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Many Shy on UFO Tales

Dr. J. Allen Hynek, for one, will be hoping that the Apollo 11 astronauts keep their eyes out for flying objects of any description, including those they can't identify.

Dr. Hynek himself is used to sky-watching, as chairman of astronomy at Northwestern University. Speaking recently at the University of Idaho, he delved into the intriguing topic of Unidentified Flying Objects. He did not speak lightly; however, he was more serious about UFOs than some listeners might have expected.

He has spent 20 years dealing with the subject for the Air Force. After that long a time he is quick to concede that of course there are many hoaxes and false reports, and that beyond a doubt 60 to 70 per cent of actual sightings are explained easily as meteors, balloons, satellites or jet aircraft.

The other 30 or 40 per cent haven't

been explained, he is just as quick to add. Dr. Hynek's view is that investigation of the deeply mystifying cases should be gone into with the same thoroughness that the FBI puts into a major crime case.

He is convinced further, from his lecture tours, that "there is a vast reservoir of unreported sightings in this country." Many persons "don't report their sightings to the authorities because of the ridicule factor."

Dr. Hynek's side is outnumbered greatly by those who believe all the sightings are strictly illusions or very ordinary items.

Still, this man who has investigated 100 cases himself and read thousands of reports bargains for a fair enough deal: He suggests that people who are sure they've sighted a UFO take the risk of being called crackpots, and report what they believe they have seen.

Cobden Sun, Ontario
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Another "Burned Circle"

Official silence continues in spite of the discovery for the second time in a month of mysterious circles burned in the grass in this part of the Ottawa Valley.

Another of these 30-foot "burned circles" was found Thursday near Meath Hill in Westmeath Township. Similar marks were found last month 12 miles west on the Allumette Island farm of Leo Paul Chaput.

Mr. Chaput and his family reported seeing "a big white light that lit up the field just like day" before the burned places were found.

The latest discovery is on the John McLaren farm and no lights have been reported.

There has been no official explanation of the phenomenon and speculation is rife that the Ottawa Valley is being visited by unidentified flying objects.

Fresno, Calif.
Fresno Bee
July 26, 1969

Balloon 'Saucer' Mystifies Morro Bay Area Residents

MORRO BAY — A large "saucerlike" object seen landing gently upon the ocean and described by residents in the Cayucos and Morro Bay areas as being over 20 feet long, silver colored and as having a bubble-like covering, has been identified by a Coast Guard official as a weather balloon possibly from Vandenberg Air Force Base.

Chief Alex Alker, U.S. Coast Guard at Morro Bay, estimated the balloon as 10 feet in diameter, and of aluminized material. He said it had a clear plastic covering hood to protect the single frequency radio transmitter used to report upper wind conditions.

Walke rsaid the balloon was deflated and retrieved by fishermen, who delivered it to the Coast Guard in Morro Bay.

Calgary Herald, Alta.
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UFO Reported By 2 Men, Boy

Sightings of unidentified flying objects have been reported by a 10-year-old Calgary boy and two Penhold men.

Ten-year-old Tony Holmes, of 2212 Langevin Drive S.W., said he was sleeping out in the backyard of a friend's home next door to his own residence Thursday night when he saw a bright object overhead.

DISAPPEARED

"It was about 11:15 p.m.," he said. "It was round and had wings and a glow around it."

"I saw it for 10 seconds and it disappeared and then it came back for about five seconds. It was flying about as high as an airplane."

Meanwhile, on Wednesday afternoon, Penhold residents

Elmo Johnson and Russell Morton saw what they describe as a "greyish-white" or an off-white object "flying straight north at a terrific speed".

Mr. Morton said there was no glare or reflection from the object and no streamers followed like those produced by a jet plane.

He said it wasn't floating and seemed to be driven on a straight course.

The object was visible for "perhaps sixty seconds," said Mr. Morton.

ROOF BEAM

Mr. Johnson, who was working with Mr. Morton at the time of the sighting, said his co-worker drew his attention to the object as it came in line with a roof-beam and said: "What do you make of that?"

Neither man was able to estimate how far away the object was from where they were standing, but Mr. Johnson said it appeared to them to be about the size of a soup bowl.

Police, Citizens Sight UFO

Pembroke
Ontario

PEMBROKE (CP) — Two police constables and several other persons reported sighting an unidentified flying object near here early Saturday.

"It was just like a large star ... no body, no form, just a light about 1,500 feet in the sky," said Constable Jack McKay of the Pembroke OPP detachment.

The object was described as a "cylindrical-shaped brilliant

light in the sky over Peta-wawa," a town 10 miles north of Pembroke. Constable McKay, his patrol partner Constable Grant Chaplin, and several others, including three military policemen at the nearby Canadian forces base, reported seeing the phenomenon at about 5 a.m. Saturday.

The Canadian forces radar station at North Bay reported Sunday it is checking the inci-

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Policemen among witnesses to unidentified flying object

PEMBROKE (Special) — Two provincial police constables and at least a dozen other people claim they saw an unidentified flying object hovering in the sky near Petawawa Village, 10 miles east of here, early Sunday morning.

Pembroke detachment Constables Jack MacKay and Grant Chaplin say they observed a brilliant light in the sky from 4.51 a.m. to 5.37 a.m. and watched it from their cruiser while travelling to Pembroke.

Constable MacKay said he was unable to see a solid body in the light which moved southeast towards Pembroke.

Taxi driver John Chesson of 3373 Bronx Sq., Canadian Forces Base Petawawa, said it looked like a star but was much brighter and moving. He described its shape as oval.

He said his attention was drawn to the object when a woman came to his cab stand claiming the object had swooped down on her car at 3.20 a.m., lighting up Black Bay Road.

Police checked with Foymount Radar station 50 miles south of here but were given no information.

Early this summer a resident of Chapeau, Que., eight miles north of Pembroke, said a space craft touched down on his lawn burning the grass before taking off again.

Canadian Forces Base at Foymount, 40 miles south of Pembroke, and the NORAD base near North Bay both reported no radar sightings of UFOs Sunday.

NORAD has asked for a written report of the sighting and a spokesman said the base has received a rash of UFO observations in recent weeks.

"Ninety-five per cent turn out to be clear plastic weather balloons

launched either by the department of transport or the U.S. Weather Bureau," a spokesman said.

"In the early morning or late afternoon, these balloons (about 15 feet in diameter) take on a brilliant color and seem to enlarge in the light," he said. The spokesman said a recent sighting near North Bay placed an object at about 2,000 feet, but a radar reading showed the balloon at 29,000 feet.

Kitchener Waterloo Record

Ontario

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'Saucer' Identified

By Record Staff Writer

HANOVER—The large round object that was seen Friday night in the sky above Grey and Bruce counties has been identified as a weather balloon by two amateur astronomers.

Harold White of Hanover and Joseph Walter of Walkerton, who viewed the object through a 63-inch focal length Newtonian telescope, said there was no doubt about the object being a weather balloon. They estimated its size at from 25 to 35 feet and about eight feet in diameter. The square base was weighted to keep it from rolling, said Mr. White.

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Standard (e) 4,532

'Thing' Arouses Farmer

DANVILLE — A Danville RD 3 farmer, Walter Gething, was awakened at 3:00 am Monday. His entire house and the surrounding area was bathed in a brilliant floating object about the size of a bushel basket. The object made a noise similar to that of a jet motor. When Gething left his home with a shotgun to investigate the "thing," the object had disappeared. Gething had seen a similar light earlier in the summer.

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U.F.O. IS SPOTTED ABOVE ELLEMEHAM NEAR NIGHTHAWK

By Mrs. O. M. MILLER
A brilliant object much larger than the moon and in the shape of a heart was seen by Mrs. Walter Lawrie hovering over the crest of the Ellemeham mountain just to the north and east of the town of Nighthawk some time in the early morning hours before dawn of Wednesday, July 23.

As it hovered there, twinkling and sparkling, the sides seemed to swell at intervals, but always returned to its original shape. Mrs. Lawrie, too fascinated and awed to call anyone at that time of morning, watched it from a half to three quarters of an hour until, at the break of day, it gradually faded from sight.

It appeared the following two mornings, but was less intense than the first sighting.

It was also observed by Mrs. Earl Lenton and Mrs. Grace Finsen, both of Nighthawk.

July 2, 1969

CHESTER, PA.

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HUGE KITES IN SKY? Strange Objects Seen

Unidentified flying objects (UFO's) made a prolonged appearance in the West End section of Chester and adjacent areas Tuesday.

The Delaware County Daily Times received more than 30 calls about the mysterious objects. The Chester Police Department received about 20 calls.

Descriptions of color and appearance varied. Most people agreed that the objects were remaining stationary. Others claimed movement. A number of people thought the objects resembled huge kites.

It was the second rash of UFO sightings in the vicinity in four days. Reports about the kite-shaped objects occurred Saturday evening and continued until darkness.

Chester Township Justice of the Peace Victor M. Bowes, of 1823 W. 12th St., viewed the objects through a telescope. The 60-power telescope helped increase the size of the objects but left Bowes mystified.

"This is the second time in my life that I have seen something very unusual in the sky," Bowes said. The justice of the peace said his first view of the aurora borealis was "overpowering."

Bowes said the objects caused a flurry of excitement in his neighborhood. He said about 80 persons were out in the street looking. Two men came to Bowes' home and told him about the sighting.

This was at 5:30 p.m. Bowes got his telescope and zeroed in on the objects, which were northeast of his home. He

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WEEKLY PRESS

UFO Illumines Sky In Kincardine Area

Mrs. Jack Gardiner of the North Line had never put much faith in stories of flying saucers, but after an incident early one morning recently, she couldn't be blamed if she reconsidered.

Most area residents were awakened about 4:30 a.m. by two loud booms, thought to be from jet aircraft breaking the sound barrier. Mrs. Gardiner arose from bed and went downstairs to check the stove, which she thought might have exploded.

She was able to walk downstairs without turning on a light. Returning upstairs she noticed a light in the sky to the northeast.

She watched a bright saucer-like object hover in the darkened sky. Estimating the size to be much larger than a star but less than half the size of the moon, she said the light was a steady white glow which lit the sky. It remained about 40 minutes before it disappeared.

Mrs. Gardiner said as the object moved off to the northeast she saw a black vapor trail behind it.

A check of neighbors in the area could reveal no other witnesses of the phenomenon. —Kincardine News

Las Vegas, Nevada
Review Journal
July 16, 1969

UFO Sighted Near Vegas

A very bright object in the sky heading in a northeast to southwest path in the direction of Sloan, Nev. sparked calls to the Clark County Sheriff's Office Tuesday morning.

Both the McCarran and Nellis airport towers told the sheriffs office they saw a very bright object going across Black Mountain in the direction of Sloan about 9:10 a.m.

Both airports said there were no reports of any planes missing. Spokesmen theorized that the object was possibly some space "junk."

Deputies said there were no plans by the sheriff's office or Nellis Air Force Base to look for the mysterious object.

'UFO' reported at Chickasaw

An unidentified flying object was seen Wednesday about 2:30 p.m. over the fields west of Chickasaw near Highway 18.

Mrs. William Barth, rural New Hampton, her son, Brad, 16, and her two granddaughters, six and eight years old, were driving on a country road west of Chickasaw when all saw the object.

Mrs. Barth said, "It was round and aluminum colored or silver. It looked like a pressure cooker with the lid on it."

She explained that they had been driving along the country roads to show her granddaughters, who are from the city, all the farm animals. They were traveling towards Charles City at about 20 or 30 miles an hour when Mrs. Barth noticed the object to her right. "It was about a quarter to half a mile away from us, but it is hard to judge distances in the air, and it was low, just over the tree tops. No, we couldn't see any windows on it. It was like a very big round water tank with a protrusion on top like a submarine has. It was hazy that day, but we could see the bottom was perfectly round and not like a plane or anything like that."

Her son and granddaughters saw it, too. "I was just speechless, and couldn't believe my eyes." My son said it was weird.

When Brad slowed down the car for a better look the object seemed to pick up speed and travelled in a westerly direction angling upward. Brad tried to get a better, closer look at it by turning down another road at the end of the farm section, but by that time it was out of sight, just gone.

They informed Sheriff L. L. Lane about the object and since then have returned to the fields and that particular area to see if there was an evidence that the object had landed — any weeds or grass pressed down by a heavy object — or any other marks or evidence that it had been there, but could find nothing.

"People don't believe me when I tell them about it, and I don't think I'd believe anybody who told me, but I saw it and it was very strange. My granddaughters are still all excited about it."

Las Vegas, Nevada
Sun
June 27, 1969

UFO Investigator To Speak At UNLV

The assistant director of the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena will lecture on unidentified flying objects at 8 a.m. today at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

Gordon I. R. Lore Jr., who has spoken about UFO's throughout the nation, will address elementary and secondary school teachers attending a two-week Aerospace Education Workshop at UNLV.

The purpose of the workshop, sponsored jointly by the U. S. Air Force and the Civil Air Pa-

trol, is to give the teachers an understanding of how aviation and aerospace developments have changed the course of human affairs through social, economic and political implications.

Lore majored in journalism at Louisiana State University and music at the Peabody Conservatory in Baltimore, Md., and has been employed by NICAP since 1965.

In addition to writing and editing the organization's publications, he has also co-authored a book entitled "Mysteries of the Skies: UFO's in Perspective" published by Prentice-Hall, Inc.

Lore has spoken before the Scientific Research Society of America, the Atlas Chemical Corporation, the Society of Mechanical Engineers and General Electric and DuPont scientists and engineers.

He has also lectured at the U. S. Naval Academy, USU, Gettysburg College and has appeared on radio and television in the U. S. and Canada.

MICHIGAN
Ypsilanti, The Press
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Fraternity men sight UFO

City police were called at 1:43 this morning to investigate a report of an Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) seen by members of an Eastern Michigan University fraternity.

Steve Voss of 605 W. Cross St., along with Steve Cook,

Len Lukonski and Don Rusnock of the same address, and Gary Berruac of 617 Congress St., told police they were at the Alpha Sigma Phi house when they spotted the fast moving object.

They said the UFO was traveling from east to west

Or.

J. Schaeffer
Norma Short

UFO Sighted Over City

Some say that it was Mars and others say it was Echo II moving in the sky northwest of Mattoon early today. But the best that anyone can say with surety is that the flashing object in the sky was an Unidentified Flying Object.

At 1:06 a.m. Fred McKibben of 712 Edgar called Mattoon police to tell them of a star-like object in the Northwest sky which was flashing and moving in unusual patterns.

Patrolman Jim Appel who took the call could see the object from the radio room window.

Mrs. McKibben told the Journal-Gazette this morning she first saw the object from her bedroom window. She sighted it about midnight.

She and her husband moved into the yard of the residence and, using reference points, watched it move from south to north and south again, a pattern repeated several times during the more than two hours the couple watched.

Using binoculars they could

see the object flash red, green and blue. They also detected vertical movement Mrs. McKibben said.

State police were advised of the sighting as was Chanute Air Force Base in Rantoul.

Journal-Gazette staff members were among those advised of the sighting and they observed the object for about 40 minutes.

Using reference points, both the horizontal and the vertical movement were apparent to the naked eye and the red flashing light was strong enough to create a kind of aura around the object.

No one observing could detect a shape and about 2:20 a.m. today the object had moved into the west beyond visibility. It apparently reappeared about 3 a.m. in the same position.

Toronto Telegram, Ont.

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July 14, 1969

UFO reported seen by 13 people at Petawawa

PEMBROKE — (Special) — Thirteen people, including two police officers and three military policemen, reported seeing an unidentified flying object at Petawawa, nine miles west of here, early yesterday morning.

Constable Jack MacKay, of Pembroke OPP detachment, said he and his patrol partner, Const. Grant Chaplin, watched a slow-moving bright light in the sky between 4.50 and 5.40 a.m.

Const. MacKay said it had been reported that a Pembroke woman jumped terrified from her car when she saw the brilliant light, crying: "My God, it's going to hit us."

"It wasn't a searchlight

because it hadn't any shape. And it wasn't a plane or a helicopter, I'm sure. The three military policemen from the Canadian Forces base at Petawawa couldn't figure out what it was either," said Const. MacKay.

The two officers in the cruiser followed the object to Pembroke where it disappeared.

Pembroke taxi driver John Chasson said the UFO was brighter than a star and appeared oval in shape.

He said a woman had run to his taxi stand almost in hysterics, telling him that the brilliant object had flown over her car, following it along Black Bay Rd., east of Petawawa.

Harriston Review, Ont.

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FLYING OBJECT PUZZLES LOCAL CITIZENS

That large, round object, that hundreds of people saw last Friday night in the sky above Wellington, Bruce and Grey Counties might have been a weather balloon, but nobody knows for sure.

The Harriston Review received at least twenty or more phone calls from the surrounding area.

One observer in Harriston reported sighting the unidentified flying object about 8:45 p.m. It remained stationary for about 20 minutes, he said, and then moved fairly rapidly toward the west.

Through binoculars it appeared red and green, though others said purplish. It seemed to have an appendage of some sort through binoculars rather than being round.

The object was higher than the clouds and did not move in the same direction as the clouds.

One staff member at Mt. Forest weather office tracked the object and said it remained stationary for two hours.

It could have been a weather balloon, one officer said. "Up high a balloon would shine in the sun while it's dark down below."

At 8:00 p.m. the cloud ceiling at Mount Forest was at 22,000 feet with some breaks, but at 9:00 p.m. it was reduced to 18,000 feet.

A weather officer at Toronto International Airport could think of no nearby weather station where a balloon could have come from — but it could quite possibly be, that a balloon was pushed a long distance by strong winds in Friday night's storm systems, and it would be almost impossible for a balloon to remain stationary for 2 hours, he said. Air traffic control at Malton had no reports of the object Friday night.

At Wingham T.V. Station they said about 187 persons phoned Friday night to find an answer for the flying object.

Boise, Idaho
Idaho Statesman
July 11, 1969

Sky Object Shakes Up Boise Folks

Boise residents stared into the sky Thursday morning at an unidentified, silver-colored object in the southwest and speculation ran high that it was an upper air sounding balloon, possibly one launched Wednesday night from Chico, Calif.

A pilot from Boise Cascade Corp. reported the lazily-drifting object was at approximately 45,000 feet. It was estimated the object was about 100 feet in diameter.

The 190th Air Fighter Operations Office at Gowen Field said it was checking with the 26th Air Division in Corvallis to determine if it had any record of a tracking balloon having been launched.

Crystal clear skies set off the object and hundreds of Boise residents noticed it as they went to work. Law enforcement officers reported that they were receiving continual calls from curious citizens.

One state policeman said he had the solution.

"It's no weather balloon at all. It's the people from the moon coming down. They want to be at us here before we get there."

Aberdeen, Idaho
Aberdeen Times
July 24, 1969

Aberdeen Men See Strange Object In Sky

Was it a bird? Was it a plane? No! It was a bright light in the center of a white cloud.

This is the story of one of the two men in Aberdeen who saw the strange object in the sky recently.

The men had returned home from the posse grounds and one of them was unsaddling his horse when the other exclaimed,

"Look at that!" As he looked up he saw the tail end of the foggy looking cloud.

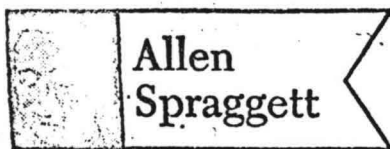
The men said they didn't know what it was but it was something unusual.

A flying saucer maybe? Shucks, and Paul Solem wasn't even present.

Solem is the caller of the Flying Saucers appearing at special meeting of the public held at Tilton Bridge.

The men swear all they had to drink was coffee and punch (unspiked).

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Allen
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Have astronauts from other planets already been on earth?

Man has landed on the moon to bring back soil samples from that alien world, and there are a few reputable scientists who think the earth may be visited by astronauts from another planet on a similar mission.

These scientists include Hermann Oberth, father of the V-2 rocket which inaugurated space flight, and Dr. James E. McDonald, a physicist at the University of Arizona.

Oberth, considered by many scientists to be the world's top rocket wizard (he was Wernher Von Braun's mentor and, like him, worked for the U.S. government's space program for five years), did a comprehensive study of Unidentified Flying Objects for the West German government. He concluded that the most plausible theory is that they are surveillance craft from another planet.

"I am most satisfied by the hypothesis that we are dealing with flying machines," said Oberth. "So far other plausible explanations have not been found.

"If we accept this as a working hypothesis we also have to assume that these flying machines are not built by human beings. We cannot produce machines that fly as the UFOs do—for example, at speeds of more than 42,000 miles per hour measured by radar."

UFO files kept secret

Oberth said the sensitive positions in which he has served have enabled him "to convince myself that authorita-

tive reports of UFOs do exist in U.S. military files and are kept secret only not to disturb the public."

To the argument that many UFO sightings are hoaxes or hallucinations and call for a psychiatrist more than physicist Oberth replied that he was a doctor before he was a physicist and worked for three years in a mental hospital.

The foremost American exponent of the extraterrestrial hypothesis in relation to UFOs is Dr. James McDonald, senior physicist at the University of Arizona's Institute of Atmospheric Physics.

"I started my serious UFO investigations in 1966," McDonald said in a telephone interview, "and to date I've talked to some 500 witnesses and done on-the-spot investigations in Australia and New Zealand as well as across the U.S.

"The more I study the evidence the more strongly I incline toward the view that UFOs are extraterrestrial surveillance devices of some type."

McDonald says the Condon Report on UFOs, issued recently by a group of scientists commissioned by the U.S. Army, is "very sloppy, atrocious really." The committee, he contends, failed to come to grips with the most impressive cases and seemed to prefer crackpot sightings which could be easily debunked.

Saw humanoid figures

There are cases even of alleged UFO landings which McDonald takes seriously, though with great caution. One was an on-the-ground sighting by a Socorro, N.M., police officer of an egg-shaped craft from which two 3-foot tall humanoid figures in bubble helmets emerged and appeared to scoop up samples of soil and vegetation.

The argument that no trained observer has ever seen a UFO isn't true, said McDonald.

"To mention just two: Seymour Hess, a meteorologist who is now dean of arts and sciences at Florida State University, saw a UFO in May, 1950, when he was at the Lowell Observatory in Flagstaff, Arizona," McDonald said.

"What he saw clearly was apparently an unconventional object of some kind moving against the wind.

"Clyde Tombaugh, discoverer of the planet Pluto, also made a sighting of what appeared to be an unconventional craft."

As to the possible source of the UFOs, McDonald has no theory "except that they probably don't come from within our solar system." The evidence, he said, "suggests that we are dealing with devices from a technology so far beyond ours that we can't understand the physics underlying their technology."

He sums up: "I believe UFOs are the greatest international scientific problem of our time."

Neepawa Press, Manitoba

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Two strange objects sighted over Neepawa

Anyone looking at the skies over Neepawa at about 1:00 p.m. Tuesday would have spotted two strange-looking objects.

A call from Arden, the UFO capital of Manitoba, informed Neepawa Press of a strange shiny object which seemed to change shape. A check by Neepawa Press staff confirmed that there was such an object, but that it was probably a weather balloon used for determining wind speed and direction in the upper atmosphere. Such a balloon is released from the ground and tracked by visual means, aiding forecasters in their work.

The other object was very brilliant — so brilliant that a person could not look directly at it. It seemed to hover slightly to the south, and it could burn with prolonged exposure. Most observers believed it was the "sun".

Halifax Chronicle Herald

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Weather Office Identifies UFO

A large white object that had hundreds of metro area residents wondering on Sunday if they saw an unidentified flying object on the weekend, turned out to be a stray weather balloon.

A spokesman at the Halifax weather office at Halifax International Airport said Sun-

day the object probably was a weather balloon.

He said his department had no idea where it was put up. Officials at the weather office estimated the balloon was between 200 to 300 feet wide and about 100,000 feet above the earth.

The spokesman said balloons usually have a payload but this one didn't, causing officials to figure it was a stray balloon that had lost its instrument package.

It was visible for about two hours in the metro area and moved away in a southerly direction.

Calgary Herald, Alta.

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Expert To Give Lecture

UFO Spotters 'Not Wacky'

People who see little green men and round, flashing, speeding disks in the sky, are probably of above-average intelligence and well educated.

So says Dr. R. L. Sprinkle, counsellor and associate professor of psychology at the University of Wyoming, who has devoted years to research on unidentified flying object observers.

Dr. Sprinkle was in Calgary Thursday to give a lecture at the Calgary Centennial Planetarium at 8 p.m.

NOT WEIRD

"There is nothing weird or wacky about people who claim to have spotted a UFO," Dr. Sprinkle says. "Our studies show most spotters are of above-average intelligence and well educated."

Most UFO sighters live in rural areas, he said, near power lines, atomic installations, mountains or water.

"Our visitors appear to like peace, quiet and power," he said.

The professor says he be-

lieves UFOs really do exist and are observing earthmen from a respectable distance.

"But they are getting bolder as time passes," he said. "Landings are being reported more and more, and some people even claim to have made contact with the occupants of the craft."

SPACE VISITORS

Dr. Sprinkle even believes the space visitors may have contacted the U.S. and Canadian air forces, but the information is being kept from the public.

"The agencies are definitely trying to play down the UFO sightings," he said, "for unknown reasons. Maybe they have had contact with extraterrestrial visitors."

He said there may even be a parallel between the U.S. space program and UFOs.

"I'm not sure just what that connection might be," he said, "but it certainly is a possibility."

Around Our Town

See Any UFO's ?

By Ernie George



The lady wrote about UFO's. What did the recent speaker think about them? Well, the speaker at RESA, Dr. James McDonald, thought the UFO's were for real. Furthermore he said nobody on this good earth created them. They are from outer space.

Dr. McDonald of the University of Arizona, has devoted the past two years to studying and evaluating the testimony of witnesses who have observed them. He has enough evidence from reports, radar records and memory factors to substantiate his statements. One of the three sightings he mentioned at China Lake was made in the parking area of Michelson Lab.

A new addition to the test plane fleet was anticipated at noon, and as the airplane flew low, and slowing, preparatory to a landing at NAF, two men were watching it from the Lab environs, at 11:45 a.m. Suddenly both men saw a foreign object appear a short distance from the plane, directly overhead. The UFO followed the plane for a number of seconds, then dashed off into space so quickly they reported he "just disappeared."

Each man then quickly drew a sketch of what he had seen in the sand, and then they compared notes. Both were identical. The men agreed on what they saw. Their report to a supervisor was highly satisfactory, and Dr. McDonald was much impressed, wishing that all his evidence was so technically correct.

Another sighting was out on the ranges, where the UFO swooped down low behind a missile. The missile-tracker caught the UFO in the cinetheodolite scope, and tracked it down the course for a few seconds before it dashed skyward and disappeared.

A third observation was made by NOTS men in a jeep out on the ranges. They didn't have any instruments to catch it on, but they all saw it.

Dr. McDonald is the nation's foremost scientist studying UFO's. There are many science and engineer types who have seen

such things, and there are several organizations nationally in which they have pooled their studies.

I have always figured that veteran military and commercial pilots who have sighted these things and reported them have not been suffering from hallucinations, but actually saw something foreign to their way of life. Interestingly enough, Dr. McDonald works on the same principle.

I'm too much of a student of psychology to believe a whole town could be upset over "something" in the area ... and fake it. In Exeter, New Hampshire, this happened. The whole community saw it, or them, was concerned, and the matter made the police blotter several times. And, in my opinion, a UFO came to Exeter just as it did to China Lake. Read "Incident at Exeter" in your library.

About books, you must remember, there could be as many phonies as there are authenticities. And I personally have my doubts about the "rides" some people report having in UFO's.

Incidentally, there was a UFO reported in our area, off to the side of State Highway 14, about 1967. I know of no authentication, sheriff's records, etc., I only got it third or fourth hand. The story goes that a young lady driving home here from Mojave, when south of Red Rock Canyon, saw this UFO swooping low over the valley, almost pursuing her car. She became terribly frightened. Fear isn't easy to fake.

Dayton, Wash.
Chronicle
July 10, 1969

Object in Sky Proves Poser

An unidentified object in the sky Friday evening, July 4, had the curiosity of a number of Dayton residents aroused.

The object, possibly a stray weather balloon or a home-made UFO floated high in the sky on its unhurried course over the city.

Residents, using binoculars and scopes, attempted to identify the object but the reflecting sun prevented an exact view. The object appeared to have a plastic appearance with the shape changing slightly as it turned or was struck by wind currents.

Swift Current Sun, Sask.

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Salina, KANSAS

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UFO a Spellbinding Sight for Family

In Ellis County

HAYS — Mr. and Mrs. Marvin J. Werth and son, Darrell, 19, Echoeschen, have recovered from their terror, but they won't forget what caused it.

The 3 watched a wedge-shaped object with a bright light centered near its top climb and dive and veer back and forth in front of them for 15 minutes Monday night.

"It dived as close as 5 feet to the ground at times," Darrell said.

He said the object appeared as an inverted pyra-

mid, silhouetted in its own light. He estimated it to be from 6-10 feet across at the top.

"It resembled a firefly but had a light intensity of an auto headlamp," Darrell said.

"There was no sound at all. Not even the sound of air rushing over it.

"It was spooky," Mr. Werth said.

The family has ruled out the possibility that whatever they saw could have been an animal, aircraft or reflected light.

The front-yard sighting was the second unusual sighting for the family within a few minutes.

Darrell said he had been on a date and as he pulled into the driveway the radio disc jockey gave the time as 1:32 a.m. He visited with his father for a few minutes and then they went outside to inspect a cloud bank. It was then they made their first sighting.

"It seemed like it was several thousands of feet high and several miles away," Darrell said.

He said the object's speed and direction appeared erratic. "Sometimes it would come to a complete stop."

He said the lights would flash from green to red to white and sometimes all 3 would flash simultaneously. He said the first sighting could have been an aircraft.

The second object appeared before the first had disappeared. Darrell said the second one appeared in the vicinity of the first and then raced westward across the sky and dipped down toward their yard.

The family estimated the object came as close as 200 feet from the house.

The sheriff's office said there were no other reports of unidentified flying objects in the area.

UFO May Be Survey Teams

Are they airplanes, weather balloons, shooting stars, satellites or flying saucers?

Or could they possibly be a blimp using lights for morse code?

The mysteries of space have plagued Central Illinoisans this week.

An unidentified flying object (UFO) was spotted near Mattoon Monday.

McLean County Deputy David Mattson watched a UFO called a star with a "rotation of orange, red and green lights" hover over McLean for about 20 minutes early Wednesday.

About 12:30 a.m. Thursday Dana W. Bahan saw an object in the sky as he sat in his yard at Lexington. "It definitely wasn't an airplane," he said.

Balloons Theory

The object, he said, was moving fast from southwest to northeast and then arced north. Red and green lights that "kind of twinkled" were most dominant, he said, but there were other colored lights that Mr. Bahan said were hard to describe.

There is a possibility that small blimp-like balloons are causing the phenomena.

A 17-man field party of the Environmental Science Services Administration (ESSA) of the United States Department of

Commerce is currently working its way through Illinois on an 800-mile geodetic survey eventually to reach into Mississippi.

The surveying comes through Central Illinois.

How would the survey cause such sights?

Groups of men in "triangulation parties" which determine linear distances, latitudes and longitudes work at night.

Their work has often been mistaken for UFOs, the Department of Commerce said.

Towers Used

The night crews erect triangular towers from 37 to 116 feet tall. The towers go up within a day, are used at night and come down within a matter of hours.

Survey crews work from the towers at night because the atmosphere is clearer then.

Men in the towers communicate with each other by Morse code. Thus the blinking lights which often mystify observers, the Department of Commerce said.

Blimp-like helium-filled balloons, about 12 feet long and four feet in diameter, are flown

near the midpoint of the towers to obtain the temperature of the air surrounding the light beams.

New "Whatzit" Brings Search But "Wherezit"

Unless you have seen an Unidentified Flying Object you are just not in style these days. Our latest report comes from Alf Collins and Ron who were playing cards on Sunday night shortly after midnight. To be more exact the time was one o'clock on Monday morning.

Suddenly they heard a series of swishing sounds and both ran to find the reason. They arrived just in time to see a large red object hurling to the ground, but which they lost track of as it disappeared behind the long row of evergreens on the McCreath property. The object, which at first lit up the sky, quickly disappeared and as one knows there are not too many lights in the cemetery area.

The Collins boys went out to investigate, but the lack of light prevented an intensive search, and since both are working it was not until evening that they were able to make a further search and they estimated that the "whatzit" must have fallen between Forenta and the Bannerman property. The press then got into the act and made a thorough search of this area but could find neither a spent meteorite or any indentation in the ground where it might have landed.

The fact that the swishing sound was so pronounced has led the Collins boys to believe that the object hit the earth in the immediate vicinity and are continuing their search for some visible identification of just "where is the whatzit" that both definitely heard swishing through the air loud enough to attract their attention.

Bend, Oregon
Bulletin
July 11, 1969

Area sky-watchers spot flying object

Described as a hemisphere, or "half moon," an unidentified object drifted high over Central Oregon Thursday afternoon and was observed in one locality for nearly four hours.

In the Fort Rock area, Mrs. Reuben A. Long and her sister, Neva Workman, got a fine view of the object, and noted that it was very high, and apparently silvery-white. At times, it appeared transparent.

Spotted in the southwest, the object first drifted north, then west. Eventually, it disappeared behind clouds.

Radio reports indicate the object was spotted also in the Eugene area and was listed as a UFO — an unidentified flying object. Some observers said the object was as large as a big jet plane.

Some observers said the UFO appeared to have a solid base.

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County Family Terrified Over UFO Sighting

By GENE F. ANDERSON
Of The News Staff

Three members of the Marvin J. Werth family said they watched in terror early today as a wedge-shaped object with one bright light centered near its top danced back and forth across their yard for a full 15 minutes.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin J. Werth and their 19-year-old son Darrell stood on the front porch of their brick home 1½ miles southwest of Schoenchen and witnessed the object climb and dive, veer back and forth in front of them in eerie silence.

"It dived as close as five feet to the ground at times," Darrell said. He said the object appeared as an inverted pyramid, silhouetted in its own light. He estimated it to be from six to 10 feet across at the top.

"It kind of resembled a firefly but it had a light intensity of an auto headlamp," Darrell said.

"There was no sound at all. Not even the sound of air rushing over it," the younger Werth said.

"It was spooky, I tell you," commented Mr. Werth. "I've never seen anything like it. It's something beyond my knowledge."

The family ruled out the possibility that whatever they saw could have been an animal, aircraft or reflected light.

"I sure wouldn't want to comment on what it was," said Mrs. Werth. "I tell you I was scared," said Mr. Werth. His son noted, "It was a terrifying experience."

Mrs. Werth said her son once attempted to get closer to the object, but Mr. Werth called him back to the porch.

The front-yard sighting was actually the second unusual sighting for the family within a few minutes.

Darrell said he had been on a date and as he pulled in his driveway the radio disc jockey gave the time as 1:32. Darrell said he and his father talked for a few minutes in the kitchen and then went outside to inspect a cloud bank in the western sky. It was then they made their first sighting.

"It seemed like it was several thousands of feet high and several miles away," Darrell said.

He said the object's speed and direction appeared erratic. "Sometimes it would come to a complete stop."

He said the lights would flash from green to red to white and sometimes all three would flash simultaneously.

Darrell conceded the first sighting could have been an aircraft.

The second sighting appeared before the first one disappeared.

Darrell said the second object appeared in the vicinity of the first and then raced westward across the sky and dipped down into their yard.

Using a large bank across the road as a guide, the family estimated the object came as close as 250 feet from the house.

Darrell said all three of them watched the object weave back and forth and up and down for at least 15 minutes. He described the light as "brilliant white."

Darrell said they could feel no heat emanating from the light at the time and found no evidence at sunup.

He said the object's speed was "tremendous." Its movements were "distinct and abrupt."

The sheriff's office said there were no other reports from the area.

Paisley Advocate, Ont

Circ. 1,005

June 26, 1969

ANOTHER UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT SEEN BY KINCARDINE RESIDENTS

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The fact that the swishing sound was so pronounced has led the Collins boys to believe that the object hit the earth in the immediate vicinity, and they are continuing their search.

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Spooky Headlamped Firefly Makes Appearance in Hays

HAYS — Three members of the Marvin J. Werth family one and one-half miles southwest of Schoenchen, became believers in UFO's in a few minutes early Sunday morning. Mr. and Mrs. Werth and their son, Darrell, 19, stood on the porch of their farm home and watched a wedge-shaped object with a bright light centered near its top. The UFO danced back and forth across their yard for a full 15 minutes.

"It dived as close as five feet from the ground at times," Darrell said. "He estimated the inverted pyramid object at from six to 10 feet across the top. "It resembled a firefly but it had a light intensity of an auto headlamp," he said.

"There was no sound at all; not even the sound of air rushing over it," the Younger Werth said.

"It was spooky, I tell you," Mr. Werth said. "I've never seen anything like it. It's something beyond my knowledge."

The yard visit was the second within a few minutes. Darrell, returning from a date, drove into the farmyard at 1:32 a.m. according to time from a radio disc jockey. As he and his father studied approaching storm clouds and talked, they saw the light which appeared to be several thousand feet high and several miles away. They said the lights would sometimes flash from green to red to white and sometimes all three would flash simultaneously.

The object's movement was erratic. Sometimes it would come to a complete stop. Darrell conjectured the first sighting could have been an aircraft. The object dancing over the yard appeared before the first one disappeared, he stated. It came into view near the distant object, raced westward across the sky then dipped into the farmyard where it came within 250 feet of the house.

Beausejour Beaver, Manitoba

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The associate professor of psychology at the university of Wyoming says he believes space visitors may have contacted U.S. and Canadian air forces, but the information is being kept from the public.

"The agencies are definitely trying to play down UFO sightings, for unknown reasons," Dr. R. L. Sprinkle said in an interesting interview Thursday. "Maybe they've had contact with extra-terrestrial visitors."

In Calgary to lecture at the planetarium, Dr. Sprinkle said he believes UFOs really do exist and are observing earthmen from a respectable distance.

"But they are getting tolder as time passes. Landings are being reported more and more, and some people even claim to have made contact with the occupants of the craft."

Dr. Sprinkle said there is nothing weird or wacky about people who claim to have spotted an unidentified flying object. "Our studies show most spotters are above-average intelligence and well educated."

Flying Saucer Buffs Meet, Hear APRO Net Explained

Have alien beings traveled aeons across the night to observe a couple billion inhabitants of a small planet way out in the suburbs of the galaxy? A growing number of earthlings think so, and about 75 of them met yesterday at the Boulder access area to Carlyle lake to eat chicken and potato salad and talk about their favorite things—flying saucers.

The group heard Arthur Epstein, Affton, Mo. say "There's no doubt there is something in the atmosphere that comes back with planned regularity." Epstein, a founder of the Greater St. Louis Unidentified Flying Object Study Group, believes there are UFOs; that they are solid objects and intelligently guided.

This seems to be the consensus of UFO hunters, and they refer to it as the Extraterrestrial Hypothesis. Stated more simply, they believe advanced forms of life from somewhere else are watching us. Members of Aerial Phenomena Research Organization seek to gather enough information to graduate this idea into a full blown theory. APRO, with headquarters in Tucson, Ariz., has a national network of observation groups designed to channel possible UFO sightings to a central point where they are plotted, cataloged and computerized. Field workers are dispatched to talk to people who report sightings and document them however best they can. What APRO wants is material.

Walter Andrus, Quincy, gave an outline of the APRO net with special emphasis on the breakdown in Illinois and the still-embryonic Midwest UFO Net.

Andrus said many of the best sightings are never reported because people are reluctant to say they saw "something," and per-

haps be thought a little "nutty." He added that this attitude is changing, that more and more people are reporting UFOs, that it is now "respectable."

In spite of this new "respectability," UFO hunters appear sensitive to ridicule; they take UFOs seriously, and although they exhibit a lot of "flying saucer humor" among themselves, levity from an outsider makes some of them "clutch" a little. It is generally felt the news media have done a negative job of reporting on UFOs and most are convinced the Air Force is hiding something on the matter. Epstein said it's a court-martial offense in the Air Force to even talk about UFOs.

Recently a UFO study was conducted by Dr. Edward U. Condon of the University of Colorado. The lengthy report is now in print—the paperback version is nearly an inch thick—and takes a negative view of UFOs. Apparently the report has not discouraged UFO hunters. On

the contrary, it seems to have whetted their appetite. APRO members say the report admits that there are UFOs and that some observations of objects cannot be explained—thus leaving the door of speculation open.

John Schussler, engineer from St. Louis, stood before a board illustrating conceptions of flying saucers and captioned "Flying Saucers Are Real," and said of the Condon Report: "Not-type investigations produce not-type answers." APROs three big questions are: (1) Are there really UFOs? (2) Where are they from? and (3) Who occupies them? And how about, "Why are they here?" Makes you feel a little like a member of an ant farm on somebody's desk.

The picnic and meeting was handled by Mrs. R. E. Holmes of Carlyle. Mrs. Holmes is head of the local organization in the APRO net. If you see anything you think is a UFO, call her, and she'll feed it to APRO headquarters.

Windsor Star, Ont.

Circ. 87,722

June 18, 1969

Creatures from beyond 'Believer' convinced UFOs are real

By RON BASE

UFOs?

Yes, says Windsor enthusiast who has been spotting and studying Unidentified Flying Objects since 1945 and today remains more convinced than ever that we really are being watched by creatures from beyond.

Daniel Rahn was one of two speakers who addressed a meeting of the Windsor Centre of the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada Tuesday night, in the AKO Community Centre.

The second speaker, Lambert Huneault, head of the electronics division of the Adult Education Centre, said weather forecasters, despite what many think, have

reached an accuracy level of 85 per cent in predicting weather.

He took his small audience on a step by step journey along the route weather forecasters follow in mapping weather reports from the first figures radioed and teletyped in from weather stations all over North America, to the final graphing and subsequent predictions on large weather maps.

Mr. Rahn, interviewed before he addressed the club, said he had made six or eight sightings of UFOs since 1945. He made his most important sighting only six months ago, he said.

"Over the west end of the city, I saw what could have been a mother ship enveloped

in clouds. Another small object that we know as a flying saucer was moving toward it and appeared to be guiding it."

The smaller ship followed a route the shape of a large C for about 15 minutes. Then both ships disappeared.

The incident left Mr. Rahn more convinced than ever of the existence of UFOs. "I'm a believer... I know there is something else out of this world."

He termed disbelievers as people who "either have not seen an unidentified flying object or have but don't believe what they see." He says he has never been called a crackpot for his beliefs and has, in fact, found people very interested in the subject.

"These are other beings who, for their own general reasons and welfare, are exploring our planet," he said.

"I take with a grain of salt stories of people actually taking a ride in a flying saucer."

At least one book has been published by a U.S. saucer enthusiast purporting to have taken a ride in an unidentified space ship.

"Anything these (unknown) people do," he continued, "is a closed book. That is, they don't want us to know too much about what they are doing. We're not ready and they know it."

South Side Mirror

Calgary, Alberta

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MIRROR

Planetarium Offers

UFO Lecture

A public lecture on the characteristics of UFO Observers will be given this Thursday evening, June 12 at the Calgary Centennial Planetarium.

The speaker will be R. Leo Sprinkle, Ph.D., Counsellor and Associate Professor of Psychology, University of Wyoming.

Dr. Sprinkle is one of a number of American scientists who appeared before the U.S. House of Representatives Symposium on Unidentified Flying Saucers in July, 1968. His lecture is the fourth in the current series on the UFO Phenomenon sponsored by the Calgary Centennial Planetarium.

The lecture will begin at 8 p.m. Admission is \$2.50. Advance tickets are available at the Planetarium.

Fairview Post, Alta.

Circ. 2,293

June 12, 1969

UFO's Sighted

by Patsy Dawydruk

HOTCHKISS: Flying objects commonly known as U.F.O.'s are again haunting Hawk Hills area. Recently five men working in their fields say this brilliant object hovering in different areas at night. One venture some fellow decided to investigate as it was hovering at the end of his field. It was reported that on hearing this object lights on his vehicle went

out and wouldn't go on again while facing the object. However I guess scared was the word he turned his vehicle around and headed in the opposite direction and the lights went on again. This is the third year these objects have haunted this area just keeping above the tree tops. It was also seen recently in Notikewin area. It must be the 'Thing' Phil Harris used to sing about.

Was it a saucer?

SYDNEY. — The secretary of St. Michael's golf course in Sydney's eastern suburbs, Mr Fred Longden, believes a flying saucer may have landed on the 17th fairway last night.

This follows the discovery early today of a triangular burn mark on the links.

At the three points of the triangle are deep impressions, each 8 in. wide and 2½ in. deep. They are 16 ft. apart.

Assistant greenkeeper Mr Leslie Ryan, 44, and his offsider Alan Harriett, 28, found the triangular impression about 7 a.m. today.

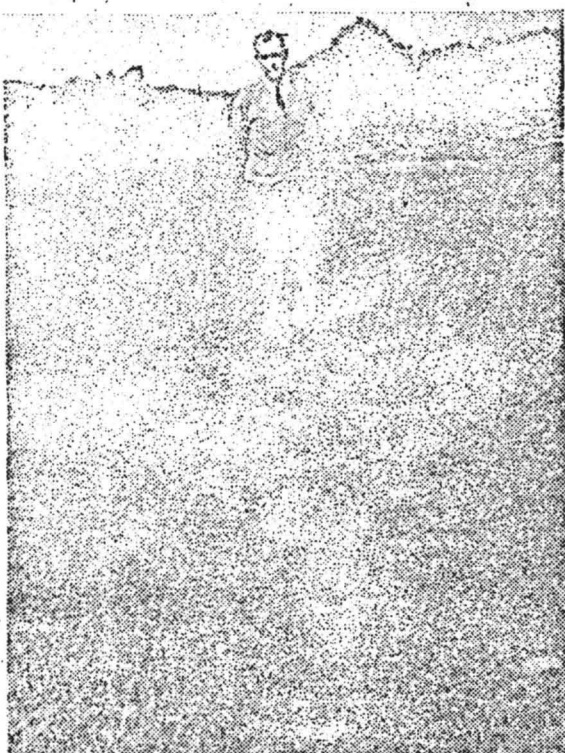
Mr Ryan immediately notified the course curator, Mr Bill Somers, who sent for Mr Longden.

Mr Longden said it looked as though a rocket had made the burn and something heavy had landed.

"There was a heavy dew this morning and if anyone had walked across they would have left a mark," he said.

"There were no footprints or tyre marks nearby.

"The course ranger rode horseback through the area last night on his



CLUB SECRETARY
Mr Fred Longden behind the triangular mark on the fairway.

informed him he should call the RAAF.

"The Government has asked the RAAF to investigate all similar sightings," he said.

"I felt I'd wasted enough time already, so I did not call them," he added.

Greenkeepers will preserve the triangular mark for further investigation.

regular patrol, but he saw no sign of the mark then."

Mr Longden today called the Department of Civil Aviation and an officer

Memphis, Tenn.
Comm. Appeal
June 1, 1969

'Mysterious Light' Scares Five Along Forest Hill Road

By GEORGE BRYAN

A brilliantly glowing orange ball the size of a house rolled, darted and bounced its way along Forest Hill Road early yesterday, "scaring the living daylights" out of five persons, they said as they reported the incident to sheriff's deputies.

Jimmy Baird, 18, of 33 Center in Collierville and Miss Martha Lenox, 16, of 505 Holmes Road told deputies they were returning from a movie about 1:30 a.m. The object "jumped from nowhere" and shot toward their car as they drove on Forest Hill Road between Shelby Drive and Holmes Road, he said.

The sheriff's department said it had received no other reports about the object.

Deputies J. L. Hamby and R. D. Paudert said "they were all pretty upset over whatever they saw."

"It was shaped like a huge pill," said Miss Lenox in the deputies' report, "and gave off a blistering bright light. It kept moving toward us so Jimmy drove away as fast as we would go."

Young Baird said, "It disappeared after we drove a little way and when I got down to Holmes Road, I turned the car around and headed back to see if we had really seen what we thought we saw."

The couple said when they arrived at the same spot again the light "turned on" again.

He said it looked "as if it was chasing us away. There was a bright yellowish gold ring blazing around it and some dark sections just inside that ring. The center was a very bright orange."

The couple said they went to the home of his aunt, Mrs. Milton Ballard, at 333 Center Road and told her what they had seen.

Mrs. Ballard said the two young people were "trembling and almost in shock" when

they tried to tell her about the object.

Mrs. Ballard and her daughter, Linday Ballard, 16, and young Baird's mother, Mrs. Sam Baird, went with the couple to the spot.

"We waited about 20 minutes and the object finally showed up," they told deputies. "It looked like it was about 100 to 150 yards away when it suddenly blinded us."

Mrs. Ballard said the object rolled and bounced toward them and disappeared when they sped away. She said the object was "completely silent" and gave off no heat.

"The officers told us not to say anything," Martha said when reached later.

"I'd be happy to talk about it if the police say it's OK," said Mrs. Ballard. "I know what saw," she emphasized.

Swift Current Sun, Sask.

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G1490 Taking a Chance

A United States psychology professor thinks beings from outer space are not only busy observing earthly doings, but believes they may actually have contacted U.S. and Canadian air forces.

The professor, who is from the University of Wyoming, claims there's nothing odd about people who see Unidentified Flying Objects. He points out that studies show most such people are above-average intelligence and well educated.

UFO sightings have become so common in recent years they barely rate as news. And when they are reported, the object immediately is to discredit them.

The Wyoming professor is venturing on

dangerously thin ice when he publicly states UFOs may not only be from outer space, but that information about them is being kept from the public. He is highly suspicious about what he maintains are attempts by agencies concerned with tracking down UFO sightings to play them down as much as possible. Unfortunately he hasn't a shred of proof to back up his allegations so he'll probably be rated as just another UFO crackpot.

Officialdom isn't likely to admit there's anything to the "flying saucer" theory until a bunch of little green men park on Main Street and start passing out outer space tourist literature.

KEEPS 'DISPASSIONATE OBJECTIVITY'

UFO Publisher Hasn't Ever Seen One

By ED GOULD

MAPLE BAY — John Magor is an expert on unidentified flying objects. But he has never seen a "flying saucer" and doesn't care if he ever does.

"I've never even come close to seeing one," Magor said. "I prefer to maintain my objectivity through dispassionate observation."

Magor, who published Canadian UFO report, a bi-monthly journal devoted exclusively to space phenomena, shares other UFO experts' abhorrence of the term "flying saucer." It too readily conjures up images of the "nutty individual running around looking for little green men everywhere."

Good Record Cited

His claim to unbiased reporting is fortified by a solid record in newspaper and magazine editing and publishing. He was honored at Columbia University in 1963 when distinguished graduates were given medals marking the 50th anniversary of the school of journalism.

The medal reads: "With respect and admiration for your record as correspondent and

editor and your enterprise and leadership in both daily and weekly newspaper publishing."

He formerly published the Prince Rupert Daily News, Duncan's Cowichan Leader weekly, and was co-publisher in Magor-Way Publishing (The Canadian Weekly Editor, The Hi-Baller, and others).

'Something Going On'

His latest venture could hardly be called the "business press". Specialist press is a better term. The Canadian UFO Report deals with unidentified flying objects and "the UFO movement in Canada."

In an introduction to the first issue the editor stated: "There is so much evidence pointing to the existence of UFOs that the hardest task must lie to those who would discredit them."

"In starting out on this adventure we admit to only one bias, namely, we are believers."

Magor said he has always maintained there is "something going on out there in space. And now that I am doing this magazine full-time I am more than ever convinced there is."

"The most normal type of guy, the guy who wouldn't be expected to be able to describe a UFO if one lighted on his head, has ended up describing it in detail after actually seeing one."

Sightings tend to fall into three well-defined variations: the cigar-shaped object, the disk



MAGOR

... hasn't seen UFO.

single science looks tiny by comparison.

"The emphasis now on radio astrology has tremendously expanded this area of study," he said.

An interest in space and what goes on out there has been a Magor tradition since brother Lincoln Magor signed up to go to the moon at Gall, Ont., in 1931.

A relative in the Yukon reported an exploding ball—"and she's not the type to give credence to a peculiar story"—which Magor checked out early this year and supplemented with similar sightings by other residents.

His own curiosity was piqued recently by several displays of pulsating lights that appeared over the Koksilah mountains. He finally drove out to discover the lights were from a night-time logging operation. But a logger there gave details that led to a genuine UFO sighting.

"The man's brother had seen a cigar-shaped object—the usual

deal—very metallic in the middle, flaming orange at the end, come up the valley. It seemed to have a landing pad underneath."

The logger was so interested he checked the area by plane and eventually took out a pilot's licence to benefit his further research into spotting UFOs.

Magor gets about two calls a week from observers, some of whom send detailed sketches. Recent callers from Ladysmith and Thetis Island reported beep, beep noises.

Full-time UFOlogist

The constant reports, some late at night, don't bother him.

"Until I sold all my other publishing interests I never had the time to devote to just UFOs," Magor said. "Now my lifetime interest has become my full-time work."

For those who have been led to a genuine UFO sighting,

"seeing things," Magor's Canadian UFO Report is published from Box 758, Duncan, B.C.

The associate professor of psychology at the University of Wyoming said yesterday that there is nothing weird or wacky about people who claim to have spotted an unidentified flying object. "Our studies show most spotters are above-average intelligence and well educated," Dr. R. L. SPRINKLE said in an interview. Dr. Sprinkle said most UFO sighters live in rural areas near power lines, atomic installations, mountains or water. The psychologist said he believes UFOs really do exist and are observing earthmen from a respectable distance.

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Herald Tribune, Alta.
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Man on moon, so . . .

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The Ottawa Citizen

UFO spotter says it's tit for tat

If earthlings can go snooping around the moon, there's no reason why extra-terrestrial creatures can't come snooping around the earth.

At least that's part of the rationale presented by John Lovagi of 203 Bertona St. in explaining how the mystery objects he saw in the Ottawa sky Tuesday night could easily have been intelligent-

ly piloted by non-mondial beings.

Mr. Lovagi, his brother-in-law, Brian Thompson, and two other men were sitting in the backyard listening to the Ottawa-Regina football game on the radio.

At about the time Ottawa's Darwin Gonneman streaked 20 yards eastward down Lansdowne's field to score a touchdown Mr. Lov-

agi noticed an object streaking southward through the clear night sky.

"It wasn't flashing," he said, "but flicked off every now and then."

Faster than plane

He estimates the speed of the object at 15 times faster than any airplane he has ever seen.

Minutes later he spotted a second one, moving at the

same speed following the first. His sighting is supported by the three men with him at the time.

"We got so excited about it we missed the last part of the ball game, and I still don't know the final score."

The Uplands control tower reported no curious activity on their radar screen at the time.

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'Some . . . You Can't Ignore'

Recent UFO Sighting Routinely Investigated By Kingsley Officer

By Vince Kohler
H&N Staff Writer

"People probably won't believe me, but on June 30, my brother and I were up on a deadend road target practicing and we were just starting down the road when I was looking at the sky toward KAGO Hill. I think we both saw it at once. It was like a big light and it was moving slowly. It had a wide vapor trail.

So wrote Gail Bumala, 12, 76 Washington St., in a recent letter to the Herald and News. Gail and her brother, Mark, 16, had joined the growing group of Americans who have reported seeing Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs).

Gail continued that "all of a sudden (the object) blacked out. . . . A second later something appeared, but it didn't have a vapor trail. All of a sudden it disappeared like it had disintegrated in a puff of smoke. As we watched, some-



"WHAT DID THEY SEE?"—Is the question asked by 1st Lt. Larry Haapanen, 24, Unidentified Flying Objects officer at Kingsley Field.

thing real small-looking fell into the hills. When we first saw (the UFO) my brother focused . . . field glasses on it and he said it looked as if it had four engines."

Gail, unlike many sighters of UFOs, went on to note the time of evening, the condition of the sky, the direction in which the object was moving and the length of time taken by the process she and her brother witnessed.

The Herald and News alerted 1st Lt. Larry Haapanen, 24,

the Unidentified Flying Objects officer at Kingsley Field. The commander of each Air Force base is responsible for carrying out investigations of UFOs in his area. Normally, this job is delegated to a subordinate such as Haapanen.

"The official position of the Air Force is that there is insufficient evidence to indicate that these objects are extra-terrestrial in origin," Haapanen explained, referring to the theory that UFOs may be manned space vehicles from another planet. "But the Air Force does not deny the possibility of life on other planets, either."

Haapanen, who has investigated half a dozen UFO sightings in the Klamath Falls area in the past year and a half, became interested in the subject before he joined the Air Force.

Haapanen urged the public to report any UFO sightings to the Air Force. "I'm happy to investigate any calls I get, though not all of my cases turn out to be unknowns. . . ."

UFOs are often connected with "flying saucer cults," whose members tell strange stories of visions, revelations and meetings with astronauts from other planets. Haapanen said his experience with such cults is nonexistent. "I've never had a report that originated from anyone I thought was eccentric or ignorant. And some reports you can't exactly ignore."

Haapanen said that, while most UFOs are eventually identified as aircraft or odd natural phenomena, about two per cent of UFO sightings remain unexplained, carried simply as "unknowns" on the records of Project Blue Book, the Air Force's UFO study project.

The lieutenant admits that even he has seen things in the sky he could not identify, "but I wouldn't say just because of that it was a flying saucer. That's ridiculous; the whole idea of calling something an unknown admits that you don't have any idea what it is."

Haapanen continued that his greatest problem in UFO investigation is lack of information. "Sometimes people accuse the Air Force of not telling everything it knows about UFOs. The public doesn't tell the Air Force everything it



"IT HAD FOUR ENGINES" — Gail Bumala, 12, and her brother Mark, 16, peer skyward as they did on the night of June 30, when they spotted an Unidentified Flying Object over Radio Hill. Sightings took place at the same time from Medford and Dunsmuir. The U.S. Air Force has taken an interest in whatever it was the Bumalas saw.

knows, either."

Descriptions of UFOs, said Haapanen, are often so vague that, "Quite frankly, it's hard to tell what the heck some of these things are. If somebody just says he saw a light in the sky, we can't do very much."

The UFO officer said persons who sight UFOs should note the following:

- The exact time of the sighting;

- How long the object was visible;

- Elevation in the sky in degrees (it is impossible to tell the altitude in feet of something that is unrecognizable, Haapanen warns);

- The size of the object compared to something ordinary;

- The object's shape and behavior;

- The condition of the sky at the time of the sighting.

People reporting UFOs, such as Mark and Gail Bumala, are contacted by Lt. Haapanen for an interview. They are given a simple but thorough booklet in which they describe in detail what they observed; directions are supplied for the drawing of diagrams; and the booklet contains space for the observer's supplementary remarks.

Haapanen then correlates the data supplied by the witness with other sighting reports, aircraft scheduled for the area and other such items of information that might give a clue

to what the UFO really was. Often the identification attempt is successful; sometimes it is not.

"One of the unknowns that intrigues me personally is the McMinnville, Ore., sighting in the early 1950s," Haapanen relates. "The witness produced movies of the unknowns in the sky."

He went on to say that the Condon Committee at the University of Colorado, which recently completed one of the most extensive studies yet made of UFOs for the Air Force, had subjected the films to "extremely detailed analysis."

"They could not prove the films to be hoaxes. There was something up there. . . . It's interesting to me because it's virtually the only sighting the committee studied that doesn't have a good explanation."

Haapanen gave the titles of three books on UFOs which he personally had found informative: the Condon Committee's report; "UFOs Identified," by Philip J. Klass; and "Anatomy of a Phenomenon," by Jacques Vallee.

Investigations are still pending on the UFO sighted by the Bumalas June 30 at 9:40 p.m. Haapanen revealed sightings took place at the same time over Dunsmuir and Medford. They were reported to Kingsley Field by KMED-TV, Medford.

Phenomenon streaks through Deloit field

By Tom Schulte

What cuts an 18 to 20 inch path for a distance of 80 rods through corn?

That's what Eldridge Winey of Deloit would like to know. Saturday morning he and his son-in-law, Wendell Argotsinger were riding along a fence line checking the electric fence when they noticed a path cutting through the corn on Winey's farm. Eldridge's guess is that it was a fireball from lightning Thursday morning.

Winey said "It was 80 rods long on a very uniform path 18 to 20 inches wide. It cut down all the corn stalks in its path." Apparently it started on the south side of a cornfield 1 1/2 miles north of Deloit and headed north. It started about 10 rows from the end of the field on the south side and stopped by a fence line on the north side.

Winey thinks it traveled north because the debris is all on the north side.

Three stalks in each row were cut. According to Winey it must have been a circular object since the middle stalk was cut off close to the ground while the two end stalks were cut higher. The middle stalk was cut sharply while the end ones were cut jaggedly, probably because they didn't cause as much resistance, according to Winey. The leaves on the side of the path were not cut possibly because they offered no resistance. Corn stalks in the middle of the path, however, were cut sharply and sometimes in two or three places on the stock.

Another curious aspect of the phenomenon was that none of the cut stalks were burned or even scorched. The fireball, if that's what it was, traveled 80 rods on gently rolling land jumping over two waterways in a gently curving path. Winey said apparently the fireball ended at the north fence line where the electric fence grounded it out.

The only explanation could be a fireball, he said, because a machine wouldn't have done it because the path cuts through the corn rows and cut the stalks in a curving path. It is also doubtful that an animal could have cut such a uniform path with out any crooks or bends according to Winey.

It must have happened last Thursday morning because a farm hand noticed it Thursday afternoon when he was cultivating but didn't pay much attention because he was late.

It is still a mystery to Winey who said he would like to get an expert opinion.

Florida

Orlando Sentinel

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'FOs Said Ready To Ride Along With Apollo 12

The Apollo 2 astronauts can expect some company on their trip to the moon July 16, according to the Florida UFO Study Group, which predicts that unidentified flying objects will be on hand as usual at launch time.

"July and December have for over 22 years produced the largest number of UFO sightings," says "Ufomation 2," the official bulletin of the Florida UFO group.

THE 1969-70 officers include William E. LeFevre, Merritt Island, president; George D.

Fawcett, DeLand, YMCA executive director, vice president; Richard A. Brunning, DeLand, recording secretary; Ken Hanke, Gainesville, historian and Taver B. Cornett, DeLand, public relations director.

The UFO students charge that "press clipping services indicate a new UFO flap has started worldwide with thousands of reports in daily, weekly and local newspapers, but unfortunately they are not being circulated by the major news wire services..."

Fawcett said there has been a flood of UFO sightings in

Florida "despite the fact that flying saucer sightings of late have proven to be fake photographs, military planes using strobe lights for night photography, plastic laundry bags with candles launched by students, polar satellites, high altitude chemical research rockets" and so on.

HE ADDED, "the proximity of mysterious objects to Cape Kennedy has led to new speculation about their relation to the space program. UFOs are often sighted prior to major launches and the Colorado

University Condon Committee. UFO reports still list UFO reports and photographs as unexplained after reports by astronauts James McDivitt, Charles Gordon, Charles Conrad, James Lovell and Frank Borman.

"Both NASA and NORAD cannot satisfactorily identify at least four known sightings of UFOs made by American astronauts during flight missions," Fawcett claimed.

One of the weirdest so-called sightings was in the Lakeland area last October and it is described by Fawcett:

"MR. AND MRS. W. L. 'Buck' McMullen, Miss Sharon Burgess and two school students, who earlier in the evening saw a mystery object headed toward the McMullen home from a nearby hill, were part of the total story.

"Prior to the incident and after the incident audio and visual interference were observed on their TV, while after the UFO left a Lakeland police cruiser dispatched to the area found its motor would no longer work.

"The McMullen dog knocked a hole in their screen porch in an

effort to get away from the UFO outside. Eyewitnesses noted a smell like ammonia that burned their eyes and nose."

"THE REPORTED UFO appeared to be about 13 feet wide and 8 feet high, as it was watched hovering seven feet above a palm tree about 150 feet from the McMullen home for 20 minutes.

"Through the UFOs transparent dome, the eyewitnesses saw two occupants, apparently about four feet high and dressed in 'white tight-fitting' outfits and headgears..."

More about UFO's

Dear sir,

I wrote recently to The Times-Review about flying saucers.

I have been informed that my U.F.O.'s always turn out to be weather balloons, swans, or hallucinations.

These are also mistaken for out of space visitors, believe it or not.

While it is true that good pictures of this interesting occurrence are scarce as far as the public knows, the Air Force must have some beauties, censored, of course.

For the skeptics who feel so down to earth and superior to the flying saucer crackpots, the following brief comments might serve to make them think for themselves:

Air Chief Marshall Lord Dowding - "The existence of these machines is evident and I have accepted them absolutely."

"I believe extra-terrestrial intelligence are watching the earth and have been visiting us for millenia, in their fly-

ing saucers," Dr. Hermann Oberth, rocket scientist.

"I believe in U.F.O.'s", Kurt Hammersjold, director-general of internal air transportation association.

"The hypothesis that these U.F.O.'s are extra-terrestrial surveillances I regard as most likely", Dr. James MacDonald, physicist.

"At first without any questions, I thought it was all stuff and nonsense, but not any more", Dr. J. Allen Hynek, astrophysicist.

Our wise old owls, and skeptics, might appear wiser, if they take another look also.

They are playing the expected game, arranged by the vain fools in office who honestly believe that the peasants who elected them, would panic if told the truth.

"It is time we were given all the facts about U.F.O.'s in the hands of the government at this time", Mr. Barry Mather, M.P. (New Westminster).

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FOUR THINGS

June 30, 1969

Strange Objects Sighted in Sky

CHESTER — According the reports there was something other than the usual moon, stars and airplanes in Delaware County skies Saturday night.

Within a 15 minute span, three people reported to the Daily Times seeing objects in the evening sky.

Mrs. Louis Dallam, 1018 Engle St., Chester was sitting with her family in her back yard at about 7 p.m. when she noticed 4 objects in the sky. She thought at first that they might be kites but decided "that were wasn't enough breeze or string to possibly get kites to fly that high."

A member of her family brought out a pair of binoculars to get a better look.

Mrs. Dallam described seeing four things hovering in the sky. "One had a glow around it and was larger than the other three," she said, adding, "there was a red one and a green one also."

Watching with her was a neighbor couple, Mr. and Mrs. Pullian, and their children, who also observed the four triangular shaped objects through the binoculars.

The group watched the objects until "about 9 p.m. when it became too dark to see them."

Mrs. Dallam's niece, who was visiting friends about three blocks away on Concord Road, also saw the "things that seemed like kites, at first." She described them as surrounded by a glow and shaped like a triangle.

Mrs. Laurice Miller, 1111 Norris Drive, Chester, was another observer of the unidentified objects. Watching with binoculars, she saw four objects, one red, in the sky at about 7:30 p.m. She said that they seemed to remain still but after a plane passed nearby, they slowly seemed to be ascending into the clouds.

Bernard Larson, 1203 Pulaski Drive, Marcus Hook, also reported seeing "block-like things circling around." He described them as brownish in color and mostly standing still, moving forward at times.

Parastudy, Inc., a group which investigates reports of flying saucers, also had reports of similar sightings in the area Saturday evening.

A spokesman for the Franklin Institute, which also received calls of similar sightings, had no explanation for the objects but said that it was not a predicted astrological occurrence.

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El Dorado Times

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SGT. MICHAEL WHITE

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'UFO' sighted

An "unidentified flying object" was reported in the sky above El Dorado this morning.

The object moved slowly across the brilliant blue sky, giving off a warm, bright glow. It attracted considerable attention from persons who were out and about during the morning hours.

Upon closer observation, the UFO turned out to be the sun, long absent.

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Dear Senator Jackson:

This is in reply to your recent letter in behalf of Mr. Rod Dyke concerning the University of Colorado report on unidentified flying objects.

Review of the
University of Colorado Report on Unidentified Flying Objects
by a
Panel of the National Academy of Sciences

The Panel was appointed in the latter part of October and early November 1968. The charge to the Panel was "to provide an independent assessment of the scope, methodology, and findings of the (University of Colorado) study as reflected in the (University's) Report." While the Panel largely restricted its review to this charge, it was thought both appropriate and necessary that the Panel become familiar with various scientific points of view as presented in other publications and reports by technically trained persons.

It was not the task of the Panel to conduct its own study of UFOs or to invite advocates, scientifically trained or not, of various points of view to hearings. The task was to study the University's Report and to assess: First, its scope; namely, did the Report, in the opinion of the Panel, cover those topics that a scientific study of UFO phenomena should have embraced? Second, its methodology; namely, did the Report, in the opinion of the Panel, reveal an acceptable scientific methodology and approach to the subject? Third, its findings; namely, were the conclusions and interpretations warranted by the evidence and analyses as presented in the Report and were they reasonable?

In the course of its review the Panel consulted papers on the same subject by technically trained persons (for example, William Markowitz, "The Physics and Metaphysics of Unidentified Flying Objects," Science, 1957 (1967), pp. 1274-79. James E. McDonald, "Science, Technology, and UFOs," presented January 26, 1968, at a General Seminar of the United Aircraft Research Laboratories, East Hartford, Connecticut. James E. McDonald, "UFOs - An International Scientific Problem," presented March 12, 1968, at the Canadian Aeronautics and Space Institute Astronautics Symposium, Montreal, Canada. James E. McDonald, "Statement on International Scientific Aspects of the Problems of Unidentified Flying Objects," sent to the United Nations on June 7, 1967. Donald H. Menzel, Flying Saucers, Harvard University Press (Cambridge, 1952). Donald H. Menzel and Lyle G. Boyd, The World of Flying Saucers, Doubleday (New York, 1963). Report of Meetings of Scientific Advisory Panel on Unidentified Flying Objects, January 14-18, 1953. Special Report of the USAF Scientific Advisory Board ad hoc Committee to Review Project "Blue Book", March, 1966. Symposium on Unidentified Flying Objects, Hearings before the Committee on Science and Astronautics, U. S. House of Representatives, Ninetieth Congress, Second Session, July 29, 1968).

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