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Mike Culbert... How Dare We Again Mention Ufology?

BY 1968, UFOLOGY — a quite unofficial term for the scientific study of unidentified flying objects (UFOs) — had almost achieved semi-respectable status.

After all, a number of major names in science and a host of retired government and military personnel were involved in it. The UFO mystery had taken somewhat startling dimensions and one could profess "belief" in UFOs without immediate detention for psychiatric observation.

But 1969 changed all of that. That was the year the \$500,000 Condon Committee University of Colorado project handed out its authoritative last word on UFOs: nothing of substance to concern ourselves about, was the synthesized message of the committee's voluminous "report."

So 1969 was also the year the Air Force, which had set up the Condon study, closed Project Blue Book, which, under one name or another, had been the controversial repository of UFO cases since UFO fever swept the U.S.A. in the years after World War II.

(1969 was — chuckle — also the year that a top member of the Condon team respectfully dissented with the Condon findings, as well as the Condon procedures, and wrote all about it in an equally authoritative if pooh-poohed volume called "UFOs? Yes!")

At any rate, the stage was set, and Ufology was hurled backward into the pulp magazines and byways of charlatanry from whence — some would have us believe — it sprang in the first place.

Comes now Lloyd Mallan, long-time writer on the UFO scene, scribbling away in the sensationalist National Enquirer and quoting from a 14-page chapter in Volume II of "Introductory Space Science," a text used at the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs.

The chapter does NOT take the posture that UFOs are indeed extraterrestrial but it is open enough to leave the door open for doubt, and in so doing refers to two of ufology's most tantalizing cases:

The up-close sightings of "humanoids" and

their space craft by a New Mexican patrolman in 1964; and the up-close sightings of one or more humanoid creatures by a farm family in Kentucky in 1955.

Neither of these classic cases was probed by the Condon committee — and are among such key cases apparently deemed not worth the effort.

Volume II of the textbook deems them worthy of a detailed recounting, however. Lt. Col. Hector Quintanilla, Jr., the last head of Blue Book, is quoted in reference to the New Mexico incident: "Zamora's UFO sighting was the best documented case of the 13,000 UFO cases I studied while at Project Blue Book."

The textbook covers some other points of interest to "pros" and "antis" in the now less-than-respectable headwaters of ufology."

"If such beings (aliens) are visiting the earth, two questions arise: 1) Why haven't they attempted to contact us officially, and 2) why haven't there been accidents which would have revealed their presence?"

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"1) We may be the object of intensive sociological and psychological study. In such studies you usually avoid disturbing the tests subjects' environment.

"2) You do not contact a colony of ants — and humans may seem that way to any aliens (variation: a zoo is fun to visit, but you don't 'contact' the lizards.)

"3) Such contact may have already taken place secretly, and may have taken place on a different plane of awareness — yet we are not yet sensitive to communications on such a plane."

Elsewhere, the text (Mallan says) states:

"One thing that must be guarded against in any such study is the trap of implicitly assuming that our knowledge of physics (or any other branch of science) is complete."

A point of view, we daresay, missed by the upright biped Homo sapiens of the Condon Committee.

We checked with the U.S.A.F. Academy and a Major Oglesby validated for us the existence of the book, the chapter and the quotes, adding that the text is part of the cadets' Physics 370 course.

"There is a section on extraterrestrial life," he said. "We want to emphasize we are an academic institution and not a military base. We are trying to provide all points of view on this subject and let the students arrive at their own decisions."

He confirmed that the book does indeed detail the two incidents reported by Mallan.

Sightings drop off

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Where are all the flying saucers?

By HERSCHEL P. FINK

News Staff Writer

Whatever became of flying saucers?

For years they were "seen" by hundreds of people every year who — no matter how their sightings were otherwise explained — truly believed that people from outer space were watching us.

What's more, there were a lot who thought that the object of those watchers was to be ready to step in and save us just before we blew ourselves up.

But nobody is seeing saucers any more. The tremendous and long-abiding public interest in them is a thing of the past.

Saucers flew to prominence just after World War II and reached a popularity zenith in the late 1960's. Since then, they've been in a nose dive.

NEWSPAPERS HAVE STOPPED carrying sighting reports of UFO's—unidentified flying objects. Not because of a conspiracy of silence, as some "believers" claim, but simply because people aren't seeing them.

If they are, they're not talking about it.

Some experts say UFO's are still very much with us, and point to recent puzzling cases to illustrate their claim.

But all agree that public interest in "flying saucers," as they became known in the 1940's, has fallen to an all-time low.

A combination of factors is responsible for the decline, including the fact that science has caught up with science fiction, and that recent governmental actions and scientific studies have written off UFO's as being unworthy of serious study.

The Air Force, which cataloged and investigated 12,618 UFO reports in 22 years, closed its Project Blue Book investigation last December, partly because of lack of public reports.

At its peak in 1952, Blue Book received 1,501 UFO reports. But in 1969 it had fallen to 146.

Michigan, which in 1966 and 1967 was a mecca for flying saucer buffs because of numerous intriguing sightings, also has registered a decline.

At Selfridge Air Force Base near Mt. Clemens, where hundreds of saucer reports were collected in 1967, UFO's are almost unknown.

"We still get a very few queries, but I don't think we've had more than a couple calls within the last year," said Capt. Michael Mickelson, the base information officer.

"Maybe the Martians are insulted that the Air Force isn't interested in them any longer and have gone home," he suggested.

THE DECLINE IS NO laughing matter for publishers who capitalized on the big saucer wave of the 1960's, nor for the private organizations dedicated to seriously studying them.

Perhaps the largest organization is the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP), which still maintains a staffed office in Washington.

"We are having our financial troubles," admits Stuart Nixon, the organization's 28-year-old executive director and only full-time employe. Nixon took over NICAP's helm after the retirement Jan. 1 of Donald Keyhoe, a retired Marine Corps major.

Keyhoe, an outspoken advocate of the theory that UFO's are extraterrestrial vehicles, did much to popularize the subject following World War II. His controversial views, however, are not wholly subscribed to by the organization he guided from 1957.

"Our membership grew steadily during the early 1960's and peaked at about 13,000 in 1967. It began leveling off almost immediately and it's really dropped this year," Nixon reports.

The organization now has only about 7,000 members who pay \$10 annual dues.

NICAP's membership is only reflective of the current public indifference to UFO's and the dearth of reports, Nixon feels.

"It's fair to say that UFO sighting reports are on the decline," he says. "The trend became evident as early as 1968 and has been steadily continuing. We are still getting reports, but only a trickle."

Nixon isn't ready to admit that genuine UFO sightings — if there are indeed any — are any less numerous.

"Part of our problem is that we can't keep track of actual UFO's — only the people who report them. It may be that people who see one won't report it."

THE MAJOR REASON for reluctance on the part of the public may be the result of a University of Colorado study of UFO's, underwritten by the Air Force, which was released in January, 1969.

The \$500,000, 18-month study, under the direction of Dr. Edward U. Condon, former head of the American Association for the Advancement of Science concluded that there was no evidence UFO's represented visitations from outer space nor was there a basis for considering them strange natural phenomena meriting further scientific investigation.

"This had a very definite negative effect on UFO reports, which is what it was designed to have," Nixon said. "It gave people who had genuine observations misgivings about what they saw — if not about themselves. It can be a very effective tactic when you reflect on a person's sanity."

Nixon said the Condon committee report also had the effect of scaring scientists away from the subject, giving them the impression that the last word, scientifically, had been said.

"But there is a strong minority of scientists who don't agree," Nixon said.

One of them is Dr. J. Allen Hynek, chairman of the astronomy department at Northwestern University and one of the world's most respected independent investigators of UFO's.

"The Condon committee report was a travesty of the scientific method," Hynek says. "If the committee's investigation was conducted in any manner like a trial, they would have had to declare a mistrial. It was evident that the subject was prejudged before the committee even sat."

Hynek compared the committee's conclusion that there is no scientific merit in UFO's to similar past scientific pronouncements about ball lightning and meteorites.

"When the scientific fraternity said there was no such thing as ball lightning — an electrical charge similar to lightning which may roll on the ground — that didn't make ball lightning go away. But it did dry up reports. Now the subject is back on the respectable shelf."

HYNEK ALSO RECALLED that in the early 1800's, scientists said there was no such thing as meteorites—debris from space which invade the earth's atmosphere.

"Museums went so far as to throw away their meteorites on grounds that they had to be fakes."

While the Condon report's much publicized summary stated that there was no need for further study, the report itself indicates otherwise, Hynek observes.

"Buried deep in the text are a number of interesting UFO reports which the committee had to conclude were unexplainable."

"The report, when read in its entirety, constitutes as good a reason for studying the subject scientifically as you could want."

One of the most puzzling reports reaching the Condon investigators involved an episode at Lakenheath Air Base in England in 1956. The base is used by both the U.S. and Royal Air Force.

Radar operators detected one or more "targets" that seemed to be moving at speeds of up to 4,000 miles an hour and making 400 mile an hour right angle turns.

Two RAF fighters were sent out, and one

reported it had a radar "gunlock" on the target.

THE UFO, however, circled the fighter's tail and remained there regardless of the pilot's evasions. The plane ran low on fuel and had to land. Observers on the ground saw one or more white, rapidly moving objects.

The committee report said that natural explanations could not be ruled out, "but the probability of such seems low in this case."

Hynek sees a bright side in the fact that the Condon report and one of its recommendations, closing Project Blue Book, have put a damper on saucer enthusiasm.

"Too many people capitalized on the 'gee-whiz' aspect of UFO's. Many of the books were poorly written and unscientific. I don't mourn the loss of many of the publications. They did a lot to discredit the subject."

ONE RESULT OF THE publicity of the 1960's was to generate a lot of "junk sightings," Hynek said. They included the "psychiatrists' couch" variety and the outright hoaxes.

"The decline in publicity did a lot to cut down the noise and let some of the sound through," Hynek observed. "When I do get a report today — and they are still coming — they are almost always more puzzling. They are fewer in number, but the quality has gone up tremendously."

The bad side of the Condon report and Air Force disinterest has been to drastically reduce the number of places a person can go to report a sighting, he said.

"The police will laugh, big newspapers generally are disinterested and the Air Force doesn't want to be bothered. There's no central place to report."

Hynek says he doesn't know whether actual sightings of UFO's by reliable persons have declined in the last few years.

"If there are no voting booths, how do you count the vote? But in my own mail, I continue to get good reports from people of good repute."

The result of the two United States moon landings last year may have also had an effect on the public attitude about UFO's, but the experts are undecided on the result.

NICAP's Nixon feels the moon landings cooled public interest.

"The general public, under the influence of sensational paperbacks about little green men, was terribly disappointed when no little green men turned up on the moon. They were disappointed with the entire subject of space and UFO's. That was reflected in the lack of interest in Apollo 12, the second moon landing."

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UFO Reported 2/15 Lewis County sheriff's deputies said Frank Smith, route 2, Rochester, reported sighting an Unidentified Flying Object at 6:45 p.m. Tuesday in the Lincoln Creek area. Smith told deputies the UFO was northwest of his home at an altitude of 15,000 feet and produced a red and green glow. Smith said he observed it through the telescopic sight on his rifle.

UFO 'Sighting' Changes Skeptic

BY CREIGHTON A. BOIKE
News Staff Writer

It had just stopped raining. The sky was cloudy under the pitch of night. Roger G. Jayo wheeled his car onto M 15 and started on the last leg of his homeward journey to Bay City with only the company of his blaring radio.

Then it happened. Two brightly lighted round discs flashed up ahead of his car and whirled overhead, traveling southward. The radio buzzed with static. Jayo stepped on the accelerator. "It lasted for only four to six seconds," says Jayo, "but it seemed like a day."

"When I saw the first one it appeared to be about 25 feet in diameter and about 50 feet up." His radio made a sound similar to the one made when a car travels near or under high tension wires, Jayo says.

The first object left the Bay City industrial worker bewildered. The second convinced him, he says, that it was something more than just lights.

So he headed for the Bay County Sheriff's Department and filed a report. The incident took place at 2:15 a.m. Saturday as Jayo headed home from Caro, where he plays in a band weekends.

The objects were traveling between 100 and 150 miles an hour and were intensely bright with light emanating from the center toward the discs' edges, where there was a greenish-blue haze, according to Jayo.

He didn't hear a sound from them. The incident left him nervous, says his wife. "Sometimes he comes home from the band late," says Mrs. Jayo. "I always ask him where he's been."

"This time he said, 'You won't believe me.'" Jayo says a deputy at the sheriff's department took him quite seriously and said he had worked on the Air Force's Unidentified Flying Object team when in the service.

"I drew a picture for him and he called the radar installation at Port Austin. They told him they could neither deny or confirm the sighting." An official from the 754th Radar Squadron at Port Austin Saturday said equipment had not picked up anything unusual.

Maj. Marvin S. Heiler said, however, the facility would not have picked up objects flying low because of ground clutter and the long distance to M 15.

Other police agencies also said they had not received calls from anyone else reporting objects

in the sky. A check of police agencies in the Thumb area turned up nothing out of the ordinary for a Friday night.

But one deputy from the Huron County Sheriff's Department said: "We usually do get some reports like that at this time of the year — usually in September or October."

"I know I saw something like a bright disc like that here a couple of years ago."

The two objects Jayo reported came over his car about two miles south of M 38 on M 15.

His phone kept ringing all day Saturday after the incident was reported by news media. He was interviewed by a radio and television station.

"I really haven't gotten any sleep."

"When he came in the house, I thought he had been in an accident or something," says his wife.

"Before, when I would read him articles about flying saucers, he would just scoff." And now?

"I don't know what it was. But it was something," says Jayo. "I believe there was something there — I know there was."

"Thank God this isn't something that happens every day and I'll be darned glad if it doesn't happen again. Wow!"

October 10, 1970
Los Vegas, Nevada
(Sun)

Signs Of The Times

To the editor:

Whenever the world gets into a big turmoil, the monster of the Scotch Lake, the ape man of California backwoods, or the flying saucer, arrives to center attention away from the war.

Now that the season has arrived of twilight and darkness, flickering lights of heaven, changing color rays of brilliancy of the Big A., reflected rays of the moon, stars of Biblical events and gorgeous patterns of geometric rainbows, it is time, without laughter, to welcome the dead data of flying saucers, mother ships, animals in the sky, the answer to which every Alaskan knows.

"Until death do us part" means there is no connection, in life between heaven and earth.

"The UFO's have been sighted flying vertically and horizontally, hovering in mid air, making near right angle turns; disturbing power lines on the ground, abruptly traveling at high speeds, and traveling noiselessly. No craft made on this planet today," scientist Friedman says, "would be capable of performing all these feats."

The flying saucer is simply a reflection of the changing colors in the Aurora Borealis. Of course, they "fly vertically and horizontally," hovering in air and making right turns, noiselessly. (Did you hear a "shadow?"). As any Alaskan knows, as the spectrum color changes, a ray of light shoots out to eventually hit a cloud and either "hover" or speedily leave, and as silently stop. As any painter knows, white and black are not colors, but shades. If you took a glass prism and a flashlight, you could get the same rainbow colors and the light goes through the prism.

ARTHUR L. WILLEY

Powers disclaims UFO's following Southfield speech

Shorty Powers, former voice of Mercury Control, said information concerning unidentified flying objects is generally distorted by authors to sell their books or magazine articles.

Powers made the remark following his appearance at Southfield's Raleigh House, Oct. 15, as the first speaker of the Southfield Series season sponsored by the National Bank of Southfield.

He said these authors take statements out of context from

flight logs to make it appear that there are unverified or unaccountable reports of phenomena. Powers said the statements would be explained if the information contained in the rest of the logs was used.

Powers said he does believe there is life on other planets however.

He said he would also like to see more thorough coverage of space programs by news media. He said perhaps the

media avoids such coverage believing the public is not interested in much of the technological information involved. Powers believes the astronauts could help bridge this informational gap by accepting speaking tour engagements.

Powers said he is currently working on a book describing the lives of the original seven astronauts. He laughed and said he might be sued for its contents.

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Sight UFO At Bushnell

UFOs, those unidentified flying objects, have been scoffed at by many over the years but two young Bushnell men, who previously may have had serious doubts, are now thoroughly convinced they are for real. They spotted one Thursday night over Bushnell.

Allen Robinson, 22, of 752 Dear St., reports he and Steve St. Clair, 20, also of Bushnell, sighted one hovering over the McDonough F-S grain bins in the southwest part of Bushnell about 9 p.m. Thursday while en route home from Macomb.

Robinson said the object which he estimated was about the size of an average automobile, was hovering over the bin site at approximately 200 feet. He said the object was giving off a blinding white light which made it impossible to describe the shape of the object.

The object was first sighted over Bushnell as they approached town from the west on Route 2. Robinson said the object was still hovering over the grain bins when they arrived in town and they drove toward the farm elevator property to investigate.

When they were about two blocks away, he stated, the object started to move away. Robinson said the light appeared to dim somewhat for a second or two, then turned bright again and headed in a westerly direction at a high rate of speed. He estimated the object was out of sight in about 30 seconds.

Moon Quakes Don't Match With Lights

HOUSTON (UPI) — A moonquake specialist said Wednesday that astronomers and the Apollo 12 seismograph on the moon so far have not been able to match quakes with sightings of orange and blue flashes on the lunar surface.

Dr. Gray Latham of the Lamont-Doherty Geological Observatory at Columbia University told the National Academy of Sciences members the Apollo 12 seismograph had relayed 58 quakes "wobble for wobble" that occurred during periods of tidal strain.

"Our conclusion is that we are dealing with tidal events induced with tidal strain," he said.

He said observers have concluded that "popping and creaking within the lunar structure" at the time each month when the moon is closest to earth causes nearly identical moonquakes. Every month they build slowing and taper just as slowly for longer periods of time than earthquakes.

Latham said similar quake readings were caused by slippage along zones of weakness existing in the lunar structure. This will happen several days after the Apollo 14 crew leaves Fra Mauro next February.

He also said the impact of the third stage of the Apollo booster created a reaction which lasted for more than four hours and the lunar module ascent stage impact was recorded for more than an hour.

Latham said scientists had hoped to correlate periods of seismic activity with the colored transient events believed caused by escaping gases when the moon bulges toward earth at perigee, when its closest to earth, but three sightings reported so far have failed to match recorded moonquakes.

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Tommy 75300

Unexplained Flying Objects

Substantial Hazard to Aircraft

Unidentified objects from space? You and I have heard the Air Force has washed its hands of the UFO investigation, assured we'd heard the last of it.

Now our government formally and officially admits that certain unidentified objects have fallen on Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas.

So I set out through the Air Force and the State Department to try to identify those unidentified objects and stumbled over some surprising further evidence of "spooks" in space.

Our unidentified objects from space were found — one near Pratt, Kan., one near Beaver, Ark., Okla., and near Ackerly, Texas. And one other.

They ranged in weight from 50 to 200 pounds, the largest was 20 inches long, 10 inches wide, five inches thick. Astonishingly it did not sink anywhere on the land.

Now the report, which keeps track of the objects from orbiting parts of hardware up to 100 miles and even beyond, reports 215 probable sightings and about that place.

So, though we think we have identified these objects of space junk, international law requires that we report to the United Nations any discovery of extraterrestrial space objects; these were promptly reported and returned by our State Department to Russia.

Space is not a precise science. Most Americans would be amazed and a little alarmed

ed at how much we don't know.

About "perturbation," for example, in the half-century that we've been trying to chart the air ocean which surrounds our planet, we've not solved the mystery of "clear air turbulence."

Why on a clear day is our flying machine suddenly hit by a sledge hammer from nowhere? We don't know.

Similarly, above the atmosphere in space our orbiting vehicles are "perturbed" by mysterious hazards we cannot see.

Mountains and oceans on earth may perturb our space vehicles — and we don't know why.

OUR MEN AND MACHINES in orbit are affected by changes in direction and by changes in temperature.

The composition of metals can change.

Things in space may even change size.

And when instruments aboard spacecraft must perform with micrometric precision, that's something to think about.

And that's why we cannot precisely identify a piece of something which may have slipped, sited, sideslipped or spun back into and through the earth's atmosphere.

As far as we know there have been neither deaths nor damage due to descending debris, but the potential hazard to spacemen and air-men and earthmen is obvious.

There are calculated risks on every new frontier but on this one there are some we just can't calculate.

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in Sky Magazine

Law enforcement officers of Idaho and Washington were unable to come up with tangible clues today as to the cause of a mid-air explosion which residents of the Uniontown, Wash.-Geneseo, Idaho, area reported after midnight early today.

The Federal Aviation Administration office in Spokane, the Whitman County sheriff's office at Colfax, Wash., and the Latah County sheriff's office at Moscow, Idaho, all said they could shed no light on the reports.

But a deputy at the Nez Perce County sheriff's office in Lewiston, Idaho, said the so-called explosion may have been a meteorite. He said that a hunter called in to report that he saw a meteorite trailing sparks in that region. The hunter said the object seemed to explode and the sparks dissipated before hitting the ground, the deputy said.

An FAA official here said it was most likely a meteorite.

UFO reported sighted here

Mrs. James Turner of 1100 Rudy reported sighting a low-flying, wingless, oval-shaped object flying about 50 feet above her television antenna about 11:15 p.m. Monday night.

According to Mrs. Turner,

who, after seeing the object through the glass storm door, opened the door to get an unhindered view, said it was flying from south to southwest above her yard, and appeared

to be dodging something.

She said it seemed to be made of some type of unpainted metal was not an airplane and had four small squares of light along its left side which looked like windows. She said that it was not flying fast and that it left no streaks of light or exhaust trail in its wake.

AIR ACADEMY TEXT BOOK URGES MORE STUDY OF UFO SIGHTINGS

by TED HUBBARD

Students at the U.S. Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs are being taught to stop scoffing at the mention of UFO's or "flying saucers" and to keep an open mind on the subject.

This was made clear last Thursday in an interview given by Major Stewart Kilpatrick, Deputy Director of Public Information of the Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, to The Lemoore Advance in a lengthy and exclusive phone interview.

The "National Enquirer," a country-wide journal, which claims the "largest circulation of any weekly paper in America," headlined this following statement, "Air Force Academy Textbook Warns Cadets That UFO's May Be Spacecraft Operated by Aliens From Other Worlds," in its Oct. 11 issue. Because so many of our readers are interested personally in aircraft, The Advance sought to verify what appeared to be exaggerated claims and somewhat on the unbelievable side. This despite the reported sightings of some strange craft over Lemoore by several witnesses a few weeks ago.

Major Kilpatrick, as second ranking officer in public affairs at the Air Academy, is in a position to speak authoritatively for the Air Force. He admitted at once that plebes are taught from a text entitled "Introductory Space Science, Volume II" and an entire Chapter 33 deals entirely with UFO considerations. He quoted from page 455, that "50,

000 virtually reliable people have reported sighting unidentified flying objects."

"This leads us with the unpleasant possibility of alien visitors to our planet," the 14-page chapter continues, "or at least alien controlled UFO's."

According to the Academy text book: "If such beings are visiting the earth, two questions arise: (1) Why haven't they attempted to contact us officially, and (2) why haven't there been accidents which would have revealed their presence?"

"Why no contact? That question is very easy to answer in any of several ways: (1) We may be the object of intensive sociological and psychological study. In such studies you usually avoid disturbing the test subjects' environment. (2) You do not contact a colony of ants—and humans may seem that way to any aliens (variation: a zoo is fun to visit, but you don't 'contact' the lizards). (3) Such contact may have already taken place secretly, and may have taken place on a different plane of awareness—and we are not yet sensitive to communications on such a plane."

In releasing this interview in The Lemoore Advance we are well aware that many readers will certainly "raise an eyebrow or two." But Major Kilpatrick insisted the above chapter in the text is not a fairy story. At the end he seemed to go along with the recommendations of the physics text book which advises Air Force officers as follows:

"The best thing to do is to keep an open and skeptical mind—and not take an extreme position on any side of the question."

"Introductory Space Science" closes the chapter with the wish expressed that renewed extensive investigation be given to the possibility of UFO's. This will require expenditure of a considerable sum of government funds, it explained, and in the present public attitude of scorn and ridicule whenever "UFO's" are mentioned, such possibility seems almost hopeless the chapter laments. As most people know, the Dr. Eugene U. Condon investigation was closed down by the Pentagon and no present official scientific investigation is now operating in this field. In 1966 we talked with six different Air Force pilots at Travis Air Force Base, who claimed to have seen UFO's but stated they did not dare report them for fear of extreme ridicule. At least in 1970 this Air Force attitude seems to have changed as indicated by Major Kilpatrick's interview with The Advance. Lemoore's representative at the Colorado Springs Academy, is Steve (Moon) Mullens, a former basketball star on the Tiger team, and alumnus of Lemoore High. We are asking him his opinion of his science text's presentation of the so-called UFO's.

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Low-Flying Saucers Over Caro

MICHIGAN Tuscola COUNTY ADVERTISER, 15 October 1970

Roger Jayo of 1901 Columbus, Saginaw, was returning home early Saturday morning from a band engagement in Caro when he saw a couple of strange looking flying objects overhead. Jayo, who said he felt "like some kind of kook" told sheriff's deputies that what he saw were two flying saucers, adding that he felt it was his duty to report what he saw.

Jayo was traveling north on M-15 around 2:15 a.m. when he observed two UFO's heading toward him at an altitude of 50 to 75 feet and traveling at an estimated speed of 100 to 150 miles an hour, he said.

"The saucers came straight at me, flew over my car in forma-

tion and caused interference with my car radio," he reported. "The saucers made no noise at all."

Jayo said the two objects were about 25 feet in diameter, were white in the middle with bluish dark rings radiating outward, and the edge of the objects had a milky white light. Deputies said Jayo was serious about the report and that they treated it as a serious report.

The Port Austin Radar Station, home of the 745th Radar Squadron which tracks all objects in the skies over Eastern Michigan, had "no comment." Officers of the 745th said they could not confirm nor deny there were any objects for Jayo to spot.

Credit: Clint Williams See last issue for background on this

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Flying Saucers' Are Real

By CHET DINKELL

A nuclear physicist now engaged in the development of nuclear propulsion systems for spacecraft says that "flying saucers" are real, are of extraterrestrial origin, and contain humanoid creatures engaging in endeavors similar to those of the first men who landed on the moon.

Stanley J. Friedman, who has studied the phenomena of unidentified flying objects (UFOs) for 11 years, spoke to more than 200 persons in the CW Theater at the University of San Diego.

"I believe that extraterrestrial beings have landed here," Friedman asserted. "In 1954 alone, there were more than 200 sightings of landed vehicles and their humanoid occupants."

"A great number of sightings have observed these extraterrestrials on this planet, and in some cases, contact has been made."

Friedman went on to cite a recently-published book, "Interrupted Journey," in which an American couple allegedly was kidnaped by beings from another planet and held for

several hours for use as specimens for tests.

"These people were able to recall their experience only through regressive hypnosis," Friedman said. "I spent four hours talking to this couple—they know what they were talking about."

Friedman showed slides of UFOs taken years apart at such varied locations as Santa Ana, Calif., France and Brazil. All showed similarly-constructed objects that had, according to witnesses, displayed similar behavior patterns.

"The one for 1970 had a pattern which ought to be better than the ones quoted by our contacts who are said to pilot," Friedman said. "Space-land has intercepted these manlike objects that behave in such strange ways, and I know one thing for sure—no body on this planet is capable of making things that look like that and act like that."

"Let's face it, another civilization, somewhere else in the universe, could have started just before we did—or even a million years before us."

Friedman went on to say, "After all, in the day of the balloon, it was scientifically 'proved' that planes couldn't fly."

"When radar picked up 10,000 mile-per-hour objects in the atmosphere, not too many years ago, scientists hesitated to 'prove' that an object going that fast would turn up."

SPEED POTENTIAL

He continued, "Well, we've already passed that speed, and the potential for higher speeds is limitless."

"It's time to challenge NASA," Friedman said.

"They are preparing to spend \$800 million in order to find life on Mars."

"Why not spend some of that money to locate the extraterrestrials who are already here?"

Friedman, who obtained his masters degree in physics at the University of Chicago, is currently engaged in the development of nuclear propulsion systems at TRW Systems, Redondo Beach.

Metaphor: Physicist Says

Flying Saucers' Are Real

October 17, 1970

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UFOs Seen as Very Real

BY JILL LANDEFELD

Times Staff Writer

A silvery metallic disc whirs quietly across a country field, hovers in the air, then lands. Out pop several human-like creatures who pull up samples of plants, climb back into their vehicle and take off.

Such episodes have long been considered the meat of science fiction, rather than food for serious scientific inquiry.

But Stanton T. Friedman, nuclear physicist, be-

lieves that the government and the scientific community have pulled a "laughter curtain" across a phenomenon as real as nuclear particles — the unidentified flying object. (UFO).

Played Down

In a lecture Friday at Rio Hondo College, Friedman said Air Force officials and scientists have played down or ignored concrete evidence "that the earth is being visited by intelligently controlled vehicles."

Friedman showed slides of the saucer-like UFOs, taken from enlarged photographs of sightings.

"No matter how much you blow up the photo, you never see a sign saying 'Made in Mars,' which is what some people want before they will believe it," he remarked.

Never Available

He cited an Air Force study, made in 1955, known as Project Bluebook Special Report No. 14, which revealed that out of 2,199 sightings of flying objects 434 or 19.7% were judged unknown by Air Force experts. But an Air Force press release issued in October, 1955, stated that just 3% were unknown, and that the possibility of UFOs was negligible.

The report was never available to the press or public, Friedman said, although individuals may photocopy it at a cost of \$60.

In more recent years the National Investigation Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP) studied 746 UFO reports, including sightings by pi-

lots, astronomers, law enforcement people and engineers, Friedman said.

And the University of Colorado conducted a \$539,000 study entitled "Scientific Study of Unidentified Flying Objects," now out in paperback. The data show that 30% of the sightings investigated were unknown, and that three of them were seen by orbiting astronauts, Friedman said.

But the press based its coverage on the study's final summary, by scientist Edward U. Condon, which ignored this data and concluded that UFOs did not exist, he said.

Cited Project

Friedman maintains that scientists could just as easily take the opposite approach if they cared to explore UFOs. He cited a project at UC Berkeley where he spent months photographing the interior of a bubble chamber in the hopes of discovering a subnuclear particle called the omega meson.

"Ninety photographs out of 30,000 showed the particles, so they announced the discovery of the omega meson," he said. "In the case of UFOs, however, certain attitudes tend to invalidate legitimate sightings." When a number of UFOs were spotted over Texas four years ago, Air Force officials attributed them to temperature and inversion changes that distorted three stars.

"Unfortunately for them they named the stars—astronomers checked and found these stars were only visible from the other

side of the earth at that time of the year," he charged.

The latest scientific argument against UFOs states that since the nearest star is 300 light years away, it would take 175,000 years for a spaceship from another solar system to reach earth. But two scientists at Caltech's Jet Propulsion Laboratory concluded seven years ago that man has the technology to make a round trip to the nearest star within a man's lifetime.

Such spaceships would be stages vehicles operated on fission or fusion power, Friedman said. He believes other civilizations, older and more developed than our own, have found ways to travel 100 or 1,000 times faster than our present spaceships. "It is only our egos that tell us we're the only ones," he asserted.

Friedman has worked on the development of nuclear systems for spacecraft and rockets for TRW Systems, Westinghouse and Aerojet-General. He received his B.S. and M.S. from the University of Chicago. He is researching and lecturing in the field of UFOs.

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Central City, railroaders see strange sight in sky

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Five members of the Illinois Central Railroad switching crew in Central City saw a UFO (unidentified flying object) at 3:40 p. m. Monday, Oct. 6, which they thought at first was a beautiful full moon or moon from Mars in a space ship. Witnessing the sight were Engine Foreman Hollis Vincent, Engineer Howard Zaring, Switchmen DuPont Edwards and Billy Vincent and Carmen Junior Willett.

It has been identified as an artificial barium cloud released by a rocket over Virginia. National Aeronautics and Space Administration launched a four-stage Javelin sounding rocket at Wallops Island, Va. at 4:05 EST in an experiment testing the earth's electrical and magnetic fields. The rocket released a cloud at an altitude of 530 miles. The cloud reflected the sun's rays and first appeared green with a red tinge. The railroaders described a range of colors from orange to violet. The cloud subsequently spread into an elongated pattern several hundred miles long, visible along much of the eastern half of the country.

The circle of light gradually grew to about two or three times its original size. When the expansion stopped, a bluish-green haze seemed to obscure the circle. Then a brighter shaft of light extended itself from one edge of the circle, through its center, and to the far edge. There were similar sightings in the morning sky from Port-Louis, Maine, to Jacksonville, Fla. It was described as a cooperative experiment by NASA and the Max Planck Institute of Munich, Germany.

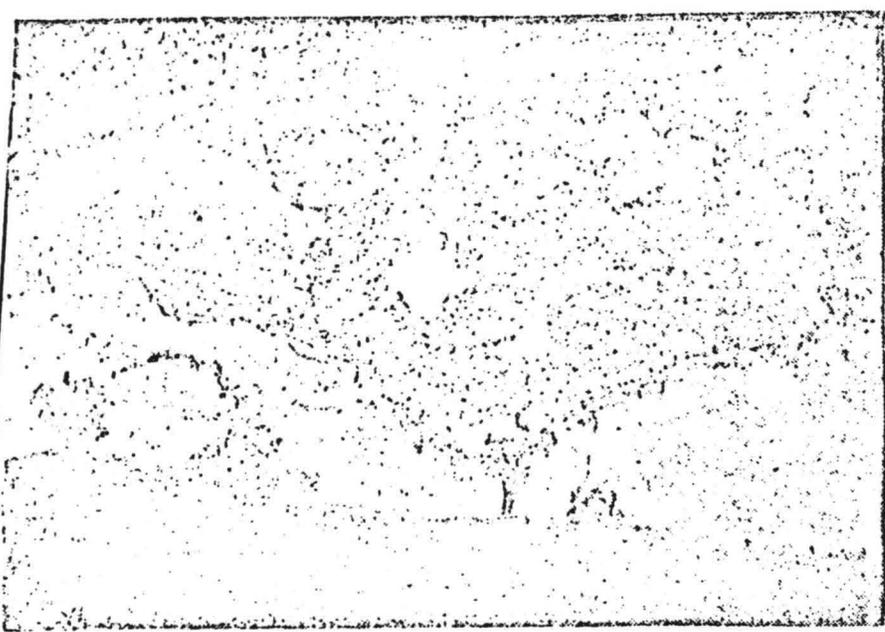
"As the barium became ionized by solar radiation, the ionized cloud became attached to the earth's magnetic field to form an elongated pattern several hundred miles long," a NASA spokesman said. The launch was a prelude to a similar experiment scheduled for the spring of 1971 when a barium cloud will be released to an altitude of about 22,000 miles, NASA said.

Dear Subscribers:

Mr. Douglas G. Wilson, our translator; has requested us to correct a slight error in last month's service. In the article on page 13, paragraph 7, line 4: "Either I suffer... or I am crazy" should read: "I do not suffer...; nor am I crazy." Our thanks to Mr. Wilson for his help.

Our thanks also go to Mr. James Auburn, director: Meteor Research Society of Brooklyn, N.Y., for use of his foreign clippings from South Africa, U.K., & Australia.

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This is Alison Taylor's sketch of the two objects she and John Chapman and his family saw on Friday night. The two bright objects, one larger than the other, can be seen in the centre of the sketch, which faces west.

EERIE SIGHTING IN WESTERN SKY

Two unexplained lighted objects in the western sky on Friday night are still puzzling the Taylor and Chapman families of Murrumburrah.

The objects were first sighted at 8.55 p.m. by Alison Taylor, as Chapman was driving her from "Myrella" to "Lynwood" for baby sitting during the night.

Alison told The Express they were about a mile and a half from her home and travelling directly south when she saw the first object due west.

"When we got to Mr Chapman's house, it seemed to be about five miles away," she continued, "and about 200-300 feet from the ground.

"It looked like it might be a flash... something like a light from a lighthouse where you see it flashing and fading.

"It looked like it might have been turning or spinning by the actions of this

flashing, pulsating light," she added.

"Then a smaller one (or perhaps it was further away in the distance) seemed to come from behind the large one we were watching and hover about two miles away.

"We could see these while we were still in the car and when we got out, we watched them, both after calling out to Mrs Chapman and the three kiddies," Alison said.

"The bigger one still kept pulsating but gradually faded away as though it was disappearing into the distance.

"I suppose we watched it for about 15-20 minutes.

Alison and her family said the lights could not have been confused with those of an aircraft or with a weather balloon frequently found on district properties.

John Chapman said the objects were so eerie they made the hair on the back of his neck stand up!

Both John and Alison were adamant they saw something unexplainable.

The Express, after hearing of their experiences on Monday and similar sightings in Cootamundra at about 10.40 that same night, rang the Mount Stromlo observatory.

NO REPORTS

A spokesman said that although the observatory was not a clearing house for sightings of this nature, generally they received some notice of any unusual objects.

"We haven't had any reports during the past few days," he told The Express.

Nola Kelleher of Cootamundra first saw an unusual light on Sunday week while on a car trial with her fiancée, David Whybrow.

The light was seemingly changing colours and moving.

Nola saw it again during last week and David noticed it when driving to Junee another night.

On Friday night they called at Express journalist Darrell Fazio's home and pointed it out at 10.40 p.m.

The light was low in the south-eastern sky and it was changing colours, he said.

The Mt Stromlo observatory, when given Fazio's description, said it sounded like a planet, possibly Jupiter.

"Atmospheric turbulence causes fluctuations in the brightness of planets and it is a fairly common sight," the observatory spokesman said.

But the description given of the objects seen by Alison Taylor and John Chapman differ vastly from those seen at Cootamundra.

AUSTRALIAN SECTION:

Most of the reports say that the objects appear to change colour.

In the past week there have been several sightings in the area west of Yanco.

One housewife saw an unidentified object twice nights running and confirmative reports have been received from other residents of the area.

"The object was in view for about 10 minutes then disappeared all together," Mrs. Guest added.

RIVERINA DAILY NEWS,
 Griffith, N.S.W.
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MORIE
 U.F.O.S
 LEETON—Another unidentified flying object was sighted last Friday night, on the Narrandera Road, by Mr and Mrs. Doug Guest, of Leeton.

Mrs. Guest said the family was travelling to Sydney at about 9.15 p.m. when she noticed a strange object in the southern sky from the Cudgell sand hills. She said the object first appeared red then orange, and then white, disappearing and returning again.

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of Ballarat. Liberal in outlook, a le-
nd agricultural paper. Offices at 24
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UFO's THIRD VISIT

An unidentified flying ob-
ject appeared for the third
successive night over Balla-
rat last night. Students at
a local boarding school re-
ported sighting the object
at 8.40 pm, about the same
time as they have seen it on
two previous nights this week.
One student said the object
which was visible for about
three seconds, had two large
red lights "like lobster
eyes" joined by a bright
white beam. It travelled from
north-west to south-east, he
said. Attempts were made
to photograph the object last
night.

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Griffith, N.S.W.

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U.F.O.

A Hanwood family who
reported seeing an
unidentified flying object in
the southern sky last
Friday, saw the same
object last night.

Rosanne Codognotto, told
the "Daily News" last
night her brother was
walking past a window at
the family home at Han-
wood when he saw the
object for the second time.

She said three members
of the family saw the light.

Rosanne said the light
appeared at about the
same time and in the same
place as last week.

"The object stayed in the
sky for about 10 minutes
south east of Hanwood.

CANBERRA NEWS

(Evening Daily)

16 OCT 1970

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Since our story on the UFO sighting
yesterday we have had a number of calls
reporting all sorts of sightings. As yet we
haven't heard of the famous "cigar-
shaped" object that is supposed to appear
over Canberra occasionally.

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BOX 1730, SYDNEY, 200 SAW AN UNUSUAL SIGHT IN SKY ON ROAD TO JUNEJEE

When driving to Junej one
night recently Mr. David
Whybrow noticed an uniden-
tified flying object and again
on Friday night last he and
Miss Nola Kelleher, of Har-
den, saw a similar object.

The light was seemingly
changing colours and moving.

On Friday night the object
was in the south-eastern sky.

Five residents of the Nubba
district also report having
witnessed similar incidents.

Mr. John Chapman, of
Murrumburrah, and Miss
Alison Taylor both saw an
object they could not identi-
fy and when they joined three
other persons they all then
saw another similar object
seemingly "meet" with the
first one.

Flare Discovery Solves Strange Light Mystery

The mystery surrounding
the sighting of a strange
light in the Renmark area
on Sunday, September 20,
appears to have been solv-
ed.

Information received
from "Pioneer" readers
since the story was pub-
lished last week has pro-
vided sufficient evidence to
indicate that the light was
caused by a para-illumin-
ating flare.

The most concrete evi-
dence is a silk parachute
found on the property of
Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Kate-
kar, in Government Road.

The parachute measures
about two feet across. A
scorched "cap" is attached
to the end of a cord trail-
ing from the parachute.
The cap resembles the end
of a large cartridge.

Distress Signal

A spokesman for the
CMF at Berril said the de-
scription of the parachute
definitely fitted that of a
para-illuminating flare of
the type used by the armed
forces as distress signals
or to illuminate a large
area at night.

The discovery of the
parachute also coincides
with the time of the re-
ports. Mr. and Mrs. Kate-
kar irrigated their prop-
erty on the Saturday prior
to the sighting of the light
and were certain that the
parachute was not on the
property at that time. They
first noticed what they
thought was a piece of
white paper on the follow-
ing Tuesday and eventually
picked up the object last
Thursday.

It was handed to a
"Pioneer" reporter, who

said it confirmed a report
from a nearby resident,
Mrs. Brian Foreman.

Mrs. Foreman told the
reporter that she saw
"what appeared to be a
large sky rocket" on the
Sunday night, just prior
to seeing the strange light.

A Coolong resident, Mr.
I. A. Loxton, was even
more specific. He told our
reporter that he was chas-
ing a cow on a property
near the Chaffey dairy and
the flare was "sent up"
from a house in Ibis Road.

If Mr. Loxton's statement
was correct, then the para-
chute drifted about a mile,
before landing on the
Katekar's property. This
would confirm earlier re-
ports of the direction of
the light and the fact that
it appeared to move in a
south-westerly direction.

THE MERCURY, Hobart, Tasmania

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Unidentified object seen in night sky

SEVERAL Moonah residents observed a
strange light over Mt Direction on Wed-
nesday night.

A member of the Tas-
manian Unidentified Ob-
jects Investigation Centre
quizzed them yesterday on
the sighting.

They described it as
white with specks of small
red light, travelling at
about twice the speed of a
plane.

They said it was rather
oval-shaped with rough
edges and remained sta-
tionary at the northern

side of the mountain from
about 7.15 to 9.15.

At about 8.45 pm a small
red light broke away from
the large object and
travelled from north-east
to south, with a red line
following.

The observers said the
object appeared to break
into two and then reform.

There have been three
or four sightings in the
area in the past 12 months.

(N.S.W. COUNTRY NEWSPAPER)
Record by Mrs. J. Kelly
Oct 27th
DATE

OCT 27 1970

U.F.O. near Broula?

A local young man
has sighted an uniden-
tified object, which may
or may not be flyable,
near the foot of Broula

The young man sig-
hted the object at ab-
out 3.30 p.m. on Sunday
while driving from
Cowra to Grenfell.

He said the object
was like a big silver ball
and it was in a paddock
on the southern side of
the highway, about 50
yards from the road.

The object was stat-
ionary at the time.

Four see UFO at Warnbro Beach

An unidentified flying-object was watched by four people for more than half an hour at Warnbro Beach last night.

Mr and Mrs Ed Roycroft and their son Neville studied the extremely bright object after it was drawn to their attention by Mrs Katherine Webster, of Medina.

Mrs Webster was travelling from Medina to the Roycroft's beach home when she first saw the "reddish" object at about 8.30 pm.

"It was right above Rockingham when I first saw it," she said.

"It was like a big bright light—far bigger than a star—and shaped something like a triangle."

She said it did not seem to move at any speed, but she could still see it when she got to Warnbro Beach.

"It did seem to go low and come up again," she

Mr Roycroft said he studied the object for more than half an hour with his wife and son.

"It was quite a large object, reddish orange, with a green tint on the top," he said. "It appeared to be moving slightly and twirling around. I put some binoculars on it but they were no good as they are not night glasses."

After a while the object moved away.

Rockingham Police said today they had received no reports of a sighting.

The Department of Civil Aviation said there were no flights as far as they knew in that region. The RAAF at Pearce had no night-flights.

The Weather Bureau said a balloon was sent up at 7 pm, but this would not have gone near the area. The wind would have taken it towards the hills.

From THE DAILY NEWS, Perth, W.A.

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(N.S.W. COUNTRY NEWSPAPER)

Irrigator Section

DATE

Oct 19th

UFOs visit Stanbridge

A Stanbridge resident has reported seeing an unidentified flying object over Stanbridge on two nights last week.

The lady, who wished to remain anonymous, said that on each occasion she had been in the company of several other Stanbridge residents.

"We first saw the object about 9.20 p.m. on Wednesday and again about 8.30 p.m. on Thursday."

"It was a fairly long way but I could not estimate the actual distance."

"At first it was a white flashing glow and as we watched it turned to red and then a brilliant blue. In fact all of its colors were brilliant."

"The object was moving slowly for a start but after a while it stopped and hovered for a while."

"Suddenly it dropped and then disappeared," the lady said.

She took The Irrigator telephone numbers and promised to phone the next time the object appeared.

So far The Irrigator has received no ring.

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UNITED KINGDOM SECTION:

LUTON NEWS

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27 AUG 1970

BOURNEMOUTH EVENING ECHO

Daily Circ. 64,440

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The night she was amazed

SIR.—My friends in Luton have sent me a cutting from your paper reporting the sightings of UFO. I would like to tell you of my experience while staying with my friends during the weekend of July 26.

The bedroom I was using had a northerly aspect. I had left the curtains slightly parted and was very amazed to be awakened by a great brightness shining on my face.

I could see in the sky a huge bright orange-coloured object about the size of a dinner plate. It was so bright I could not bear to look at it without shielding my eyes. It seemed as though it was going to crash into the window when suddenly it stopped and remained suspended in the sky for a while, then it finally disappeared in the direction it had come.

The object made no sound and it moved faster than anything I have ever seen. I shall never forget its brightness.

The time was 11.40 p.m. July 26. I wonder if this particular sighting may have been reported by your readers.

MRS A. EOLLIN,
21 Kingsveston Avenue
Shirchampton,
Bristol.

Thing with a flashing red nose

An unidentified flying object shaped like a cigar and with a red flashing nose was reported over Burley on Saturday night by a Boscombe woman.

Mrs. J. Gilbert, of Grassmere Road, Boscombe, told Ringwood police that at 11 pm she saw a star-like object travelling towards her from a north-north-east direction.

It moved over a wood at Mill Lawn then moved vertically, stopped, then travelled in a southerly direction, stopped again then travelled towards her. But this time it had a red flashing nose and was shaped like a cigar.

It finally went off in the direction of Highcliff.

NEWSCLIP/APCUT

STAFFS & MID-STAFFS NEWSLETTER

18 SEP 1970

Boys claim UFO

Mysterious red lights were sighted over Weston on Saturday night.

They were travelling silently over the village about 300 feet up, and came from the Rugeley direction.

The lights were spotted at about 11.30 by schoolboys Allen Green, John Salt and John Corbett. At the time, the boys were down by Weston Brook. It was too dark to see exactly what shape the object was.

"We thought it might be Rugeley Power Station," said John Corbett (14), of The Woolpack, Weston. "But the lights were travelling from east to west. They went over the village

sighting

and finally disappeared behind Weston Bank."

The boys said that a number of girl guides camping on Cannock Chase saw something similar at about 10 o'clock. It was travelling very slowly.

Mr. Wilfrid Daniels, local representative of the British Flying Saucer Bureau, was "very interested."

"I can recall immediately June 1968," he said. "There was a triple formation of lights in the sky reported by some people coming from Dunston at about 5.30 in the evening."

NEWSCLIP/APCUT

NOTTINGHAM EVENING POST & NEWS

Daily

- 8 SEP 1970

UFO mystery

An unidentified flying object was spotted last night over Drakelow power station near Burton-on-Trent, and witnesses claimed it was heading north into Derbyshire.

Several reports were made of a red and white pulsating light which first appeared about 8.45 p.m. Police searched in case an aircraft had crashed, but found nothing.

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over city sighted object Mystery

Mystery object sighted over city

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Flying saucer over Batley?

DUNDEE COURIER & ADVERTISER

Daily (Circ. 121,399)

12 SEP 1970

FLYING saucers over Batley? Could it happen? Birstall Carpet Co. will tell you that it has.

Mr. Jack Parsons (22), of Leeds Road, Birstall, and his two workmates Graham Stead (24), of Roman Road, Batley, and Tony Woodhead (24), of Back Carlinghow Lane, White Lee, have had to take a lot of ribbing from their colleagues at Briar Mills since they reported seeing a mysterious light in the sky shortly before dawn on Friday.

The three men were on night shift at the mill and were enjoying a quiet smoke outside the despatch department when the "sighting" was made. Mr. Parsons had his gaze fixed on a clump of stars when one of them suddenly started moving. He told his workmates and the three of them watched the light for a full four minutes.

"It was moving towards us and passed straight above us before disappearing from view," he said. Mr. Woodhead said that at first they thought it might be a shooting star, "but it was stationary for a time." Mr. Parsons described it as being a bit like a "headlamp," adding that it wasn't quite as bright as the other stars.

The three men decided to carry the story a stage further by keeping observation the following morning, but the sky had clouded over and they didn't see anything. "We've been the laughing stock of the lads here, and if anybody had said to me he'd seen a flying saucer I would have laughed at them too, but not any more," said Mr. Stead. "All three of us saw it."

SECOND SIGHTING

Mr. Woodhead was the only one of the three who had previously believed in the existence of flying saucers because for him it was his second sighting.

"I've seen one before about a month since, and it was a lot better than this last one. It's what I would call a good sighting."

Mr. Woodhead said he had left work at about 6 a.m. It was a bright, clear morning with the sun rising and he saw the object come from the direction of White Lee. He described it as a bright silver, metallic object with a dome on top, shaped a bit like a helmet.

"What first attracted my attention was the silence. There was no noise, so I knew it couldn't be an aircraft. I watched it for about a minute. It hung in the air above me then turned and went off in another direction."

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BATLEY NEWS

- 1 OCT 1970

WESTERN MORNING NEWS

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Lights in the sky PAIGNTON man could find no explanation for the big group of orange star-like bodies which hung in the heavens over Lyme Bay a few nights ago. The night air was clear, with no mist or fog, and visibility was good. Unidentified flying objects, perhaps? After all, in the past decade the Westcountry has been particularly prone to UFO sightings.

"I just don't know," said my correspondent. "They were quite distinct and were clearly discernible for nearly ten minutes until the last one gradually faded. A number of friends saw them, too. I can't imagine that they were flares because they were quite stationary." Paignton police station received a dozen phone calls that night about the phenomenon.

The South-West may be a hotbed of such mysterious goings-on, but in this case at least there seems to be an explanation. Brixham coastguards said: "There was a lot of naval activity that night with NATO forces on exercises. The sightings were probably star shells."

- 1 SEP 1970

'UFO' frightens Allan

By a Staff Reporter

PRENTER Allan Sugden could hardly believe his eyes today as he stood at a Manchester bus stop. Hovering in the sky was a "flying saucer."

Allan, aged 25, of Erica Drive, Burnage, was at the Lane End stop in Kingsway when he spotted the glowing lights of the unidentified flying object.

"I saw it coming towards the Heaton Mersey area and I thought the red light was on a plane at first. But then it stopped and came from behind a tree with three or four lights going from left to right."

He added: "I have never seen anything like it before. It really worried me and I was in two minds whether to go home because it was close to where I live."

But an official at Manchester Airport said the "flying saucer" was probably an aircraft coming into land with all its lights on.

"A lot of people think they have seen a strange flying object. We get quite a lot of phone calls about them."

Said Allan: "I am still not convinced and I am sure it was not an aircraft because I've seen many of them at night before."

DIRECTOR FILMS UFO

Company director William Huntington captured an unidentified flying object on his way home to Doncaster. Now he is thinking of invol-



What Mr. Huntington filmed

EVENING POST REPORTER

ling experts to see it in his semi-detached home in Coronation Road, Balby. For Mr. Huntington captured the UFO with his eight millimetre cine camera as he drove along the A1 on his way home from a European holiday. In the darkened front room of his home Mr. Huntington showed the colour film. First there were shots for the family film show of the Hoverport at Boulogne.

Suddenly there was the UFO, glowing gold in the red night sky, about 30 miles south of Doncaster. Mr. Huntington filmed for about 30 seconds as the object with its long tail flare seemed to climb higher. Mr. Huntington said: "We were driving up the motorway towards Doncaster from Doyer when my wife spotted it." Mrs. Audrey Huntington said: "I was just looking at the sky when it came from

nowhere. There was this light in the sky, which seemed to be climbing higher." Mr. Huntington added: "I pulled over to the hard shoulder and started filming. It was visible for about five minutes then it disappeared. "I sent the film away to be developed to see if it came out before I said anything about it. "I am thinking of getting in touch with the UFO research people in London to ask if they are interested in seeing the film."

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STAFFS & MID-STAFFS NEWSLETTER

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Mystery over Weston

"We thought Weston Hall was on fire."

That was the first reaction of two men, motor-ing in Weston on Saturday night, when they saw a bright pear-shaped light in the sky over Weston Bank.

But on looking more carefully they realised that the light was slowly moving, and after a 70 mph dash to the spot their amazement was doubled when they saw nothing — the mysterious light had vanished.

The light, about three foot by two foot, was sighted at 10.40 p.m. by Mr. Terry Dixon of Weston Bank Farm, and Mr. Brian Hawkes of 81, The Beeches, Rugeley. Both are sure that what they saw was a UFO.

HIGH SPEED

The Weston area appears to attract these nocturnal visitors for at 8.30 on Sunday evening more lights were seen, this time four of them forming a huge diamond about half a mile across.

Mr. L. Bates of, Rose Cottage, Pasturefields, Great Haywood, was walking along the A51 near his home when he saw this formation "a fair distance away" travelling "at a terrific speed" in a north-south direction.

The lights, orange in colour, were visible for only about five seconds before disappearing behind a cloud.

Mr. Bates said: "I immediately thought of the Red Devils aerobatic team but, of course, they wouldn't be flying at that time in the evening."

"I didn't think there was any truth in U.F.O.s' but now I'm not so sure."

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...AND IT WAS NOT A FLYING SAUCER

AN unidentified flying object was spotted by three travellers on the Coleraine - Limavady road last week.

One of the travellers was Mrs. Sheena Latimer, a Ballymena Observer reporter, so naturally when she told us about the sighting she agreed to give us an exclusive interview.

Sheena, her husband, Blyth, and Tom Keene, a reporter from London, all saw the bright calamarian shaped object at the same time. "It was only there for about four or five seconds," said Sheena, "so it must have been moving very quickly."

They were travelling from Limavady and were just about a mile from Coleraine when the object passed them heading in a south-westerly direction.

They saw the UFO at 11.30 and when asked the question which seemed to hold the most obvious explanation, Sheena said that they had been visiting and only had had a cup of tea.

On arriving in Coleraine they went straight to the police station and reported it, and the following morning Sheena telephoned the Armagh Observatory. A spokesman for the Observatory said that there had been no other sightings that night and that the most likely explanation was that they had seen a helicopter but the speed factor seemed to disprove that theory.

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'Irish plane was hit by UFO'

The Irish representative of the International Aerial Phenomena Research Organisation, said today that the report by the Department of Transport and Power on the crash of the Irish Viscount off the Wexford coast over two years ago, bears out investigations he made at the time of the disaster.

Mr. Martin Feeney (27), a member of Castleblayney Urban Council, said today: "I made a close study of all the reports at the time and I came to the conclusion that an unidentified flying object had caused the disaster. The report by the Department has borne out this theory."

People who saw the crash had reported a revolving cloud in the vicinity of the aircraft and this indicated an unidentified object, he said. "I've made a very close study of air disasters, and various aspects of the crash indicate that the plane came into contact with another force."

Mr. Feeney said he believes that a number of other air crashes, "for example the Comet crashes in the early Fifties", were caused by similar phenomena. He has sent a special report on the crash to the headquarters of the international study group in Tucson, Arizona.

Has Fred caught a flying saucer?

MANY HOLIDAYMAKERS take snaps as souvenirs, but when Fred Sheriff was driving near Denbigh he caught "something" on his cine camera which could be of scientific interest, especially to those who study extraterrestrial life in the form of unidentified flying objects.

The film, taken in May, shows quite distinctly a symmetrical object, the familiar cigar shape, white with clean lines, and a sort of seam like two saucers joined rim to rim.

"When I first saw it I thought it was a mushroom cloud from an H-bomb," said Fred. "The moors are all up and down, and we lost sight of it, but when we got nearer to Denbigh and it was still there in the sky, I pulled on to a grass verge and got out the cine. It was as if it was right on top of the car."

"I didn't know what was going to happen, I just wanted to be out of the way," said Mrs. Sheriff this week at their Stanney Grange flat.

"I knew it wasn't a cloud, I call it a phenomenon," said Mr. Sheriff. "not a UFO, yet." Local UFO experts have been asked to report on his "sighting" and will no doubt be examining the evidence, in full colour.

Although the eight mm. film is short in duration, it could provide pictorial proof of a visit of beings from another existence, North Wales and the Wirral seem to be popular spots for whatever the UFOs are, because there were at least two reports last year, one in Thurston and another in Moreton.

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THIS U.F.O. WAS BEYOND THE LAW

Policeman William Woodhouse could not believe his eyes on Monday night—for he saw a brilliant pulsating light in the sky over Drakelow Power Station.

He was not the only one who saw the U.F.O. (unidentified flying object). A group of people in Stapenhill also sighted the light over Drakelow.

Police Constable Woodhouse who was at Barton Turns contacted Burton Police headquarters and reported his sighting. He described it as "a brilliant pulsating light."

Mr. Tony Baxter, whose home is at 17 Cumberland Road, Stapenhill and some friends also sighted the object. He telephoned the police and told them "We have just seen something very unusual which can only be described as a UFO."

A theory that the U.F.O. might have been a light at the power station itself was discounted on Tuesday by station superintendent Mr. Dennis Wright.

He said that floodlighting on the fuel stockpiles could not have been mistaken for a pulsating light. "That lighting is either on or off," he explained.

Mr. Wright added that the

station had a staff-locating system which incorporated flashing coloured lights.

"If someone in the station wants to contact another member of the staff who is not answering the telephone, he can switch over to the light system.

"But I cannot imagine that anyone could see these lights from any distance. He would have to come right into the station."

Mr. Wright said that he could think of nothing in the operation of the power station which could account for the sightings made, or anything which fitted the description given.

A spokesman at Burton Police Station said on Tuesday that police had visited the power station and made investigations, but no one on the station had seen anything.

The "saucer" was reported to have gone off over Cotton-in-the-Elms, but there were no further reports of it being seen.

'Thing' in night sky

An unidentified flying object shaped like a cigar and with a red flashing nose was reported over Burley on Saturday night by a Boscombe woman.

Mrs. J. Gilbert, of Grasmere-road, Boscombe, told Ringwood police that at 11 pm she saw a star-like object travelling towards her in a north north-easterly direction.

It moved over a wood at Mill Lawn, then moved vertically, stopped, then travelled in a southerly direction, stopped again and then travelled towards her.

But this time it had a red flashing nose and was shaped like a cigar. It finally went off in the direction of Highcliffe.

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Did my eyes deceive me or...?

"ABOUT 100 yards from me and 35 feet up, I saw a greenish-grey glow in the sky. After a couple of seconds, I started to see a form inside this glow which was about the length of a bus—about 30 feet long—with a flat bottom and 20 feet wide. It went up in three sections. The top looked like a dustbin lid."—Wilmslow police constable.

Over the past 11 years, there have been 1,316 sightings of unidentified flying objects in this country. Of these, a good 16 per cent cannot be explained away as natural phenomenon. In the words of the Ministry of Defence, they are unidentified due to insufficient information. To the British U.F.O. Research Association (BUFORA), they merit further investigation, writes Nicholas Warboys.

The Stockport arm of BUFORA is a little known, but highly effective group of ufologists known as the Direct Investigational Group for Aerial Phenomenon (DIGAP). The group used to meet in Stockport, but now hold their meetings in the centre of Manchester.

SKY-WATCHES

Most of the cases of local UFO spotting which you read about in the papers will be investigated by one of this group of enthusiasts. The questionnaire they complete will be sent to BUFORA headquarters for calibration.

In addition to this and the regular monthly meetings, the group also takes part in UFO—sky—watches, usually in the Peak District using binoculars, cameras and a UFO-detector, which is little more than a compass—UFO's are known to affect compasses.

"The object was... hovering just over the road. It glowed in the most beautiful green colour I have ever seen. It was like nothing on earth. I'm convinced I saw a flying saucer or some object from space. It hovered quite still for a couple of minutes, then made off at a fantastic speed.

I could clearly see a whitish-coloured dome underneath." Long distance lorry driver.

Most ufologists are convinced that there are aerial phenomenon which cannot be explained in natural, human terms. What they are and why they are there are questions no-one has yet been able to answer.

But on close examination, the theories put forward can be grouped into two categories. The popular theory is that UFOs are extra-terrestrial craft. The other theory is that they are fourth dimensional craft—time travellers.

Of these, the latter, say most ufologists, is the less likely. UFOs appear to have physical characteristics which would not be apparent on fourth dimensional objects. For instance, UFOs can be picked up on radar, it is said they leave marks on the ground, and very often they emit sounds.

The theories put forward to substantiate the UFO theory is quite simply the number of unexplained sightings. In 1969, there were 18 of these and in 1967, when the "flap" was on, there were 46.

"The bus I was in had reached Broken Cross when I saw the object. It was oblong, very thin, with flashing purple and red lights and it was shaped like a bell at the bottom. I have never seen anything like it before."—Handforth school-girl.

Most sightings can be substantiated. "When a person says he has 'never seen anything like it before,' he is invariably telling the truth—he may never have seen a satellite in the sky. This is one of the difficulties experienced by DIGAP, but they

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are always on the lookout for unexplained sightings. Already this year, there have been several sightings over the Manchester area.

"There are numerous historical references to UFO (e.g. sun discs, coloured globes, flaming wheels, flying scrolls, etc.) which tally with present day sightings." — BUFORA literature.

A prevalent theory among ufologists today is that sightings of UFO's have been going on for many centuries. We know that in the late 19th century in England, America and France, there were a large number of UFO sightings. But references to flying shields in Roman times and the discovery of cave paintings depicting shapes not unlike the UFO's sighted today indicate that sightings have been taking place since man began,

ASTRONAUTS

An engraving from the floor of a Mayan temple, thought to have been made 5,000 years ago, is suggestive of a modern space capsule and a European has recently discovered cave paintings which look remarkably like present-day astronauts.

There is evidence to suggest that cave-dwellers recorded their lives as cave-paintings, and there seems little doubt that if they had seen objects which we today call UFO's, they would have also recorded this.

Similarly, many records of unexplained aerial phenomenon would have been recorded in contemporary terms. There are references today of "hamburger-shaped UFO's". This would correspond to the references in Roman times to "flying shields."

"Three policemen ran from the police station to see a mystery flying object which was hovering overhead." A woman was "standing at a bus

stop shortly before midnight when she and a friend saw a bright moon-shaped object." "Another cigar shaped object was reported near Marple." A police constable at Stalybridge "saw a cross-shaped bright star about 1,000 feet up travelling in a north-easterly direction." "A lorry driver told police that he saw a 30 feet cigar-shaped green light in front of his lorry."—1967 sightings.

The year 1967 was the first "flap" Britain has had since the 19th century. In that year there were 362 reported sightings, of which, according to Ministry figures, 46 were "unexplained."

Each country has periodic "flaps"—a rash of sightings. At present New Zealand and the South American countries are reporting a high number of sightings.

The number of sightings has risen since the end of the war. Many ufologists believe that the number of sightings is related to the general technological advances made in the decades since the end of the war.

"It was shaped like a bell at the bottom." The object was "very large, bright and shaped like a cross." "There 15 yards ahead he saw a 15-foot-wide egg shaped UFO." A "cigar-shaped saucer was sighted." At first, he said, "it was shaped like a cross, but then it changed into a dumb-bell shape." — UFO shapes.

Whether you believe in UFOs or not, there is a growing number of people in this country and throughout the world who claim to have seen something which is beyond their comprehension. And there is an increasing group of people who are trying to bring the study of ufology into respectable boundaries.

When, if every you see something in the sky which you can't understand, you may be glad that such groups exist.

Dear Subscribers: Please note that we are printing ONLY translations of many of the foreign language clippings as we are for lack of space. Rather than wait for another month to pass, we are doing this to get vital information out.

SOURCE: Vestkysten, Esbjerg-Fanø, Denmark: 17 August 1970.

SIGHTING: vic. Haderslev, night of 13 August 1970 (refer to other articles).

'Explanation of Mystery at Haderslev': 'Military training planes over the area'

Military planes on training and navigation flights possibly constitute an explanation of the phenomenon encountered by police constable Evald Maarup Thursday at Haderslev, when his patrol car was suddenly enveloped in a cone of light and its motor stopped.

Major B. Helden, of the Tactical Air Command at Karup, states that six training planes flew over the spot at 10-minute intervals, and that the first overflight agrees with the moment the constable gave. Evald Maarup stated that he saw a plane ten minutes after the occurrence, and this confirms the major's theory that this was the second plane in the sequence. Maj. Helden does not, on the other hand, think that the stopping of the motor had anything to do with the plane's presence. That may have been due to coincidence, he says. The air force feels that the pilots may also have observed something on the ground, and they will be interviewed today.

SOURCE: Aarhus Stiftstidende, Aarhus, Denmark: 18 August 1970.

SIGHTING: Aarhus (Aarhus county, E. Jutland), Denmark, 8:35 PM, 13 August 1970; refer to other articles on Haderslev sgtg. same eve.

'The Mysterious Light not from the Planes': 'But the Air Force doesn't believe it might have been a spaceship'

Excerpts from article:

The experts still have not succeeded in finding an explanation of the phenomenon observed by constable Evald Maarup of Haderslev Thursday evening...

Interviews of the pilots of the six training planes from Air Station Skrydstrup have established that the mysterious light and its remarkable effects cannot have been caused by the planes, which passed the place at approx. the moment when the occurrence happened.

...
'Mysterious light also seen at Aarhus'

The mysterious luminous object, which was supposedly seen at Silkeborg the same evening, was possibly seen also at Aarhus. So says Mrs. K. Mikkelsen, of Chr. Molbechs Vej 21, Aarhus.

"At 8:35 PM, I had just put out the lights for TV and casually looked out the window. I noticed a luminous object. It resembled one of these round street-lamps, but it shone with substantially greater intensity. The object was visible for 2-3 sec.; then it vanished.

SOURCE: Progres-Dimanche, Chicoutimi, Quebec: 12 July 1970.

SIGHTING: W. of Chicoutimi (Chicoutimi County), Quebec, Canada, approx. 1:00 AM, 12 July 1970.

"Another Flying Saucer?"

A UFO was observed at about 1:00 AM Saturday night by Mrs. William Desneige, of 61 rue Vincent, west of Chicoutimi.

Mrs. Desneige admitted that she had never believed the tales before she saw this object with her own eyes. She was particularly troubled by this 'apparition'.

"I never believed in these stories," she said, "before I saw this machine located just 45 feet above the neighboring house; it seemed to move toward me. It had four arms, in the form of a cross, and they were luminous. In the center was a rather strong 'telescopic' light. It approached me, then departed calmly, without making any noise.

"And I am not one of these young people who dream in color, I can assure you. I was not even in bed yet!"

Mrs. Desneige has not dared to put a name to the unidentified object, but she believes that some space vessels have come to survey ...

SOURCE: B.T., (Copenhagen(?)), Denmark: 17 August 1970.

SIGHTING: vic. Haderslev, Denmark, eve. of 13 August 1970: refer to other articles.

'UFO-folk with Geiger counter with constable who saw spaceship'

Police constable E. Maarup, of Haderslev, whose patrol car and radiotelephone stopped the other night at Fjelstrup, near Haderslev, while he observed a mysterious column of light, has had a lively weekend, with attention from religious fanatics, from people who have had similar experiences, and from UFO-folk, who produced Geiger counters in order to find possible radioactivity on the constable, following speculation that the mysterious light-column might have come from a flying saucer.

Maj. B. Halden ("sic" (should be Helden, I believe)-- translator) is the Tactical Air Command's handler of cases in the realm of UFO's; he has entered into a routine collection of information about the occurrences. The question (among others) was examined, whether the constable could have observed landing lights from a training plane over S. Jutland.

"I know that there were training flights Thursday evening, from Skrydstrup Air Station, within the period when the constable had his experience," said the major. "But we haven't interviewed the pilots who were on the flights, because of the weekend. We know nothing concrete."

The operations officer at Skrydstrup, Lt. Col. F. Schröder, says, "I have heard the policeman reporting on the subject-- his report is firm and precise. He met with a mysterious experience. Is it coincidence, that the car stops, the lights go out, the radiotelephone dies-- at the same time that there comes a dazzling light, he reaches to take photographs... yes, so it was a mysterious series of coincidences."

Maarup is not the only one whose car stopped in the area Thursday evening. A small-holder encountered the same occurrence and reported it to the county sheriff.

Constable Maarup is discontented with the TV news yesterday evening, where TAC watch officer-- Maj. B. Halden-- speculated that it was the landing light of a training plane which Maarup saw. Halden is similarly discontented with the elaboration which TV gave to his information. "I have only informed the TV news of theoretical possibilities in the case-- but nothing concrete," says the major.

SOURCE: Aktuelt, Copenhagen, Denmark: 19 August 1970.

SIGHTING: vic. Haderslev, Denmark, 13 August 1970: refer to other articles.

'The mysterious light in S. Jutland' ("letter to the editor")

I noticed the TV news has given police constable Evald Maarup quite a dirty treatment.

Sunday evening on TV I heard the 'explanation' of Mr. Maarup's observation: "Landing-lights"!! Yes, landing-lights. And the fact that the auto engine, radio, and lights simultaneously quit was thus quite coincidental!

The constable did his duty; he photographed and reported what he saw. And, surely, this is excellent normally, but not in this case!

The 'explanation' on TV is an expression of an extremely arrogant attitude and of contempt for both Mr. Evald Maarup and the viewers.

Is it really believed in high places that a mere routine police constable does not know how landing-lights look?

How will we others, then, be able to preserve our confidence in the judgement of the police-- after such erroneous judgements?

I believe that a little self-criticism would be good in the circles which are responsible for such declarations on the TV news.

--V. Jensen, Hillerød

SOURCE: Aalborg Stiftstidende, Aalborg, Denmark: 17 August 1970.

SIGHTINGS: vic. Copenhagen, Denmark, 15 August 1970; also: vic. Haderslev, Denmark, 13 August 1970: refer to other articles regarding this sighting.

'Aircraft spotlights may be to blame in talk of saucers'

Excerpts from article:

There has been obtained information of other observations of "luminous objects". In Rødovre at Copenhagen, the police have received reports in two cases. A family, sitting in a garden Saturday, suddenly observed that the garden was brilliantly lit up, and a woman, sitting in a room with her husband, saw a luminous object in the sky. At first the object was brightly luminous; later it became phosphor-yellow, then bluish and orange, after which it vanished toward the south.