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San Mateo, Calif.
(Times & News Ldgr)

A Flying Saucer Report For Mateo

The sighting of a strange, luminous object — like a flying saucer — hovering over the Coyote Point area in San Mateo was reported to the sheriff's office last night.

Laurie Diane Walther, who is celebrating her fifteenth birthday today, told Deputy John A. Wells that she was standing at the corner of Ottawa Street and Monte Diablo Avenue at 8:30 when she saw a flash of light to the northeast.

Then she saw what appeared to be a flying saucer, Laurie said. She described it to Wells as a round object about 25 feet in diameter with red and blue lights on its perimeter. It appeared to be hovering about 50 feet above the ground near the PG&E substation, the girl said.

Laurie, who lives at 1514 Monte Diablo, told Wells that she was unable to determine the color and composition of the object itself because of the brightness of the light it gave off.

After watching for a few minutes, Laurie said, she went home and called the San Mateo Police Department to report it. She was advised, she told Wells,

to tell her story to the Federal Aviation Administration. That office was closed, she said, so, wanting to report the incident to someone, she called the sheriff's office.

Wells checked with the police department later and was told that it had received similar reports during the past few days.

Nanaimo Free Press, B.C.

Circ. 9,276

January 8, 1970

CANADA

Duncan Mayor UFO Believer

DUNCAN — Ranks of believers — UFO believers — seems to be on a nightly rise here.

Mayor Jim Quaife and his wife Carol are the latest UFO observers.

Carol said this morning her husband returned to their home at 294 Coronation last night around 11:30 after a meeting, rushed in and said "Come on, quick and see this."

There it was, high in the sky, a "great big red thing with a purple light around it," says Carol. "I could hardly believe my eyes. It seemed to sit there, then move around and then sit for a while. It was round and at one point it looked as if something dropped off it."

Trenton Trentonian, Ontario

Circ. 7,257

January 21, 1970

Thinks Sight In Sky Was A Flying Saucer

BRIGHTON — A Gosport woman, who asked to be unidentified, Monday night sighted what she believes may have been a flying saucer.

As she was going to bed at 11:30 p.m., she happened to look out a window toward the east to see an object in the sky. She reached for her binoculars and saw that the object was circular with two light, flashing red and green, she told The Trentonian.

The woman said she watched the object for about a half hour, but then it moved from object.

The Trentonian has received no other call about the sighting.

CANADA

Chatham News, Ontario

Circ. 15,129

February 4, 1970

CANADA

FLYING OBJECT

A Duke street resident reports the sighting of an "unidentified flying object" in the skies over Chatham late Tuesday night. B. D. Binga, said he first sighted the object about midnight through his binoculars, and watched it until about 4 a.m. today. He said the object appeared as "two blue lights with a white light in the centre and a red light below it".

Campbell River Courier, B.C.

Circ. 3,918

January 28, 1970

UFO Spotted By Young Lad

It looks as if those men from Mars are spying on us again.

Young Bill Shillito, ten-year-old student in grade five at Ocean Grove School, was cutting wood by the shed at his home at Shelter Bay Resort one late afternoon recently when he saw a flash of light in the sky.

"It was white and seemed like a ball of fire," he said.

Bill was looking east towards the water and the unidentified flying object was travelling south. "It was a clear night," said Bill. Time was just after dark, about 5:20 p.m.

A few seconds elapsed from the time Bill sighted the object until the time it disappeared. Just before it went out of sight it blew sparks, he said.

Date of the sighting was Wednesday evening, January 14, in case anyone else saw it.

Young Bill was very happy and proud. "The object was very bright and it was very close."

CANADA

January 15, 1970
Oil City, Penna.
(The Derrick)

Phenomena In Sky Reported

CLARION — The Derrick office in Clarion received three calls Wednesday morning in reference to some kind of a phenomena in the sky over Clarion early in the morning.

Mrs. John Callahan of Leeper Star Route reported seeing an object in the southeast part of the sky at 6:30 a.m. which appeared to her as an "upside down question mark in red." She stated it behaved like a vapor trail and disappeared.

Then from her east window she saw a brilliant white star, which was divided into three balls which in turn just exploded and separated leaving a vapor trail.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Young of West Wood Street, Clarion, also saw the same objects.

Also reporting to the office was E. G. Dunbaugh, state inspector of school buildings who is staying in Clarion while inspecting the new Clarion-Limestone elementary building near Strattonville.

Dunbaugh said the object appeared in the southeast at a right angle vertical to his tail. He also said that it was red and appeared like a question mark. In addition he saw five balls which appeared to be rings and then exploded.

"The object had a red light which I saw in the sky. It was very bright and it was very close."

Physicist lectures on flying saucers

"Flying saucers are real" is the title of an illustrated lecture to be given by nuclear physicist, Stanton T. Friedman, on March 18, at 8:15 p.m. at Mira Costa High School Auditorium on Artesia Boulevard in Manhattan

Beach. The talk is being sponsored by the UFO Research Institute.

Friedman is currently employed by TRW systems in Redondo Beach on the development of nuclear electric generators for spacecraft.

He earned B. S. and M.S. degrees in physics from the University of Chicago and has more than thirteen years of experience in the development of such advanced systems as nuclear airplanes, nuclear rockets, nuclear power systems for spacecraft, and fusion rockets.

Past employers include General Electric, Westinghouse, General Motors, and Aerojet General Nucleonics.

Since 1957 he has talked about UFO's to almost 100 technical, college and lay audiences across the U.S. and Canada.

He is one of only 12 scientists



S. T. FRIEDMAN

who provide testimony to a congressionally sponsored UFO symposium in 1963. He has discussed UFO's on dozen of TV programs including the Joe Pyne and Ed Nelson shows in this area.

"As a result of eleven years of study and investigation, I am convinced that the Earth is being visited by intelligently controlled vehicles from off the earth. The evidence (not proof) is overwhelming but most sceptics haven't bothered to examine it. It is time to lift the "laughter curtain" and use our capabilities to get solid information."

Friedman's lecture and slides will cover such items as misconceptions about UFO's, the feasibility of travel to the stars, UFO landings, the arguments of the educated non-believers, the inadequacies of the Condon report, and specific sightings.

Admission will be \$1.50 for adults and \$1. for students. Tickets may be obtained in

advance by sending payment and a stamped addressed envelope to UFORI, P.O. Box 941, Lawndale, Ca. 90260.

February 20, 1970
Inglewood, California
(Daily News)

Alliance, OHIO (Review)
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UFO Club Gathers Here

Lake Milton Boy Tells of Sighting Object in Space

SEBRING -- Films taken by Nasa of Apollo 8 and Apollo 11 missions were shown along with reports of the UFO sightings local and world wide by the club director, James Rastetter, when UFORD, the UFO Social Club met Saturday at the former St. Ann's Church building. Harold Hubbard, technical director, read a letter to the UFORD board from the secretary of the Air Force stating reasons for the suspension of Project Blue Book and then commented on the goals of UFORD in the field of ufology.

Eighteen new members were accepted by UFORD.

The highlight of the meeting was the disclosure, by a new member, of a sighting he made during the last week near Lake Milton.

Robert Hively, 13-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert N. Hively reported that he and his five year old brother Joseph were visiting with his father and some friends at a home at Lake Milton.

The boys were outside at approximately 7:30 p.m. when they saw a large object approaching, traveling north, and it seemed to him to be at the height of a low flying Piper cub type aircraft and moving at approximately the same speed as a plane but there were no noises.

The object appeared dome-shaped, and had square windows around the upper rim and on the lower side. There was a blue glow through the windows and on the bottom there were two red lights and two green lights which flashed alternately.

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There appeared to be sparks coming from the rear of the object. The craft was observed until it was blocked from view by trees.

Robert stated it was a clear night and that he is not aware of anyone else witnessing the sighting. UFORD investigators are in hopes that others who may have seen the object will provide further information.

Refreshments were served and assistance with the program given by Gerald Anderson, UFORD director in Youngstown.

Plans for the March 21 bus trip to the Cleveland Ufology Project meeting, directed by Earl J. Neff, noted ufologist, were discussed. It was announced there are seats available and information may be obtained about the trip by calling Arthur F. Schroeder of Alliance.

Several members brought UFO information, such as books and newspaper clippings, to be shared with those present.

February 11, 1970
San Francisco, Calif.
(Examiner)

See front page also
for additional info

Here We Go Again!

Year's First Bay Saucer Sighting

As if the cops around San Mateo didn't have enough to worry about, little green men are perplexing them again.

The first flying saucer report of the young year was filed yesterday when a girl named Laurie D. Walther, of 1514 Mt. Diablo Ave., San Mateo, said she saw a saucer over Coyote Point about 8:30 last night.

Miss Walther, who celebrates her 15th birthday today, said she was standing at the corner of Ottawa and Mt. Diablo when she spotted a flash of light in the sky to the northeast.

Then, she said, she saw what appeared to be a saucer about 25 feet in diameter hovering some 50 feet in the air above the electrical transmitters located there.

The saucer had red and blue lights outside, she said, but she couldn't distinguish the color of the craft itself because of the glow.

Miss Walther called the San Mateo Police Department, which referred her to the Federal Aviation Agency, which didn't answer. Then she called Deputy John A. Wells of the sheriff's office, who took the report.

Reports of saucers have of

ten located them above electrical facilities. Believers like author Frank Edwards theorize that the craft are electrically driven and refuel themselves on our lines.

Others, however, say the phenomenon is probably caused by some atmospheric condition around the power lines.

January 9, 1970
Harrisonville, Missouri
(Demo-Missourian)

UFO Is Reported In Harrisonville

Reports of an unidentified flying object were phoned into the Harrisonville police and fire departments Saturday evening but the "flying saucer" turned out to be a meteorite.

The local police department took several calls concerning the meteorite and calls to the Harrisonville Fire Department were referred to the police so as to not tie up the fire department's telephone line here.

The "big ball of light with a tail on it" was later described as a meteorite by the U. S. Weather Bureau in Kansas City. It apparently burned itself out in the earth's atmosphere. Callers reporting the meteor were phoned back by the police.

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Shiny Orange Disc Sighted in Duncan

DUNCAN — Another UFO reportedly visited Duncan and the eight-minute sighting Tuesday night was made by Mr. and Mrs. Vern Stanley-Jones of Richards Trail, Duncan.

Mr. Jones is president of the Cowichan-Chemainus UFO Club and he has been an expert on UFOs for over a decade.

It was a crisp clear night when Mr. and Mrs. Stanley-Jones left their business in downtown shortly before 11 p.m. to go home.

They drove along Trunk Road and turning onto Lakes Road Mrs. Stanley-Jones called out to her husband, "Oh, look at that." Mr. Stanley-Jones said, "I immediately pulled to the side of the road, turned off the headlights and shut off the motor. We got out of the car and we saw this bright yellow-orange object at between 500 and 1,000 feet above the ground. It looked like a disc and was about two inches in diameter."

"I looked at my watch. It was three minutes after 11 p.m. Without emitting any sound it moved over Lakes Road hill. It did not move very fast, almost like a car driven down Lakes Road. When it reached the bridge at the bottom of the hill it stopped briefly, turned at right angle and flew right over the town. When it was about above the centre of town it stopped again and we watched it just hanging there for a while.

"Then it moved off due west more rapidly." Mr. Stanley-Jones and his wife quickly went up Lakes Road and borrowed a pair of binoculars from a friend living nearby but by that time the object had shrunk in the

distance to the size of a star. Mr. Stanley-Jones, who has sighted numerous UFOs since he became interested in 1957, stated the Tuesday night sighting was a good one because the object was so big and so low.

He insisted the very bright object could not have been a plane because of its peculiar manoeuvres. He said, "I had

the feeling that there was a bigger part above the brightly lit disc."

The Lakes Road sighting was the third since the new year began. On New Year's Day at the Cowichan District Hospital a UFO with two occupants was reported within 100 or 200 feet from the hospital and at Mill Bay later the same day, another UFO was reported in the night sky.

During the past 12 years Mr. Stanley-Jones said he has gathered a considerable amount of information on UFOs and much of it based on his own experience. He began to become interested in the year of the first Russian Sputnik in 1957, and his first sighting, backed by two airline pilots, is still very vivid in his mind.

Flying back to Vancouver from the east he had been invited by the captain of the large airliner to sit in the cockpit for a good view of the Rocky Mountains. On that flight he said he saw his first UFOs which, according to him, were of unbelievably large proportions.

Both pilots admitted they had seen the strange ships before but that they were not allowed to divulge their observations.

"It was a very bright light. At first I could not figure out what on earth it was. Everything happened so fast. I had heard and read quite a bit about UFOs and I always used to be skeptical. I think this was a spaceship and I am no longer skeptical. "This one was fairly close and we watched it for about half a minute. This was a great experience and I feel

Mrs. Wilson, a nurse at the hospital, commented Monday, "I was very surprised when I saw it. It began moving away counter-clockwise and it was about 200 feet away when I saw it."

She said she saw the glowing cockpit of an object which was stationary in the air opposite the children's ward, one storey above her. She said it was slightly tipped downwards toward her, 40 feet away and 60 feet off the ground. Mrs. Kendall described the vehicle as being silvery and metallic and having a "necklace of lights" around the middle. She said there were two

The sighting was verified by John Magor of Maple Bay, who edits and publishes the Canadian UFO Report when he interviewed five other witnesses at the hospital. Mrs. Kendall said she pulled back a curtain by a patient's bed in the extended care ward on the second story of the hospital about 5 a.m. on New Year's Day.

very fortunate to have seen it." The UFO was first spotted by Mrs. Doreen Kendall, a registered nurse from Nanaimo, when it was only 40 feet away from the hospital. She was the only one to report two beings inside the craft.

figures inside the dome who had "strikingly good physiques" and were wearing tight-fitting uniforms of a soft-looking material. Mrs. Kendall said one stood before a glowing chrome-colored instrument panel.

The second man, who was wearing headgear which hid his face, looked at her, touched the pilot with an ungloved hand and the craft turned away after the latter pulled back, forward and then back again on a control lever. She called out to other hospital employees when it seemed obvious that the vessel was about to leave.

On Saturday, Mrs. Be a Drummond of Mill Bay said she saw a bright orange and yellow object in the sky on New Year's Day. It was also seen by her son Jim and his wife Dianna. Other sightings during December were reported from Ladysmith and the Duncan area.

The Cowichan Hospital sighting was discussed Monday by Vern Stanley-Jones, president of Cowichan-Chemainus UFO Club. "I don't quite know yet what to make of it," he said.

"On the other hand it is that at certain times of the year we get more sightings than at other times. I therefore more sightings. Mr. Stanley-Jones pointed out that if more sightings occurred during the new year, a pattern could be established. He made two sightings in 1967 and 1968 years.

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See last months clippings for the whole story behind this clipping.

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Another person, who said to be a scientist, reported two red lights hovering over a creek Monday morning. He said he was coming in a boat on U.S. 301, driven by his son, when the lights appeared over the creek. The Air Force Base near the creek, but questions

UFOs Appear
Mrs. and Mrs. Robert T. son, Yarrowburg, West, with the cows Wednesday, about 6:00, saw two red objects and a third red across the eastern sky. "I reminded me of the of July when a fireball 'puff' said Mrs. T. covered the whole night. We went back in a while and it soon started again. "At first we thought it was one of the stars but we saw will appear in the sky have no idea what it was. wondered if anyone else a phenomenon."

Nurse Now UFO-Believer

February 10, 1970
Great Falls, Montana
(G.F. Tribune)

Local Witnesses Claim U.F.O.'s Eject Fireballs

By SHARON CURRIE

"Fire-balls" ejected from an unidentified flying object, which hovered over the Maple Bay and Crofton area last week, could mark the return of the "beepers", Vern Stanley-Jones, president of the Cowichan-Chemainus UFO Club advocated Monday.

Stanley-Jones, considered an expert on UFOs for more than a decade, mooted such a possibility after he, his wife and several other people in the area witnessed a large bright yellow-orange craft cruising over the area Tuesday night, Jan. 6.

Many of the individual reports made to Stanley-Jones substantiated his theory — that the vehicle appeared to drop off a number of "fire balls or sparks" as it continued on a northerly course from Genoa Bay towards Crofton.

Stanley-Jones and his wife, of Richards Trail, Duncan, said they watched the craft for eight minutes, about 11 p.m.,

after stopping their car on Lakes Road.

"I turned off the headlights and shut off the motor. We got out of the car and saw this bright yellow-orange object at between 500 and 1,000 feet above the ground."

He said the craft looked like a disc and was the biggest thing he'd ever seen.

The craft made no sound as it slowly travelled over Lakes Road hill. When it reached the bottom of the hill, the vehicle stopped briefly and then turned right and flew over the city.

"When it was over about the centre of Duncan it stopped again and we watched it just hanging there for awhile.



VERN STANLEY-JONES

Then it moved off due west more rapidly."

The couple rushed to a friend's home on Lakes Road Continued on Page 8

Big Ball of Blue Light Puzzles Area Residents

A big bright light streaked across the Great Falls-area sky Sunday night, leaving some puzzled people in its wake.

Those observers questioned by the Tribune agreed on several points: The time was about 7:55- the light was low in the sky and moved rapidly toward the northwest horizon; it was silent, and it was green or blue.

Mrs. Roy Curtis of Vaughn was the first person to report seeing the object. She said she was it through a window of her house and that her 10-year-old daughter, Suzanne, saw it while playing outside.

"It was a great big green thing," Mrs. Curtis said. "It looked like a falling star but it was too close. It went out right over Vaughn."

The Curtises live about a quarter-mile southwest of Vaughn. Mrs. Curtis said the light was about the size of a tennis ball.

Apparently the light was seen by few people. A check with the police, sheriff's office and agencies that might have had sightings reported to them showed that only one report was made within an hour. That report was made to the Weather Bureau.

No aircraft were reported missing and the Malmstrom Air Force Base command post said it had received no reports on the light.

A man who lives in the Valley View area of Great Falls said the object "was a big green ball with sort of a tail on it." He said he sighted it going past Hill 57 from a window of his house.

"It was nothing like I ever saw before," he remarked.

Charles Urquhart Sr., a rancher who lives east of Great Falls, saw the light but described it as "real blue." Urquhart's home is by the Missouri River about 12 miles east of Great Falls near the mouth of Belt Creek.

He, too, spotted the light through a window and he said his wife glimpsed a blue streak across the sky. Urquhart said the object was headed toward the ground but his view of the northwest horizon was blocked.

The rancher said that as the object descended, "the streaks of blue light were

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U.F.O.s

Fireballs...

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and borrowed a pair of binoculars but by that time the object had shrunk in the distance to the size of a star.

Stanley-Jones, who has sighted several UFOs since he became interested in 1957, said the large object could not have been a plane because of its peculiar manoeuvres.

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STILL SKEPTICAL

About 8:30 p.m. that same night, another couple, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur "Buzz" LeQuessne, Arbutus Avenue, Maple Bay, were travelling south past the Maple Bay Yacht Club, when they spotted a similar type of craft over Birds Eye Cove.

"We stopped the car and got out."

Mrs. LeQuessne, who claimed she didn't believe in UFOs, said the bright orange ball was about 2,000 feet high, and was manoeuvring in a counter clockwise direction. They heard no sound.

"It dropped three fireballs and at first we thought it was a plane exploding. It remained stationary for about five minutes and then disappeared."

"I think it was someone trying to be funny and I won't believe in UFOs until they land in front of me," Mrs. LeQuessne added.

About the same time, Mrs. Kay Clinchens, Maple Bay, reported witnessing the bright orange object after she went outside to move her car.

"I thought it was too large to be a star and it was stationary."

said she watched a large red or blue light which hovered over Maple Mountain.

"I watched the light on and off through binoculars until 10 p.m."

Mrs. Merrill said when she first sighted the light she told her son, Leslie, 11, that she was star gazing and handed him the glasses.

"Leslie looked and then told me it couldn't be a star because they don't move and hop around like that."

She said the round object could have had a silver surface. Mrs. Merrill said the object manoeuvred back and forth and it appeared that flames or sparks were shooting out.

"It's a funny thing that all those people saw the fireballs shot out of the craft," Stanley-Jones commented.

"It makes me wonder if we're going to hear beepers again."

Stanley-Jones explained that two years ago, in this area and Vancouver, people heard a "beeping" sound but couldn't see anything. The noise also occurred in other parts of the world.

"The experts investigated the possibility that it could have been some type of space probe and because of some mechanical failure the signal became audible to the human ear."

He said the beepers were heard around the Cowichan Lake Road area and the sound was picked up by carrier wave on an 80-meter band by a ham radio operator.



UPI

Next door?

Quasi-scientists in Oklahoma City say this creature could be your neighbor. This is their No. 1 type alien, formed from details of some of the 300 Unidentified Flying Object Landings reported to the UFO bureau.

FEB. 22, 1970

Little green men who really weren't there

By the Publisher

Some interesting items we have
clipped:—

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The Air Force has officially closed
"Project Bluebook," code name for its
investigation of Unidentified Flying Ob-
jects.

It comes as a shock to realize that it
has been nearly 23 years since a private
pilot named Kenneth Arnold started the
whole thing off by reporting a formation
of "saucer-like" objects playing tag over
Mt. Rainier, Wash.

Truly it can be said that never in the
course of human history were so many
people to report seeing so many things
that turned out to be so few.

Ah, where are the flying saucers of
yesteryear?

Dedicated ufologists will no doubt
continue to believe in the things, and
someday perhaps their faith will be
rewarded. Others will go on muttering
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New Glasgow News, N.S.

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A Closed Chapter

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1490 Blue Book closed on UFOs

After 12,618 entries, The Blue
Book is closed — an apparent indica-
tion that the United States govern-
ment has grown tired of cataloging
and investigating that unexplained
phenomenon, the Unidentified Flying
Object.

Project Blue Book was the name
given to the special department that
investigated the so-called "flying
saucers" and in its time found itself
and the U.S. government involved
in some of the most unusual contro-
versies of the last decade, involving
incidents of strange lights and radar
sightings over Washington, D.C.,
sightings at Exeter, New Hampshire,
and the famous "marsh gas" episode
at Ann Arbor, Mich.

Nothing was ever resolved. Pro-
ject Blue Book was never able to pin
UFO phenomena down as being atmo-
spheric apparitions or anything else,
and when the U.S. government an-
nounced recently that they were clos-
ing the Blue Book for good, the mat-
ter still remained up in the air in the
minds of many — including scores of
journalists who have ground out a
continuous stream of "factual" paper-
back books over the last 20 years

on UFO incidents. It's chief rival
and often antagonist, the National
Investigations Committee of Aerial
Phenomena — a private organization
with headquarters in Washington —
still maintains UFO's are probably
extra-terrestrial vehicles of some sort
and shows no sign of closing off its
investigations.

Although little is known about it,
it was revealed during a 1967 UFO
sighting at Shag Harbor, N.S., that
the RCAF had at that time a depart-
ment charged with investigating
UFOs. There is no indication whe-
ther Canada, too, will close out its in-
vestigations just as quietly and also
without an answer as to what is be-
hind the world-wide phenomena.

However, even with official pro-
jects like Blue Book closed, there is
no reason to assume that sightings
all around the world, and the stream
of books that are spawned by them,
won't continue. A cult of sorts has
developed around the unknown, as
most cults do, and certainly there has
never been anything concrete releas-
ed by any government on UFOs to
reclassify them from unknown en-
tities.

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Thursday Morning, January 8, 1970

Files On UFOs Should Be Kept

Some astronomers, physicists and social
scientists are concerned about the fate of files
compiled in the last 22 years by the Air Force
in its research on unidentified flying objects.

There is no attempt to persuade the govern-
ment to reopen the research, which was closed
with a definite bang last month. But the Air
Force has not revealed what it intends to do
with the records it has accumulated on UFOs,
and there is fear they might be burned.

If there is nothing at all to reports of UFOs,
then the records should be retained for possible
future use of social scientists who might be
able to discover what leads people of good
reputation and apparently sound mind to agree
that they saw various mysterious objects.

If there is more to the sightings than can
be ascertained now, then the records might
prove valuable to physical scientists in the future
if they should reopen the UFO case. As simply
a matter of historical interest, the UFO stories
are worth preserving.

It costs little to make and store microfilm
copies of files. The Air Force should by all
means do that, and not destroy these papers
which are in detail a few years' worth of

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21490 Give Up on UFOs!

So the United States Air Force, after 22 years of study, is giving up its investigation of UFOs — unidentified flying objects — or in popular parlance, "flying saucers".

Announcing its decision, the air force said it had found no threat to national security in the imagined presence of this phenomenon of outer space.

Meanwhile, the subject has been discussed in Boston by the American Association for the Advancement of Science. Among the skeptics present was Dr. J. Allen Hynek, Northwestern University astronomer, who said scientists of the 21st century would look back on UFOs as the greatest nonsense of the 20th century.

Somewhat we doubt if either the U.S. Air Force's decision to end its study or the word of those who say it is a lot of boloney will convince the host of people all over the world who claim to have sighted UFOs, even talked with "crew members", and believe the authenticity of published photographs purporting to be UFOs, as well as pictures of burned areas of earth where UFOs may have landed. And what about the reports of electrical interference: UFOs bringing autos to a halt and their presence striking fear in the hearts of both man and beast? Animals for instance have been reported as reacting in startled fashion to the apparent presence overhead of UFOs. And what about the Biblical references to phenomena similar to this kind of activity?

What does lead to a measure of skepticism among laymen is the fact that despite all the evidence no one has yet pinned down one of the brutes, shot it down or whatever. It is all too inexact and inclines one to agree with Dr. Hynek when he says: "I can't walk around the block without seeing at least one and sometimes several of the basic stimuli that people have reported from time to time as a bona fide UFO".

Be that as it may, as long as some element of mystery remains, controversy is bound to continue. Of the many books published on the subject, one of the most recent is *Harmopie 33*. Its author is Bruce Crathie, a pilot with the National Airways Corporation of New Zealand, and he claims half-a-dozen UFO sightings.

An analysis of these and other confirmed sightings led him to the discovery that they occurred in a regular pattern that conformed to a systematic grid pattern. Further research, he claims, proved that this grid was part of a worldwide grid and that UFO sightings are inter-related with other natural but hitherto unexplained phenomena.

Where then do we go from here? Whether one is a skeptic or a believer you have to admit it is a fascinating subject.

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Three Types Noted

UFO Watcher 2165 Classes Aliens

Oklahomans were given a comprehensive one-hour lecture on alien recognition Saturday night by the head of an international UFO charting organization.

Hayden Hewes, founder and director of the 10,000 member International UFO bureau, classified three types of aliens described in 300 landings across the world. The organization has members in 37 foreign countries.

Hewes said classification of alien types was done as part of a research program tied to an upcoming book, "but it has significantly increased the credibility of UFO landings."

He showed slides of more than 50 landings and pointed out the alien occupants and their similarities with other slides taken in other parts of the world.

Hewes said the abandonment of the Air Force UFO bureau at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio, was a disappointment, "but I believe they really still have people working with UFOs. They would have to if they want to insure the security of the country."

He indicated that the University of Colorado committee which examined UFO information was little more than "government white-wash."

Hewes says he always tries to present evidence of the existence of UFOs and both sides of the question both in his lectures and the organization's monthly magazine, "to let the audience make up their own mind."

Hewes said the \$513,000 Colorado committee actually added credibility to the belief that UFOs do exist, though they are not necessarily from outside forces.

"It is unfortunate that the government drew an invalid conclusion from their research," he added.

Hewes invites public participation in his organization's work through the New Age Center in Oklahoma City.

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2165 Flying Object Reported Here

Another "unidentified flying object" has been reported here.

John E. Norris, Jr., police officer here, said today that he saw a "strange light" going from east to west over Broad street in the early morning hours one morning last week.

He said that the object was "traveling too fast" for an airplane. There was no noise accompanying the flying object Norris said.

In the last four or five years, there have been a number of reports of flying objects here.

ported here by police and others, most of them over the northeastern section of the town.

Amateur astronomers have reported sighting such objects by telescope a number of times.

Some of the objects have reportedly stayed in the sky for several seconds. Others are reported to be sighted and gone almost as soon as they are seen.

Norris has reported seeing a number of the objects while on early morning patrol in the police car here over the last couple of years.

Beach UFO's Believed To Be Only Pranks

By PAT DROPPIS
Staff Writer

Unidentified flying objects recently sighted in the Myrtle Beach area are no longer unidentified.

They are contraptions consisting of large plastic laundry bags, wired to hold either a lighted candle or ball of cotton saturated in kerosene or similar fuel, then allowed to float free.

Myrtle Beach Police Chief W. C. Newton said his de-

partment has retrieved several of these objects over the past week.

He warns that these contraptions offer a dangerous fire hazard to the entire community.

"What if one should fall, still afire, on top of the roof of a house where there is pine straw or dry leaves?" he said.

Newton said that if it fell in a field or wooded area, there was a possibility it also could set them on fire.

"Sure would hate to think that some innocent person asleep in his bed some night would get hurt by fire because of this," he said.

Newton said that according to all indications, a group of youngsters have been sending up the bags for fun, like children play with kites in summer.

He said they first got a lead on the origin of the so-called UFOs when a laundry and dry cleaning establishment operator told

about all the plastic bags young people had been buying from his place of business.

Newton said this man remembered reading somewhere how this could be done with the plastic bag.

The chief told how members of his department had chased the objects for three or four miles before they came down and were retrieved.

We had no idea how far one of the bags could travel or how high with the proper wind conditions. They apparently would remain aloft until the candle or cotton burned out.

A demonstration of how the contraption works was given this reporter by the chief and a member of his department, Sgt. Ellis Bellamy. Using one of the already wired, retrieved bags, they saturated a very small ball of cotton in fuel then allowed the fuel to partially evaporate. The cotton was wired to the open end of the bag and the

entire apparatus was turned upside down.

As the cotton began burning, the heat caused the bag to fill with air and had it not been held securely, the entire thing would have floated into the sky, much as an air-filled balloon. As soon as the cotton burned out, the bag deflated.

A number of people in the Grand Strand area in the past two weeks have told of seeing strange lights in the sky. This could explain those lights.

Many different explanations and theories about these UFO's have been expounded in classrooms and gatherings in the area but only one group came up with this explanation. That group consisted of 11th-graders at a local high school.

In a letter written to the SUN-NEWS, one lady said "I'd be willing to bet it was Aurara Borealis — or Northern Lights, as we call them in New England. I know this is pretty far south for them, but at this time of year and in weather like we had Saturday, it surely seems quite possible to me."

So now, everybody who was afraid of an invasion from little green men from outer-space can rest easy at least until the next sighting.

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Fireball Reports Continue

The Robesonian has received several additional reports of the sighting of a bolide which was reported in Thursday's issue of The Robesonian.

Billy M. Lewis, advertising manager of The Robesonian, reported sighting the falling fireball as he went home from work around midnight Tuesday.

Gaston Locklear, who lives approximately two miles east of Red Springs, and Billy Green of East Lumberton, who was leaving work at Wagram, have reported to The Robesonian that they, too, saw the object plunge into the earth.

Another bolide was sighted in the western sky around 7:30 p.m. Wednesday by Lee Hamilton, wire and entertainment editor for The Robesonian, who said that this object appeared to be not quite so bright or large as the Tuesday night sighting, but that it was quite a bit larger than the average "falling star" which appears.

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Lost Calf Search Turns Up Another Meteorite Piece

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — A search for a lost calf has turned up an object from outer space — another piece of the Lost City meteorite.

Farmer Richard Halpain was looking for the calf last Saturday when he noticed a piece of rock that was different from others in the area. He picked it up, marked the spot and called authorities. A Smithsonian Institution official displayed the 10-ounce rock for newsmen Monday, saying it was part of the meteorite that flashed across the skies over a four-state area Jan. 3.

A 22.5-pound fragment of the meteorite was found only six days later near Lost City, in northeastern Oklahoma.

Scientists believe the meteorite was on the far side of Mars about a year ago when it left its orbit and headed on a "collision course" with Earth.

Halpain's find was shipped Monday to the Battelle Memorial Institute at Richland, Wash. After a series of tests, it will be returned to the Oklahoma farmer.

Meanwhile, a five-man crew from the Smithsonian will continue searching the Lost City area in hopes of discovering more pieces of the meteorite.

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Meteorite Find Called to OPP

WHITE RIVER — The Ontario provincial police report a variety of complaints and requests for assistance during the past week.

These ranged from compassionate messages and egg throwing, to a person sighting what he believed to be a meteorite.

An Abitibi employee at Cotton Lake reported he had spotted what he believed to be a meteorite. The object apparently fell to the ground around Marion Lake, approximately 17 miles east of White River. It was described as being approximately two inches in diameter and red and white in color.

Another call answered by the detachment was to a local residence. Upon the officer's arrival he learned a local man had taken an overdose of aspirin tablets. No charges were laid in connection with this occurrence. The incident apparently took place during a family dispute.

Two disturbance complaints were received during the week. It seems however the people involved did not wish to meet the officers. In both cases, one to a local beverage room and the other to the home, the persons involved

A complaint received from a local resident revealed they were constantly being annoyed by prank telephone calls.

The Ontario provincial police detachment here warns the person or persons responsible to bear in mind that these actions could cause serious consequences, should they be found out.

For more information on this case, see page 9 of last month's clips.

SPACE NEWS

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Next Year It's Mars

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The National Aeronautics and Space Administration said yesterday it will try for the first time next year to place two spacecraft in orbit around the planet Mars.

The mission goals require that the Mariner spacecraft continue to send back data for about three months, while orbiting the planet.

This period will allow enough time for the 2,200-pound spacecraft, equipped with television cameras and other experiments, to study about 70 per cent of the planet's surface from an altitude of about 1,000 miles, and also to observe selected areas as they appear to change with the Martian seasons.

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Priceless Moon Dust Stolen From Exhibit

LOS ANGELES — (UPI) — A tiny vial of "moon gravel" brought back by the Apollo 11 astronauts was stolen from a display at a fund-raising dinner Saturday night and the Federal Bureau of Investigation was asked to enter the case yesterday.

The two-inch-long glass tube containing 2.3 grams of the grayish moon substance disappeared from a pedestal at Bullock's Department Store while hundreds of guests were enjoying a \$100-a-plate buffet on a floor below.

The sample had been loaned to the Saul Winstein and Doheny Eye Foundations by the Institute of Geophysics at the University of California in Los Angeles, where it was being studied by Dr. George Weatherill along with other portions assigned to scientists by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

A NASA spokesman at the space center in Houston said public display of lunar material must be cleared through the agency and that their records did not indicate such a request had been made.

Stephen Lawrence, the business manager for the institute at UCLA, was in charge of transporting the sample to the department store and back to the laboratory, and it was he who noticed it missing last evening when he had the keys of the store.



"I can come to no other conclusion but that it was a theft," Lawrence said. "I certainly did not lose it."

It was understood the exhibit was being guarded by three plainclothesmen from a private detective agency. Lawrence declined to discuss the security arrangements which had been made by the sponsors of the dinner, but it was reported the guards did not stand by the exhibit but mingled among the crowd.

Dr. Weatherill said that similar displays had been made available to the public at the UCLA campus and that uniformed guards from a private security agency had been on hand.

"It didn't seem appropriate to have uniformed guards at such a society affair," Weatherill said.

The vial was being displayed along with two other moon samples — a rock and a slide with moon dust on it, which was under a microscope. Only the tube was missing.

A calculation of the monetary value of such a tiny sample would be impossible, but it is of vast importance since the astronauts have returned so little material for world scientists to study. The United States has spent an estimated \$1 billion since it started the space program, and the Apollo 11 mission brought back 21.3 pounds of lunar material.

Eclipse Photos Of Solar Layer, The Finest Ever

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The National Aeronautics and Space Administration said yesterday that photographs of the March 7 solar eclipse, taken from a rocket-launched camera package 120 miles above the earth, appeared to be of unprecedented quality.

The agency said study of the pictures indicates that a complex pointing-control system, developed particularly for the experiment, kept the camera equipment trained precisely on the crescent of the sun.

Each of the camera cassettes in the package, launched by rocket from Wallops Island, Va., held 25 film strips sensitive to exposure times ranging from two-tenths of a second to 10 seconds.

The experiment, designed by scientists from Harvard College Observatory, England's Imperial College and Canada's York University, was designed to photograph the light from the sun's chromosphere between the corona and the photosphere

or solar disk. This light normally is too weak to be studied when the sun is not obscured.

The photographs were recovered by aircraft carriers from the Atlantic Ocean.

The experiment was designed to provide a better understanding of the manner in which energy is transferred and heat is exchanged in the region of the chromosphere and corona, 160 to 12,000 miles above the sun.

During the period from March 6 to March 8, NASA launched 31 sounding rockets from Wallops Island.

All of the launchings were on schedule to the second, and all of the rockets performed perfectly, the agency said.

As a result, it said, scientists now are studying the largest amount of data ever gathered from a solar eclipse by rocket-borne experiments.

NASA said it would be several months before most of the information is analyzed.