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MASS SIGHTING IN NEW ZEALAND

Report from Vermont

Several clippings forwarded to APRO Headquarters by members in Eastern U.S. deal with reports of lights moving back and forth across the sky above Winooski, Vermont in the early morning hours of 28 May 1970. They were reported by a General Electric employee and two police officers. A U.S. Weather Bureau official at Burlington International Airport suggested the lights may have resulted from the reflection of a high intensity light used to determine cloud ceiling which had been inadvertently left on overnight.

Mr. D. Henry, APRO Field Investigator in Montreal, Canada, entered the area at the request of Headquarters Tucson for a follow-up investigation but was not able to determine the identity of the lights. State troopers, however, claim that their bloodhounds howled during the entire period of 1½ hours while the object was observed.

During the course of his investigation Mr. Henry interviewed a local policeman who claimed that at about the end of April (he could not recall the exact date) he came upon a UFO sporting white lights on a red body which hovered over the intersection of Route 89 and 2A, southeast of Burlington. The observation lasted about five minutes after which the object's lights went off and it drifted over the trees and out of sight, exhibiting the "falling leaf" motion. The officer said that it appeared as large as a basketball held at arm's length. The time was 4 a.m.

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The Apache Junction Physical Evidence Case

By Dr. WALTER W. WALKER

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(The following report-abstract is in connection with the physical evidence case reported on the front page of the January-February, 1970, Bulletin.)

In February, 1970 Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzen of APRO investigated a case in the vicinity of Phoenix, Arizona which involved possible UFO residue. Subsequently the artifact in question (which was suspected of being UFO physical evidence), was given to the writer for a materials analysis. This artifact was subjected to a thorough materiographic analysis involving the separate, nondestructive techniques of transmission radiography, emission spectroscopy and spectrography, metallography and physical measurements.

The artifact is a small, cylindrical object approximately 1-1/32 inch long. The artifact consists of a central core in the form of a metallic wire, approximately 0.024 inches in diameter. The central wire was surrounded by a fibrous, organic-base insulation. Outside the insulation layer is a concentric, cylindrical sheath of some type of polycrystalline ceramic material. The outside diameter of the object varied from 0.133 to 0.136 inches. Initial examination showed that the artifact was a manufactured object. Its actual nature and use could not be determined, however.

Further study showed that:

- (a) The object was strongly magnetic but did not exhibit fluorescence, phosphorescence or unusual radioactivity.
- (b) The central core was an ironmanganese alloy.
- (c) The nature of the fibrous in-(See Apache — Page Four)

Norman Alford, APRO's Representative for New Zealand has furnished the following results of his investigation of a sighting which took place on the 7th of May 1970:

Headmaster W. Billing and several of the teachers at Richmond School, Maraenui, as well as about 400 children watched a strange sky object for about 20 minutes from about 2:03 to 2:23 p.m. Billing's attention was first drawn to the object by the unusual quiet of the usually noisy children. Billing said the children had stopped playing and were watching in awe and fascination.

The day was "beautifully warm and sunny," Mr. A. Coveny, a teacher, told Mr. Alford. The object appeared in the south as an opaque "hole" in the blue sky, low on the horizon and presented an elongated or oval appearance. Then it appeared to "gather itself together" and moved toward the school (which is located near Napier) and stopped when "just below the sun." At this time it appeared as a "huge wingless plane" with the sun glistening on it. Billing and Coveny guessed that the object was hovering between Westshore and Tongaio, and they said they watched a plane landing at Napier Aerodrome while the object was in clear view. "There was definitely no comparison between the two," Billing said.

After hovering for a period of about 10 minutes, the strange object began to move away toward the northeast. It then presented the appearance of a round ball, the center of which had a "transparent-like sheen." As it moved away it flattened out again and moved in a straight line until it appeared as a bright star. Then it seemingly lighted up again, "like a bright blue planet," Billing said, and faded away before it moved straight away at high speed.

Billing ruled out a balloon as a possible explanation because of the object's change of shape from round to oval and vice versa, which indicated a round flat configuration. He also

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Three New APRO Consulants

Three members, previously Field Investigators, have become APRO Consultants in the fields of Seismology, Biophysics and Computer Technology. They are, respectively, Dr. John S. Derr, Dr. John C. Munday and Dr. Vlastimil Vysin.

Dr. Derr received his B.A. in Geology and Physics at Amherst College in 1963 and his M.A. and Ph.D. in Geophysics at the University of California at Berkeley in 1968. He was previously employed by the U.S. Geological Survey and the University of California's Seismographic Station at Berkeley and was a Research Associate in the Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences at MIT from 1968 to 1970. His present position is Research Scientist, Astrogeophysics Section, Space Sciences Dept., Martin Marietta Corp., in Denver, Colorado. The author and co-author of many technical papers (see Apollo 11 Passive Seismic Experiment in Science, Jan. 30, 1970), Dr. Derr wrote the article on the AAAS UFO Symposium in the November-December 1969 APRO Bulletin.

Dr. Munday obtained his A.B. in Physics at Cornell University in 1962. His Ph.D. in Biophysics was obtained at the University of Illinois at Urbana in 1968. His employments have been with the Marine Biological Laboratory at Woods Hole, Massachusetts, the Photosynthesis Laboratory at the University of Illinois and the U.S. Air Force Missile Development Center at Holloman AFB, New Mexico, where he developed methods of reentry optical data acquisition and computer reduction. Dr. Munday is currently an Associate Marine Scientist at the Virginia Institute of Marine Science, Gloucester Point, and an Assistant Professor of Marine Science at the University of Virginia.

Dr. Vysin studied in his home country of Czechoslovakia before immigrating to the United States. He was a Candidate of Technical Sciences in Mathematical Machines and obtained the equivalent to a Ph.D. in 1964 from the Czechoslovak Academy of Sciences in Prague.

Now a U.S. citizen and an APRO

member for several years, Dr. Vysin works in system and logic design, advanced memories, in the Advance System and Technology Operation of the General Electric Co., in Phoenix, Arizona.



DR. JOHN S. DERR Consultant in Seismology



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Midwest UFO Conference Success

On the 11th of June Mrs. Lorenzen, Secretary of APRO, Inc., flew to Peoria, Illinois to address the Midwest UFO Conference, sponsored by the Aerial Phenomena Club of Central Illinois (APCCI). She was met at the (See Conference—Page Three)

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Airport by Laird Carter, Ray Watts, Dale Dufelmeier, Rick Reynolds and Mike Morey, who comprise the Executive Committee of APCCI, and who initially extended the invitation. A special thank you goes to these five gentlemen who planned and engineered the Conference and attended to the myriad details which made the Conference a success. Mr. Watts and Mr. Dufelmeier accompanied Mrs. Lorenzen to a number of radio and TV interviews which had been arranged by the committee to publicize the Conference on Friday and which culminated in a telephone interview with UPI Chicago.

At this juncture we thank the APRO members around the United States who arranged for the press wire publicity. Those who obtained clippings pertaining to the Conference are urged to send them to APRO Headquarters so that the scope and effectiveness of the releases can be gauged.

The Conference commenced on Saturday, the 13th at 9:30 a.m. with a welcoming address by Laird Carter, Chairman of the Executive Committee of APCCI, who introduced Walt Andrus. Mr. Andrus introduced the speakers.

The first speaker was Dr. Allen R. Utke, Assistant Professor of Chemistry at Wisconsin State University, Oshkosh, and Consultant in Chemistry to APRO who delivered an informative and interesting address dealing with "UFOs and the Problem of Scientific Evidence."

The second speaker of the morning was Mr. Ted Phillips, APRO Field Investigator from Sedalia, Missouri. Mr. Phillips spoke and showed slides related to burned circles on the ground and "saucer nests." Mr. Phillips has specialized in this phase of UFO Research and his address was an important part of the subject matter discussed.

Luncheon was served at noon in a room near Olin Hall and lovely flower arrangements from the garden of Mrs. Carter, Laird Carter's mother, were displayed on each table.

The afternoon session commenced with an address by John F. Schuessler, Senior Engineer with McDonnell-Douglas at St. Louis. The title of Mr. Schuessler's address was: "The UFO, Just Beyond the State of the Art."

Unfortunately, Mr. Leonard W. Sturm, Electrical Engineer with the

Illinois Power Company, Decatur, Illinois, who was scheduled to speak on "Electromagnetic Effects Associated with UFOs" did not address the Conference although he did attend. Mr. Sturm had just returned from an emergency trip to Florida which was occasioned by a critical illness in his family.

Standing in for Mr. Sturm was Mr. Robert Smulling, professional photographer of Hamilton, Illinois, who delivered a talk dealing with photographic evidence and presented slides depicting photographs taken of UFOs through the years. His presentation was well received by the conference attendees. Mr. Smulling is a Field Investigator for APRO in Illinois.

The concluding address of the afternoon was "UFOs — 1970 — An Upto-Date Report," delivered by Mrs. Lorenzen, who was introduced by Mr. Robert Achzehner of Villa Park, Illinois. She related to the Conference attendees the current state of UFO research as reflected by APRO's current status. She discussed the Field Investigators' Network which is growing and becoming more effective every day, the number of reports gathered by APRO in 1969, some current reports (including the Napier, N. Z. report, Page 1, this issue) and the progress APRO has made in analyzing and documenting physical evidence. Three physical evidence cases were discussed specifically: the Ubatuba Magnesium (the latest tests and conclusions will be published in the July-August issue of the Bulletin), and the Apache Junction, Arizona and Festus, Missouri artifacts, which are featured elsewhere in this issue.

The evening session commenced at 7:30 p.m. with the address of Dr. J. Allen Hynek, former scientific consultant to the Air Force's Project Bluebook and Head of the Astronomical Department of Northwestern University. He discussed the current state of UFO research and emphasized that future progress will have to result from the efforts of civilian researchers. He also urged specialization in specific areas of UFO Research, such as that of Ted Phillips.

The question and answer period began after Hynek's address and members of the audience addressed Dr. Hynek, Dr. Utke, Mr. Schuessler, Mr. Smulling, Mrs. Lorenzen and Mr. Phillips directly by the use of a roving microphone.

We have not gone into too much detail at this time because of lack of space. However, Mr. Mike Morey of APCCI taped the entire Conference and these tapes will be available to those wishing to purchase them. See the notice announcing order instructions and cost, elsewhere in this Bulletin.

A printed transcript of the Conference will also be available through APRO and the order instructions and cost will be announced in the July-August issue.

The Midwest UFO Conference was a success and partly because of the support of APRO members. When Mrs. Lorenzen asked for a hand count during the question and answer period, approximately 40 per cent of the audience indicated their affiliation with APRO. Literature given to Conference attendees and the number of new members coming in from the Midwest area indicate that APRO increased its membership substantially in that area.

Two Canadians, a German journalist (stationed in Canada—also an APRO Field Investigator), a group from Sebring, Ohio and another from Cleveland, Ohio and several members from Michigan including Doug Wilson, another Field Investigator, indicate the widespread interest and support. Dr. Horace C. Dudley, of Chicago, APRO's Consultant in Physics, also attended and Mrs. Lorenzen and he were able to converse and coordinate APRO's efforts to study the possible propulsion methods of UFOs.

Also attending was Leif Sedhammar of Sweden who had been directed to the Conference by K. Gosta Rehn, APRO's Swedish Representative. During the course of the three days that Mrs. Lorenzen was in Peoria she had opportunity to confer with Dr. J. Allen Hynek concerning future UFO Research projects.

Last but certainly not least, Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzen would like to thank Mr. Robert Achzehner, ex co-chairman of the APRO Illinois Section who met her plane at Chicago and put her safely aboard her plane to Peoria. He then attended the Conference, drove back to Chicago in time to meet her plane in Chicago and get her aboard her jet for Tucson. His assistance to Mrs. Lorenzen during the Conference, with tape recorder and camera, was invaluable.

The APRO Photo and Art display which was located in the Hall outside the Conference Room was a big hit with the crowd.

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In view of the Conference's success, the Staff would like to urge other groups to sponsor like affairs in other parts of North America and APRO will lend its support and co-sponsorship.

Midwest Conference Tapes

The Midwest UFO Conference was held on June 13, 1970. If you missed the opportunity to attend, you will be pleased to know that tapes of the conference which was said to be "the best attempt to bring the problem of the UFO enigma into the public eye" are now available.

The originals and the copy tapes of the conference are recorded on high quality BASF tapes from Germany. This brand of tape comes in its own rugged, plastic "Perma-Store" library box which is excellent for protecting the tape during mailing.

The costs for these tapes are:

- 7" reel 3% inches per sec., speed — 2 track mono. — \$20.00
- 5" reel 3% inches per sec., speed 2 track mono. \$25.00
- 3" reel and cassette tapes will be made according to demand.
- 7" reel 3¾ inches per sec., speed — 2 track mono., any one speaker's lecture \$ 4.50
- 5" reel 3% inches per sec., speed — 2 track mono., any one speaker's lecture \$ 5.00
- 3" reel and cassette tapes will be made according to demand.

A list of speakers appears in this issue. Please refer to them when ordering. All inquiries and orders should be addressed to:

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said the object definitely impressed him as being solid and metallic.

A. Coveny, when interviewed by Mr. Alford, expressed his surprise that comparatively few people (he felt at least half of Napier should have seen it) viewed the object. He said that "Here at the school everyone stood with their months open trying to work out a logical explanation." When a

pupil asked him if it was a flying saucer he answered in the affirmative because he could give no other answer.

Coveny admitted his skepticism about UFOs prior to his experience. When asked by Alford to compare its apparent size in the sky with an object at arm's length he said it was huge—like a basketball at arm's length, as it changed from oval to round. Coveny's own words to Mr. Alford were that it appeared to be "something out of this worldly concept—something from another dimension."

Mr. Alford called the National Airways Corporation offices in Napier in an attempt to get some confirmation. They suggested that he call the Control Tower for the Captain of the aircraft which had landed during the sighting. He called the Control Tower where he was put off with the suggestion that he'd have to get permission from Wellington for that information. Alford called back to the Napier office which then told him to contact the landing field which he did. He was told by a spokesman there that the Captain's signature was indecipherable. Alford feels, as does the staff of APRO, that officials at the field should have had some record of what craft was landing at that time and who the Captain was.

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sulation was not determined.

(d) The "ceramic" sheath was composed of polycrystalline calcite (CaCO3).

The central, magnetic, iron-manganese alloy core is similar to existing terrestrial ferrimagnetic Heusler alloys. The fibrous, electrical-insulation surrounding the core is similar in appearance to terrestrial electrical insulation. The ceramic sheath is most unusual in that it is composed of polycrystalline calcite (CaCO3). Calcite (CaCO3) or its more common equivalent, limestone, is never used as a terrestrial insulator or dielectric ceramic, to the writer's knowledge. Calcia (CaO) has been considered2 for use as a polycrystalline oxide ceramic at high temperatures, but cannot be used at room temperatures due to the phenomenon of "slaking." In addition, calcia spontaneously picks up carbon dioxide at room temperature and transforms to calcite. The transformation from calcia (CaO) to calcite (CaCO3) gives off heat.

The transformation of calcia to calcite provides a possible explanation for the changes observed in the artifact since it was first found.³ If it is assumed that the ceramic was CaO when it was found, the color change could be accounted for by the transformation to calcite CaCO3. Similarly since this reaction is exothermic, enough heat might be given off to soften the thermoplastic box the object was stored in.

In summary, this analysis has not provided proof that the artifact was extraterrestrial. On the other hand, it is truly an unusual object.

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Two Controversial "Papers"

"Introductory Space Science Volume II" and "UFOs — What To Do" are two papers which have caused quite a stir in UFO circles in the first half of 1970. Many individuals have assumed that the papers indicate some sort of endorsement of UFO Research by Rand Corporation (where the author of "UFOs — What To Do" is employed) and the Air Force Academy where "Introductory Space Science Volume II" was generated.

The fact of the matter is that the former was authored by George Kocher, an employee of Rand "for circulation among my colleagues for the purpose of educating them and interesting them in the subject" (Kocher's own words).

The latter paper was edited by Major Donald G. Carpenter and authored by eight individuals in the Physics Department of the USAF Academy. It is neither published material or of an official nature. Both papers lean heavily on published material from the field of civilian UFO research and reach no conclusions.

ADDRESS CHANGES

Always include old and new Zip Codes.

Aerial Artifact Retrieved in Missouri

The St. Louis Globe-Democrat for May 26 carried an article describing the fall of a UFO (unidentified falling object). At 9 a.m. that morning Mrs. Elida Kent of Festus, Missouri, was working in her garden when she heard a sound like a gun shot. Turning around, she saw a small red-hot object burning the grass behind her. She called the Sheriff's office and a deputy came to her home. After about 15 minutes when the object had cooled off, Deputy McKee took the object to the Sheriff's office. It was approximately 1 and 1/5 inches in diameter and about 2 inches long. It was heavily charred and a small piece was chipped off one end.

Upon learning of the artifact, Mrs. Lorenzen of APRO contacted Dr. Williard Armstrong, APRO Field Investigator in St. Louis who with his wife Carol made two trips to Festus to investigate and obtain the object. A report was submitted and the object was turned over to Dr. Walter Walker, APRO Consultant in Metallurgy. Dr. Walker concurs with Dr. Armstrong's opinion that the object is probably graphite but the necessary tests to attempt identification will be made. Further information will be published in a future issue of the Bulletin whether or not the object is found to be unusual.

Two from Brazil

On the first of March 1970 a family in the acquaintance of Jader U. Pereira of Porto Alegre, Rio Grande do Sul state, Brazil, observed a roundish light of the brightness of the star Sirius which went through a series of complicated maneuvers over that city for a period of 40 minutes. The principal witness and head of the family is an amateur astronomer of 20 years experience.

The maneuvers were so many and varied that they are difficult and space-consuming to describe. However, the following light changes were noted: At the beginning of each horizontal movement the object brightened momentarily and as the speed increased the object turned red. During vertical movements the light became an intense, brilliant red (like a ewel) and a tiny pinpoint of green light became visible. The object, besides its vertical and horizontal movements, was also observed to execute a

"pendulum" movement several times. Starts and stops were sudden without transitional speeds and there was no sound.

Our second report took place over Cabo Frio, State of Rio de Janeiro at 9:05 p.m. on the 28th of March and was investigated by APRO Field Investigator, Mrs. Irene Branchi of Rio. There were 14 witnesses.

The object was first thought to be a satellite until it began to maneuver. The yellowish light came out of the west, stopped, went west again, hesitated, stopped again, started back toward the east, then headed north in the direction of the observers. As it proceeded toward them its speed increased, it became larger and charged color to a bright red. It went ou, of sight into the north, over the heads of the observers and was soon out of sight behind a nearby building. The witnesses kept quiet as the object passed overhead and noted that no sound accompanied it. It was a clear, windless night and the witnesses were all "UFO skeptics" prior to their experience.

Recent Visitors to APRO

Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzen and Richard Greenwell were happy to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gribble of Seattle, Washington to APRO during the week of June 14. Mr. Gribble has been director of the Aerial Phenomena Research Group for many years and ways and means for closer cooperation between APRG and APRO were discussed.

Also visiting APRO during the same week were Mr. and Mrs. Donald Richmond of Pueblo, Colorado. The Richmonds are APRO Field Investigators and Mr. Richmond is a Deputy Sheriff in Pueblo County. As well as the Snippy incident (October 1967), Mr. Richmond has investigated many UFO reports in Colorado as well as Northern New Mexico. From Tucson he and his wife Alice and daughter Donna left for La Madera, New Mexico to inquire into events which transpired during the 1964 "flap" in that area.

Greenwell Tours East Coast and Mexico

Invited by the Student Union Board at Temple University in Philadelphia to lecture on UFOs on April 7, Mr. Richard Greenwell, APRO's Assistant Director, took the opportunity to visit other East Coast cities and met with APRO Field Investigators and Consultants in Washington, D. C., Balti-

more, Philadelphia, New York and Boston. His 11-day trip began on April 3.

His first visit in Washington was with NICAP, where he met and talked at length with Acting Secretary-Treasurer Stuart Nixon. Past and future relations between APRO and NICAP were reviewed and it was agreed that the two major organizations should maintain a closer relationship in the future. With the change of leadership in NICAP it is apparent that the aims of the Washington-based group are considerably closer to those of APRO now than in the past. Although the possibilities of APRO-NICAP cooperation in various fields were discussed, no specific agreements have yet been made. Mr. Nixon stated that there are no immediate plans for a new leadership in NICAP. This was the first time that a staff-level APRO-NICAP meeting had taken place.

That evening and the following morning, Mr. Greenwell was the guest of Mr. Philip Klass, Senior Editor of Aviation Week and Space Technology and APRO member; his and APRO's different philosophies were discussed at some length. Mr. Klass attributes most UFO sightings to misidentifications, ball lightning and plasma phenomena.

Dr. John C. Munday new APRO Consultant in Biophysics (see separate article) accompanied Mr. Greenwell to Baltimore in the afternoon to meet Dr. Richard C. Henry, APRO Consultant in Astrophysics. The following day, a meeting of Baltimore area Field Investigators was held in Dr. Henry's apartment and various topics pertaining to field investigations and general research were discussed for several hours. Dr. Munday was also present.

The next morning, Monday, April 6, Mr. Greenwell went to Philadelphia and on the 7th lectured at Temple University. That evening he arrived at the home of Ivan T. Sanderson, biologist, author of many zoological books (including *Uninvited Visitors*) and Director of the Society for the Investigation of the Unexplained (SITU). Cooperation between APRO and SITU was discussed and agreed upon.

On April 8, Greenwell arrived in New York City and met and held discussions with Dr. L. Gerald Laufer, APRO Consultant in Psychiatry and Dr. Robert W. Johnson, Consultant in Metallurgy. A meeting of Field Investigators in the New York City area

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was held on the 9th, which Dr. Johnson attended. On April 11, APRO's Assistant Director arrived in Boston and was the guest of Dr. Vladimir Stefanovich, Consultant in Biochemistry. Several projects in which Dr. Stefanovich is taking active part were discussed. The following day, Mr. Greenwell met with some members of the NICAP-Massachusetts Subcommittee, including David and Walter Webb and Raymond Fowler. Also present was Mrs. Betty Hill who kindly drove down from Portsmouth to meet and talk with Mr. Greenwell. Mr. David Webb was host to Mr. Greenwell during his stay in Boston, after which he returned to Tucson on April 13.

Mr. Greenwell's trip could be described as an important contribution to keeping the communication channels open between APRO in Tucson and its Field Investigators and Consultants on the East Coast.

Most of Mr. Greenwell's traveling expenses were covered by Temple University. The difference, as in the past, came out of personal funds, not APRO's budget.

On April 17, Mr. Greenwell departed on a week's tour of Mexico. He met with Field Investigators Oscar H. Egly, in Guadalajara, and Roberto Martin and Alfonso Martinez in Mexico City. As a result of his discussions with these members, details of which were studied by APRO's Board of Directors, Mr. Roberto Martin has been selected as the new APRO Representative for Mexico. Mr. Martin is an electronics engineer who has been involved in UFO research for 12 years. APRO's previous Representative, Jesus Hernandez Garibay, was forced to resign due to pressures of other work and APRO-Mexico was disbanded.

Colorado Section Chairwoman Resigns

Mrs. Lee Trenholm of Boulder, Colorado, who headed the Colorado State APRO Section for several years, has resigned due to personal reasons. Mrs. Trenholm did an exceptional job during her tenure as chief of that section and it has been decided at Headquarters that no attempt will be made to replace her, and that Headquarters will rely on the Field Investigators Network in that area for information from Colorado. We would like to urge Colorado members and Field Investi-

gators to report directly to Headquarters in Tucson in the future.

Foreign Rates Increased — Air-Mailing Cancelled

During a recent APRO Board meeting it was decided to raise the dues of membership and Bulletin subscription rates in foreign countries by \$1 a year, effective July 1, 1970. The new \$6.00 membership and \$8.00 subscription rates were necessitated by the extra cost of mailing the Bulletin to other countries. Members and subscribers in Canada and Mexico will not be affected by this increase and their rates remain the same as in the U.S. (\$5.00 and \$7.00).

At the same time, it was decided to discontinue the air-mailing of Bulletins to members and subscribers abroad for an extra \$1.00 a year. APRO provided such service during 1969, but it was determined that it created both a monetary loss and administrative problems. Members in foreign countries are requested to bear with APRO in this matter; sea-mail delivery usually takes 2-3 weeks to Europe and Latin America and sometimes more to other parts of the world.

Membership Cards

All APRO members should have received their permanent, plastic-laminated, membership cards by now. Those who did not provide photos, received cards bearing their name only.

A number of cards were poorly manufactured during 1969; these will be replaced upon request and their return to APRO. Likewise, APRO will replace cards which have incorrect spelling. Should a member wish a new card due to change of name or would like an updated photograph used, a fee of 50¢ will be charged.

Subscribers to *The APRO Bulletin* are not APRO members and do not receive these cards. If you are a member and have not received your card, please notify the Membership Department requesting one. Always give complete name and address including Zip Code in all communications with the Membership Department.

Reports

APRO will soon begin preparing a computer catalog of its files, including cases listed in foreign periodicals.

Individuals and organizations abroad have been very cooperative and we are regularly receiving translated case from many countries including Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia and Rumania in Eastern Europe.

If YOU have a report which has not been submitted to Headquarters, please consider doing this as soon as possible. One seemingly unimportant case could be very important in a computer study.

Back Bulletins Available

APRO has a stock of back bulletins which are available to members and subscribers at 50¢ each, postpaid, as per the following list:

1957 - Nov.

1958 — Jul.

1959 — Mar., Jul.

1960 — Mar., Jul., Sep., Nov.

1961 — Jan., Mar., May, Jul., Sep., Nov.

1962 — Jan., Mar., May, Jul., Sep., Nov.

1963 — Jan., Mar., May, Jul., Sep., Nov.

1964 — Jan., Mar., May

1967 — Nov.-Dec.

1968 — Jan.-Feb., Mar.-Apr., May-Jun., Jul.-Aug., Sep.-Oct., Nov.-

1969 — Jan..-Feb., Mar.-Apr., May-Jun., Jul.-Aug., Sep.-Oct., Nov.-

When ordering, be sure to indicate exactly which bulletins are required. Send remittance for the correct amount and print name and address clearly.

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UFO reports have not been numerous during the first half of this year. However, reports from past years now becoming available because of our increased coverage throughout the world will be presented in the Bulletin from time to time.

EDITORIAL NOTE

This issue of the Bulletin is two pages short; however, the two pages will be added to the July-August issue which will contain details of the new Magnesium tests, a multiple-witness car-buzzing incident in Florida and a multiple witness occupant sighting in Brazil.

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