFO sighting until he receives more data.

The "object" was first sighted around 5:15 a.m. over the Ventnor beaches by Patrolman Frank Ingargiola and Press columnist Sony Schwartz.

It was described as a crystal white object with no sound emanating from it, but no accurate estimate of its size was available.

The light from the "object" was so intense it was impossible to make out its shape.

The two men agreed that it wasn't cigar- or pencil-shaped and the closest they could come in describing it was to say it was spherical and had a green haze around it.

Ingargiola and Schwartz, together in a patrol car on the Boardwalk, drove slowly toward Atlantic City, they said.

Coast Guard Calls 'UFO' Boat Reflection But 2 'Witnesses' Disagree

Disagree

They claimed the lightst seemed to slowly parallel their course along the beach.

Upon reaching Albany Avenue and the Boardwalk, the pair said, they decided to

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drive down the beach ramp to the sand. The car remained parked on the ramp as the men continued their observation of the bright object, they recounted.

"Frank then put the spotlight of the car on the 'object' and then shut off the light. He did this a couple of times and then the 'object' moved in closer to us...it came up to the line of breakers in the water."

Schwartz went on with his story, "Then when that happened, Frank got scared and said, 'let's get out of here, that thing is coming right at us.'"

The police officer, Schwartz said, put the car in reverse and backed up the ramp onto the Boardwalk.

Ingargiola then radioed Ventnor police Capt. Charles LaRe and asked

him to have Atlantic City Police cars meet him at Albany Avenue and the Boardwalk.

More cars arrived until there were seven police cars

and about 16 officers at the scene, but then the "object" vanished, Schwartz said.

"Frank put the spotlight back on where the object had last been seen," the columnist related, adding that a police sergeant present got out his binoculars and was also able to observe the "object" which appeared faint in the distance.

It then vanished altogether. The Atlantic City police officers left the area in response to an emergency call and the Ventnor policeman and his rider headed downbeach towards Ventnor on the Boardwalk.

It was then 5:30 a.m. and the sky was empty, Schwartz said. The two men continued to scan the sky and at a point near Raleigh Avenue they saw the bright object again. It continued to grow brighter and seemed to follow the police car, they said.

By the time the duo reached Vassar Square, where they had originally spotted the bright sphere, Schwartz said, "it was the brightest and largest than at any time we observed it. It seemed to come right up to the shoreline."

Then, the men claimed, it vanished at 6 a.m.

It was during the time that it reappeared that people from Brigantine and Margate reported also seeing the bright sphere.

Another "odddity" Schwartz reported was the sighting of a "weird" looking individual. He said that

as the police car was traveling towards Ventnor and nearing Vassar Square, where the light was the brightest, both he and Ingargiola, noticed an extremely tall — six feet, five inches or 6-foot-6 — man with immense broad shoulders "lurching" down the Boardwalk in front of the car. The man was next to the railing on the street side of the Boardwalk, and neither the sound of the police car nor the beam of its headlights caused him to look around at the vehicle, Schwartz said.

"All we saw was his back and noticed that he was wearing a a three-quarter length suede coat and a 10-gallon Stetson hat. In that gusting wind he never even bothered to hold on to his hat," Schwartz said.

When they checked the walk again, a minute or two later after the bright object had disappeared, the man had disappeared, they said.

"We looked for him. Frank said he thought he should be checked out because he looked kind of weird," Schwartz said. "We never did find him."

Police contacted the Coast Guard about the sighting. They in turn contacted their district offices at New York.

They received authorization to investigate the light and dispatched a 41-foot cutter to the general area of the sighting.

Reports that a helicopter was also dispatched to investigate the "object" were apparently unfounded.

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2 Area Residents Spot 'UFO' in Southwest Sky

A Dorothy woman and her 12-year-old son reported spotting an unidentified flying object twice early last evening as it hovered in a south-westerly direction near her home.

Mrs. Beth Morris, Cape May ave., spotted the UFO at 7:45 p.m. from her "country" backyard overlooking south Millville. "The object caught my eye and was far more brilliant than any star or Satellite in the sky and suddenly disappeared. I just looked at it and forgot about it at the time," she said, "until I heard the radio report."

The cutter searched the area from Ventnor to a point off Convention Hall and didn't locate the "object."

They did, however, find a fleet of three fishing trawlers working about four miles off Convention Hall.

The trawlers, they said, were using powerful spotlights and the beam from those lights apparently bounded off the low cloud cover.

This reflection, they said, could have caused the optical effect due to atmospheric conditions which were right for the phenomena at that time.

Local NICAP investigator Gary Vendetti of Vineland was working on the sighting throughout the day Tuesday but no conclusions have been reached.

"I've been attempting to contact everyone who saw the object to learn more about it," Vendetti said.

"The last South Jersey sighting was in Mays Landing about a year ago when

lights appeared to hover over a house (near Route 40) for about three nights in a row," he said. "We never did come to any conclusions about what it was," he noted. Prior to that, a UFO was reported to have landed in a

thicket near Port Norris, but nothing except some crushed bushes and the indentation of a foot pod of a heavy object was found, he said.

Early today at 5 a.m., a Ventnor patrolman spotted a UFO along the shores of the Atlantic Ocean while on patrol. A Coast Guard Cutter was dispatched to the area to look for a possible ship in distress, but found none.

Police and local radio stations in the Ventnor area were flooded with calls, according to one account of the story.

The woman again spotted the object at 8:40 as she looked out her porch window. "It hovered in one spot in the western sky. It was red with a brilliant gold and gave off the impression of rays."

She called her 12-year-old son to look at it also. She said at the time

it was hovering at "the height of an airplane or a low flying craft. It didn't make a noise like an airplane.

After five minutes the object started making circles and slowly disappeared as it turned around she said. "It was definitely not the likes of a helicopter."

Her husband later joined her trying to spot the object again until 1 a.m.

Local Federal Aviation officials in Millville reported no UFO sightings. One spokesman said the object was probably "a helicopter with its inside lights on."

Cape May County Airport at Erma.

Meanwhile, the National Aviation Facilities Experimental Center at Pomona reported no radar contact was made with any solid object and no aircraft were reported in the area at the time.

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St. George youth says he was followed by UFO

By JOHN WRIGHT
Expositor Staff Writer

ST. GEORGE — Dick Morrison, 14, claims an Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) followed him while he was crossing an open field on his snowmobile late New Year's Eve.

Dick, the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Morrison of R2 St. George, said Friday he was heading home when he saw a large dark object which appeared to be hovering over his father's barn.

He said it had revolving

colored lights but the one at the top was bright.

"The light on top was really bright. It didn't change. That's how I could see the outline," he said.

At one point, the dark object hovered over him. He estimated it was just 300 to 400 feet over him. Dick said the object appeared to be about 60 feet in diameter.

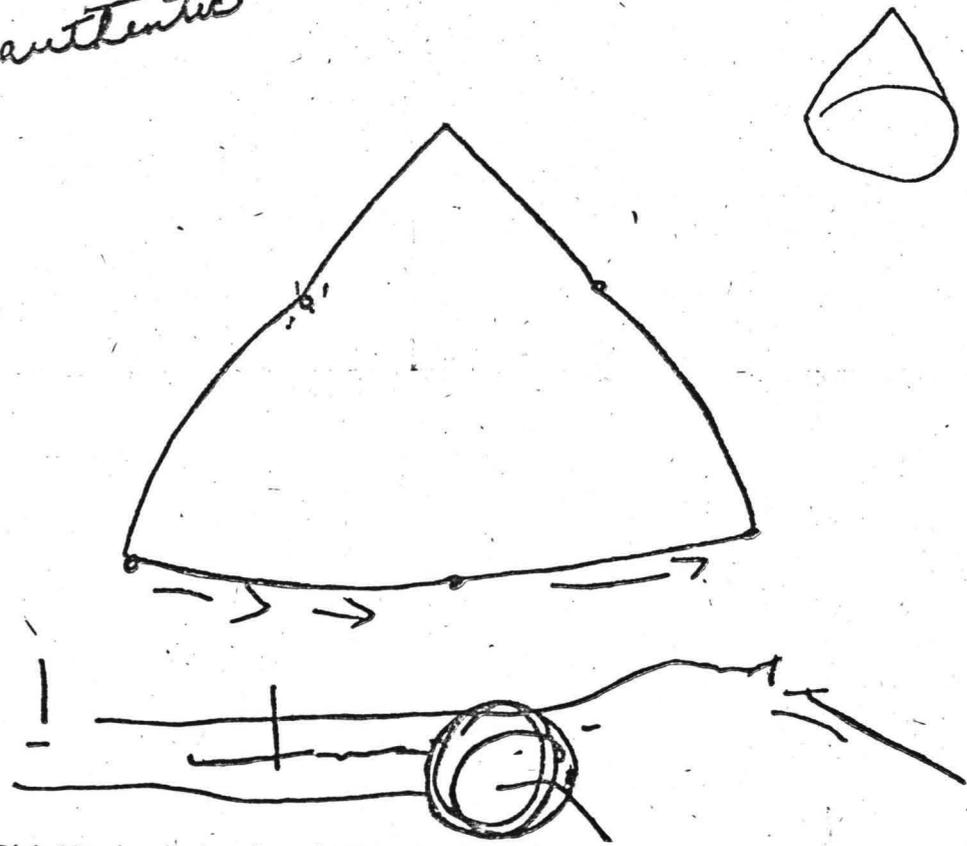
He said it followed him. At one point Dick turned off the snowmobile lights because he was scared.

His father said his son was white and shaken when he came into the house. Mr. Morrison feels strongly that his son saw what he described.

His mother made him sit down and draw his impressions of the object immediately. The drawing (reproduced on this page) shows a triangular or top-shaped object.

The encounter took about one minute, the youth said, although he had the object in view for about five minutes.

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Dick Morrison's drawing of UFO, showing a side view of object with colored lights at each point and arrows indicating direction of spin.

Local woman sights UFO

When Mrs. Roger Vienot who resides on Highway 121, near Haliburton arrived home from Toronto on Monday evening, January 5th, little did she know that she would be welcomed by a startling object.

At 10:20 p.m. she was in the kitchen of her home preparing a lunch for her husband Roger who was

getting ready for a service call at West Guilford. She went into the living room and was relaxing in her favourite easy chair when she noticed a coloured reflection in one of the living room windows. She jumped to her feet and rushed to look out the window and when she did she noticed a large greenish-blue object coming straight

down from the sky and it seemed to come down and disappear in a heavily wooded bush near her home.

In conversation with Mrs. Vienot she described the object as being very large and round. The sudden shock of seeing this object put her in a state of fear and she said

Burnie, Tas.

U.F.O. over Q'town?

One of three Queenstown youths who saw what they believed to be a U.F.O. last Saturday night estimated the object was travelling about 400,000 km/h (250,000 m.p.h.).

Martin Ajatyn (17), with Shane Russell (17) and Lewis Brearley (18) was driving along Cutten St at 11.30 p.m. when he saw the U.F.O. disappear in a north-easterly direction across the sky.

Because of his experience as an amateur astronomer, he did not think the object was a comet.

"We rushed home and grabbed a small telescope, but Shane was the only one to get a look at it before it disappeared," Martin said.

"He said it had a red glow."

Martin said the U.F.O. was about the size of the planet Jupiter.

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SIGHTING OF U.F.O. REPORTED

A Hobart woman reported yesterday that she had seen an unidentified flying object on the N.W. Coast on Christmas Eve.

Mrs E. Rubock said she was driving west along the Bass Highway near Sassafras at 9.35 when she saw a row of six lights in the north-western sky at a height of about 600 m (about 2000 ft).

The lights — about the size and shape of car headlights — were visible for about five minutes, then diminished quickly.

About 10 minutes later, Mrs Rubock said she could see the lights of an aircraft, "but they were definitely different".

Mrs Rubock has reported the sighting to the Tasmanian U.F.O. organisation.

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"I could have touched it," snowmobiler says of UFO

The numerous Unidentified Flying Object sightings that ceased over the Christmas-New Year holidays have returned and two snowmobilers report good visual contact Monday night.

Dave Stewart, 552 High St., and two friends were out for an evening of snowmobiling near the Sanitary Landfill Site where the sighting took place.

Mr. Stewart said he and Lloyd Stanley of Marsh Dr., were heading across a field near Mr. Stanley's garage when Mr. Stanley noticed the UFO coming from the Lake Nipissing direction. "I lost about two minutes somewhere between a fence and the Stanley garage," he said.

"When I looked up, in front of the garage, I saw three globe-like lights, extremely bright, about 10 feet above my head. If I had stood up I could have touched the object," he said.

"What really frightened me was the fact that there was no noise. It just hung there, soundless."

"Mr. Stanley was already in the garage. He must have seen the UFO before I did. I quickly sped into the garage and before the machine could shut down I was off it and I might say, a little nervous," said Mr. Stewart.

"The UFO was about 20 feet in diameter, and when we looked at it from inside the garage, without any sound, the intruding vehicle headed for the dump, and then just disappeared," he said.

"I definitely saw something, and I could have touched it," said Mr. Stewart.

"I couldn't see the object's definite shape or color because of the three bright white lights," he said.

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This is what my UFO looked like

Mark Fisher, 12, 129 Churchill Drive, is not normally an unreachable boy. But last Thursday night, Jan. 8, for three straight minutes you couldn't get Mark's attention short of lighting a fire underneath him. That was the night he saw his first unidentified flying object.

"It looked like a ball of light travelling really far away," Mark said. "And there were two strings of light behind it."

"I looked at it for about three minutes with my binoculars until it went away," he said. "My dad looked at it for a minute but he didn't say much about it. He said it could have been a UFO."

Mark said he was not looking for anything in particular when he glanced out his living room window between 9 and 11 p.m. that night. However, he has been interested in UFO's "for a long time" and the sighting did not surprise him. Only intrigued him.

This is the third report of mysterious lights in the sky The Reporter has received in the past two weeks.

City residents report seeing strange light

Several Cambridge residents reported seeing a strange light over the city Thursday evening that they believed to be an unidentified flying object. Police received two calls about a bright, hovering light seen in the Highway 8 and Branchton Road area at about 11 p.m. Constable S. Brum was sent to investigate but could see nothing of the reported light. However, another police officer on his way to work admitted he had seen the light. Residents in other parts of the city phoned the Reporter this morning claiming they had also seen hovering objects during the night.

CAMBRIDGE ONT.
THE DAILY REPORTER
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THE DAILY REPORTER
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NIAGARA FALLS REVIEW
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UFO base in lake, city man believes

"That fits the description of the area of Lake Ontario between Burlington and Toronto pretty well," Mr. Williams said, "and there is a lot of activity around that area. Evidence of the activity is a number of sightings of strange lights, photos taken by Mr. Williams and others and many findings of 'angel hair,' a filmy substance often reported in connection with UFO sightings."

Mr. Williams said Angel hair in other areas has been analyzed with a spectograph by Giovanni Canneri, of the Institute of Chemistry in Milan, Italy, and found to contain boron, silicone, magnesium and calcium. It has a number of unusual properties including an ability to shatter any glass it lands on (possibly from heat), a high tensile strength, and a tendency to decompose quickly.

Mr. Williams says the Oakville shoreline would be a good place for outer space visitors to set up an underwater base. "There is a channel running through there that is 550 feet deep in some places," he said. "It would be a great place to sit and monitor communications."

Mr. Williams predicts there will be a number of UFO sightings in the area in the next few months.

"If the weather breaks and things follow the usual pattern," he said, "Sometime between February and May there will be quite a few sightings out over the lake. That seems to be an active time of year."

He's trying to prove it

A city man has set out to prove there is a base for unidentified flying objects in Lake Ontario somewhere between Niagara-on-the-Lake and Oakville.

Malcolm Williams, 27, of 6609 Barker St., says he thinks proof lies in infra-red photographs taken by Canadian government satellites, but he has not been able to get copies of the photos. Infra-red photos record heat rather than light.

"If I'm right, there will be little spots in the area indicating intense heat," he said. "They would be much brighter than the areas that would show up from just warm spots in the lake."

"I called McMaster University's geology department trying to get copies, but so far I haven't heard from them."

Mr. Williams says a friend in Toronto is also trying to get copies of the satellite photos through the University of Toronto—also without success.

"That there is a base out there is not my idea," Mr. Williams said. "Irving Sanderson came up with it in about 1960 and wrote a book about it."

The late Irving T. Sanderson, a biologist and researcher into unusual phenomena, lived in the Great Lakes region much of his life. In his book Invisible Residents, published in 1970, he described the probable location of the underwater base as "on the west side of the lake near an escarpment."

Man reports sighting UFO

A city works employee plowing snow on Bell Lane early this morning claims he encountered a low flying unidentified flying object.

"It was unreal what I saw," Ed Morrison, 32, of 161 Dundas Street said this morning after coming off the night shift.

"I was plowing down at the very end of Bell Lane where it becomes a dead end. I had just turned around when I saw this light come out of the heavy overcast," he said.

Mr. Morrison said "this thing", looking like a little rocket spinning vertically like a top, came down and hovered in a field to his left.

"One bright light kept going off and on at the top. I thought my blue light was attracting it so I shut off all the lights on the truck," he said.

He said he was scared and got "the hell out of there".

He drove a short distance and stopped.

"It just came down and hovered over the field. It didn't touch the ground, but it did kick up snow."

He said the object had a bright purplish light underneath and it threw a pink glow on the snow.

Mr. Morrison said the incident lasted no more than three minutes. Then the object climbed back into the overcast. It was not snowing at the time.

There was no noise. He said he wasn't sure, but he thought there were two aerial-like objects on the side which also spun around. "I read these things in the paper and I don't often believe."

But let me tell you, I do now. I don't care what people say. I saw it."

Mr. Morrison said he talked to a city police officer having coffee at Tim Horton's about 4 a.m.

He said the officer told him to stick to his guns even though he was being kidded by fellow employees.

He said the officer told him his sergeant saw something like that a week ago.

It was the second low-flying UFO incident reported in the Brantford area within weeks.

A 14-year-old reported a UFO hovered 300 feet above him New Year's Eve night while he was crossing a field north of St. George on his snowmobile.

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FOREST UFO CALLS COME FLOODING IN

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SIGHTINGS of Unidentified Flying Objects over Ashdown Forest last week reported to the Courier, could have been linked with Army exercises.

The first report of a UFO was made by Mr Humphrey Wills, of Purple Ridge, Coleman's Hatch, who timed it at 5.25 pm on Wednesday evening when he was notoring home from the Royal Ashdown Golf Club.

"I was on the 'S' bends of the B2110 Tunbridge Wells road near Ashdown House School when I was aware of a bright yellow light in the sky.

The light was so unusual and of such intensity that I slowed down and wound down the car window to make closer observation. My first thought was that it was a plane on fire, but there was absolutely no noise at all.

INTENSE LIGHT

"I considered the possibility of it being a flare but there is usually a great deal of smoke associated with these and there was no smoke at all, just this intense bright light.

"The impression it made on me was heightened the following morning, Thursday, when Frank Burgess, of Hartfield, who looks after my garden, told me his son, John, had seen the same light at exactly the same time."

Mr Wills telephoned his account to the Courier on Thursday morning and then put Mr Burgess on the phone to confirm that his son had called in the previous evening — they live in neighbouring cottages — to talk about what he had seen.

Then Mr Wills put his home help, Miss Joyce Manfield, on the phone to tell us of her own UFO sighting.

"This was towards the end of September," said Miss Manfield, who lives in Ashdown Close, Forest Row, "well before the one the Courier reported by Miss Alison Read early in November.

"I was walking down Ashdown Close about seven in the evening. It was quite dark. Suddenly I saw this bright and huge ball of light in the sky. It seemed to hover over houses in Post Horn Lane.

"The ball of light seemed to be built up on some sort of trellis work and a conspicuous feature was a wide band of blackness round the middle."

Subsequently, the Courier contacted Mr John Burgess for his account. He confirmed that his sighting coincided exactly with that of Mr Wills, 5.25 pm on Wednesday evening.

"It was a big orange glow in the sky, stationary, which hovered for a few seconds and then went out of my view. I was in my car at Maresfield going towards Duddleswell Hill. My first thought was that it was a plane on fire, the light was so bright."

At exactly the same time, 5.25 pm on Wednesday, someone else in the area associated the bright light with some sort of fire and rang the Fire Brigade to report "forest fire near the Army Camp".

Forest Row Brigade — manned entirely by retained men who have to be called from work — visited the scene and found nothing. It was reported as "false alarm — good intent".

"Subsequently, control at Lewes told me that the explanation was an Army exercise on the Forest," sub-officer Mr Don Betchley told the Courier.

There was one multiple "sighting" reported to the Courier on Friday morning by Mrs Eric Asprey, of Gillridge House, Cowden.

"My husband and I were talking at about 3.45 in the afternoon of Thursday to Mrs de Rougement and Mrs Helen Lowe near the Ashdown Forest Hotel. In fact, we were outside Mrs Lowe's home, Forest House.

'MOVING FAST'

"Suddenly I saw this immensely large and bright light in the sky. At first I thought it must be a helicopter except that it was such a bright light which one couldn't associate with a helicopter during daylight.

"I drew the attention of the others to it and then another and another appeared, making a triangle of lights. They were moving fast and I thought if they were coming down, as it appeared, they would land on the third green!

Commander John Angell, clerk to the Conservators of Ashdown Forest, seemed a natural and likely witness of

any UFOs flying over the Forest, but he told the Courier he had seen nothing.

"Not many years ago there were frequent reports of UFOs in the area between Halland and Lewes, known as The Broyle, but this activity seems to have died down. On the other hand, our chief ranger, Leonard Arnold, had a very convincing sighting several weeks ago."

Mr Arnold told us his experience went back three months ago. His house at Nutley looks due south.

"I was awakened at five in the morning to find the bedroom a blaze of light and, looking out of the window saw a very big bright light in the sky which looked almost as though a planet had been dislodged from its orbit. I woke my wife and we both sat on the bed watching it for more than an hour.

"From time to time it seemed to me that pieces of brightness were flaking off from the object.

'PISTOL FLARES'

"The sky is part of my life, and I consider myself familiar with most things which appear in it and I could not associate what I saw that morning with anything in my experience."

One possible explanation for the spate of UFO sightings came to light when the Courier contacted Warren Army Barracks at Crowborough.

A spokesman confirmed that on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of last week an infantry training exercise was held on the training ground at Pippingford Park.

"We were using flares both in daylight and after dusk," a spokesman said. "Besides the normal pistol flares the exercise involved the use of Schmuley flares, which are kept suspended by parachutes. They don't produce a great deal of smoke. When they burn out they would certainly appear to a distant observer to fall at a greater speed."

"On Thursday afternoon I can say that four of these parachute flares were fired and would have been visible in the sky over Ashdown Forest."

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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East Grinstead Courier, Sussex

Night a UFO dropped in on Rod

By Jack Hill

ROD RIDDELL went to lock his back door — and started a Defence Ministry alert.

For as he glanced into the night sky he saw a giant U.F.O. bearing down on the house.

Rod called his wife, Jenny, and together they watched for several minutes as the mystery craft hovered overhead before speeding off into the darkness.

No sound

Next morning the 35-year-old Trinity House pilot's assistant phoned the R.A.F. at Thorney Island, Hants, who in turn rang the Ministry of Defence.

Within minutes the Ministry rang Rod and told him: "We are extremely interested. We are sending someone down."

At his home in Ryde, Isle of Wight, Rod said yesterday: "The outline was just like a very large hovercraft, rectangular but rounded at the ends. There was no sound whatever."

A police spokesman said: "We understand something similar was reported in the Bembridge area about a week earlier. We just cannot explain it."

OWEN SOUND ONT.
THE OWEN SOUND SUN-TIMES
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CANADA
DEC 22 1975

UFOs Over Harriston? We Didn't See 'Em: Police

W-204
ARTHUR (Staff)—Provincial police in Walkerton today said "phones were ringing off the walls" this morning following several reports that flying saucers had been seen "hovering" over Harriston Sunday.

A police spokesman said dozens of calls were coming in from residents wanting to know if police had determined the cause of "red, green and white flashing lights" spotted in the sky Sunday night.

The spokesman denied a radio broadcast earlier today that at least four officers from the Walkerton detachment had confirmed the sightings.

He said there was nothing in the police log book to indicate that any detachment personnel investigated the reports, although he noted that Mount Forest OPP said they believed the lights were an optical illusion caused by the northern lights.

Police in Mount Forest, however, said they knew nothing about the reports or the lights.

A resident of Harriston, Mrs. Roy Holtom, said the sightings occurred Sunday in the Green Bush area of Harriston, about four miles north of the town.

She said several people at the Greenbush Sports and Lawn Centre said they witnessed the flashing lights hovering over the area and reported the incident to both the Mount Forest and Walkerton detachments.

Mrs. Holtom, a correspondent for The Mercury, said she was contacted by these people and told of the sightings shortly after they occurred.

She said she was told that no sounds were heard from the direction of the lights and that at least two unidentified objects were spotted moving slowly to the northwest across Harriston.

GUELPH ONT.
THE DAILY MERCURY
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CANADA
DEC 22 1975

Twinkle, twinkle little...?

W-204
HARRISTON — "Orangey, reddish blue" lights were sighted in the sky above Harriston Sunday night and with binoculars "you could see sort of a saucer shape," Harriston Police Constable Don McCauley said.

"The colors are really beautiful," he said.

There were two sightings at Harriston about 9:45 p.m. Sunday. By midnight the lights had moved, one set heading southwest and the other southeast, he said.

Palmerston police were contacted about the lights, Const. McCauley said. OPP officers from Walkerton and Mount Forest detachments also watched the lights.

"It was just a star or something," said a Mount Forest OPP constable who wouldn't give his name. Four OPP officers were looking at the lights from a position just southwest of Hanover.

"It was giving off different colored lights but that could have been caused by atmospheric conditions," he said.

He said at least one of his fellow officers believed what they had seen was an unidentified flying object (UFO) but he wouldn't come to the telephone to talk about it.

An OPP officer from the Owen Sound detachment also reported seeing the light while on patrol in the southern part of the detachment area.

An OPP officer at Warton said he heard the radio transmissions about the colored lights in the sky and said he has watched similar lights in the sky while at sea.

He was in the navy two years and while at sea sighted colored lights that were actually planets, he said.

Const. McCauley said, "I checked other stars and there wasn't as much of a glow."

- 1) Lima - Perú (Incident occurred at Nauta village)
- 2) not given
- 3) "LA RAZON" - Nov. 13, 1975
- 4) Buenos Aires - Argentina

A FLYING SAUCER LANDED IN PERU PANICKING A VILLAGE ANS WAS SEIZED BY THE POLICE, THAT IS KEEPING IT

SEE CLIPPING # 1

Lima (Reuter) - An alleged UFO landed in the Nauta village, in the Peruvian amazonia, it was informed here. A comment from the newspaper "La Crónica" states that the strange artifact caused panic in that small settlement and was seized by agents of the Civil Guard after felling a tree where it was stuck. The paper said the UFO has an oval form, is some 4 meters long by 3.80 meters wide. It is coated with a special material It also has two spheres the size of a basquet ball, some 30 cm each, one of them intact. It also has a longitudinal antenna with 5 metal crossbars, all in the form of a cross. Inside can be seen a cylindrical instrument with oval edges, thin cables and other unknown devices. In the rear end can be seen a tube similar to a big stylo from which hangs a cable.

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EXAMPLE

PLEASE NOTE:

- 1) City and Country of incident:
- 2) Date of incident:
- 3) Name of paper and Date of clip:
- 4) City and Country of newspaper:

- 1) Sevilla - Spain
- 2) January 30, 1976
- 3) "CRONICA" - January 30, 1976
- 4) Buenos Aires - Argentina

A SEVILLAN ATTACKED BY A UFO

Sevilla (Spain), 30 (EFE) - A young Sevillian reported having been attacked early this morning by a UFO. Miguel Fernández Carrasco, 24, said that two giants came out of a device similar to a telephone, injuring him on the head and then fled leaving behind them a smoke trail. He has a pair of incised wounds on the head and is interned under observation.

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- 1) Sevilla - Spain
- 2) January 30, 1976
- 3) "ULTIMA HORA"- January 31, 1976
- 4) Buenos Aires - Argentina

HE STATES A)UFO INJURED HIM!

SEE CLIPPING # 3

Sevilla, Spain, 30 (EFE) - A young Sevillian was injured early this morning by a UFO, as he himself explained this morning to the police amidst the surprise of those present at the police station. Miguel Fernández Carrasco, 24, is the protagonist of this strange event. According to his estimations, during the night he proceeded from his Sevillian town of Benacazón to Sanlúcar La Mayor to visit his fiancée, Carmen Alvarado.

When he was returning home he noticed in the sky a strong light in the form of a star which was approaching, making him uneasy.

Giants

He later verified -according to the protagonist- that a machine the shape of a telephone cabin (note discrepancy with report on page 4 -JT) was landing and beings of huge size were coming out wearing dark suits similar to those of frog-men.

Fernández started to run as fast he could. But the two men boarded their machine and flying over Fernández injured him with the large trail of black smoke the strange artifact was leaving behind. The protagonist fell on the road unconscious and recovered consciousness in his home where, according to his brother Antonio and sister María Teresa, he was screaming "The star is coming!" (How did he get home??? - JT)

- 1) Country: Argentina
- 2) Name and city of paper: La Razón, Buenos Aires
- 3) Date of publication: October 27, 1975
- 4) Country and City of incident: Brazil - Sao Gonzalo de Amarante-Fortaleza

A UFO THAT BURNT A MAN WITH A BLUE RAY TERRORIZES A BRAZILIAN LOCALITY

FORTALEZA, Brazil (UP) - The population of the city of Sao Gonçalo de Amarante, 50 km from this capital, takes refuge in their houses at sunset due to the constant appearances of a flying saucer that attacks with a ray,

SEE CLIPPING # 4

according to informations from that area. According to the witnesses the object emits a strong light, of a blue color, which paralyzes those who are illuminated, as happened on Saturday with a man, in accordance with news from this city. It is added that the victim runs the risk of death due to the seriousness of the burns in his body. Lawyer Joao Luciano Gualberto, of this locality, informed that the disc only appeared after 1800 hrs (21 GMT) and it often stops over a local park, as several witnesses have observed. The news state that a girl who bathed in a river suddenly felt a burn on her body and then saw an oscillating blue light. Terrorized, she run for cover among the plants but the light increased its intensity for which reason she took refuge in her house where she arrived with her body very warm and her eyes injected in blood. When the sun sets people fearing the blue ray, does not leave their houses.

Transl.: Jane Thomas
Buenos Aires, February 6, 1976

CRONICA (VESP.)
30 ENE 1976
BUENOS AIRES

ULTIMA HORA (MAL)
BUENOS AIRES

31 ENE 1976

**AFIRMA QUE
POR LO HIRIO
¡UN OVNI!**

SEVILLA, España, 30 (EFE). — Un joven sevillano resultó herido esta madrugada por un Objeto Volador No Identificado (OVNI), según él mismo explicó esta mañana a la policía en medio del asom-

bro de los agentes del orden que se hallaban en la comisaría.

Miguel Fernández Carrasco, de 24 años, es el protagonista de este extraño suceso. Según sus estimaciones, por la noche se trasladó desde su pueblo sevillano de Benacazón a la de Sanlúcar La Mayor con el objeto de ver a su novia Carmen Alvarado.

Cuando regresaba a su residencia advirtió en el cielo una luz intensa en forma de estrella, que se le acercaba, causándole la natural inquietud.

♦ GIGANTES

Posteriormente comprobó —según el protagonista— que un aparato en forma de cabina telefónica se posaba sobre tierra y que del interior salían individuos con estatura descomunal vistiendo trajes oscuros parecidos a los de los hombres-rana.

Fernández emprendió veloz carrera. Pero los dos hombres subieron a su aparato y sobrevolando a Fernández, le causaron lesiones por la gran estela de humo negro que iba dejando tras sí el extraño artefacto.

El protagonista cayó inconsciente sobre la carretera y recobró el conocimiento en su casa, donde, según sus hermanos, Antonio y María Teresa gritaba: "¡Que viene la estrella!".

SEVILLANO ATACADO POR UN OVNI

SEVILLA (España), 30 (EFE). — Joven sevillano denunció que fue atacado esta madrugada por un plato volador (OVNI). Miguel Fernández Carrasco, de 24 años dijo que de un aparato parecido a un teléfono salie-

ron dos gigantes, que le causaron lesiones en la cabeza y escaparon, dejando tras de sí una estela de humo. El muchacho muestra un par de heridas cortantes en el cuero cabelludo y está internado en observación.

A) Aterrizó en Perú un Plato Volador Causando Pánico en un Poblado y Fue Secuestrado por la Policía que lo Guarda

LIMA (Reuter) — Un supuesto Objeto Volador No Identificado (OVNI) aterrizó en el caserío de Nauta, en la amazonia peruana, se informó aquí. Un comentario del diario "La Crónica" da a conocer que el extraño artefacto ocasionó pánico en esa pequeña población y fue rescatado por agentes de la Guardia Civil, tras derribar un árbol donde había quedado suspendido. El vespertino dijo que el OVNI tiene una forma ovalada, mide unos cuatro metros de largo por 3,80 metros de ancho. Está revestido de un material especial. Además,

posee dos esferas del tamaño de una pelota de básquetbol de unos 30 centímetros cada una, encontrándose intacta una de ellas. Tiene también una antena longitudinal con cinco transversales de metal en forma de cruz. En su interior se observa un instrumento en forma de cilindro, con los extremos ovalados, finos cables y otros aparatos desconocidos. En la parte posterior del extraño artefacto se aprecia un tubo similar a una estilográfica de gran tamaño del cual pende un cable.

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Buenos Aires LA RAZON - Oct. 27, 1975

Aterroriza a un Pueblo Brasileño un OVNI que Quemó a un Hombre con un Rayo Azul

FORTALEZA, Brasil (UP) — La población de la ciudad de Sao Goncalo de Amarante, a 50 kilómetros de esa capital, se refugia en sus casas al atardecer debido a las apariciones constantes de un plato volador que ataca con un rayo a la gente, según informaciones procedentes de la región. Según los testigos el objeto emite una luz fuerte, de color azul que paraliza a quienes son iluminados, según ocu-

rrió el sábado con un hombre, de acuerdo con despachos procedentes de esta ciudad. Agregan que la víctima corre peligro de muerte debido a la gravedad de las quemaduras en su cuerpo. El abogado Joao Luciano Gualberto, que reside en esta localidad, informó que el disco sólo aparece después de las 18 horas (21 GMT) y a menudo se detiene sobre una plaza local, como lo han visto varios testi-

gos. Los despachos dicen que una niña que se bañaba en un río sintió de pronto una quemadura en el cuerpo y vio entonces una luz azul oscilante. Despavorida, corrió a ocultarse entre las plantas, pero la luz aumentó de intensidad, por lo cual buscó refugio en su casa, donde llegó con el cuerpo muy caliente y los ojos inyectados en sangre. Al ponerse el sol la gente, por temor al rayo azul, no sale.

Planetarium official clears-up UFO msytery

A UFO sighted in the Calgary area Tuesday morning may have been a large fireball, a planetarium spokesman said today. A large red ball with a blue tail was seen moving eastward through skies above Calgary around 7:30 a.m. Tuesday, and within

15 minutes, a round, silvery-blue object was seen moving in the same direction near Hanna, about 100 miles northeast of here.

The Calgary Centennial Planetarium received several reports from people who sighted a similar object Tuesday morning, and from all descriptions, said technician John Findlay, the object would seem to be a fireball.

A fireball, he explained, is simply a fairly large

piece of rock-debris from space that has entered the earth's atmosphere.

"Every year in our orbit around the sun we go through a group of meteors called the Geminid meteors — it's always in December, normally Dec. 14."

The earth's sweep through the meteors is usually accompanied by sightings of "shooting stars", which are really small particles of rock burning as they hit our atmosphere.

But while these meteors just look like streaks of light lasting only seconds, larger space particles can move, burning, through our atmosphere for almost

three days.

"If these sightings were of a fireball, it was a big one," said Mr. Findlay.

One woman who spotted a silverish globe moving across the sky near Hanna described the object as "moving very quickly"

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THE CALGARY HERALD
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MANY REPORTS OF FLYING SAUCERS...

75 years old Herman Riekkola in Muodoslompolo has never believed in stories of flying saucers and similiar sky phenomenon, but from 06.15 Thursday morning he has changed idea. At that time he saw with his own eyes a phenomenon that must be unnaturally and he wasn't alone with the discovery. The phenomenon was also seen by his wife Maria and their son Svante.

The three were travelling by car from Muoldoslompolo to Gällivare och when they came to Kitkiöjoki-Parkajoki on the road between Muoldoslompolo and Pajala they discovered a strong shining object on the road. The object was just 300 feet away from their car och because the light was very strong and blinded the driver, Svante Riekkola, he had to slow down.

Than the object liftet from the road and rose a bit. There it hovered in the air, before it made a new, totaly vertical rise and disappeared. During the rise it sent out a very strong light and for one moment it looked like a fish. It left a streak behind, just like a jetplane and the streak could be seen even when Herman Reikkola and his company reached Aareavaara. There they made a new stop and found that the streak still was in the sky.

If the mysterious object really was a flying saucer or something similiar, nobody knows, but 75 years old Herman Riekkola in Muoldoslompolo is no longer a nonbeliever.

From Juoksengi is reported that a rocketlike object rose against the sky in east shortly after six. Many people from Juoksengi saw the rocket, that rose with a fire broom behind.

- I am totaly sure that it was a space-craft that rose against the sky. I saw it very clear. That's what truck driver Bruno Pudas, Kiruna, says. He is one of the wittnesses to the sky phenomenon over Norrbotten at six o clock Thursday morning. He was between Kiruna and Svappavaara when he made the discovery.

- I have never believed in flying saucers, but now I'm convinsed that I've seen one, Pudas says. When I discovered the light I stopped the car and saw a silvery shining ball rise against the sky inside a cloud of smoke. I estimated the distance to the object to 19 miles. The ball went right up, turned 90 degrees and continued against north. After a while an aurora borealis looking cloud spread over the sky.

Bruno Pudas reported his sighting to the defend staff in Stockholm.

Even in Masugnsbyn the light phenomenon was seen. Sören Björnström tells:

- It was three minutes past six. It looked like a rocket leaving a used step and lightning a new one. Afterwards a winding looking light picture was seen for a long time.

A strange sky phenomenon was seen Thursday morning by many people from Kiruna. A big cloud in red and yellow covered the sky in the east.

- At first I thought it had been any accident at Esranges, photograph Börje Rönnberg says. First a long smoke streak rose against the sky. It disappeared after about ten seconds, but then a colored cloud spread over the sky. It was red in the middle and yellow at the edge. The cloud was there for about 20 minutes.

At Esranges no rocket fireing was made Thursday morning. At the base they have a break until February 16, when five rockets are going to be fired.

- Many have reported the shining cloud to us and I think it must be some rocket fireing in USSR, Arne Helger at the swedish space company that administrates the activity at Esranges says. A barium cloud can be seen over a large area. When we use barium at fireing the cloud can over the whole north calotte.

- 1) City and Country of incident: Pajala and Kiruna - SWEDEN
- 2) Date of incident: January 29, 1976
- 3) Name of paper and date of clip: Norrbottens-Kuriren, January 30, 1976
- 4) City and Country of newspaper: Luleå, Sweden

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(Headline and intro. only)

Oakland, Calif. TRIBUNE
January 16, 1976

A Really BIG Bird

Two sober Eastbay citizens have finally decided they can't keep it secret any more, even though they may sound a bit daft.

They have seen the Big Bird.

They saw it last October. But they were reluctant to talk about it until yesterday.

Reports of a monstrous bird scaring the bejabbers out of people in Texas encouraged Lloyd King, a Walnut Creek banker, and Vincent Minelli, a custodian at the International Institute of the Eastbay, 297 Lee St., to speak up.

King, who lives in the Northgate section of Walnut Creek, said that early in October he spotted some kind of creature in a huge eucalyptus tree in a box canyon behind his house.

"It was so big it made the tree — which is about 100 to 150 feet tall — look like a bush," said King.

It was at least 5 feet tall, he said, and had a head something like a vulture, with big gray wing feathers.

"The bird was so out of scale with the tree that I thought my eyes were playing tricks on me," said King, "so I got my kids and the neighbors and we looked at it

through binoculars for about 5 minutes."

He said it then just glided off without flapping its huge wings, which he estimated spanned about 15 feet.

He says he knows what herons look like and it wasn't a great blue heron, which are fairly common in this area and are probably the biggest avian residents hereabouts.

Minelli said he was taking out garbage one night at the International Institute, where he and his wife live, and heard a strange call, much like an owl.

He looked up and saw this "phenomenal creature" sitting on the corner of the roof of the building behind the institute, gazing down on him like some fearsome gargoyle.

"It was as tall as a man and broader across," said Minelli, "at least 5 feet tall."

"It was such an impossibly monstrous thing I was afraid to say anything because everybody would think I was crazy," said Minelli.

He said his wife and the neighbors also went out and looked at it.

"It must have been a bird — unless it was the Devil himself," Minelli said.

Laredo (TX.) TIMES
January 11, 1976
Credit: Tom Adams

Cattle mutilations?

Cops sight huge bird or creature in Valley

Padilla said he thought the bird might be responsible for some recent cattle mutilations in the area.

"The problem is that it flies only at night," he said. "If I get a safe shot at it, I'm going to shoot."

Alverico Guajardo claimed to have had a visit by the creature earlier this week at his mobile home in Brownsville.

Guajardo said he went outside to investigate after something bumped into the side of his home and was confronted by a creature about four feet tall that looked like a bird.

"It's got wings like a bird, but it's no bird," Guajardo said. "That animal is not from this world."

Dr. John Farst of the Gladys Porter Zoo at Brownsville said the described features of the bird lead him to believe it might be a Californian or Andean Condor. He added, however, that he had no explanation of what a Condor would be doing in this area.

Credit: Lou Farish

ARKANSAS GAZETTE, Sat., Jan. 17, 1976. • 11B

Reward Set For Capture Of 'Big Bird'

McALLEN, Tex. (UPI) — A radio station has offered a \$1,000 reward for the capture of the elusive "Big Bird" rumored for two months to have been gliding around South Texas terrifying citizens and police.

"We'd like for somebody to bring it into the studios alive so we can dispel all the rumors about it," a spokesman for KRIO said Tuesday. "One guy saw it and said whatever it was, it was not of this earth and statements like that."

"So we'd like to find out one way or the other, so we'd like the creature brought in alive."

Two policemen at San Benito said they saw it several days ago and the bird had a wingspan of 15 feet. A Harlingen television station photographed three-toed bird prints in a newly plowed field that it said were nine inches wide and 12 inches long.

Reports of sightings of the bird have come since November from a South Texas area from Robstown to Brownsville to Rio Grande City.

Credit: Lou Farish

Evening News
Jan. 26 - 1976

Officers load for big bird

By MIKE HESS

McALLEN—Fear of the big bird isn't keeping people off Valley streets, but lawmen are loading their weapons with silver-tipped bullets.

"Never mind why," one told The News.

Other Lower Rio Grande Valley law enforcement officers say they have seen the bird.

"It's ghastly," said one of the county sheriff's deputies. Deputies and other lawmen, including Texas Rangers, are carrying the silver-tipped bullets in their guns.

"You won't hear much about it," one deputy told the News. "But there is a lot of talk of a number of sightings of UFOs by officers. They won't talk because of the bad publicity they are getting about the big bird."

"They feel like they're becoming the laughing stock of Texas," he said.

KRIO, the bird-crazy radio station, is not only offering its \$1,000 reward for the first person to capture the big bird, but is now featuring interviews with a fictitious big bird.

San Antonio, TX.
EVENING-NEWS
January 26, 1976
Credit: Tom Adams

Padilla, who reported seeing the bird last weekend while on early morning patrol.

Fellow officer Homer Galvan said he saw it just seconds after Padilla.

Galvan said, "It was just a black silhouette gliding through the air. It never did flap its wings. Its wingspread was at least as long as a car. I'd say at least 12 feet."

"It scared me for a while but now many people are saying it is a condor from South America," Galvan said.

ARKANSAS GAZETTE, Thurs., Feb. 12, 1976. • 13B

'Big Bird' Is Spotted In Orchard

ALAMO, Tex. (UPI) — A group of 50 persons including a television reporter Wednesday said they watched for several minutes an ugly feathered creature South Texans call "Big Bird" roost in a fruit orchard.

The witnesses said the bird, described as being four feet tall and having silver-gray feathers, stood calmly as the crowd gathered near it, then flew away. Its wingspan was estimated at seven feet.

A KRVG-TV reporter said she shot film of the bird in the orchard but was unable to film it in flight.

Many persons who reportedly have seen the bird earlier this year say the creature was as big as an automobile and had a wingspan of 15 feet.

San Antonio, TX. LIGHT
January 29, 1976
Credit: Tom Adams

'Big Bird' Lie Test OK'd

EAGLE PASS — (UPI) — Police are trying to arrange a polygraph test for a man who claimed he was attacked by a man-sized bat creature.

Capt. Donald Smith said Wednesday Francisco Magallanez, 21, consented to take the test but because Magallanez speaks no English police are trying to find a polygraph examiner who is fluent in Spanish.

'Big Bird'

Raymondville man tells of midnight attack

By STEVE BLOW

Staff Writer

RAYMONDVILLE — Armando Grimaldo nervously smoothed his mustache, gazed down at the floor and said softly, "They're going to think I'm crazy, but I know what I saw."

What Grimaldo says he saw was "this huge bird with a bat face and big eyes." And he says he saw it just before the bird attacked

him from behind, knocking him to the ground and ripping holes in his coat and shirt.

The 21-year-old man believes he was attacked Wednesday night by "Big Bird" — the mysterious flying creature which has captured the imagination of the entire Rio Grande Valley.

Grimaldo was taken to a local hospital after the incident, but was released when attendants could find no physical injuries. He re-

fused to talk about the incident with newsmen until yesterday.

The incident occurred just after midnight Wednesday night behind Grimaldo's wife's home.

"My wife and I are separated, and I went over there to see her. Before I went in though I went out back to smoke a cigarette," Grimaldo said yesterday at his parent's home. See Bird, page 18A



Ripped jacket — work of 'Big Bird'? Photo by Steve Blow

'Bird' Victim Treated For Claw Wounds

EAGLE PASS, Tex. (AP) — A man claiming to have been attacked by a giant bird up river from this Rio Grande border town had deep, claw-like marks on his shoulders, said the doctor who treated him.

Dr. Arturo Batres said also that judging from the wounds, it appeared that Francisco Magallanes Jr., 21, had been grabbed from in front and from above.

Magallanes reported the attack to the Eagle Pass police early Wednesday morning. He described the creature as having skin like a bat, a face like a pig without a snout, pointed ears and a wingspread of between six and eight feet.

Police Capt. Donald Smith quoted Magallanes as saying the bird stooped beside a clothesline pole about 1:50 a.m. Wednesday when he stepped into his back yard.

The creature attacked, Magallanes said, and he bolted into his home after a brief scuffle.

Dr. Batres said the claw-like marks were about 3½ inches long and about half an inch deep.

The physician quoted the man's mother as saying she saw her son rushing into the house through the back door, his shirt torn and his shoulders bleeding.

He said Magallanes described the creature as six feet tall with red eyes.

"We are taking precautions and will investigate the matter thoroughly," Smith said.

Police said they intended to question Magallanes more

thoroughly after he was released from the hospital where he was reported nervous but resting.

Police Lt. Adrian Gonzales said detectives "don't know what to think" but he noted the creature described by Magallanes resembled descriptions

of "Big Bird," which several persons reported having seen recently in South and South Central Texas.

Gonzales said there were "variables" in the story about the attack Wednesday morning.

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where he is living now.

"I was just sitting out there with my hat over my face when I heard something flying over me. At first it didn't bother me, but when it got louder and louder I started looking around," he said.

"I looked back and saw this big thing behind me and I just started running," he explained. "It hit me from behind and threw me down. I just started screaming and screaming."

The neighbors who came running from their homes did not see any unusual animal nor did Willacy County sheriff's deputies who were called to investigate.

The investigating deputy's report notes that "subject did have faint odor of alcohol on breath."

Grimaldo acknowledges, "I had about four beers," but emphatically adds, "I wasn't drunk or anything. I knew what I was doing and what it was."

"I didn't look back much while I was running. I looked back once and saw this huge bird with a bat face and big eyes. I had never seen anything like it before," he said.

Grimaldo's description of the bird is very similar to those of others who claim to have seen the animal at various locations all over South Texas. The sheriff's department still has

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the shirt and coat Grimaldo was wearing. The coat and lining are torn completely through in three places. Each hole is made up of three or four straight rips running at right angles to each other. The shirt has two small vertical rips.

Sheriff's deputies say they are unable to tell what caused the rips, but say they do not look like they were made with a knife.

One bird authority said yesterday she is confident Big Bird is just a big pelican and expressed doubt that any bird attacked a human.

Penny Thompson, a curator at Glady's Porter Zoo in Brownsville, told the Associated Press, "I saw nice, clean cuts in the jacket. You can say I'm very skeptical of such an attack."

"We are reasonably certain any big bird seen in this area is nothing more than a pelican. There are a number of large birds in this area. Most definitely, this is not some unusual creature," she said.

Dr. Don Farst, director of the zoo, identified one composite drawing of Big Bird as a pelican, but said a composite from another witness' account did not look like any bird native to this area.

Grimaldo said, "It might be a pelican, but I don't know. I know I'll never go out again at night."

The Press and Journal

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Doubts over plan to dredge loch for Nessie evidence

A PLAN to dredge Loch Ness for evidence that will clinch the existence of the monster raised some doubts and some smiles yesterday.

Mr David James, leader of the Loch Ness Investigation Bureau and M.P. for North Dorset, hopes to mount the operation in the summer and is looking for sponsors.

The mystery was not solved by the bureau's decade of activity around the loch and the recent underwater pictures taken by American lawyer-scientist Dr Robert Rines have failed to convince the scientific establishment.

Mr James hopes that dredging will produce bones or other remains that will settle the controversy over what he and Sir Peter Scott have christened Nessitera Rhombopteryx.

Mr Brian Davenport, British Waterways Scottish engineer and former manager of the Caledonian Canal, has some doubts about the scheme, but he thinks it feasible.

"I've no doubt David James will explain to me what he wants to do. Technically, it would be difficult, but by no means impossible," he said.

"A lot of the bed is fairly level. Echo soundings have been taken over very long stretches with very little change in depth, so there should be no real problem in that respect.

"However, there is one real snag. The Vickers submersible, Pisces, discovered quite a number of craters on the bottom of the loch several hundred feet wide and deep and very steep. A trawl could very easily go into one of these and not touch the bottom.

"There is very thick sticky mud on the bottom of the loch, what this would do to any grappling iron or scoop, I don't know, but it will be very interesting.

"They might find all sorts of things down there, but whether they find what they are looking for is another matter."

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Mr A. W. MacKenzie, the Highland Region's planning convener, who lives at Drumrodchit — the centre for monster-hunters — said: "As a local man, my first reaction to dredging is one of some amusement. I don't think it's practicable. The loch covers over 24 square miles and — 900 ft. deep in places and full of holes and pits.

"An operation like this would raise all sorts of complications for the planning authority."

Denison (TX) HERALD
Jan. 23, 1976
Credit: Tom Adams

'Bigfoot' Heading Back To Courts

YAKIMA — The "Battle of the Bigfoot" is reaching proportions that make it difficult to keep track of who is suing whom, or threatening to do so.

The controversy centers on 30 seconds of 16mm "Bigfoot" film allegedly taken in the Northern California wilderness in 1967.

The film has been widely shown throughout the world and has been widely used as the basis for most of the movies and television specials about Bigfoot.

One of the suits involving the film, which had been pending for more than a year, was settled in Superior Court here this week. However, the settlement is expected to spawn a whole new series of lawsuits.

In this week's action, Robert Gimlin, Naches, Wash., was awarded a 51 per cent interest in the film, which was taken by the late Roger Patterson in the Bluff Creek area of California. Gimlin was with Patterson when he took the film and supplied the horses for the expedition.

Gimlin said he was "eased out" when negotiations to sell the film began in 1968. He sued for his interest and in addition to getting the 51 per cent film rights in this week's settlement, he was awarded all publication rights to the still pictures made from the film. Mrs. Patterson retains all television rights.

American National Enterprises, Inc., purchased the film from Patterson in 1968, but Gimlin was not included in the negotiations. Now, Gimlin's attorney, David Crossland, says the sale of the film "provided no warranty of title," and Gimlin plans to sue for his share.

Gimlin and Renee Dahinden of Vancouver, B.C., who has purchased part of Gimlin's share, say they also plan to start suit against Peter Byrne of The Dalles, who they allege has used the Patterson film pictures without permission in a Bigfoot book he has written and in displays in his Bigfoot museum in The Dalles.

In the meantime, Byrne says he has obtained a warrant charging Dahinden with "harassment by telephone," a charge which Dahinden denies.

In another suit involving the film, which went to Federal Court in Salt Lake City this week, American National Enterprises, Inc., and two Oregon firms are suing a California film producer, Sun Classic, for allegedly pirating the Patterson film. Gimlin plans also to intervene in this suit.

The Oregon companies are North American Film Enterprises Inc. and North American Productions, Ltd., both of which used the Patterson film with the approval of American National.

This suit also involves Eugene Bigfoot hunter Ron Olson, who has just completed a Bigfoot film that he plans to show throughout the country.

Another Bigfoot hunter, Pat Mason of Seaside, who was in court in Yakima, says he owns an interest in American National Enterprises, but has never received any compensation for his share. He says that as an owner, he probably will be getting sued, but that he is also planning to sue. He says he spent about \$14,000 out of his pocket to promote the Patterson film.

Portland, Oregon JOURNAL Feb. 6, 1976

Portland, Oregon JOURNAL Feb. 2, 1976

Northampton Chronicle & Echo

IS THIS THE YEAR? Sasquatch Hunters Split On Shooting Creature

By MARGE DAVENPORT
Journal Special Writer

Will 1976 be the year that the Bigfoot mystery gets settled for once and all?

Serious Bigfoot hunters hope so but are sharply divided on the question of how it should be accomplished.

Should Bigfoot be shot in the name of science? Should a Bigfoot be captured? Or should he only be photographed to convince the world of his existence?

So sharply is the division on these questions that Bigfoot hunters who freely shared information about sightings for years have stopped communicating.

John Green of Agassiz, B.C., former editor of the Agassiz paper and author of three books on Bigfoot, is firm in his belief that a Bigfoot must be shot to convince skeptics of its existence.

Green does not believe that Bigfoot is human, but attributes it with characteristics of a super-intelligent gorilla. He says we sacrifice gorillas and chimpanzees daily to benefit scientific research for man, and he feels that Bigfoot also could make a big contribution to this research. From the number of sightings and tracks, Green does not feel that Bigfoot is an endangered species.

Rene Dahinden, another Canadian Bigfoot, or Sasquatch, hunter, shares Green's opinions. He carries his rifle when he goes to investigate a sighting.

In direct opposition to this view is the majority of Bigfoot hunters, including Peter Byrne of The Dalles, who heads the Bigfoot Information and Research Center there. Byrne says his sponsor, the Academy of Applied Science in Boston, would be convinced of Bigfoot's existence by good photos. He concedes that the rest of the world might be harder to convince.

"We hope no one shoots one," declares Byrne. "We would not even like to see one captured because we believe they have human characteristics."

Almost all of the veteran Bigfoot hunters believe that the movie taken by the late Roger Patterson in Northern California in the 1960s is actually a picture of a Bigfoot. The film has appeared on the covers of national magazines and has been shown on national television. It sparked controversy among scientists around the world, with some supporting its authenticity and others discounting it as a clever hoax.

George Hass of Oakland, Calif., another Bigfoot hunter who has been at it since the early 1960s, heads a group from the Bay Area that spends the summers in the Northern California wilderness studying Bigfoot. Members of the group claim to have made sightings and seen many tracks. Haas believes Bigfoot should be studied in the same way gorillas in Africa are studied without disruption. He believes Bigfoot is an endangered species.

Skamania County in Washington State passed an ordinance several years ago making it illegal to shoot a Bigfoot after several sightings were reported in the area.

Most recent sightings of Bigfoot were two reported in Northern California near Jackson. Haas' group investigated and labeled the reports as "probably valid." Still under investigation are reports of December sightings on the Lumai Indian reservation on Puget Sound. So, while the controversy continues to rage, Bigfoot, if he exists, probably is going about his business unaware of the furor he is causing. And no matter what happens to him in 1976, it won't make everyone happy.

Amateur Photographer, London

ENGLAND 21 JAN 1976

Glint in the eye for Nessie

I have read with interest your Newsview article on the Loch Ness Monster, in which you so carefully attempted to assess the photographic evidence of Nessie's existence. I would like to ask if you think it is at all significant that the scientific name "Nessiteras Rhombopyx" is an anagram of the words "Monster hoax by Sir Peter S". Surely this could not be merely a coincidence; just take another look at the glint in Sir Peter's eye in the photograph you published. *Iain A. Meecham Aberdeen*

ENGLAND 31 DEC 1975

Loch Ness monster pictures - dead cow theory

RECENTLY-published photographs of the Loch Ness monster could be pictures of the head of a dead cow. This is the opinion of a leading underwater photographer, Mr. Geoff Harwood, a member of the British Society of Underwater Photographers. The photographs taken by an American lawyer, Mr. Bob Rines, were published by Nature magazine. According to Mr. Harwood, they were overdeveloped 30 per cent and enlarged 100 times, with the original image only one millimetre in size. He comes to these conclusions after conducting a series of experiments to reproduce the quality of the pictures in Nature. The monster's neck would be about 12-18 inches long, according to his calculations and not nine feet long, as claimed by Mr. Rines. "The pictures do absolutely nothing to add to the credibility of the monster. As far as I'm concerned, they are not of the monster, but more likely to be the head of a dead cow." "This was suggested by a biologist friend and I go along with this theory," he said. "The neck in Rines' picture could well be the horn of a dead cow." He has written to Nature because he says they did not publish the full technical details of how the photographs were taken. "I felt they were not working to their usual standards. Nature normally has everything tied up — but this time they left a lot of loose ends." Mr. Harwood added: "I'm intrigued by the whole idea of the monster and would love to think there really is one." Nature, however, does not accept his argument and has forwarded his letter to Mr. Rines who has returned to the United States.

Big Foot Almost Seen On St. Helens

"It was bare-foot, had two toes and a stride of six feet." "It sounds like a lot of bull." "Nope, it's a lot of Sasquatch." Bigfoot, that notoriously, mysterious, furry monster who, according to hundreds of persons, has been seen milling around St. Helen's again almost has been seen this time by two Olympia elk hunters, Bill Nagel, Route 13, and his brother-in-law Russell Harvey, who were trekking at the 1,100 foot line near Toutle River. "We turned on a cat trail and saw some really weird tracks," Nagel said. The tracks were found

in fresh snow Saturday at about 1 p.m. The thing that made the track wore no shoes, had two toes and a stride of six feet. Its foot was about .12 inches long and seven inches wide. "It was a two legged animal... not four," Nagel said this morning. "We followed the tracks, but not very far," he added. After saying he has heard many stories of Sasquatch sightings near St. Helen's he added, "I've always laughed about it and made jokes about it, but this kind of made me think...it convinced me there has got to be something walking around up there."

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