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THE CASE OF THE "SUCKING SAUCER"



The strange "crater" near Grand Coulee, Washington (foreground) and plug (background) - see column two for details.

TEMPLE OFFERS UFO COURSE

The UFO controversy was analyzed in a Temple University summer course on the Ambler Campus by Dr. David M. Jacobs. The four-credit course examined the controversy from its beginnings, taking a strictly neutral, objective position.

Dr. Jacobs, an associate professor of American History and an *APRO* consultant, traces his interest in UFOs to his high school days when he was first aroused by newspaper accounts of sightings. During his undergraduate years at UCLA, he continued to keep up with developments in the field. "It had become clear to me by that time that regardless of whether or not UFOs were real, they unquestionably represented an important mystery," he said.

The course dealt with all aspects of the subject and included a class project, a summation and an examination. Dr. Jacobs did considerable research on *APRO*'s files while he was a house guest of the Lorenzens and working on his Ph.D. thesis.

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On October 18, 1984, Rick and Pete Timm were rounding up cows on their father's wheat farm near Grand Coulee, Washington when they came upon a most unusual hole. Seventy-three feet away the plug of the earth which had been in the hole was found. When this information came into *APRO*'s office, a comparison with past cases was made and we came up with the following two reports:

The information for case number one originally came from Aime Michel's excellent book, "Flying Saucers and the Straight Line Mystery" which was published in English in 1957. On page 132 of the hard cover edition we find reference to "The Impossible Hole". In this instance, according to reports, Mme. Yvette Fourneret had seen a strange object in the field in front of her home at Poncey-sur-l'Ignon at about 8:00 p.m. on October 4, 1954. The woman said she had gone to the window to close the shutters and saw the object in the field. She described the thing as luminous, three yards in diameter, elongated and orange in color. The luminosity of the object threw a pale light on the branches and leaves of the tree nearby.

Mme. Fourneret grabbed her small son and ran next door. Others arrived upon the scene, and went to examine the area where she had seen the object about 20 yards away, but there was nothing to be found. However, upon examination of the ground, some strange markings indicated that Mme. Fourneret had not been dreaming or exaggerating. Over an area of about a yard and a half long, 27" wide at one end and 20" at the other, the ground appeared to have been "sucked up". On the fresh soil of this hole, white worms wriggled. The earth that had been torn out was scattered all around the hole, in clods ten or twelve inches across over a radius of about four yards. On the inner edge similar clods hung down; the earth had been pulled out in such a manner that about halfway down, the hole was wider than at ground level.

Subsequent investigation failed to reveal any way in which the strange hole could have been made. One of the strangest aspects of the case was that little roots and rootlets in the soil were intact everywhere on the inner surface of the hole; not one had been cut as would have been the case had the excavation been made in any normal manner. And another detail struck everyone who viewed the spectacle: in the center of the hole lay a plant with a long root, still attached by the end of the root to the soil at the bottom of the hole, with all its rootlets exposed to the air, completely undamaged. In short,

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Michel stated, it looked as if the mass of earth spread over the surrounding grass had been sucked out by a gigantic vacuum. The same was true of the chunks of earth strewn all around on the grass: no cut roots, not a trace of an implement, no scorching, no impression.

Case number two took place at Middleburg, South Africa on the night of November 11, 1972 and was featured in the January-February issue of the *APRO Bulletin*.

At about 9:30 p.m. on Sunday, policemen at Middleburg watched a strange glowing object through binoculars. It appeared to change color and its shape from circular to elliptical. The officers said the light hovered over "a hill" at Rosmead, then disappeared and reappeared. A while later the principal of Rosmead school, Mr. Harold Truter was just arriving home when he saw "a beam like a searchlight" in the sky and he and his wife and children watched it for some time. He then discovered that chunks of tar had been gouged from the school tennis court near his home. The next morning he

made a closer inspection and found that there was no damage to the fencing around the court and that the gate was still firmly secured with wire as it had been before the object was seen. He thought it significant that lumps of tar were found caught high up in the tennis court fence. On the 13th, police who were searching the area found lumps of tar on a hill some distance away.

Lieutenant Colonel B.J. Van Heerden, District Commandant of police at Middleburg said that the reports from his men on the object tallied with those of the UFO seen at Fort Beaufort earlier in 1972.



Investigator examines asphalt plug at South African tennis court site.

As the investigation continued, it was found that a tree next to the tennis court at Rosmead High School had started to die. It was a large blue gum tree which showed signs of scorching, according to Van Heerden. Theories had been advanced that the ten to twelve feet chunks of tar which had been ripped up from the court's surface were caused by a gas explosion or a whirlwind but were discounted because not a piece of tar had been overturned, and the other trees in the vicinity had not sustained any damage.

After the news about the mysterious damage was reported, four men who had been guarding the petrol dumps four hundred meters away on Sunday night made independent statements to the police that they had observed red lights on the courts.

"It looked as if someone in a car without headlights but with tail lights burning were riding around in circles on the tennis court," they told the police. The lights disappeared, they said, and then the whole petrol dump was illuminated with a "strange incandescent light." Riflemen P.K. Nel and S.J. Rosseau said that the lights were on the court and not next door.

A Mr. E. Van Zyl, who held a BSc in astronomy and lectured at the University of Witwatersrand, investi-



"Sucked Up" surface of tennis court showing extensive damage— at Rosemead, South Africa.

gated the case and concluded that the damage was caused by a whirlwind. In a letter to Mr. T. Geary, Director of the Planetarium, he argued that upon examining the surface of the tennis court, "I saw no signs whatever of melting and no signs that could have been made by a rocket or jet blasting off" (there Van Zyl makes the fatal error of assuming that whatever was over the court was using a mundane type of propulsion). He also made the flat statement that two holes pressed into the asphalt surface at each end of the court "definitely could not have been made by a leg or stay pressing down into the tar" without listing his reasons. Van Zyl further says, "The whirlwind does not explain the light which was seen on that Sunday night— some folks say they saw a red light, others yellow and some blue! So it must have been a piece of hardware left over from a satellite burning out."

Mr. Van Zyl's Menzelian explanation of the cause of the damage to the tennis court conveniently ignores some evidence or distorts it, whichever is the most effective to bolster his theory. Some editorial comments are

in order in this case:

Although we do not have exact times for the sightings involved, we can reconstruct to some extent. The petrol dump guards saw two red lights going around in circles— *not next to*, but *on* the tennis court. Then the lights disappeared and the petrol dump was lit up. Meanwhile, principal Truter, arriving home (which is located next to the school) saw a "beam like a searchlight" in the sky. Shortly thereafter he discovered the damage to the court. Now the question is: Did the guards first see a UFO with rotating lights over the court? When they disappeared and the dump was lit up, was Mr. Truter, *at the same time* looking at the searchlight which was spotlighting the petrol dump? Where Mr. Van Zyl's hypothesis is concerned, we must again ask some questions. Can a whirlwind pick up material as heavy as the material which was torn out of the tennis court? Why was asphalt found on a hill some distance away, but there was no evidence of the ravages of a whirlwind between the tennis court and the hill? Why were the green shoots at the *base* of the gum tree dying

the next day? The tree was partially denuded and the remainder of the foliage is withered— it is doubtful that a whirlwind could do that.

A little thought concerning the physics of a whirlwind is very beneficial at this point. A whirlwind and a tornado are of the same family of physical phenomena, with the latter being tremendously more powerful. Tornadoes can uproot trees, carry houses off their foundations, etc., etc. But it is doubtful that there is any case of a tornado tearing up an asphalt or cement pavement. Why? Because the tornado depends on its vacuum to give it lifting power. Similarly, the much weaker "whirlwind" depends on the vacuum principle for its power. There is little, *if any* air in asphalt so the odds against a whirlwind tearing up an asphalt pavement are astronomical. It is also difficult to conceive of a whirlwind "sucking" up *two-inch-thick* chunks of asphalt, dumping them next to the holes they were torn from, but carrying other chunks $\frac{1}{4}$ mile away before dropping them. And with no disturbance to trees or other vegetation *between the two points!*

One last point concerning the whirlwind theory: Whirlwinds, depend upon the sharp temperature gradients offered by sunlight in order to form and thus (unless South Africa operates on a different set of physical laws than elsewhere) could not form at night.

Obviously, considerable more work must be done on this case. While the existing evidence does not confirm that a UFO did, indeed, do the damage, it has been established to the satisfaction of Lt. Col. B.J. Van Heerden that the damage could not have been caused by humans. Further, he said that he could not explain the cause of the holes or the objects seen.

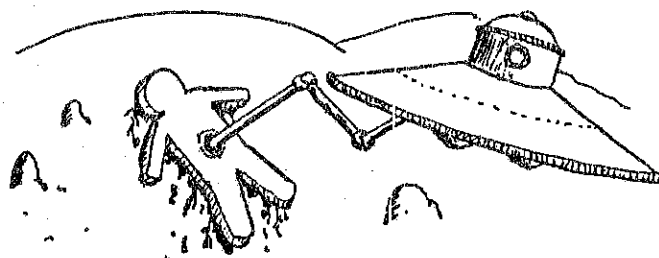
1978 Utah Mark

During the course of the Washington investigation, a few details relative to another marking located in Utah were uncovered. The *Survey Notes* for the Utah Geological and Mineral Survey for February 1979 carried the following information: Following the July 29, 1978 3.5 magnitude earthquake in the Little Malad River Valley in northern Utah, an unusual ground mark was found. The "Notes" described the mark as "Mysterious" and accompanied the article with a photograph which is not clear in our xeroxed copy, but it generally resembles a cross or cruciform. The "Notes" further stated that the marking was "about 14 feet in diameter; furrows with longitudinal cracks radiate from a central depression. Clods of topsoil, hurled some 14 feet beyond the limits of the feature, were usually overturned."

At the time of the publication of the article no explanation had been found for the strange mark. Local residents and farmers were interviewed, and the article concluded that it appeared to have no relationship to the earthquake, and no geologic cause was believed to be

possible. UGMS Chief Engineering Geologist, Bruce N. Kaliser speculated that an object dropping from an aircraft was the only possible explanation.

The above case brings us to the fourth and final case, mentioned only briefly at the beginning of this article. The "impossible hole" in this instance, was found by Rick and Pete Timm on October 18 while the two were rounding up cows. They had not been in the area since mid-September when they harvested the wheat crop in the field where the hole was found. A 3.0 earthquake occurred at 8:24 p.m. on October 9 and was felt in towns in the area, but not at the Timm farmhouse, which is located a few miles from the mystery site. The University of Washington pinpointed the quake's epicenter about 20 miles southwest of the hole, and about four miles beneath the surface of the earth. University geologist, Stephen D. Malone said that the possibility that the quake was connected with the hole was "very, very unlikely".



The "Cookie Cutter" Theory

During the course of the study of the strange marking, several individuals inspected the area. Don Aubertin, director of mining for the Colville Indian Tribe, which owns the area on which the mark is located, said that there had been quite a roar accompanying the earthquake so there had been some speculation that a meteorite might have impacted and ripped the earth out. Aubertin called Bill Utterbach, also a consultant to the Colvilles, who quickly ruled out the meteorite possibility. "There was no sign of impact... The hole was not a crater. It had vertical walls and a fairly flat bottom. It was almost as though it had been cut out with a giant cookie cutter." But, Aubertin pointed out, even a "giant cookie cutter" couldn't have left the hole the way Utterbach found it. Roots that had led to the vegetation in the puzzle piece, dangled from the vertical walls of the hole, indicating they had been torn apart rather than cut.

There was no indication on the ground that the
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Location: Section 12, Township 30
North, Range 27 East,
approximately 20 miles NW
of Grand Coulee, WA.

Elevation: 2360 feet above sea level

Geology: Phenomena located in a
depression approximately 100
x 150 yards in size. Glacial ice
advance scoured out the basalt bedrock
and the depression has partially
filled in with sediments to
unknown thickness.

Area within dashed lines bounds the
limits within which "dribbles" of
fingernail-size soil particles were
found. There was not a heavy
scattering of these "dribblings"
but were only occasionally
found. A southeast wind could
explain the arc shape to the
scattering of these
dribblings.

transplanted block was rotated
20° counter-clockwise in relation
to the hole

PLUG:
1.5' thick
north end
2.0' thick
south end

Weight of transported
block approx. 3 tons

NORTH SOUTH

Digging underneath
transported block showed
natural vegetation indicating
it was set down on undisturbed
ground.

Top of transported block was normal
vegetation indicating it was right
side up.

Composition of the transported block is
silt with a fairly substantial root mat
in the upper 1-foot or so. This root mat
was probably responsible for the block main-
taining its integrity during its movement.

HOLE:

1.5' deep North End
2.0' deep South End

NORTH END SOUTH END

Roots dangle from sides of hole. This indicates
they were torn rather than cut by some tool.
Hole has vertical walls and a flat floor.

LAYOUT OF GRAND COULEE MARKING

GRACE BENNETT

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displaced chunk of earth had been dragged or rolled, and Utterbach found something which mystified him and all who viewed the mysterious hole. Commenting on that aspect, Aubertin said: "You'd think that, whatever the cause, the chunk would have traveled in a straight line, but Utterbach found where pieces had dribbled from the chunk as it moved. The dribblings traced an arc from the hole to where the chunk was found."

The area where all of this transpired is interesting. It occurred on a plateau which is 2,360 feet above sea level. The mystery hole itself is in a small hollow, probably scraped out in the plateau's bedrock by the ice sheet which covered the area thousands of years ago. The wheat field is dotted with huge boulders left by the melting ice sheet which are known locally as "haystack rocks", some of which are actually larger than haystacks. Near the mystery site is a larger depression, described by Behrens as a "kettle", which is a geologist's term for a place where a mass of ice was buried and caused the ground to collapse as it melted.

Some of the observations made by Behrens which are noteworthy are the following: The weight of the transported plug of earth was approximately three tons. Fingernail-sized "dribbles" of earth were found between the hole and the plug. The investigators dug beneath the plug and found that the area underneath was normal vegetation and that the plug had been set down on undisturbed ground. The top of the "plug" was natural vegetation, indicating that it was put down right side up. The composition of the transported block is silt with a fairly substantial root mat in the upper foot or so. Behrens felt that this root mat was responsible for the block maintaining its integrity during its movement.

During *APRO's* investigation, it was learned that "a meteor was sighted in the vicinity of the hole on October 13," some five days before the hole was discovered, and that it was "traveling from north to south at a 30° angle." This information was second-hand to our informant and he is not sure what is meant by "30° angle".

It can be easily seen that there are certain correlations between cases one, two and four, but the Utah case is so lacking in detail that there is little opportunity for any real comparison. However, it is felt that the fact that the Grand Coulee hole was found in a secluded area, in a depression on a plateau, would preclude the likelihood that whatever made it would have been observed unless the meteor was "it".

We encourage the membership to be diligent about forwarding clippings. The information contained in clippings forwarded by several members at an early date enables us to learn considerably more about this strange occurrence.

OUT OF THE PAST- "FOO FIGHTERS"

The earliest reference to the mysterious objects which paced allied military aircraft during World War II is the following mention in "*Current Science and Aviation*" for January 22-26, 1945, thoughtfully submitted by member Richard Keifer of Ohio:

On page 74 of that periodical a short article reads: "Foo Fighter". Latest Nazi aerial weapon is the "foo fighter" — mysterious red and silver balls of fire which follow allied planes at speeds of 300 miles per hour. It has not yet been determined what purpose this new weapon may have. The balls do not hit our planes, but merely fly alongside, then suddenly zoom out of sight. Apparently radio-controlled, they may only be a psychological threat." Unquote.

Does anyone in our readership have any knowledge of earlier mentions of this phenomena, or in fact, the source for any reference? "*Current Science and Aviation*" was a weekly periodical available to schools and we assume that it was widely read. Any additional information will be gratefully received.

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MYSTERIOUS LIGHTS PARTIALLY EXPLAINED

According to a report in the Danbury, Connecticut, *News-Times*, a Dutchess County police officer on a routine patrol may have solved at least part of the mystery behind the hundreds of sightings of unidentified lights in the sky over Putnam, Westchester and Fairfield counties in the past year. Sgt. Daniel Andriano of the East Fishkill Police Department said he has forwarded information to the FAA about eight airplanes flying in a circular formation near the Putnam-Dutchess County border on the night of Tuesday, July 24th.

Andriano used the radio in his police cruiser to alert another officer who drove to the airport and observed one of the planes land. Two of the planes landed and turned off their lights before the officer could tell if they had been in the air, and five of the planes apparently saw the police car and veered away without landing.

Regulations do not allow ultralights- small, one-person planes that do not require pilot certification- to be flown at night. The fact that the ultralights can take off and land almost anywhere makes them difficult to trace at night.

The sightings have usually been reported on Tuesday and Thursday nights. A formation of lights was observed over Brewster and North Salem at about the same

time Tuesday night as the planes seen in Dutchess County, but state police said they don't know if they were the same planes.

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PRESS REPORTS

By Doris and Joe Graziano

OHIO - May 20, 1984 - Cleveland - Hundreds of people in Ohio, central and eastern Kentucky and central Illinois reported seeing a strange stream of bright lights sailing across the sky just as the full moon rose. A number of witnesses described a "ball of fire" moving across the sky.

An area farmer saw the lights at about 10:00 p.m. as he walked to his barn. An Eastlake police dispatcher said one caller, an unidentified police chief, described the sighting as a meteor breaking up. But you can't convince Fred Avalli or Nicholas Orlando that it was a meteor.

The two California men, here on a brief business trip, were driving near Solon when the lights appeared, 3,000 to 4,000 feet above their car. They said about 15 objects flew in formation, made no sound and some had streaks shooting from them like firecrackers.

INDIANA - May 20, 1984 - Hammond - An unidentified person reported seeing a pinkish, rectangular-shaped, gaseous mass at about 9:00 p.m. The object had several intense lights on its body, much like headlights. The witness said the slow-moving object appeared to be about 10,000 feet off the ground and the size of a 747.

Cindi Earl, a radio operator for the Indiana State Police, said she not only received several calls on the sighting, she saw it herself. She was driving at about 9:15 p.m. when she saw what looked like a burning plane. It moved slowly and then moved quickly.

Robert Gribble of the National UFO Reporting Center in Seattle said a large, fiery object started as a single object in Illinois and traveled eastward. The object was also seen in Michigan, Ohio, Kentucky, Tennessee and Virginia. Witnesses in the east said it disappeared over the horizon and didn't burn out.

ILLINOIS - May 20, 1984 - Logan County - Sandra Shellhammer, her husband, Dalen, and two of their three children were among a number of Logan County residents who spotted something unusual in the sky. The Shellhammer family sighted what they thought was a disabled airplane between 8:30 and 9:00 p.m. The object had white lights and moved in several directions before heading to the northeast.

Louis Volle, who lives on a farm about ten miles northeast of the Shellhammers, reported seeing a cigar-shaped object several times larger than an airplane descend in a northeast direction. He said that the object

had what he believed "resembled headlights on a car."

Thelma Leener was among six people who witnessed the event as they talked together in a Beason neighbor's backyard. And State Trooper Tom Little spotted what he believed to be an airplane in trouble as he was driving on Illinois 10 near Beason.

VIRGINIA - June 4, 1984 - Staunton - Gladys Davis was awakened at approximately 3:00 a.m. by an "illuminous light" shining in her mobile home window. After watching an object from which the light was coming for about five minutes, she awakened her husband, Eugene, who also watched the object.

The couple saw what they described as a football-shaped object about the size of a car turned on end. It had no wings and made a faint buzz like "a little whirling sound."

After they got up and watched it from a kitchen door, the object moved west over a pond, then moved east, and soon after left the area. "When I got to the door, it opened up like a butterfly. That whole thing unfolded," noted Mrs. Davis.

NEBRASKA - June 11, 1984 - Alliance - Stanley Behm and his son were awakened at 2:30 a.m. by a bright light, about 30 feet in diameter, shining on the driveway. The light was so intense that they couldn't look directly into it and the beam shone for approximately 20 to 30 minutes on the driveway. The light appeared to come from a source about 1,000 feet in the air.

It was later learned that Scottsbluff Air Service reported to the Alliance Police Department that the Lusk, Wyoming, remote control radar station did have a sighting on radar, confirming Behm's testimony. The sighting was last seen northwest of Alliance and checks with the local airport reported no activity there. A check with FAA officials in Denver confirmed the same information about the sighting.

CANADA - June 23, 1984 - Delta Beach, Manitoba - Dorothy Mulvey was out on the sandy shore of Lake Manitoba at about 11:00 p.m. with her son-in-law Richard Egan. They were watching the lightning of an approaching thunderstorm across the lake when a bright light suddenly appeared on the horizon and rapidly moved closer.

By now the storm was upon them, so Mulvey and Egan scurried to the cottage to escape the rain and high winds. Mulvey's husband, Morris, was in the cottage and also claims to have seen the light. It was described only as a "strange white light" that was about 1,000 feet high as it soared above the lake.

On another part of the beach that night, Tom Hutchinson was sitting on his veranda with his wife, Ann, and a couple of friends. Just before the storm hit, at about 10:30 p.m., they also saw a bright glow on the horizon. The light rose into the sky and streaked toward land at about 80 mph.

MISSISSIPPI - June 29, 1984 - Lambert - Jim Abbott, editor and publisher of the Indianola, Mississippi, *Enterprise Tocsin*, was driving south on Hwy. 3 at about midnight on March 16 when his headlights suddenly went out. He managed to stop at a farm shop about half a mile down the road and he and a friend in the car tried to find the problem. They couldn't find anything but the lights did go back on. The next day a mechanic looked for a problem in the car's electrical system but could find nothing wrong.

Seven weeks later, on May 5, Abbott and his wife and daughter were driving down the same stretch of road late at night. Within 200 yards of the same place, the headlights went out again. He drove the car slowly down the road and about a half a mile further the lights came back on.

Then on the afternoon of June 3, Abbott and his daughter were driving again on the same road. Since it was still daylight, he turned on his high beams so that the little blue light on the dash was visible. Sure enough, the blue light went out at the exact same spot.

On June 29, Harold Dean Wiggs found some strange marks in his soybean field not far from Abbott's encounters with the headlights. There was a ruffled spot in the field and two neat circles about six yards apart, dusted with bluish powder. In the center of each was a hole about six inches deep and inside were four smaller holes about three inches wide and a foot deep. Two piles of dirt were next to it all. There were no footprints or tire tracks in the soft clay.

MISSOURI - July 5, 1984 - Cape Girardeau - Robert Krone was riding a moped at about 9:38 p.m. when he sighted a disc with an orange halo hovering over Cherokee Park. The disc was estimated to be 1,000 feet or less above the park, and Krone said he could see a distinct dome as it tilted toward him.

Dr. Harley Rutledge, professor of physics at SEMO University, is investigating the case and said it is significant because it was seen within the city limits. He said that Krone watched the object for about 15 seconds before it "went out like a light bulb."

TASMANIA - July 15, 1984 - Greens Beach - Three witnesses reported a low-flying, cigar-shaped object at about 11:45 a.m. The object appeared to create its own smoke or cloud which kept enveloping it as it moved. It was seen to do a series of back and forth maneuvers before eventually disappearing behind some hills. It was in view for about ten minutes.

WASHINGTON - July 27, 1984 - Lummi Island - A fishing boat crew reported that a spark-tailed fireball splashed down about 1,000 yards south of Lummi Island at 3:45 a.m. The impact sent a plume of water about 100 feet into the air before the object sank and bubbled.

A flash in the sky was noticed at the same time by a tugboat at Anacortes, about five miles to the south. The

crew of the fishing vessel said the object dropped straight down and just before it hit the water it did a "U" and came back up, then went down.

The Coast Guard investigated but found no debris. Checks with other authorities revealed no missing planes or space junk crashing in the area. A crewman aboard the searching Coast Guard vessel noticed an "object, white in color, in the sky at the south end of Lummi Island."

SOUTH CAROLINA - July 30, 1984 - Lesslie - Around 9:00 p.m., Cathy Winn was pulling out of her driveway when she looked up and saw about 20 multicolored blinking lights above a stand of pine trees. Stopping the car, she and her four year old son watched while the lights moved closer to the ground and stopped by a lone tree in a pasture.

The blinking lights went out and were replaced by two intensely bright beacons on the front of the bright silver object, which now became visible. The cigar-shaped object was estimated to be 60 feet long. At this point, she began backing the car up and beeping the horn to attract attention of her husband, Rick, who was inside the house.

Mrs. Winn and her son got out of the car and she continued to yell to her husband. A wing, about 12 feet long, extended from the smooth, window-less exterior of the object and its lights turned in their direction. One light shone on the rear of the object. It then began moving silently along a barbed wire fence extending along the perimeter of the pasture.

Mrs. Winn and her son ran around the side of the house and watched the object as it continued along the fence beside the goat pen. The goats remained in their shed and made no noise. At that point, the lights went out and the object was no longer visible. She could hear a low whirring sound like an electrical motor starting up, the first sound the object had made, and after that it did not reappear.

Rick Winn and his father later inspected the site where the object "landed" in the pasture. They saw a place where the grass appeared disturbed but saw no trace of the object's path along the fence line.

AUSTRALIA - August 14, 1984 - Tom Price - A tourist reported sighting a UFO with flashing red, green and blue lights. When the large object appeared to land on a hilltop, he got out of his car to investigate. When he got near the top of the hill there were two lights hovering there. As he went back to his car one of the lights followed him before disappearing.

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We sincerely hope that the contents of *the Bulletin* in some way convey to you gentle folk our continued good wishes to you, for many hours of pouring over clippings and reports go into its preparation. All of our efforts here are for the mutual benefit of all our members and readers. We managed to have a nice holiday season, and hope that you did, as well.

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