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## Professor Insists UFOs Still Need Explanation

Unidentified flying objects, the storm center of much controversy over the past two decades, still need to be explained.

This point was made here yesterday by a UFO expert who admits he began his investigations into the phenomena as "a kind of joke."

However, Dr. J. Allen Hynek, a Northwestern University professor of astronomy, told a conference of San Diego area science teachers that his investigations over the last 20 years have convinced him that

UFOs represent "a real experience."

Small Amount Reliable

He emphasized that he was not talking about the 99 percent of the reports that may have come from crackpots or resulted from mistaken views of meteorites or Venus or any other easily explainable source.

The astronomer said he was dealing only with that small percentage of reports coming from reliable witnesses that have not yet been explained.

For the past 20 years, Hynek has served as a consultant to the U.S. Air Force in its investigation of UFOs. He termed the investigation and its handling a "travesty on science."

Not Space Visitors

Still somewhat skeptical, Hynek nonetheless said that this hard core of UFO reports from all over the world has convinced him that "a phenomena of some sort is there."

"It is not visitors from outer space," he said, "but it exists and needs to be explained."

He said he doubts that UFOs could be explained with present knowledge and said that the role of scientists at the moment should be to document and observe.

"You can't explain it," he said, "but you can't ignore it." "You can't throw away evidence just because you don't like it," he said.

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## Mystery Light

A mysterious orange coloured light was noticed in the sky by several Dargaville residents last night.

It appeared over the coast area at about 10 o'clock and was visible in flashes lasting from one to two seconds at a time.

The flashes were seen numerous times and then gradually moved down the coastline until out of sight.

## Residents Watch Weekend UFO's

Sightings of several unidentified flying objects were reported during the weekend in the Pocatello area and elsewhere in the state.

A report of an unidentified flying object hovering over Portneuf Hill about 7:05 p.m. Sunday sent a deputy from the Bannock County Sheriff's Office to the Martin Putnam home on Katsilometes Road.

Enroute to Putnam's residence, the deputy reported a bright light appeared to be shining in the southeast portion of the sky.

No size or shape was given in the police report, and Idaho State University astronomers could not be reached this morning for comment.

Harold Jacobsen, meteorologist at the National Weather Service at the time of the sighting, disputed rumors the UFO was reported on the Civil Defense circuit here.

"I didn't hear a thing about it," he declared.

In Boise about 7:30 p.m. Sunday, several residents reported sighting a circular object with four flashing lights which they said darted around for several minutes before disappearing in the southeast sky in a trail of fire. Police and National Weather Service officials apparently could not confirm the Boise UFO sightings.

That sighting, nearly due east, apparently was not Apollo 14 although it was in the right position. Officials said it occurred long after Apollo 14 had left the earth's atmosphere.

One astronomer from Boise was reported to have said the star Sirius, brightest in the heavens and located below the constellation Orion to the east, would have been prominent Sunday night.

Weathermen indicated fog and atmospheric moisture might have played a part in the sightings.

The sighting was the second in recent weeks of heavenly phenomena. The evening of Jan. 20 a giant fireball blazed across the eastern sky, beginning in the vicinity of the constellation Gemini in the southern sky and "exploding" about 25 degrees above the northern horizon.

The flaming object, identified as a large meteorite, was seen from the Pocatello area to Bear Lake County. Time of the reported sightings was about 7:30 p.m.

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## U.F.O. SIGHTED - AT WANTAGE

ANOTHER U.F.O. (unidentified flying object) has been seen at Wantage.

It appeared for three or four minutes on Monday evening and was seen through a telescope by David Dalzell, aged 16, of 26, Hampden Road, Wantage, whose father watched it with him through binoculars.

Mr. Dalzell said that David,

who attends King Alfred's School, saw the strange object at about 9:30 p.m., and dashed upstairs for his telescope.

They went outside together and saw five round glowing balls in the form of a cross. The object came out of the west and moved high in the sky to the north-west, and although it was a long way away it was clearly seen.

For a minute the U.F.O. was stationary, then, said Mr. Dalzell, it split up, one section going to the north-west at a high speed and the rest dropping downwards and suddenly vanishing.

"It was just like a light being switched off," said Mr. Dalzell.

The previous Monday a U.F.O. reported to the police at Wantage was described as an object shaped like half an orange, silver grey in colour, with legs underneath and aerials sticking out from the side.

## Three Report Falling Object

An unidentified flying object, or at least, an unidentified falling object, was seen this morning by at least three Decatur residents.

One, a newspaper carrier, called The Daily Review to report that as he was delivering his papers, about 5:30 a.m., he saw a fireball in the southern sky.

Another, a patient in St. Mary's Hospital, called to report that he watched from his hospital window as what looked like a meteorite fell.

He sighted the falling object about 5:30 and said he could see the reflection of the object on the ice of Lake Decatur.

The third UFO spotter was a Macon County sheriff's deputy who was on patrol near the intersection of Pershing Road and North Water Street when he saw the object.

He said it looked as if it were falling into the southeastern part of the county.

A check of area county sheriffs revealed that a truck-driver driving from Bloomington to Decatur reported seeing a fireball in the sky to the south as he passed through Heyworth about 5:30.

A Christian County sheriff's deputy also spotted the object. He reported that it lit up the sky and appeared to be in the direction of Assumption.

An information officer at Chanute Air Force Base in Rantoul reported late this morning that the only report of the UFO which his office had confirmed was from the Macon County sheriff's office.

DECATUR DAILY REVIEW (LOREN COLEMAN) Decatur, Illinois, Tuesday, February 2, 1971

## Scientist Believes in UFOs

Stanton T. Friedman, a nuclear physicist, addresses overflow audiences all over the United States. Last October he was invited to speak at New Mexico State on his extensive research in the field of UFOs. A former scientist employed by TRW Systems in Redondo Beach, Calif., he became interested in encouraging the U. S. government in financing more research in extraterrestrial vehicles and the development of advanced propulsion vehicles. Friedman has made a close study of many documented reports on sightings all around the world of Unidentified Flying Objects. He

believes in them. The following is an excerpt of some of his published research papers which he has given Defensor. Chieftain approval to reprint.

"The modern UFO era can be assumed to have begun in the mid-1940's with a substantially higher number of reported sightings per year after June 1947. . . . Many reports are clearly of misidentified natural phenomena such as the planet Venus or meteorites, as well as misidentified man-made phenomena such as balloons, airplanes, or reentering rockets and satellites.

However, after 11 years of carefully studying a

very large volume of such data, making field investigations, examining the publications of the two largest UFO organizations and being very actively involved in the UFO Research Institute of Pittsburgh as well as discussing UFOs with thousands of people, including a large number of engineers and scientists, I have reached the following conclusions:

There exist a substantial number of reports (many hundreds that are well documented) from people whose eyewitness testimony would be quite acceptable in a court of law for which the simplest most rational explanation is intelligently controlled vehicles whose origins are . . . from off the earth . . . I am saying that this explanation is deduced from the data rather than from any wish to see extraterrestrials present amongst us or as the result of scientific proof."

Mr. Friedman then goes on to say that he is convinced that a "Laughter Curtain" has prevented reporting and investigation of UFOs and that the subject is "Taboo". He has also found that in the case of engineers and scientists "doubts about UFO reality typically decrease as exposure of data increases."

Another conclusion he has arrived at is that "the biggest objections to UFOs are philosophical ones similar to those which stood in the way of the Church's 'accepting the tenets of Copernicus.'" He especially deplores the fact that documented existing data by

such reputable groups as the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomenon is discounted by the military, even when their reports include sightings by orbiting astronauts.

### Characteristics of UFOs

On the basis of Friedman's personal detailed investigations of 2199 UFO Sightings Reports, he finds that "the most interesting sightings appear to be of symmetric apparently metallic blunt streamlined objects having definite size, shape, and texture (as opposed to merely points of light) and apparently a minimum surface to volume ratio. In general one does not observe wings or engines or polluting exhausts or loud noises or sonic booms in connection with UFOs. The vehicles seem to be capable of both hovering and of very high speed flight within the atmosphere (many thousands of miles an hour)."

Friedman notes that the objects glow at night, make sharp turns and can fly vertically, are able to interrupt of interferer at a distance with combustion engines, radios, television and radar sets etc. "Every nation and most police forces would like to have a fleet of craft having the above capabilities," Friedman says. He notes that many observations refer to "mother" ships into and out of which fly saucer shaped vehicles."

Jan. 29, 1971 - Roseburg, Ore. - NEWS REVIEW

## Many Report Sighting Strange Light In Sky

Several reports of sightings of a strange light in the sky and of an explosion in the south part of Douglas County were reported to the Sheriff's Department about 5:30 p.m. Thursday.

A United Press International report from Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif., stated a Minuteman I intercontinental ballistic missile was fired down the Western Test Range from Vandenberg Thursday night.

Sheriff John T. Truett said the local sightings probably were the missile, but the possibility that a missile crashed in the vicinity of King Mountain on the Douglas-Josephine county line was checked out Thursday evening.

Several persons in the Azalea area reported a streak of light leaving a long blue trail was seen, followed by what appeared

to be an explosion and a puff of smoke which mushroomed into the sky due south of Azalea.

The UPI report said residents of the San Francisco Bay area reported seeing a contrail, a "Twilight phenomenon" caused

when ice particles generated by the condensation from the heat of the missile picked up the last reflections of the setting sun.

A crew from the 90th Strategic Missile Wing at Francis E. Warren AFB, Wyo., conducted the launch.

Sheriff Truett and three deputies went to Azalea in an effort to check out the reports of the explosion Thursday. He said his office will not continue a search for a possible down missile, but suggested it might be a project for the local Four Wheel Drive Club.

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Norwalk, Ohio  
Reflector

## UFO 'Really Huge,' Says County Man

"It was really huge," said Richard Williams this morning as he calmly described the low-flying unidentified object he and his wife saw as they and their young son drove toward Willard Friday night. Williams was one of more than a dozen persons, including law officers, who reported seeing an unidentified flying object near Willard Friday night. Williams and others who reported the sightings were not identified earlier by law enforcement agencies. He is a welder for Durable Mat Co. in Norwalk. Williams, 18, a resident of rural Greenwich, says he believes in flying saucers and has written a two-page letter on what he saw Friday night to an aerospace research office in Washington, D.C.

Williams said he and his wife Sharon and their four-month-old son were driving on Niver Road toward Willard at about 9:05 p.m. Friday.

"I saw the object approaching me," reported Williams. "I saw one light on each side of the wing span. He estimated the span of each wing at 30 feet.

"After blinking my lights at it, it stopped and hovered down a little closer," Williams continued. "I could just about see the outline, as my lights were on bright."

From the front, the object looked like an airplane," he said, "except it was really huge. It was bigger than any army hover craft."

At first, he said, he thought it might be an experimental airplane

but added he had never seen anything like it before. He discounted this idea or the thought it might be a foreign plane.

Williams said the object flew east, and then south around Willard.

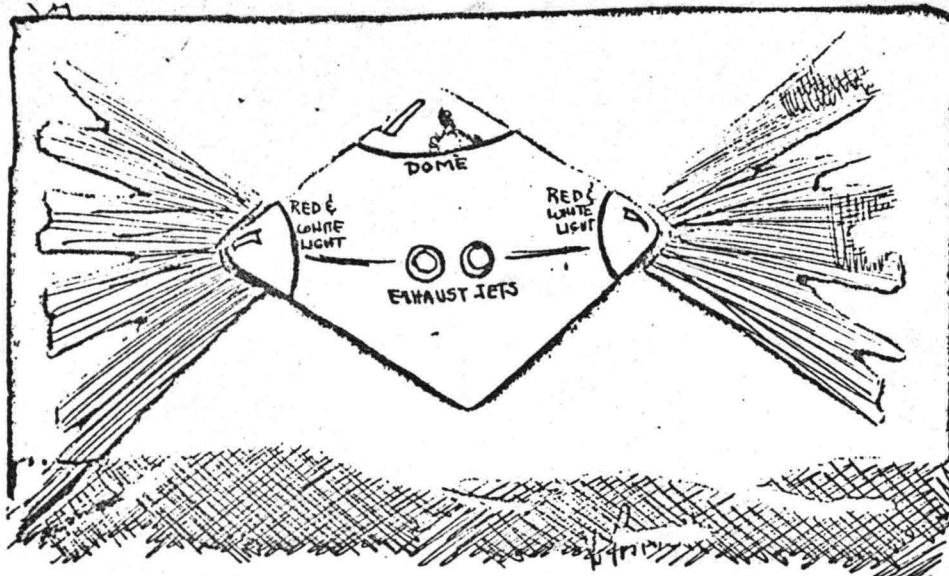
The front of the object was all glass and the rear tapered to a rounded end. He said he did not see a vertical stabilizer.

The object flew east and then south around Willard, he reported. About his belief in flying saucers Williams explained that in school he had learned there were millions of galaxies in space and each galaxy has millions of planets.

"It's likely that many of those planets have life and they could be more intelligent than we are," said Williams.



RICHARD WILLIAMS



**UFO SKETCH** — Drawn from eyewitness descriptions and sketches, this is the object which appeared in the night sky over Willard. Terrified by his experience, one man stated he had seen

"movement" in the transparent dome at the top of the U.F.O. "Red and white lights" and "jet exhausts" at the side and center of the object were also described by the witnesses.

## UFO Startles Willard Area Residents, Law Officers

By VIRGINIA PATTON

**WILLARD** — Residents of Willard and Tiro were startled by the appearance of an unidentified flying object which appeared in the night sky at about 9 p.m. Friday and was sighted by well over a dozen area people.

Willard police, Huron County Sheriff's Department and the State Highway Patrol received calls concerning the mysterious sight and a sheriff's deputy and state highway patrolman reported sighting the object twice in southern portions of the county.

One local family, which preferred not to be identified, was thoroughly frightened by their encounter with the UFO. According to Capt. John Warner of the sheriff's department, a man, his wife and child were driving east on Old Niver Road north of Willard when the driver spotted the object coming toward him from the east. The diamond-shaped UFO was described by the witness as being approximately 25-35 feet in diameter with red and white lights.

The witness stated he blinked his car lights from bright to dim several times as the object approached 100 feet above the highway. The "thing" at last

halted directly above the car and looking up the man said he saw movement behind a glass "dome" at the top of the object.

"The man 'hastened' to the Willard Police Department," said Warner, "where he reported the sighting. Willard police then called the sheriff's department."

The sheriff's office and Willard police also received calls from six other residents of Willard who reported sighting the object and "at least a dozen people from Tiro," according to Warner. The sheriff's office would not release the names of the witnesses. "The man who saw it on Niver Road and his family are pretty upset" Warner explained.

Also unidentified are the sheriff's deputy and highway patrolman who twice spotted the UFO but did not pursue it. "When they saw it the object was off the roadway and then disappeared from sight," Warner explained. The sightings by the officers took place later Friday night.

In a possibly related sighting, a woman admitted to Willard Area Hospital after a car accident told hospital personnel that she had seen "a big school bus or something that looked like a school bus" flying in the night sky at

approximately the same time as the other sightings. The UFO apparently had nothing to do with the accident.

Eye witnesses able to describe the UFO in detail or draw sketches of the object agreed on the UFO's appearance.

"What it was I don't know for sure," Warner said. "When you get a call like that you think 'Oh, it's a drunk or a crackpot.' But when so many people call and a deputy and a highway patrolman see it too, you wonder."

"The man who first called Willard police was really shook," Warner said. "He must have seen something."

The deputy and patrolman who saw the UFO also sighted two jet planes shortly after the object disappeared, apparently pursuing the object in a westerly direction.

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SEVERAL REPORT UFO  
SIGHTING NEAR WILLARD

**WILLARD** — Richard Williams and at least 18 other persons in northern Ohio believe in flying saucers — or at least the bat-shaped, one they saw.

William, 18, Willard, was driving along Old River Road near here last Friday night with his wife and son when a low-flying object came toward their car.

Williams said it looked "like a bat."

"The wings were wider than the plane or whatever it was," he said. "On the middle of each wing there seemed to be an exhaust rocket engine or jet engine. It had red and white lights on each of the wings and on the tails."

He estimated the UFO to be 25-30 feet in diameter. It hovered close to the car, about 100 feet off the ground, and then flew east, he said.

Williams said he could discern some type of movement from within the craft. "In the back of the cockpit there was something flashing the light on and off — like you were blocking the light," he said.

The Huron County Sheriff's office was skeptical when it heard Williams' account, but 18 calls were received that night telling of similar sightings.

"When you get a call like that you think it was a drunk or crackpot," said a deputy. "But when you get so many calls then you begin to wonder."



# Flying Saucer Issue Still Up in the Air

By JOE NAWROZKI

Although the question of unidentified Flying Objects has dimmed somewhat in the minds of most Americans, this attitude seems to prevail whenever the topic of flying saucers is brought forth.

Can flying saucers, controlled by aliens from another planet, really exist?

This question still hangs fire in the mind of Dr. J. Allen Hynek, chairman of the Department of Astronomy at Northwestern University, who has evaluated more data on UFO sightings than anyone in the world.

Dr. Hynek, who was the key speaker at the Eastern UFO Symposium at a downtown motel Saturday, will be the first to admit he is neither a "believer" nor a discounter of reported sightings.

"Believer is a theological term," the goateed researcher said. "The unexplained is a more definitive one."

Dr. Hynek, whom many consider the most knowledgeable mind in the field of flying saucers, has crusaded long and hard for less quasi-religious fanaticism on the issue and a more scientific approach toward UFOs.

"Look here," he said pointing to a computer sheet full of reported sightings categorized in location, time and other columns.

"We, those of us who are interested in finding out the truth about UFOs, should concentrate our efforts along these lines. Make patterns . . . develop consistencies, if there are any."

Dr. Hynek worked as chief consultant for 20 years with the Air Force on Project Blue Book, a government-backed effort to determine if flying saucers were visiting the earth.

"That project was a travesty on science," he said, "and it was a mistake to give the job to the Air Force to begin with."

He said scientists and technicians assigned to the program treated their work "so lightly" he often questioned their professionalism.

And although he chose not to talk about it, Dr. Hynek was more than once made the "fall guy" for the government in producing explanations concerning UFO sightings.

In Michigan in the 50s when a farmer spotted some "strange lights that made a whirring noise," Dr. Hynek visited the area and explained, very

emphatically, the objects "could have been" swamp gas.

The news media immediately printed the strange sightings, in fact, as swamp gas. Although Dr. Hynek wanted to clear up the issue, he was told by the Air Force to go along with the swamp gas theory.

Finally, last year Project Blue Book folded, at a cost of hundreds of thousands of dollars and 20 years' "research." The Air Force claimed the project was not justified either in the interest of "national security or science."

Dr. Hynek, who worked at the Johns Hopkins University's Applied Physics Lab on secret projects during World War II, said America's successful moon shot has slightly changed the thinking toward UFOs.

"They argue now that we've done it, why can't others do it," he explained.

Can unexplainable aerospace vehicles belong to another planet?

No one in the Air Force knows, nor does Hynek. As a scientist, he must confess it is possible that beings with a technology far superior to ours could evolve on another planet of another star.

Laymen, however, are more profound in their theories concerning UFOs.

One middle-aged man, standing outside the room where the symposium was held, took a look inside at the people and walked off.

Jan. 24, 1971 - Baltimore, Maryland  
NEWS-AMERICAN

## Rocket trail provides brilliant aerial show

By Phil F. Brogan

Bulletin Staff Writer

There were spectacular lights in the sky last night, and they triggered many calls by Central Oregonians seeking information.

Some callers believed the illuminations low in the south, were meteor trails. Others suggested flares of St. Elmo fire from the tips of the Paulinas. Others thought they were caused by rockets — and they guessed correctly.

A Minuteman I intercontinental ballistic missile was fired down the western test range from Vandenberg AFB in Southern California last night around 6 o'clock, and it was its flare and trail that attracted the attention of Oregonians.

From Vandenberg came the explanation that the "lights" were "twilight phenomenon caused by ice particles generated by the condensation from the heat of the missile picked up by reflections of the setting sun."

Ronald Powell, driving to his Bend home on Pettigrew Road, got a fine view of the rocket's purple glare as he headed south. Ralph Wodli saw the object from his home northeast of Bend, as did Sam Langmas who lives in east Bend.

Charles Searchy, of Opal City North of Crooked River in Jefferson County, was able to provide a fine description of the rock, which, he said, exploded.

Most observers in Central Oregon described the short course of the project as it plunged through Southern California skies. One local observer said it appeared to come toward Bend, then to veer off. Some observers estimated the object originated near LaPine, others guessed its distance as a few thousand miles.

The evening show apparently was visible in all unclouded and fog free areas of Oregon. Some Roseburg residents believed a plane had plunged into the Siskiyou.

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## Report Seeing Object in Sky

GARDEN CITY — Several persons saw what appeared to be a meteorite fall to the ground in the Garden City vicinity shortly after 10 p.m. Wednesday night.

Kansas Highway Patrol trooper Barry Taylor said he saw an object descending that appeared to be white. But he said it turned green as it neared the ground. From his vantage point, he said it appeared to fall in the center of town.

A Garden City resident phoned the police department saying she saw the object. To her, it looked like it fell to the ground farther east of town.

Police put out a "cautionary" notice saying saw 1 lighted in

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-CANADA

## UFO course help for the bored

By PAUL MCKAY

After Four Reporter at

Sir John A. Macdonald C.I.

Tired of sitting at home winter nights, watching re-run after re-run on the tube? If you're in this category, hold on.

If you think night school courses are just for stuffy adults, and high school kids

who need a credit, hold on. Centennial College of Applied Arts and Technology, in Scarborough, has come up with an answer.

It comes in the form of a course entitled: Flying Saucers, Fact or Fantasy?, a way-out examination of the U.F.O. story. Through the form of discussions, lectures and case histories, a clearer account of this

strange phenomena will be revealed.

The course will be directed by an associate member of the Canadian Aerial Phenomena Research Organization (CAPRO) and the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP), a man who has been intrigued by this fascinating subject for years.

The course is on Thursday nights, 7:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m., at Centennial College, Warden Avenue, just south of the subway station.

So, for a revealing search of a freaky subject, Centennial College is getting it all together, starting on January 23, just about the time when those T.V. re-runs turn it on.

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(LOREN COLEMAN)

## UFO Described as Fireball

An unidentified flying object (UFO) described as a falling fireball was spotted early Tuesday morning by residents throughout the midwest.

Three Decatur residents reported seeing the UFO about 5:30 a.m.

One, a Decatur Herald newspaper carrier called the newsroom to report that he saw a falling fireball in the southern sky while he was delivering papers.

Another, a patient in St. Mary's Hospital, said he watched from his hospital window as what he described as a meteorite fell in the sky southeast of Lake Decatur.

The third UFO spotter was a Macon County sheriff's deputy who was on patrol near the intersection of Pershing Road and North Water Street when he saw the object.

He said it looked as if it were falling into the southeastern part of the county.

A check of area county sheriffs revealed that a truck-driver driving from Bloomington to Decatur reported seeing a fireball in the sky to the south as he passed through Heyworth about 5:30.

A Christian County sheriff's deputy also spotted the object. He reported that it lit up the sky

and appeared to be in the direction of Assumption.

An information officer at Chanute Air Force Base in Rantoul reported late this morning that the only report of the UFO which his office had confirmed was from the Macon County sheriff's office.

Officials at Scott Air Force Base near Belleville said Tuesday they have no explanation for the brilliant object appearing over midlands skies for a brief period earlier in the day.

A bus driver, George Jones of St. Charles, Mo., was among scores of persons reporting they saw the flash of the object for a period of three to four seconds about 5:30 a.m.

Jones said he and two other persons aboard a Continental Trailways bus spotted the object to the south between St. Elmo and Vandalia in central Illinois, about 70 miles east of St. Louis.

"It lasted the best I could remember three to four seconds," Jones said. "I'll tell you how intense it was; it was just like somebody shooting a flashlight in your eyes."

Scott Air Force Base authorities said they had no report of tests being conducted out of military installations of aircraft in the area which may have exploded.

The same information was provided by a base information officer at Wright-Patterson AFB near Dayton, Ohio, about 330 miles east of St. Louis.

The spokesman said a helicopter traffic pilot in Dayton who spotted the object described it as possibly having been a meteorite.

Similar phenomena had been reported in skies over the midlands about six months ago. National Aeronautics and Space Administration officials said then the sightings may have been those caused by tests of vapor barium gas from an island off Virginia.

Tuesday's sightings were from Dayton on the East to Central Illinois on the west and as far south as Paducah, Ky.

A bright object flashed across the sky above Southern Illinois and prompted erroneous reports that a plane crashed.

An Eastern Airlines pilot said he saw what appeared to be a meteorite streak across the sky and strike the ground in the Centralia-Mount Vernon area shortly before dawn.

The bright object also sparked reports that rockets were fired at the Fort Campbell, Ky., Army post, but authorities at Fort Campbell said there are no rocket installations on the post.

Centralia-Chehalis, Wash.  
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**UFO Spotted** An apparently punctual UFO (unidentified flying object) has been spotted two evenings in a row between the hours of 5:50 and 6:50 p.m. by Ron Michalson II, of 1410 Belmont Street, Centralia. The incident was reported Monday evening to Centralia police. Michalson's report said the UFO was "in a direct line to the moon." An attempt to reach Michalson Tuesday morning for further description was unsuccessful.

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**UFO Identified** A woman telephoned Centralia police Wednesday at 5:42 p.m., saying she saw a large red ball flitting through the trees near Pacific Sand and Gravel. She said she was positive it was a flying saucer. At 6:10 p.m., the woman called police again, saying she had identified the mysterious orb as a helicopter. Police said the case was closed.

## Riverside Residents Report UFO Sighting

By KEVIN McELROY  
Times Staff Writer

**RIVERSIDE** — A township resident spotted what he termed "a self-propelled, lighted object the size of a basketball" here about 12:20 a.m. yesterday near Bridgeboro and Washington Streets.

Dennis Duckworth, of 62 Park Ave., said the object was unlike an airplane as it hovered and the light it gave off was constant rather than flashing.

"As I approached toward it, it moved parallel with me at a height just above the house tops. Then it moved rapidly in a southwesterly direction," he said.

Duckworth was stopped by Officer Leroy Martin of the township police, who also noticed the object, the 28-year-old Duckworth stated.

Both he and Martin followed the object toward Spring Garden Park, where he and the officer separated. Duckworth said he followed the light sphere to Chester Ave., where it "disappeared" from his sight.

"It went rapidly out of the range of my sight into the direction of Moorestown," Duckworth said. "It gave out a steady stream of light and it moved rapidly."

"At first I thought it might have been a flashlight, but it wasn't as there was no ground source. Then I thought it might have been a gas balloon, but it wasn't — it moved too fast," the married father of two commented.

"I wasn't scared, just curious, as I've read of these things. I never saw anything like this," he added.

"Whatever it was," Duckworth exclaimed, "it wasn't of this earth."

Patrolman Leroy Martin, who viewed the object with Duckworth said, "At first, it seemed to be floating down to the ground very slowly. He said he tried to follow it but lost sight of it behind some houses."

"Patrolmen William Pfeffer and Emil Tuch tell me they saw the same exact thing just a few nights ago, but weren't going to tell anybody," Martin said.

"They didn't think anybody would believe them," he said.

## Porterville College Forum Will Hear UFO Scientist

**PORTERVILLE** — A scientist who, after 11 years of study, is convinced the earth is being visited by intelligently controlled vehicles from outer space, will speak at a community services forum program at Porterville College Wednesday.

"Flying Saucers Are Real," will be the topic of Stanton Friedman, who will appear in the college theatre.

His talk tells why he is convinced there are "flying saucers", and covers such items as data from the only official scientific study ever conducted, misconceptions about UFO's, the feasibility to travel to the stars and the existence of humanoids.

Dr. Friedman has been involved in development of nuclear aircraft and rockets, fusion rockets and nuclear powerplants for space and earthbound power. He has appeared nationwide as a lecturer, author and consultant and had made appearances on radio and TV.

Fresno, Calif.  
Bee

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Burlington, N.J.  
(County Times)

In addition to being employed in nuclear development by such firms as TRW, Westinghouse, General Motors, General Electric and Aerojet, he was one of 12 scientists contributing to the scientific symposium on unidentified flying objects held by Congress. His professional affiliations include the American Physical Society, American Nuclear Society, the Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics, and the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena.

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Joplin, Missouri  
(Globe)

## UFO Sighted in Purcell A Area by Family, Deputy

PURCELL, Mo. — An unidentified flying object, described as "brighter than a harvest moon," was sighted early Tuesday morning in the Purcell area by the James Henderson family. It was the third sighting of a UFO by the family since Thanksgiving week.

The sighting was later confirmed by a deputy of the Jasper County Sheriff's Department who was dispatched to the scene after being called by the Hendersons.

Henderson said when his wife awoke early Tuesday she saw a bright object in the sky to the southeast, apparently about a mile away. She then awakened her husband and they called the sheriff's department.

Deputy Sheriff Max Swager arrived at the scene about 5:45 a.m. and reported seeing the UFO. He described it in a report to the sheriff's department as being 20 times brighter than a star and estimated that it was about three-quarters of a mile high in the sky.

Swager said the object started gaining altitude and headed in a southwesterly direction about 5:47 a.m.

Henderson said Tuesday that there could be no comparison between the brightness of the object and a star. "It does disappear in a star pattern, but at 6 p.m. no star is where it disappears."

Henderson said the object, when he saw it, appeared like a "sky-hook with a ball hanging. I don't think it was a star but I'm not going to say it was a UFO."

Mrs. Henderson reported the object had a bright glow and appeared to be three-cornered.

"It was six or seven times bigger than any star around in the sky," she said. "A star twinkles, and it glowed. It really gives you a weird feeling. It's just like

it senses that you know that you are aware of it."

Mrs. Billie Henderson, Henderson's mother, described the object as "bright, bright like someone shined a headlight in your eyes. The little bit of red in it ruled out a beacon."

Members of the family first saw a UFO during Thanksgiving week and then again on Christmas morning.

Mrs. Billie Henderson said she had just arrived in Purcell from Owosso, Mich., Christmas morning and was asleep in the back of the family car when other members of the family awakened her talking about a strange object in the sky.

"It would follow us whichever way we would go," she said. "If we would stop, it stopped. If we moved, it moved away. Once when we started toward it, it went toward Alba."

The object, according to the Hendersons, was seen no closer than a mile and makes no noise. They have seen it only between midnight and early morning.

"You wonder if our Air Force has some secret project or if there is something sitting up there watching us," Henderson said.

Henderson said that his mother has never believed in flying saucers but he added this time she is "laughing out of the other side of her mouth."

Jan. 7, 1971  
Liberal, Missouri  
(News)

IT HAS BEEN A LONG TIME since we have heard of sighting of UFO's, but this week a family at Purcell has been seeing strange objects in the sky near their home and the sightings have been verified by the sheriff's department. The first sighting was at Thanksgiving and all members of the James Henderson family report seeing the bright and moving object described as about three quarters of a mile high in the sky. They say it hovers, or moves about, gives off no noise and appears only between midnight and early morning. Mrs. Henderson described it as a bright object and appeared to be three-cornered.

Purcell is located northeast of Joplin a few miles off 43 highway.

## Science, not UFOs, to blame

"Is there supposed to be an eclipse tonight?"

"What are those strange lights?"

"Have you had any reports about something in the sky?"

No the moon didn't explode last evening. Phenomena seen and reported by many local residents was the result of tests being conducted by the Air Force.

The "strange lights," appearing in a moon-like cloud, were caused by rockets fired from Elgin Air Force Base, Fla. The rockets carried a payload of vaporized barium which ionized in high altitudes to produce what the Air Force calls "plasma" clouds.

They are being conducted as upper shell tests of the atmosphere for possible effects on re-entry vehicles.

The tests were observed by airplanes, rockets and ground stations in North Florida, South Alabama, and Louisiana. The eerie lights were apparently visible over a wide range of southern states.

Johnson City Press-Chronicle, Tenn., Jan. 21, 1971  
Credit: E. Kelly Jr., via Gene Duplantier

Jan 7, 1971  
Warsaw, Missouri  
(Benton Co. Enterprise)

The Jasper County Sheriff's office is reporting a sighting of a UFO. The sighting was reported by a man named [redacted] who lives in the Jasper County area. The sighting was reported to the sheriff's office on January 7, 1971. The sighting was described as a bright, three-pointed object in the sky. The sighting was reported by a man named [redacted] who lives in the Jasper County area. The sighting was reported to the sheriff's office on January 7, 1971. The sighting was described as a bright, three-pointed object in the sky. The sighting was reported by a man named [redacted] who lives in the Jasper County area. The sighting was reported to the sheriff's office on January 7, 1971. The sighting was described as a bright, three-pointed object in the sky.

# Mystery Flash Lights Illinois Sky

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Wed., Feb. 3, 1971

BY CHARLES OSWALD  
Globe-Democrat Staff Writer

A brilliant object that flashed over central Illinois early Tuesday may have been a meteorite, St. Louis regional director of the American Meteorological Society, said.

The object, which lit the sky over Illinois like a "flashbulb" for about 4 seconds at 5:30 a.m., was seen from as far east as Dayton, Ohio and as far south as Paducah, Ky.

A BUS DRIVER, George Jones of St. Charles, was among hundreds of persons in central and southern Illinois who reported seeing the dawn's early flash.

Jones said he and two other persons aboard the bus spotted the object to the south between St. Elmo and Vandalia, Ill., about 70 miles east of St. Louis.

"It was so intense," said Jones, "it was just like someone shooting a flashbulb in your eyes."

Centralia, Ill., police said they received dozens of telephone calls reporting "bright lights or flames falling from the sky."

An Eastern Airlines pilot reported what he said appeared to be a meteorite streak across the sky and strike the ground in the Centralia-Mount Vernon area.

SCOTT AIR FORCE Base authorities said no strange object was reported.

Objects were picked up on their radar and that no aircraft was reported missing.

Friton said that the brilliant flash reported by observers is characteristic of many meteorites.

"Brilliant meteorites — the ones that drop stones — are sometimes accompanied by sound," said Friton.

Observers of the phenomenon are asked to send their descriptions of the object to Friton at 508 Marshall ave., Webster Groves, Mo., 63119.

Friton would like to know the direction the object was going when it was sighted, how high it was, the color, brilliance, and size of the object compared to a full moon.

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Christian Science  
Monitor

## An absence of UFOs

The Walrus and the Carpenter  
Were walking on the strand:  
They sighed to see the UFOs  
Flash past on either hand.  
"If we could only get aboard,"  
They said, "it would be grand."

Two years or so ago millions of people around the globe entertained this hope, to see and board a flying saucer. Yet where are those UFOs today, seen by five million American viewers? Where are their rows of winking colored lights, their right-angled turns at top speed, their phenomenal acceleration? And where are their alleged little green crewmen with or without antennae in their foreheads?

As an acknowledged authority on UFOs and UFO literature, I'm asked from time to time what has happened to UFOs. I have an answer or rather an hypothesis, which may or may not be correct. It could turn out that the current absence of UFOs is even more significant than was their recent presence.

But first, let's look at the facts. It's certainly a matter of record that UFOs have almost completely dropped out of the newspaper columns and the magazines, and almost as completely from book publishers' lists. In Exeter, N.H., the Flying Saucer Museum and Library, which contained the largest collection of UFOs in the world, has closed its doors for lack of patronage. UFO Tours Inc. of New York, which offered luxury cruises in the F/S Solar Wind and other latest model flying saucers, no longer sends out its brightly colored travel brochures. And the overall number of reported sightings of flying saucers has been drastically reduced.

I say that reported sightings are down. As soon as UFOs began to drop from the news, public interest waned. People stopped reporting every stray flash of light or unusual celestial phenomenon as a UFO. They stopped sending to the press every photograph that contained some unexplained flaw or reflection. That leaves us with the question of actual sightings. Are these down, too?

As soon as people stopped looking for flying saucers, the number seen inevitably fell. The strangest and most unusual things can happen

right under one's nose and remain unobserved, if one is neither looking for nor expecting them. In fact, in these circumstances the stranger and more unusual the occurrence is, the more likely it is to go unobserved. So it's not surprising to find that, although documented sightings continue, their number is sharply down. There are, therefore, both fewer reported sightings and fewer actual sightings than previously.

The Condon Report, called for by the United States Government, must take its share of blame for this state of affairs. Read as a whole, the report could not conceal the considerable body of evidence which pointed to an important and inexplicable phenomenon. But the introductory summary of the report performed a hatchet job on flying saucers that has rarely been equaled in the fields of scientific scholarship. And as everyone knows, when a scholar and a scientist picks up a hatchet, he does a job with it of unparalleled effectiveness and ferocity.

If I were a flying saucer captain or crewman and read those opening pages of the Condon Report, I'd conclude that Earth was no place for me and I'd make my getaway as quickly as I could. I'd decide that if Earth cared so little for UFOs, why should UFOs care for Earth, and I'd put as many galactic light-years between Earth and my ship as I could.

But there is another possibility. The Condon Report may not bear the whole blame for the departure of UFOs. There's a possibility that the reduction of UFO sightings is due to something quite different, the long overdue reversal of Earth's magnetic poles.

Let me explain. Among the devices developed by Earth to protect itself from the hazards of space is its magnetic field. The poles of this field, negative and positive, correspond roughly with the geographic or axial poles of Earth, but not entirely. While all celestial bodies, however small, have a gravitational field, a magnetic field is a comparatively rare distinction, something Earth can be proud of. It's apparently caused by an interaction between Earth's inner core and outer crust, straining and rubbing against each other.

Now what is the possible connection between this and the withdrawal of UFOs? It appears that every so often for some unexplained reason Earth's magnetic field fades to almost nothing. Then it comes up again to full strength, but with the negative and positive poles reversed. According to a recent report in Time magazine these changes have been accompanied by notable shifts in Earth's weather patterns and have strongly affected animal life. For instance, a reversal of the poles, which took place between sixty and seventy million years ago synchronizes with the disappearance from Earth of the great lizards. This cleared the way for our earliest an-

cestors to become the dominant species on Earth.

And now we're getting warm, we're coming close to a possible solution to the problem of the absent UFOs. In the last ten million years Earth's magnetic poles have been reversed on an average every 220,000 years; but the last reversal took place about 700,000 years ago. In other words, a reversal of the magnetic poles is 480,000 years overdue. It may take place any day now. Every day the possibility increases. And when the reversal comes after so long a delay, it should be a big one.

We can't tell exactly what such a reversal may mean for humanity. It will certainly upset all our compasses and navigational instruments and may do a lot of other things as well. It could possibly be one of those catastrophes so immense that it really isn't worth anyone worrying about it.

But how may UFOs be regarding its approach? With their powerful but delicate gravitational drive and their highly complicated electromagnetic instrumentation, they certainly would not wish to be caught in a reversal of planetary poles; they might never find their way home again. It could well be their immensely sensitive informational and warning systems have told them in advance that this reversal, now nearly half a million years late, is likely to occur very shortly. In which case they have wisely decided to report back to their home ports as quickly as they can.

Sherlock Holmes once commented to the effect that he learned more from things that weren't present than from things that were. He solved more cases by clues that he looked for and couldn't find than by the clues obvious for all to see. It may well be that we have more to learn from the UFOs now they are leaving us than we did when they were present. In that case our scientific establishment should stop gloating about its victory over the UFOs. Instead it should be preparing to cope with the possible reversal of poles in Earth's magnetic field. That should keep it busy.

PETER J. HENNIKER-HEATON

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## Flashes of Fire Seen in Sky

Mysterious flashes of fire were seen in the sky over the Mid-South early today, principally by airplane and riverboat crews.

Reports to Marine radio station WJG came from boats north and south of Memphis.

Crews of the motor vessel Hamilton, 35 miles north of Memphis, reported having seen a flash of fire overhead at 5:30 a.m.

Employees at the Federal Aviation Administration air control tower at the Memphis International Airport said two commercial airline pilots and one Air Force pilot reported they saw the flash about 6:05 a.m.

Credit: SKYLOOK  
Norma Short

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Spooner, Wisconsin  
Advocate

Mr. Pedler, who went outside when summoned by the girls, confirmed the presence of the moving light and described it as possibly a jibed plane, although there was no sound. He also said it even went resembled a falling object but it was not a falling object and left no trail of light. With no explanation available, the incident can be added to the numerous earlier reports of mysterious flying objects. Or was it Santa Claus ascending his traditional sleigh and reindeer for a more modern means of space travel?

## Girls Sight Flying Object, Was It Santa?

Two excited little girls reported seeing a mysterious lighted flying object which they referred to as a "flying saucer" Saturday evening. Dorenda Rene, 3 years old, and Denise Bush, 11, were jumping the Lion Petter home about 8 p.m. They were looking at the stars, to find the big dipper when suddenly the brilliantly lighted object appeared, moving toward the west. As they watched, it circled around and returned toward the east as far as they could see it. They described it as having a saucer-shaped base with a round, bubble type top and making no sound.



(LATE NEWS) Dec. 10, 1971 - Richmond, Michigan - Review

## U.F.O's Sighted In Richmond Area?

By Janeth Egge  
staff writer

Starlight, Starbright. Who's going to see the spacefolk tonight? Look skyward people.

That's where the action is, according to John Baker, Gary Pietrykowski, and Chuck Snyder, local residents. Several weeks ago these three stalwarts, who claim to have been sober at the time, sighted a U.F.O. out on Kroner Rd. in Columbus township.

"It looked like a car," said John Baker, "except the hood hump was in the back of the vehicle." "It had blinking red, green and white lights, made a heavy droning noise, and hovered between 50 and 100 yards overhead." "I thought it might land," he explained. "I got scared and took off." "As we back-tracked two or three miles down Kroner, it turned and followed us." "At that point, we saw cars approaching from the other direction, and the U.F.O. disappeared, traveling in a sideways direction."

"It was all lights and made a droning jet sound, but not loud," recalled Gary Pietrykowski. Chuck Snyder describes the sound as "an intensely high-pitched hum." "Looking up at the object in its hovering position, it appeared as wide as the road," he stated. "It probably would have been much bigger at ground level." "The thing itself was shadowed out because the lights were so bright," he claimed. "It stayed in one place with the lights tilted at a slight angle and I thought maybe it was turning in a circle."

"It couldn't have been a jet or a helicopter," continued Snyder. "I know how those sound." "If the Air Force is behind this thing, they should notify the public," he states emphatically. "An older person, in poor health, could die of fright after an experience like that." "I was real scared myself," he laughed, "but curious at the same time." "I wanted to see what it was." "When the oncoming cars drew closer, the U.F.O. moved a 100 yards to the side, in a northeast direction, and then disappeared with an unbelievable burst of speed." "In an instant, there was nothing." "It was like a light turning out, but faster." "I never believed in U.F.O.'s before this happened," said Snyder, "but three people just can't imagine the same thing at the same time." "It happened all right and we saw it."

"John seldom talks much," Mrs. Baker told the Review, "but the night of the sighting he was so exhilarated and excited that he couldn't stop talking." "He's a quiet boy," said Mr. Baker, "but this was a most unusual experience for him." "I believe he is reporting the incident accurately."

Balls of fire and comet tails, should we scoff, or accept the account? At one time, any adult American who expressed a degree of belief in the possibility of flying saucers or other space phenomena, was regarded as an oddity and a crackpot. But attitudes have

changed subtly on the subject. A Review survey of the local citizenry, reveals there are more believers in interstellar activities than non-believers. Even though our astronauts found the moon underpopulated, inhospitable, and slightly less desirable than Miami Beach, earthlings insist on believing "there's something out there" and refuse to accept the theory of dead space. It seems to be no longer a case of "Are there U.F.O.'s?" but rather "Whose U.F.O.'s are they?"

Recognized as an expert in petroleum geo-chemistry and environmental sciences, Dr. Hodgson was born in Alberta, receiving his B.Sc. and M.S. in chemistry from the University of Alberta, and his Ph. D. from McGill in 1949.

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CANADA - Calgary Herald  
Jan. 11, 1971 (Duplantiery)

A University of Calgary scientist will discuss his study of lunar samples from the Apollo flights this week at a lunar conference in Houston. Dr. Gordon W. Hodgson, working on the project since 1966, has concluded life never

has nor ever will exist on the moon. However, he discovered that pigments related to chlorophyll - exist on the moon's surface, indicating a probability that life exists elsewhere in the universe. "From the high carbon content we have found in some meteorites together with the fact that chlorophyll-like com-

pounds exist extra-terrestrially, I feel there must be life on the millions of earth-like planets in the universe, and I expect there is intelligent life there as well," he says.

RESEARCH WORK  
In 1967, working with another chemist, Dr. Hodgson duplicated the structure of chlorophyll. He worked with the Research Council of Alberta, and became head of the petroleum research division. Also he spent a year as a visiting professor at Tohoku University in Japan.

In preparation for the Apollo assignment, Dr. Hodgson went to the NASA Research Centre in 1967 as a senior research associate, where he investigated the chemical origin of life. He continued research in 1968, and in 1969 joined the U. of C. faculty to work on organic geochemistry and environmental science.

'No life ever on moon' — city scientist

TO BRIGHT FOR STAR

## Policeman Also Sees 'Strange Glow' In Sky

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A Benton Harbor police officer, Lt. Harold Harris, said he has also seen the "strange glow" in the sky that was reported Tuesday morning by Oliver Harmon, an electronics engineer at St. Joseph's Heath Co.

Harris said he saw the glow in the same area in the sky and about the same time as Harmon. The glow was seen in the southern sky shortly after 6 a.m., while Harris was driving home from police duty.

Both men said the glow was red, like the tail of a rocket. Harmon had said it appeared to be moving like a tail of a rocket. Lt. Harris, however, said it appeared to be stationary, but it was too bright to be the morning star.

COLOMA

## Another Policeman Reports Glow In Sky

DEC 18

COLOMA — A "strange glow" in the sky early Tuesday morning was also seen by Coloma city policeman Wayne Krietner.

According to Krietner he and employees of Harding's Market in Coloma observed the sight in the east, he said. "The sun was coming up in the east and apparently was shining through an oval patch of fog resulting in the bright red glow which stood out from the blue sky background."

Earlier this week a Benton Harbor police officer, Lt. Harold Harris and Oliver Harmon, an electronics engineer at St. Joseph's Heath Co., also commented on viewing the "strange glow" early Tuesday.

Both men said the glow was red, like the tail of a rocket.

All clippings from the St. Joseph, Michigan "Herald Press". December 16, 17, and 18 1970. These sightings have been explained as possible "sun-pillars". (Ice crystals)  
Credit: Clinton C. Williams

TUESDAY MORNING

## Berrien Springs Man Sights 'Strange Glow'

DEC 16

Oliver Harmon, an electronics engineer at St. Joseph's Heath Co. plant, saw a strange glow in the sky as he drove to work early Tuesday morning. He wonders if anyone else saw it.

Harmon resides south of Berrien Springs in Dawn Haven subdivision. He first saw the unusual glow about 6:25 a.m. near the intersection of US-31 and Snyder road south of Berrien Springs. He stopped his car and watched.

"It was glowing red and moved like the tail of a rocket," he said. The light was in a southerly direction from him toward Niles.

When he reached the Heath Co. parking lot in St. Joseph, he could still see a "tear-shaped, red-glowing cloud" in the sky to the east over Fairplain.

No other reports of the sighting were made to this newspaper.

Our continued thanks to Mr. James Auburn  
Director Meteor Research Society, New  
York; and Mr. Douglas Wilson for the  
help they give to this section.

FOREIGN

# SHINING MYSTERY HIGH IN THE SKY

SUNDAY TIMES REPORTER

A bright light shining in the eastern sky is puzzling residents, mine-workers and scientists over a large area of the North-West.

It has been reported on three nights this week from centres as far apart as Meekatharra, Thaduna, Wiluna and Wittennoom.

The first sighting was soon after 3 am on Monday by night shift mine-workers at Thaduna.

They saw it again on Wednesday at about the same time.

"It was so blinding we could not look at it comfortably," one of them, Noel Mouritz, said yesterday.

## "Red light"

"On the first night I was working with Eddie Dorant on the grader in the open cut, when we saw a very large red light.

"As it rose in the sky it changed from red to dark orange to white and it was in the east.

"When we came out of the end of the open cut, it moved to the north east and after a while it rose higher and disappeared.

"It could have been an optical illusion, but it appeared to travel in front of us to the end of the open cut.

"On Wednesday morning we saw a bright, white light with a vapor trail which zig-zagged and slowly disappeared.

"Then we saw a little red dot, which took about 40 seconds to go two-

thirds of the way across the sky and disappear.

"About 12 minutes later it reappeared and took the same track again, then reversed back on the same track at about the same speed.

"We kept watching it then suddenly it moved back on the same track and went to this large white light.

"We thought it must have been the morning star, although it was 100 times brighter than any other star in the sky. In my opinion it was a meteorite."

Bob Miller, of West Midland, said:

"We were 80ft down in the open cut at 3.15 am on Monday.

## "So low"

"While the scraper was working, this thing went over the south-east end of the cut.

"Three of us went up to the cut and we could see this thing in the sky, so we woke some of the others.

"It seemed so low and close that some of the men got in a car and went bush to see it.

"Early on Wednesday we were sitting near the grader having a cup of coffee when we saw a

bright, bluish-colored flash and a zig-zag vapor trail coming down through the atmosphere.

"Then a small red thing went across the sky twice, reversed back, then went south and travelled to the big light. The first three times it was on the same track."

Four geologists, 30 miles west of Wiluna, also observed something on Monday night.

John Nicholls said: "We were sitting on the utility when I looked up and saw an extremely bright light travelling across. It seemed too bright, too white, too

close and too slow for a shooting star. I yelled out and the others looked up."

One of his companions, Mr. Ross Hannaford, said it appeared to be north of their position.

Some residents of Wittennoom also saw a brilliant flash low on the southern horizon early on Wednesday morning.

Bruce Wheeler, the radio officer in charge of the Royal Flying Doctor Service in Meekatharra said: "The reception on the pedal radio channels has been rather erratic."

a spiral of what appeared to be white smoke with a red glow in the centre.

This was seen by Laurie Atkinson, a senior official of the Bureau of Meteorology at Meekatharra, who said later:

"I consider what I saw was a meteorite entering the earth's atmosphere and disintegrating.

"It must have been very high because I did not hear any noise, yet it created a vivid light over a vast expanse of country.

"But from what I understand of Monday's sightings, the movements of the object do not coincide with those of a meteorite.

"Meteorites do not zig-zag, nor do they normally get low down in the earth's atmosphere before disintegrating."

"This may be due to sun spot activity, but in my experience, this usually manifests itself over a much wider area.

"On one occasion this week, we only had contact for half an hour with Thaduna and Ned's Creek stations."

At 3 am on Tuesday, a Meekatharra resident reported a red and blue light which moved from horizon to horizon four times before becoming stationary.

About 3.30 am on Wednesday, the countryside near Meekatharra was illuminated by a bright flash, followed by

# STRANGE FLASH IN SKY REPORTS

A mysterious explosion in the air was reported at Indooroopilly last night

Mr. R. F. Allen, resident janitor of the Indooroopilly State High School, said the explosion was accompanied by a vivid white light and was violent enough to shake his house and wake his wife.

"It happened at 11.17 p.m. I was awake and looking out my front window," he said.

"The explosion was preceded by a whine, decreasing in volume, similar to a jet or a descending shell. But it was not an aircraft.

## VIVID WHITE

"I was an Army engineer during the war and saw plenty of planes go up. A plane exploding is orange colored because of the fuel and is accompanied by falling debris.

"This was a vivid white and I saw nothing fall," he said.

"The explosion appeared to be about 1000 feet up.

"It was about a 40 degree angle to my line of sight as I faced towards the suburbs of Graceville, Sherwood and Gables."

The sound of the explosion also was reported by a St. Lucia housewife.

DCA and Weather Bureau officials today said they had heard no reports of the explosion.

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## NARRANDERA BOYS SIGHT U.F.O.s

Three Narrandera boys claim to have sighted what they believe was a flying saucer (or unidentified flying object) at Narrandera on December 16 at approximately 9.35 p.m.

The boys are Peter, Tony and Rodney Patterson, of 43 Ferrier Street, Narrandera.

In a letter to the editor of the "Narrandera Argus", the boys wrote: "We observed a small speck of light travelling in a north to south direction, moving at a considerable speed.

"This speed was enough in our opinion to allow it to move from one horizon to the other in four to seven minutes. This light fluctuated on and off at regular intervals. This led us to believe that it was the underside of an aircraft on a north south route.

"However, this was refuted by the lack of other colours such as red, the colour of a single light, that of white was only detectable.

"Before it reached a

90 degree altitude with the Earth, it disappeared from view. Peter had been using Rodney's telescope to capture an image of the 'thing' which had captured our imaginations.

"The restriction on the field of view, together with the velocity of the object, made it impossible to track.

"In a combined effort, we gazed into the heavens hoping to see it again. After three or four minutes we thought it had gone forever. However, it had not.

"Two or more minutes later, we spotted it again travelling in a straight line. A very short time later, it disappeared and this was the last time Peter and Rodney were to see it.

"Tony spotted it again in the South Western sky, but before we

could confirm what he had seen, it had disappeared into the millions of similar looking stars in the sky.

"From our observations, we drew the following conclusions:

"1. It was not a plane.

"2. It was not a satellite because it went on and off, whereas a satellite does not. Satellites often tumble while in orbit and the motion of this object was more fluent. If what Tony saw was correct, that if it was a satellite it had a very peculiar path.

"These are the facts as we saw them. Whether they point to the existence of flying saucers or U.F.O.s we do not know, but we shall always marvel at what man cannot understand nor explain."

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## WAS THIS UFO A MIRAGE?

HACKNEY POLICE station was flooded with telephone calls on Saturday from people who claimed to have sighted a "pulsating" UFO hovering over East London.

And the Ministry of Defence are investigating the claims after answering numerous calls from bewildered residents. The object as it appeared was described as orange-yellow and pulsating. Douglas Lockhart, 12, of Down Park Road, was watching TV when a girl friend, Maureen Boyle, saw a "glowing orange light" through a curtain. "I went to the window and realised immediately that there was something unusual in the sky," he said. "So we went into the street.

"The object was between one and three thousand feet. From a distance it looked like a large orange ball. As it came nearer it took a much more definite shape. It had an oval shape, faint indeterminate black line glowing around the black line was a red corona, very lacerated. It was deeper at the top and bottom than at the sides. The whole thing pulsed like a heart-beat. It was the size of a single-deck bus.

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## DID YOU SEE ANY FLYING SAUCERS?

SIX YEARS ago, the eyes of Kirkby were focussed on the sky after many reported sightings of flying saucers above the town and industrial estate.

A man who was working in Kirkby at the time as a security officer is now writing a book on unidentified flying objects, and he has asked me to help him find people who saw the strange visitors.

Mr. John Parkinson, now living in Crosby, tells me: "I would like to hear of anyone who sighted UFO's over Kirkby and the industrial estate in June, July and August, 1964.

### LEPRECHAUNS

"In the first week of July of that year, had seen leprechauns in St. Chad's churchyard. A lot of people laughed this off at the time, but I would also appreciate any information relating to the incident.

Mr. Parkinson says he thought the sightings over Kirkby were significant when linked with other sightings throughout Britain.

Mr. Parkinson is an official of an organisation which researches into UFO's and he edits a quarterly magazine on the subject. Information can be sent to him at Southlands, Endbutt Lane, Crosby, L23 0TS.

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He and his friend, Mr. Frank Newbold, of 30, Gorden Street, Coventry, continued to watch what they described as a "round while glowing light."

"Then it shot up again and disappeared back into the sky. Suddenly it came back and did the same thing again, this time shooting off very fast and vanishing."

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## THREE UFO SIGHTING CLAIMS

### DISAPPEARED

"It appeared and went away several times before it finally disappeared towards Pined. It didn't travel fast. It smoothly swerved away at the



# John snaps UFO over Swinton

A dark shape dropped suddenly out of the clouds, hovered for a few seconds and then disappeared as quickly as it came.

But those few seconds were long enough for 23-year-old John Drew to take a photograph and now he is convinced what he saw was a flying saucer.

John had risen early at the beginning of last month to take pictures of the sunrise with his new camera. He was about to pack away his equipment when the mysterious object appeared above his home in Thompson Drive, Swinton.

He said: "At first I thought it was a helicopter but as soon as I began to have doubts I took a photograph."

The film has now been developed in slide form and according to John the large black spot above the houses is a definitely a U.F.O.

## DISBELIEF

John, who is a production hand, said: "I have never really believed in flying saucers before, but I think I do now."

The photographs have brought a lot of disbelief from my friends but they cannot argue with something which is before their eyes on a photograph."

He said the flying saucer seemed to be very low. "It was moving very fast at a slight angle," he said. "But as I watched it it suddenly went out of sight."

John said it was difficult to gain an impression of size but he said it could not have been very large."

## COLOR

The flying saucer was blue green in colour. It was the first time John had seen the object and it has not been seen since.

He said: "It was about 8.30 when I spotted it but nobody else seems to have seen the thing."

"I probably noticed it because my eyes had been focussed on the sky all morning."

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# More UFOs: Mystery lights buzz Harwell A-plant

MYSTERY lights which seemed to disintegrate over the Atomic Energy Research Establishment, Harwell, were seen by a number of people in and around Wantage last night.

There was no explanation of them from any official sources today, although one speculation was that the lights may have been some form of parachute flare. But neither the police nor the RAF could throw any more light on the matter.

Among the people who saw them were Mr and Mrs Victor Brown, of Lark-down, Wantage, who notified Wantage police.

Mrs Brown, who is an enrolled member of Wantage Mothers' Union, told the police there were two lights moving slowly towards the station on hearing Mrs Brown's report and saw a small yellow point of light moving from the north towards the south-east, high in the sky. He also said that when it was roughly over AERE Harwell, it disintegrated and fell to earth.

The sightings occurred about 11 p.m. and a number of other people in the town centre also saw the mystery travelling lights.

This was the third recent sighting of unidentified flying objects in or near Wantage. The first was ten days ago when a man saw a dome-shaped object on the Berkshire Downs at Brightwalton and earlier this week a Wantage man and his son saw five spheres in the form of a cross.

Another man has reported seeing a mystery light in the sky over the Oxford area, this time on Wednesday night.

Mr Michael Warner, of 3 The Tennis, Cassington, was going home at 11.50 p.m. when he saw an object with "a very white, bright glow" travelling in a low arc from north-west to south-east.

"It disappeared suddenly before it went over the horizon. It was in view for a matter of five seconds or so. At first I thought it might be a shooting star, but after reading other reports of mystery objects I am not quite sure."

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## UFO report

Wantage police have been investigating a report made on Monday that an unidentified flying object had been seen high on the Berkshire Downs near Brightwalton.

The report came in by telephone from a man who said he had seen an object which he described as being silver grey in colour, dome-shaped and

about 20 feet in diameter. The man, who asked that his name should not be disclosed, told police that the object had a flat round disc on top, appeared to have windows in the sides, legs underneath and aerials sticking out from its side.

He said he watched the object for three to five minutes before it took off at a very fast speed and disappeared into a high cloud in three to four seconds. The man said it made a whistling noise on take off.

Police officers searched the area but found no traces of anything having been on the ground.

A police spokesman said there were holes in the area, but they could have been made by almost anything.

A spokesman at RAF Abingdon said they too had received unconfirmed reports of an unidentified object in the Brightwalton area.

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## Another UFO claim

An unidentified flying object in the shape of a cross was seen over Wantage on Monday night by a Wantage man and his 16-year-old son.

Mr Henry Dalzell, an employee of the Atomic Energy Authority at Harwell, said he saw the object when he and his son David were looking through a telescope at their home in Hampden Road, Wantage.

The object looked like five round balls arranged in the shape of a cross, and it moved across the sky from west to north-west.

Mr Dalzell said it stayed in the sky from three to four minutes before it split up—one of the balls shooting away from the main section.

"The rest then disappeared as if a light had gone out," he said.

This was the second unidentified object to have been seen in the Wantage area in a week. Last Monday police officers searched on the Berkshire Downs near Brightwalton after a man had reported seeing an object land there.

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## Flying Saucer story crops up again

LONDON, Dec. 28. After lying dormant for about a year, the puzzling subject of Unidentified Flying Objects — Flying Saucers — has cropped up again.

A special study course has been launched at Stamford College in Lincolnshire for a group of people who are interested in the subject. Some of them claim to have seen objects in the sky that had no obvious explanation. The study group's approach to UFOs was explained by their spokesman, Mrs. Pat Burns. She said: "Some members of our group have seen things in the sky. One man saw a yellow object in the sky with some smaller lights accompanying it. Another man saw a very bright light in the sky. It was like a cross in shape."

When she was asked about the possibility that so-called space vehicles descending into Earth orbit might have crews directing them, as opposed to being unmanned, mechanically controlled vehicles, Mrs. Burns replied: "I think that some of these UFOs probably come from other planets. That being the case, I think it is most likely that the crews aboard them would look like us and not be like some bug eyed monster."

The reference in the groups reports to "a yellow object" bear some similarity to a report from an entirely unconnected source. In Hackney, London, only a few days ago, a writer and his wife both described an object they saw in the sky.

Mr. Douglas Lockhart explained it this way: "The light from it appeared to be pulsating. It was more than one colour. It was composed of yellow, black and red light."

Both Mr. Lockhart and his wife in London, and the study group in Lincolnshire — nearly 150 miles away — noticed something "yellow" in the sky.

Corroboration for the London sighting came also from a student named Philip Morris, who says he saw a similar object an hour earlier over Hyde Park; and taxi driver Stanley Simmonds and his wife noticed "something" in the sky. In their case the sighting was "silver."

From America comes a very interesting sidelight on the subject of Flying Saucers. It comes from Mr. Donald I. Warren, who

is a sociologist at the University of Michigan.

He was interested not so much in proving Flying Saucers to be real or imagined, as in the sort of people who claim to have seen them.

A public opinion poll conducted four years ago in the USA revealed that about half those interviewed were convinced that Flying Saucers do exist, and that 5 per cent of them claimed to have seen one.

This massive public belief in this mysterious subject convinced Mr. Warren that Flying Saucers are a real phenomenon in most people's lives and he guessed that they must be related to the peoples' state of mind.

Working to a sociological hypothesis referred to as "status inconsistency," he conceived the theory that Flying Saucer materialisations are most likely to occur to people who are out of step with the rest of society.

To come within the "status inconsistency" category, a subject shows a lack of harmony with others of his race, income bracket, occupational level, and age group.

After studying the reports of Flying Saucer sightings, Mr. Warren came to the conclusion that they were also somehow linked with a state of mind which he called "status frustration." The Flying Saucer that the subject persuaded himself that he had seen was really a sublimation of his desire to flee from an unfriendly social position. In the final analysis, Mr. Warren eliminated from his test group all people who were emotionally unstable because of their general circumstances. Women figured prominently in this. He eventually selected a number of mature men and split them up into groupings according to profession, income and education.

In each grouping the men who could be classified as "status inconsistent" made the highest proportion of Flying Saucer claims.

And surprisingly, it was the best educated men in this classification who were most prone to claim a Flying Saucer visitation. One conclusion that might be drawn from the research is that a man who feels frustrated because his progress in life has not equalled his expectations, might be the person to report a Flying Saucer — (NAFEN).

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## Dublin's the place for U.F.O.s

If you want to see unidentified flying objects move to Dublin city or county—that's where nearly all the atmospheric action is, according to UFOs.

Hufols stands for Hibernia Ufo Investigation Society and its aim, states its president, Mr. Thomas Conway of Wexford, is "to try to put Ireland on the map for Ufology."

The society received reports of well over 40 ufos during 1970 but only 22 were accepted as proven.

### A DROP

This is a drop on the previous year's total of 36 acceptable sightings out of 46.

Dublin city and county had 11 proven sightings out of 12 reported. The other most likely places are Cork, Limerick, Clare, Wexford and Carlow.

The society promises detailed data on the 22 acceptable sightings later.

UFO seen  
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A "FLYING SAUCER" was spotted by a Barkingside woman on Sunday morning.

Mrs. Jessie Tibbley, of Waterloo-road, watched the object as it drifted for several seconds over the houses at the end of her road.

"About 11 o'clock I was sitting in the front room looking out of the window," said 66-year-old Mrs. Tibbley.

"Suddenly I saw this bright silver thing slide across the sky. I thought I had been seeing things."

But when she read in a paper next day that someone in Clapton had seen a similar object, she reported her sighting and was put in touch with Mr. Alan Coutts, the area investigator.

THE SECOND report within a week of an unidentified flying object in the Wantage area came today, from a Wantage man and his 16-year-old schoolboy son.

Mr. Henry Dalzell and his son David, who attends King Alfred's Grammar School, Wantage, were at their home in Hampden Road, Wantage, about half past five last evening when they saw an object through a telescope, which looked like five round balls advanced in the shape of a cross.

Mr. Dalzell, who works at the Atomic Energy Research Establishment, Harwell, said today, that he and his son saw the object for about three or four minutes before one of the spheres went shooting off to the North-West and the others just disappeared as if a light had been switched off.

Last week a man reported to the police that he had seen a dome shaped object on the Berkshire Downs near Brightwalton which had gone off at a fast speed, but police investigations found no evidence of anything having landed in this vicinity.

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# "It was uncanny", wharf men report

Three Napier watersiders, working on the No. 1 hatch of the freighter Ventoux at the Port of Napier, sighted an unidentified flying object in the sky about 11 a.m. yesterday.

They are Messrs Charles Orbell, John Clark and Jeff Miller.

ed by Mr Orbell, who, with Mr. Clark, was working on a winch.

FOR 10 MINUTES

"I saw this thing glistening in the sky and at first I thought it was a plane," Mr. Orbell said. "However, it didn't appear to be moving. I drew Mr Clark's attention to it and he thought it was a glider at first. It was there for about 10 minutes before it moved to the left and then shot away."

Mr Clark said he had never previously seen anything like it.

"It just hovered up there, and it was bright and

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The object was also seen from Hastings. Mr D. L. Grindell of Oliphant Road, reported seeing a "silver white disc" in the sky about 11 a.m. yesterday.

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## U.F.O.s

Sir,—I have a theory regarding that barrel found at Ruby Bay — I think it is a waste product from a U.F.O. The fact that it is perfectly made from so many different kinds of wood should suggest someone or something "out there" is trying to test our ability to reason, and as the liquid is evil-smelling, plus the strange shell creatures, I would hope that to find out more someone sends a sample to the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research. A sighting of a U.F.O. was mentioned near Sandy Bay.

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## Those UFO's are just a status lack'

Science Correspondent

Most of the people who report unidentified flying objects are "status inconsistent males", according to a report published in the current issue of the American journal, "Science".

Using details taken from a nation-wide poll Donald I. Warren, a University of Michigan sociologist, discovered that half the U.S. population believe them to be real, and that one in 20 claim to have seen them.

Warren's interest was to find out more about the sort of person who reported the sightings. The main purpose of his analysis was to check a sociological hypothesis known as the "status inconsistency theory."

People in this category experience frustrations in their lives, and their social backgrounds may not match up with the job they are doing, or the company they keep.

Warren thought that flying saucer sightings were linked to status frustration, and gave an opportunity for

escape from a harsh and alien social system.

Women, for instance, have an imposed and ambiguous status: do they assume their husbands' status, or their own, or a hybrid of the two? They are also twice as likely as men to report a UFO sighting. According to Warren, this is a reflection of their mixed up state.

Using education, income, and occupation as the basis of his analysis, Warren found that in all possible groupings, status inconsistent males reported more UFO sightings.

His most amazing finding was that the better educated among the inconsistent were the most susceptible. It was not the uneducated or the uninformed who reported UFOs.

BARROW WOMAN SPOTS FLYING OBJECT

## May have been weather balloon

A TINY spherical object high in the sky over Morecambe Bay had a Barrow housewife wondering today whether she had seen a flying saucer.

Mrs Itenee Crowdsen, of North Row, Roose, noticed the object just after 9.30 this morning. "It was, due south from us, and to our eyes it looked stationary," she said.

"It was small and spherical and looked as though it was made of aluminium. I looked at it through binoculars, and I could just make out a red and a white light."

### No reports

A spokesman for the Air Ministry at air traffic control, Preston, said: "We have no reports of any weather balloon or anything else in that area."

But the object he said, could well have been a weather balloon. "They normally go up to quite a height and disappear from view."

"If one did not go up the full way, because of a gas escape or for some other reason, it might well be seen."

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## Object seen in sky

A bright light moving very quickly over the Port Hills was reported by an Opawa resident at midnight last night. Mr E. N. Beni said that the light, which appeared to be spherical, was slightly larger than a star and moved from east to west, taking about a minute to traverse a high arc across the sky.

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YEARS PAST: An historical look at UFOs seen through the eyes of the press in years past.

We wish to thank Mr. James D. Wardle for the use of his clipping collection, from which these clippings have come.

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The Topeka Daily Capital, Wednesday, Feb. 9, 1955

## Weird Lights Seen Hovering In Southwestern Kansas Sky

GREAT BEND—(AP)—Two oil company employees and a National Guard officer reported the appearance of strange lights in this area Monday night.

Bill Whitcraft of Ellinwood and Bill Snyder of Great Bend said they noticed the lights about 9:30 p. m. while traveling from Russell, about 45 north, to Great Bend.

Whitcraft and Snyder, employed by the Lane-Wells Oil Co., said the lights appeared to be formed into a triangle at first and then appeared to string out into a straight line.

Chief Warrant Officer Charles Russell said he and from 15 to 20 other National Guardsmen observed the lights at the Great Bend Municipal Airport. He said they appeared

to be at 20 to 30 thousand feet altitude.

Russell said the lights were as bright as automobile headlights but said they did not send out beams. He said that after his group had watched them for several minutes they moved eastward and "just faded out."

About two weeks ago, several snowplow operators reported seeing strange blue lights bobbing and hovering over the Blue Mountains in Oregon. They said the lights seemed to hum. One man said he thought he was within 500 yards of the phenomenon.

None who observed the lights in this area said anything about color and sound, however.

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## 'Flying Saucer' Hangs in Colorado Skies Two Nights

Fort Collins, Colo., Aug. 28 (AP)—For the second straight night, Fort Collins residents trained their eyes on a round, red object in the sky to the east.

"There it is again," city policeman Lawrence Juich said Monday night.

MRS. ELOISE STRYKER watched it thru binoculars, at Harmony, south of here. Jeanette Franz said she saw it, too. Bob Scott, a newsman at radio station KCOL, said everyone spotting it could see Mars plainly at the same time.

Mars was almost directly overhead, Scott said, while the "saucer" floated close to the horizon.

Scott described the object as slightly cigar-shaped and a glowing red that tapered off to a pink. He said it was viewed for 37 minutes Sunday and for 10 minutes Monday evening.

Similar reports came from as far south as Colorado Springs, 134 miles distant. Frank van Cleave, announcer at radio sta-

tion KRDO there, said several soldiers at Fort Carson and residents of Colorado Springs reported seeing the object or something very much like it.

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## Spain to Investigate

### Flying Saucers 11-13-56

BARCELONA, Nov. 12 (UPI)—Spain has decided to investigate flying saucers. A group of scientists here has founded the interplanetary studies center to investigate "unexplained phenomena in space and unidentified objects in the skies." The group is headed by Eduardo Ruelta.

## Tennessee Residents Note Strange Lights

Nashville, Tenn. (AP)—The Western Cumberland plateau east of here has never been known as flying saucer country, but many citizens of the area insist some pretty odd lights have been hovering and flitting over their hills in recent weeks.

Those reporting seeing the lights include Smith county Sheriff Sidney Harper of Carthage, Tenn., five state highway patrolmen and numerous other persons scattered from Hartsville to Cookeville, Tenn.

Garry Fullerton of the Nashville Tennessean, who interviewed many witnesses in person and by telephone, said most of the reports were strikingly similar.

Most of the witnesses, he said, agree on this description of the mysterious objects, which have been reported both singly and in dependently moving in pairs:

—They appear as revolving red lights similar to the beacons atop police cars and some ambulances which get a peculiar flashing effect with revolving reflectors inside red glass domes.

—They usually move slowly, too slowly and erratically to be airplanes, but occasionally speed up and dart out of sight.

—They often hover for long periods in one place.

—They make absolutely no noise, even when observed at an estimated range of 400 yards while hovering below treetop height.

Two Gordonsville school teachers, however, said the light they saw was not flashing.

And a Tennessee Polytechnic Institute student at Cookeville said he watched one through binoculars November 6, and it looked more like two white lights revolving horizontally around a red light. Without binoculars, he said, it looked like a "very bright red light."

Fullerton, no flying saucer fan, said the reported movements could most logically be explained by assuming the lights were attached to night-flying helicopters.

But this theory bogged down, he said, against denials of all known owners of helicopters in the area — Army, Air Force, and state patrol — and the utter lack of any reported sound of motors, or any shadows to indicate the bulk of an aircraft.

He said he ran into similar difficulties in trying to explain it as St. Elmo's fire, reflections from clouds or airplanes.

And, he said, the number, the variety and the character of the people reporting the lights made it difficult for him to consider the possibility of hoax, hysteria or lively imaginations.

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## Paper Unknown Flying Disc People, Too

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SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA, Sept. 19—An Anglican missionary who arrived in Sydney, Saturday said he had seen human figures in flying saucers over New Guinea.

The Rev. William Gill was emphatic that he had seen the flying objects "with my own eyes" near Bolanai in northern New Guinea on three days last June.

One big object was sighted after sunset on June 27, he said.

"We watched the four figures appear on top of the object—there is no doubt that they were human. Two of the figures seemed to be doing something near the center of the disc.

"One of the figures seemed to be standing looking down at about a dozen of us."

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## Huge Flying Saucer Reported Over Paris

Paris (UPI)—The French government sought today to solve the mystery of the "phantom of Orly," a gigantic flying-saucer-like object which whirled across the airport's radar screen at supersonic speed last Friday.

It was the third time in less than a year that the "phantom" has been charted on radarscopes at the busy international airfield outside of Paris. The object was described as about twice the size of the largest known plane, moved at times at an estimated 2,000 miles an hour, and hovered around the airport for about four hours.

# Object Hinted From Neighboring Planet

Albuquerque, N.M.—The Southwest's leading meteoricist, Dr. Lincoln La Paz, said today he doesn't believe the mysterious cigar-like object sighted over West Texas and New Mexico Sunday night contained "little people from Mars or Venus."

La Paz, head of the Meteoritics Institute of the University of New Mexico, said the object was "either man-made" or could be attributed to "meteoritic phenomenon."

He said stories of the possibility of a "space ship" from another planet motivated by magnetic field forces "has not been taken seriously by scientists." But he indicated it was "entirely possible" that the object was man-made.

11-3-57

Levelland, Tex.—A man who has spent 20 years studying aerial phenomena said today he believes a mysterious object seen in west Texas and New Mexico "was a space craft from one of the neighboring planets."

The expert is James A. Lee of Abilene, Tex., a member of the National Investigations committee on aerial phenomena and a director of Inter-Planetary Space Patrol, a west Texas organization which investigates "flying saucers" and similar objects.

Lee rushed here Sunday upon hearing of the latest object, seen by at least nine persons in two states.

The egg-shaped object, described as about 200 feet long and a brilliant red, was glimpsed by at least five persons in the Levelland area, including the sheriff, three persons at Midland and another at Clovis, N.M.

## Says It Was On Road

James D. Long of Waco said he was driving on a farm-to-market road west of Levelland at 1:15 a.m. Sunday when he encountered the object sitting in the road.

He said it was oval-shaped, about 200 feet long and glowed like a neon sign. He got out of his car about 200 feet away to investigate but when he did the object suddenly took off with a roar straight up into the air.

Long said his engine coughed and died and his headlights suddenly went out. When he got his car started, he hurried back to town.

Two other persons said they saw the object in the Levelland area about an hour earlier. Both Pedro Sacido and Nowell E. Wright said the object passed over their cars with a roar like thunder. The engines of their cars died and the headlights went out, too.

## Passed Over Car

Sheriff Weir Clem and his deputy, Pat McCullough, spotted the object streaking across the sky in front of their car.

The ground observer corps at Midland reported that an unidentified mother and her two children saw "a large object of bluish color flying west and very low" early Saturday night.

Odus Echols, owner of radio station KCLV in Clovis, N.M., said he "saw a streak of light like a fire ball" moving in a southeasterly direction about 8 p.m. Saturday.

"I think it's a space craft from one of the neighboring planets," he declared.

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## Waiting for the Little Men

To the satisfaction of all but the most wishful space cultists (NEWSWEEK, March 21), some 90 per cent of all flying-saucer sightings have been adequately explained away. They have been dismissed as odd-shaped clouds, weather balloons, meteors, optical tricks of the atmosphere, birds and bugs, or such human failings as hallucinations, trick photography, and dirty eyeglasses. For the 1955 saucer season, Dr. Walter Dornberger—wartime chief of German V-2 rocket development and now guided-missiles consultant to Bell Aircraft Corp. at Buffalo, N.Y.—comes up with a theory to account for most of the still unexplained "objects."

From time to time, he says, small violent eddies are generated in the air. Spinning at incredible speeds, they are, in effect, deformed tornadoes or slices from twisters. Whenever one of these Dornberger doughnuts gets revolving at five to seven times the speed of sound, billions of air molecules are ripped apart. In the process, their atoms become momentarily unstable and emit light, visible in high-speed wind tunnels. The atomic glow outlines the whirlpool to the eye; besides, the density of the vortex is sufficient to be apparent on radar. This doughnut would behave as a good saucer should during its brief life, climbing abruptly or making aerodynamically "impossible" turns.

Dornberger admits that he does not remove the mystery from a final 1 or 2 per cent of all saucer sightings. But, he says, "No one is going to convince me of visitors from space until they bring in one of those little guys and sit him on my desk."

## Flying Saucers May Exist, Says Envoy

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WASHINGTON — (UP) — Henry J. Taylor, nominated to be the new U. S. ambassador to Switzerland, believes that flying saucers may really exist. At least 10 per cent of flying saucer reports are "very disturbing," and must be taken seriously, he says.

Taylor, a radio commentator, was questioned about his views on aerial discs earlier this week by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, which was considering his ambassadorial nomination.

The committee later approved the nomination by voice vote. Taylor's testimony was made public Saturday.

Taylor said that "nine out of 10" claimed saucer sightings are either ridiculous, reported by publicity seekers, or result from misconceptions, optical illusions and a hundred other different things. But there is a 10th one that is "very disturbing," he said.

He said the average 10th case has to be taken seriously because it "has been seen by too many sober-minded people, with photographic and other evidence."

He said "something is apparently happening in about eight or 10 per cent of these sightings in various parts of the world which is not clear."

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