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'FLYING SAUCER' REPORTED BY PLBN; MORE UFO INFORMATION SOUGHT

"Flying saucers" have come to Parklabrea.

"A very bright red object sighted in two independent sightings was reported east of the Parklabrea Towers—one from the 12th floor of a Burnside Tower and one south of Van Ness Ave. and First Street, which remained stationary, Aug. 9," reports Stanton T. Friedman, Director, UFO Institute, of Redondo Beach, who is internationally known.

The red object remained stationary at least five minutes between 10:15 and 10:25 p.m. that Monday night (a week ago), Friedman, nuclear physicist and lecturer wrote the Parklabrea News Aug. 10.

"Considering how warm it was Aug. 9, and how bright and lovely the moon was, it seems certain that other Parklabreans may have observed the phenomenon, but

didn't know to whom they might report the sighting," Friedman added.

"The UFORI will be interested in hearing from others who observed either this UFO (Unknown Flying Object) or any other sightings in the past. The Parklabrea Tower residents have an unobstructed view from the Hollywood Hills to the sea, and, many, I am told, use binoculars for viewing the skies and city at night."

Mr. Friedman will appreciate immediate telephone calls from Parklabreans on any unusual appearances of objects in the skies or the sighting of Aug. 9. He can be reached by phoning 370-0807 (an answering service) during any 24-hour period.

The Parklabrean who made the sighting, a widely known scientist, did not wish to have his name revealed, Friedman said.

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Red Light In Sky Unexplained

LEWISBURG — Great shades, red light, of Orson Welles!

Lewisburg police report investigating a complaint at 11:10 p.m. Wednesday of a flying saucer hovering in the vicinity of S. Fourth and Saint George Streets.

Though an investigation failed to turn up a saucer, police did confirm that a strange red light, reported by another caller, was, indeed, visible in the skies northwest of Lewisburg. No explanation was offered for the existence of the hovering.

The reports Wednesday night came only one night after Lewisburg firemen rushed to the vicinity of the Evangelical Community Hospital to aid in a reported plane crash. Firemen and police found nothing at the site of the reported crash, however.

It was not clear today what the police would do if they did happen to find a flying saucer as Lewisburg has no ordinance prohibiting "extraterrestrial hovering."

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UFOs Sighted Over Carroll County

By MARTHA RAVEN
Staff Writer

UFO investigators from the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP) went to Carroll County last weekend to research two recent reports of unidentified flying objects.

Charles Paul Kenyon, his wife, and four children, sighted the first object about 8 p.m., during the severe lightning and rain storm on Aug. 3.

A similar saucer-shaped object was seen by about 20 people in Frizzleburg, Sunday, Aug. 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Craig Phillips, members of NICAP, interviewed Kenyon, his family, and James Key who saw the Frizzleburg UFO, took pictures of the sites, and talked with local police and weathermen.

Discussing Kenyon's sighting, Mrs. Phillips said, "It doesn't sound like any of the simple ones. About 20 per cent of the sightings can't be explained."

The Kenyons left their home in Sam's Creek during the storm and drove as they often do to Md. 31 near Westminster to watch the storm.

Kenyon said he saw a large, oval shaped ship moving southwest parallel to Md. 31. Pointing it out to his family he watched it go out of sight behind a woods.

It reappeared in about 10 minutes traveling northeast along Md. 31. It turned west toward Uniontown, then circled and flew back across the Kenyon truck and over Fitzhugh hill toward Westminster, he said.

Kenyon said the object was about 50 feet lower to the ground than the nearby WTRR radio tower.

There was a flashing light on top of the ship and eight smaller lights on its belly. Kenyon said it seemed to be about 20 feet long.

As the ship passed over the truck, the Kenyons heard a sound like the whine of a large air conditioner.

The Kenyons drove to the top of Fitzhugh hill but did not see the ship again.

Mrs. Phillips questioned Kenyon closely on the apparent size and altitude of the object, the weather conditions, its color, sound and direction.

Kenyon said that his truck lights were out when he saw the ship. Only a few house lights

shone in the evening darkness. He said that the heavy rains had stopped but that the lightning was intense and quite close.

"I got the feeling they were hunting for something. The thing seemed to follow the lightning wherever it was the severest," Kenyon said.

The Phillips asked Kenyon to draw pictures of the ship and to repeat in detail what he saw. They even taped the sound of an air conditioner on top of the Westminster Drug Fair. Kenyon said it had the exact same sound as the UFO.

Later on Saturday, the Phillips interviewed Key, a retired seaman who lives in Frizzleburg. He reported watching an egg-shaped ship with bright lights for about 10 minutes during a family gathering in his backyard Aug. 8.

Key said that at about 8:15 p.m. one of his guests noticed the object and watched it for a few minutes before alerting the other 20 people. All of them watched the ship as it flew out of the north, then turned west toward Thurmont.

Mrs. Phillips said that her taped interviews and photographs will be studied by NICAP for any

possible explanation. NICAP will investigate whether any airplanes, helicopters or weather balloons could have been in the area at the time of the sightings.

Topography, weather, winds, temperature and light will be checked for the possibility of some optical effect on the sky. Mrs. Phillips said that the appearance of UFOs can be caused by reflections on metal or glass, by unusually bright stars or planets, and even by some gases.

Possible UFOs in photographs sometime prove to be stars, planes or even blotches of photographic developer, she added.

Mrs. Phillips recalled one hoax photograph that was a chocolate fudge sundae photographed in a peculiar light. Another report of a white globe as big as the moon proved to be a dandelion fluff floating by on the wind.

"These people are not stupid," Mrs. Phillips said. It's just that occasionally there will be a freakish circumstance.

At least five people saw both of the Westminster UFOs. According to Mrs. Phillips, it will be tough to discredit them and tougher still to explain them,

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U.F.O. Probe: Hunting Facts

By John T. Adams

"I saw it first up over there," Charles Kenyon said, and pointed his left index finger at the western horizon.

"Then it went over that way, like towards Gettysburg." He moved his finger slowly towards the north.

As he talked and pointed, Kenyon glanced down at the tape recorder microphone in his companion's hand.

Beside the two men, a woman followed Kenyon's gestures with a camera, snapping pictures of the horizon.

Slowly, and with much detail, Kenyon was

reconstructing his sighting of an unidentified flying object for members of the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (N.I.C.A.P.) who came to Westminster Saturday to look into two similar reported sightings.

Their mission, they said, was to gather as much information as possible and then relay it to the National N.I.C.A.P. office in Washington for further study.

By putting all the events together and checking them out with possible explanations, N.I.C.A.P. of-

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Something There?

Saw UFO in Skies, 2 Couples Report

Flying saucers have not been much in the news of late, but that does not mean that there isn't "something out there" or that frequent sightings have not been made of unidentified flying objects.

This statement came from Stanton T. Friedman, industrial nuclear physicist, who related recent sightings of what apparently was the same phenomenon by two local couples.

Friedman, who is active in the organization of the California UFO Research Institute, is interested in hearing from others who may have information on this sighting, future sightings, or solid reports of past experiences. The 24-hour answering service telephone is 378-0207, or Friedman may be written at 2420 Grant Ave., Apt. 3, Redondo Beach, Ca. 90278.

Both local sightings were made on the night of Aug. 9, Friedman said, between 10:15 and 10:25. First couple told the nuclear physicist they made

their observation from the corner of First Street and Van Ness Avenue. The second couple was on the 12th floor of one of the Park La Brea Towers, west of the first sighting.

All four persons involved agreed that they had seen a very bright, red object which remained stationary for from 5 to 10 minutes and which then moved off rapidly. First couple reported looking south when the observation was made, while the second couple was looking east but up at an angle of 60 degrees or more from the horizon.

Friedman, who has a Master of Science degree in physics from the University of Chicago, has been actively involved in the development of nuclear aircraft, nuclear rockets, fusion rockets, and nuclear powerplants for space and earthbound power production. He has published articles in both technical journals and newspapers and has lectured widely on "Flying Saucers Are Real."

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officials hope to determine if the flying objects were really unidentified.

"My only business will be to get as much detail on tapes as I can," volunteer investigator Fanny Phillips said when she arrived in Westminster Saturday morning.

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"I'll try to ask every pertinent question and take this back to N.I.C.A.P. so the people there can come up with a reasonable explanation."

Mrs. Phillips, a woman in her late 40's with graying hair, works as a technical artist for Washington's Smithsonian Institution. Her husband, Craig, who accompanied her on the trip, is the curator of the National Aquarium. They live in Silver Spring, Md.

"N.I.C.A.P.'s first concern is to explain it away in everyday terms," she said, adding that about 20 per cent of all reported sightings turn out to be "unexplainable."

The other 80 per cent usually turn out to be aircraft weather balloons, reflections of light and, sometimes, even poorly made photographs, she explained.

Without making any further comment, N.I.C.A.P. officials agreed before the Saturday investigation that the reported sightings were "interesting."

Reached at her home Monday evening, Mrs. Phillips said that more study was needed, but added, "I don't have an explanation" for the sightings.

However, "N.I.C.A.P. never makes snap judgments," she said.

The first local sighting came on Sunday, August 1, when Charles Kenyon and his family were parked off of Route 31 near Westminster watching the thunderstorm.

By about 10 p.m., the rain had eased up a bit, and Kenyon and his wife noticed a strange brightly lighted object moving in the western sky. For a few moments it disappeared, but soon returned, travelling over the railroad tracks that run parallel to the roadway.

When it passed nearby,

Kenyon noticed that it was egg-shaped and had two rows of bright-colored lights along its underside. A cockpit-like protrusion marked the front end and at its nearest point it made a swishing sound like a large vacuum cleaner or air conditioner.

After remaining in view for about 20 minutes, the object disappeared over the Fitzhugh hill, heading towards Westminster.

A week later, just after sundown, James Key, of Frizellburg, and 20 guests at a backyard party, saw another flying object which he described as a bright disc that flew at about 200 miles per hour in the direction of Thurmont.

Following the object with a pair of binoculars, Key noticed no lift surfaces such as those on an airplane. It was in view more than 10 minutes, Key said.

When word of the two sightings reached N.I.C.A.P., investigators from the non-profit, private organization were dispatched to Westminster to collect data that might explain them.

After making arrangements by phone—at their expense—Mr. and Mrs. Phillips came to Carroll county armed with 2 portable tape recorders, a Nikon 35 millimeter camera, several reels of film and recording tape, a notebook and a Volkswagen bus.

They met Kenyon first thing in the morning, interviewed him for more than an hour and then took him to the scene of the sightings for more detail. Two rolls of photographs and two spools of tape later, they left Kenyon and began preparing to meet with Key.

Altogether, they spent two days and one night in Westminster, meeting with persons involved in the sightings and taking notes, which they began to sort out Monday.

Included in their study is a tape recording of the noise made by Drug Fair's air conditioner, which Kenyon described as the sound made when the strange object passed nearest his truck.

Other information, in addition to the comments of the persons who saw the flying objects, is on-the-scene descriptions of the terrain and at least one roll of color slides plus several black and white snapshots.

"Now we have to sift it out," Mrs. Phillips said Monday. "It's an interesting case."

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Strange Objects In Skies Keep Salisburians Peeping

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By RICHARD BONER
Post Staff Writer

The next time you see a bright moving object in the night sky above Rowan County, don't shrug it off as an airplane or shooting star until you are convinced that's what it is.

But can you always be certain?

Americans land on the moon. The space about this planet is boundless. Might there be someone out there in the darkness — a being from a civilization equal to or superior to ours — traveling to our world?

Flying saucers. Bah, comic strip stuff, you say.

But can you be certain?

Two Salisbury men now look at the sky in wonderment. They do not dismiss each light in the night as natural.

But when they aren't willing to tell all their acquaintances they believe in flying saucers. People might stare and say, "Poor fella, been working too hard. Needs a rest."

The two men — call them Bob and Ted — and their families frequently go to the northwestern section of the county at night to watch the lights in the sky.

And wait for an UFO (unidentified flying object).

Bob has been intensely interested in flying saucers during the past six to eight weeks. Some nights you don't see any UFO's. But then there are those nights.

"If you go out and look for them long enough, you are going to see them," Bob said recently. He talked in a secluded place in his store, afraid someone else might hear, someone who is not a true believer in UFO's.

The lights act strangely. They appear to be a disc-shaped objects giving off a white, sometimes a red, sometimes a blue light. Whenever an airplane approaches their vicinity, the lights go out, reappearing when the airplanes are gone. They can move in any direction and at varying speeds. The lights zoom vertically horizontally or at an angle.

They can hover in the sky for moments, then... zoom... they

soar off rapidly.

Bob thinks a spaceship may even have landed in his front yard. He's not convinced, mind you. It may have been a prank, but then can you be certain?

Bob awoke one morning recently to a beeping noise that seemed to come from the front yard. The time was between 4 a.m. and 4:30 a.m. He doesn't know why now, but Bob did not get up to investigate the noise.

He recalls that the dogs in the neighborhood were barking. That's the way they act whenever the UFOs in the sky are sighted on one of his night excursions, Bob explains. They seem to hear something that humans cannot.

When Bob's son began to mow the front lawn that morning, he found two odd places in the grass.

The grass in these areas appeared to have been burned. They were across from each other, and they formed part of a circle. The outer edges of this circle were formed by scorched grass.

A residue of some sort was on the grass. Bob had a friend analyze it in his lab. The conclusion was that it was a carbon from an exhaust.

Bob also found particles of a material which looked like cotton. When these particles were taken to the friend's lab, they would not dissolve in any of the

available chemicals. Instead of becoming softer, they became harder.

Bob called the National Investigation Committee on Air Phenomena in Washington, D.C. about his findings. The man on the telephone advised him that the incident may have been a prank, but Bob isn't sure.

Ted is a new convert to UFO believers. Bob has been interested in the possibility of extraterrestrial beings and their travels for 18 to 20 years and had read much about the topic.

Ted and his wife were once among the people who think flying saucers are fantasy. That is, until one night in Thomasville...

The couple had stopped at a stoplight in the Chair City. It was in a residential section.

Suddenly, the interior of their car lit up brightly. Ted, thinking it was a driver who approached from the rear with his lights on high beam, adjusted his mirror to reflect the light into the other guy's eyes. But the intensity of the light remained.

As he rounded a corner, Ted looked into his side view mirror. There were no other vehicles behind him. He pulled his car to a halt and got out.

In the sky there was a bright light. There was no noise. The object hovered above a school momentarily, then shot up into the sky.

It was the making of a believer.

Bob and Ted do not blindly accept everything they see in the night sky as a UFO. They temper their wonderment with a bit of doubt. The lights in the northwestern section of the county may have a simple explanation.

A resident of Goodman Drive shoots rockets into the sky. Paul Hammer Jr. says that he has launched over 700 rockets in the last eight months. The rockets have blinking lights and are capable of reaching 10,000 feet.

They drift to the ground by parachute.

Bob admits that the rockets may be the UFOs he and Ted have watched in the sky. The lights on the rockets, the parachute which could cause the rockets to hove or move about with wind currents as it descends. It all seems logical.

But the rockets don't explain the sightings Bob and Ted have made in other places, in Thomasville, for instance. They don't explain a large cigar-shaped object with portholes which Bob once sighted on his way from Statesville.

There may be no flying saucers.

"Is this something that our country or some other country has or something from up there," Bob asks.

Who can be certain?

From Out of the Clouds It Came,

By JUNE ELERT
Press Staff Writer

Three area residents say Tuesday's storm brought a flying saucer to Pontiac along with the rain. They claim it dropped out of the clouds near M15 and Dixie, whistled and glowed, hovered and zoomed before disappearing in the direction of Pontiac.

Bruce McGowen, 17, of 200 Hopefield, Pontiac Township, William Schultz of Pontiac and Mrs. Bonnie Geliske of Parview Drive, Independence Township said they were standing together on a patio outside the Greens Lake Apartments on Parview when they saw the object, about 6:40 p.m.

All agreed that the unidentified flying object was round or disc-shaped and red to orange in color. Mrs. Geliske says it glowed like an electric stove burner.

"I couldn't sleep all night Tuesday," says Mrs. Geliske. "My husband said it must have been a lightning ball, but a lightning ball couldn't hover like this thing did." Mrs. Geliske says she never believed in flying saucers before, "but I

do now," she said. "I saw it with my own eyes."

Schultz said the saucer was visible for little more than a minute. He says he watched it through binoculars until it disappeared.

Mrs. Geliske and McGowen, 17, claim the flying object made a whistling noise through Schultz said he doesn't remember hearing anything unusual.

Schultz said this is the first evidence he has seen of other life in the solar system, though he says he has always had a suspicion that such life could exist.

McGowen's sighting of the object — "There are no planes like that," — his belief in previous reports he's heard that such objects have visited earth.

He says he has an uncle and aunt in Missouri who watch the stars through a telescope and who have reported seeing unidentified flying objects.

Sheriff's Department, State Police, Selfridge Air Force Base and Pontiac-Oakland Airport say they received no reports of strange aircraft in area skies.

Whistling, Glowing...



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Those UFOs tentatively identified

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IF YOU THOUGHT YOU SAW AN UFO... you weren't nuts.

But perhaps, if you saw what two Valley residents reported to The Herald & News office these last two days, you'll be pleased to know "it's" been tentatively identified.

A rock-like Federal Aviation Agency spokesman listened calmly to our second-hand reports of two sightings Wednesday, one about 5:15 a.m. Wednesday of an "orange-glowing spherical object" in the Dublin foothills, and the other at 9:40 p.m. yesterday at Trevarno Road of a "roughly triangular" object which burned orange at its base and "travelled at terrific speed."

"COINCIDENTALLY," the FAA official began, "two measurements balloons, designed to test wind speeds and temperatures, were released from both San Jose Oakland Airports" a few hours before each sighting.

One balloon was scheduled to descend about 5:35 a.m. Wednesday "somewhere north of Tracy."

The spokesman said each balloon explodes after it has completed its tests at high altitudes, and drops a "triangular box."

The boxes are roughly 14 by 16 feet in measurement, and "might be noted to move at great speeds, carried first in one direction, then in another, at speeds which sometimes approach 180 m.p.h.," the spokesman said.

HE ADDED some fast-falling balloons appear to "dissipate quickly on explosion and travel at right angles when carried by the winds."

The orange glow, while contributed to by the burning of the explosion, also might be attributed to by the balloon's catching both late-night and early morning rays of the sun, he said.

Residents who spotted the first "spherical" object stated it appeared to "shrink into one small spot and then expand again," a phenomenon the spokesman said might be due to the initial burning of the falling, streaming balloon.

HE ALSO responded to the latter reports of the triangular object which changed direction quickly, saying the high-velocity winds he described might make a falling balloon appear to make right angle maneuvers.

And, a check with Travis Air Force Base in Fairfield confirmed the Air Force's being entirely out of the valley area.

"That was certainly nothing from here," said a Travis Public Information Office spokes. "In fact, we discontinued our UFO investigations well over a year ago."

Any Air Force tests, he said, are usually conducted "far out over the Pacific."

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Raritan Residents Report a 'Thing'

RARITAN — Three local residents are certain that they saw a strange luminous object from outer space hovering over town at about dusk Monday. The report was made by Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Vendula of 67 Anderson street and Mrs. Catherine Charrell of 99 Anderson street, who were sitting on their porch with them.

Mrs. Vendula said the "thing" appeared to be not too high in the sky about over the Consumers Lumber Company yards. It was round, she said, with a sort of semi-halo ring over it. Its light dimmed and brightened she added, it seemed to stand still and then would move away.

The hovering object was later reported over Anderson street, Mrs. Vendula said.

No Unknown Aircraft

Al Bospisil, Operations Inspector for the FAA, reported no unknown aircraft in the area.

"Weather balloons are just that," he explained. "They have no metal balls on them. If something were flying around we'd know about it."

Col. Loersch said "If they're people from outer space, let's hope that they're advanced enough that they don't have to fly all the way from mars with ten balloons."

Hoax or not no one will ever know. When last sighted the ball was headed for Kiefer.

last night and how could they tell what exactly it looked like. We had a case like this in Kansas where a woman reported a red object flying around the airport. It turned out to be the field strobe lights turned on because of the low ceiling."

Carl Stevens, 419 S. Hickory, took several pictures of the object, but all the negatives turned up blank.

"I used a flash bulb it should have come out," said the mystified Stevens. "It was a ball about eight to ten feet with cones and windows all over it and it had four or five lights."

Sapulpa police officer Vernon Durant was on the scene and thinks it was the mischievous deeds of youngsters.

"I think it was a hoax," stated Durant. "The thing was about two feet in diameter and covered with metal foil. It had light bulbs and cones stuck in it. About eight or ten balloons were holding it up. It looked like something someone made in their garage."

Col. John Loersch, Deputy Commander of Operations of the Air National Guard, shared the same sentiments.

Col. Loersch: Skeptical
"People are willing to believe anything," he said. "It was dark

cones all over it. It appeared suspended from 40 to 50 balloons.

"We called the police and they didn't know what it was either," said Robinson. "No one seems to know anything about it."

Another spectator described it as having six inch cones with a green, red, and purple lights.

Vicki Rock and Mike Sumner were sitting on a porch at 921 S. Oklahoma when they heard a noise brushing the trees. They reported an object like a silver ball with white, red, green lights, about four feet in diameter with cones on the side of it.

Hoax Suspected

UFO Startles Sapulpa Observers

A mysterious object which appeared to some to be a lighted metal ball suspended by balloons had some observers in the 900 block of South Muskogee in an H. G. Wells-type science fiction dream Monday night.

The reported UFO was spotted by John Robinson, 900 S. Muskogee, about 10:30 p.m.

"It was floating at about 3,000 feet and gradually lowered," Robinson said. "Finally it rested above a group of trees about two blocks away."

Suspended by Balloons

Robinson described the object as a ball five feet in diameter, with a red and white light and

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Strange Lights May Be Space Visitors

Does Intelligent Life Exist Else where?

Two years ago, when the federal government stopped studying mysterious phenomena in the skies, it was seen mostly as a blow to those whose belief in extraterrestrial unidentified flying objects was unshakable to begin with, and those who were looking for an official stamp of approval rather than a searching, thorough investigation.

The Condon study group, which recommended the halting of investigations, had prestigious scientists as its members, was government-funded but assertedly free of government control, and apparently had no preconceived notions.

One therefore did not want to dispute its conclusion that "no direct evidence whatever of a convincing nature now exists for the claim that any UFO represents spacecraft visiting earth from another civilization."

It conceded that "it is regarded by scientists today as essentially certain that ILE (intelligent life elsewhere) exists," but said "there is no relation between ILE in other solar systems and UFO phenomena as observed on Earth" because of what it claimed was the essential impossibility of contact.

It suggested that the government drop its interest in the matter because further investigation would serve no scientific purpose.

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IT SEEMED TO SOME then that the study group had stepped beyond its proper field and had sought to limit future knowledge within the confines of the present boundaries. Two recent events tend to confirm that feeling.

One is a report from the Chilean air force of a typical UFO sighting. The air force said a UFO was seen May 15 at its Antarctic weather base. The object remained stationary for about 15 minutes, then took off to the southwest. It was described as three times as luminous as the brightest star, and shifting in color from red to green to gray.

The second event is a recently concluded international conference in the Soviet Union to discuss the possibility of communication with intelligent life on other worlds.

The conference was sponsored jointly by the Soviet and American Academies of Science. The participants included leading specialists in the origin of life, the development of intelligence and biological data processing systems, cultural evolution, radio astronomy and electronics.

The conference adopted, almost unanimously, a resolution suggesting that the chances of intercepting signals from another civilization in space are such that a serious search for them is justified.

Strange clusters of lights have been reportedly seen hovering over Hollywood lately. And Stanton T. Friedman, a Redondo Beach nuclear physicist, says the weird phenomena may be space ships from other worlds exploring the earth. "I am absolutely convinced the earth is being visited by intelligently controlled vehicles from off the earth," he declared.

"If our lunar excursion modules land on the moon — with Mars landings and even landings in other solar systems seriously discussed — what in all logic and reason is there to prevent earth excursion modules from landing on our planet?" Friedman, who has been investigating unidentified ob-

jects (he prefers the term "earth excursion modules") for 12 years, founded the California UFO Research Institute, located in Lawndale, early this year.

"We very much wish to help lift the 'laughter curtain' connected with UFOs and to encourage people to report both excellent sightings from the past and UFOs that they observe in the future," he explained.

The physicist is especially interested in hearing from anyone who may have seen some strange objects in the Hollywood area, recently.

"On Thursday evening, Aug. 26, at around 10 p.m., a family looking southeast from the corner of Orlando and Beverly witnessed a strange cluster of lights," Friedman said. "We

have one confirming witness who was east of that location and also described an odd evening, Aug. 28, two in-

dependent reports came in of a very odd phenomenon observed in the southwestern sky at around 10 p.m. It seemed like the moon or a crescent-shaped orange object fading in and out about three times. Both witnesses indicated it was the strangest sight they had ever observed."

Others who may have seen the strange objects may telephone the institute's 24-hour answering service, 376-0207, or write to the institute at P.O. Box 941, Lawndale 90260.

"We hope everyone will report to us when they see anything that looks like UFOs," Friedman said. "We will not give anyone embarrassing publicity and will treat everyone seriously."

Friedman claims this "classified material" contained information about strange-shaped craft landing in unprepared, out-of-the-way places on earth, much the same as our astronauts have landed in their spacecrafts on the moon. He also says human-like creatures with two arms, two legs, a head and a body, who were born on some other planet, have been observed walking on the earth. According to Friedman, the creatures are probably merely studying the earth and that is why they have not tried to make contact.

"Their technology has to be well in advance of our own — quite easily a million years — this means we would have



STANTON FRIEDMAN

Whatever happened to UFO's?

On May 31 two New Hampshire farmers looked across a field and saw a spherical, flat-bottomed object hovering above the ground. As they watched, the object rose vertically, arced and headed into the wind on a horizontal path.

This is one of several incoming reports of unidentified flying objects received recently by the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP) in Washington. NICAP secretary-treasurer Stuart Nixon says he believes the reports may be the start of a recurrence of saucer sightings or at least the reporting of saucer sightings. NICAP has been a long time waiting. Since 1968 the number of UFO sightings has dropped off, along with public interest in them. Last week a Wall Street Journal article reported that a probable reason for the decline is the negative social climate produced by publication in 1968 of the Condon report, the 810-page scientific study of UFO sightings commissioned by the U.S. Air Force and directed by Dr. Edward U. Condon of the University of Colorado. It concluded that "nothing has come from the study of UFO's in the last 21 years that has added to scientific knowledge." And "that further extensive study of UFO's probably cannot be justified in the expectation that science will be advanced thereby."

This scientific debunking of the UFO phenomena and the subsequent, though not necessarily connected, decline in sightings presents an interesting behavioral pattern. Dr. Ernest R. Hilgard, a Stanford University psychologist who served on the National Academy of Sciences panel that reviewed the Condon report, believes the report itself is not wholly responsible for the falling off of flying saucer interest. "I would like to feel that the report quieted the saucer interest," he says, "but I do not think so." People probably just lost interest, he suggests. "These fads go in cycles," he explains, and many persons who would have been interested in extraterrestrial phenomena have turned to other things: drugs, astrology, Oriental religions and various subjective and philosophic fields. As society becomes more affluent man has time to reflect on his position in the universe. As he does so he attempts to integrate himself into and make himself a more important part of that universe. Belief in other worldly things is one method of doing so, points out Dr. Hilgard. But national and international events of the past few years have tended to make people look inside rather than outside themselves for answers to universal questions. This fad too will pass, says Dr. Hilgard, who predicts

that the UFO's will reappear when it does. At NICAP Nixon says UFO reports usually run in five-year cycles and 1972 should be the start of another cycle.

Dr. Donald I. Warren of the School of Social Work at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor has another behavior theory on UFO's. In his view UFO's provide a form of escape. "One expression of this escape," he says, "is the possibility of other lives, other planets, other beings like or unlike oneself." UFO's "present the opportunity to escape the system without threatening one's gains in the immediate social environment." Dr. Warren, however, based his conclusions on a person's dissatisfaction with his socioeconomic status. A well-educated person earning a relatively small salary might not be content in his situation and would therefore, suggests Dr. Warren, be a likely person to attach importance to himself

by believing in and sighting flying saucers.

This theory may have some credibility, but an article by Dr. Warren in SCIENCE last November advancing these views received a critical response from scientists. The controversy, brought on by a lack of adequate psychological and behavioral information on the subject, points out, as does Dr. Warren, "that this phenomenon has been inadequately studied by the behavioral sciences."

In an attempt to coordinate existing information, NICAP has instituted Project ACCESS (Automated Clearinghouse for Collection and Exchange of Sighting Statistics). All available sighting data (people, places, times, etc.) will be stored in a computer and made available to interested parties. If, these inputs are scientific and objective, as NICAP's Nixon insists they will be, Project ACCESS will be a useful tool for behavioral scientists.

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Amber UFO Not So Mysterious— It's Just Mars

Reports of UFO's (unidentified flying objects), the perplexing mysteries of past years, had waned . . . until about 1:30 a.m., Friday.

When a citizen called to tell of a UFO, Wyoming Patrolman Kenneth Jacobs was dispatched to the 1500-block of Chicago Dr. SW where he reported viewing a glowing amber object "of no particular shape" that appeared "falling westward at a very slow rate."

Jacobs queried the control tower at Kent County Airport, which told him his UFO was the planet Mars, more visible because atmospheric conditions had been cleared by cooler weather.

Larry Gwinn, curate of education at the Grand Rapids Public Museum's Chaffee Planetarium, explained that when Mars descends in the sky its light is distorted sometimes as it passes at an angle through the earth's atmosphere.

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We've noticed an UFO (unidentified flying object) in the sky the past week that comes up each night like a bright star in the east (sort of south of that beautiful moon) and similar to the evening star in

brightness, only it moves. It may have been showing for some time of course, we just happened to notice it about a week ago, and have been watching it, around 9:30-10. How about some learned person informing us as to what it is. We haven't noticed any information in the daily papers about it.

NOTES



OFF THE CUFF

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING objects have been sighted in increasing numbers within the past few weeks in central Westmoreland County, according to Stan Gordon, director of Westmoreland County UFO study group.

Gordon reported that colored lights making maneuvers in the sky have been sighted in Jeanette, Irwin, Greensburg, Latrobe, Ligonier, Bovard, Mountain View, Luxor and Armbrust.

Gordon said the most spectacular sighting was Oct. 10 near Greensburg-Salem Senior High School. The object, spotted by a local engineer, was seen hovering 600 feet above ground. The object was described as being circular, bright in appearance, with six portholes and lights visible through each porthole and at the bottom of the craft. The object hovered, then rose above the clouds and returned to the 600-foot level before disappearing.

The latest sighting was reported Oct. 21 when two UFO's were reported observed for 45 minutes. The objects were described as circular in shape and moving counterclockwise in circles. Each object projected light similar to a 100 watt bulb.

Gordon pointed out that the club has purchased photographic equipment, a two-way radio and radiation equipment to help with the sightings, and indicated that many members of the group were engineers and technicians.

He asked area residents who sight any UFO's to phone, 834-8668, or 834-0724, 24 hours a day.

Noted Researcher Passes On

Epstein

EPSTEIN, ARTHUR JAY, FR., July 23, 1971, beloved husband of Virginia Epstein (nee Winkler), dear father of Jay Epstein, dear son of Sadie Epstein and the late Leo Epstein, dear brother of Lyle and Joan Epstein, our dear brother-in-law, son-in-law, uncle, nephew and cousin. Mr. Epstein at HOMEFEST-ER Colonial Mortuary, 6464 Chippewa, at Watann, from 3 p.m., Sun. until 9 p.m., Sun. Services at Christ Church Cathedral, 13th & Locust Sts., Mon., 2 p.m. Interment Lakewood Park Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations to the Cancer Society of Christ Church Cathedral appreciated.

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A Bird? Plane? Try a Saucer

MOON SHOTS have dimmed stories about unidentified objects in the air, but UFO bug Augie Roberts of Wayne says he's had several reports in the last three weeks about flashing objects over Lake Hiawatha, West Milford, Jersey City, and Manhattan near the Port of Authority bus terminal.

Some thought at first it was a blimp, because the floating objects had a series of multiple-colored lights that flashed off and on like some billboard signs," he said yesterday. Roberts, a photographer, says he thinks he has the largest collection of UFO pictures in the country, if not the world. On Sept. 11 he'll go to the air show at Rhinebeck Airport in New York to get pictures of old World War I planes.



AUGIE ROBERTS
Future On Film?

Daily Times Herald
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Team Chases UFO To Forrest City

Reports of an unidentified flying object were called in to the Forrest City Police Department today about 7 a.m. The UFO was spotted from Warwick Electronics, according to police reports.

Not long after the report was made, it was reported that a crew of recovery men from the Marshall Space Flight Center in Alabama was in Forrest City attempting to track and recover the object that had been spotted. The UFO was the National

Aeronautics and Space Administration's (NASA) Stratoscope II, a large astronomical telescope borne aloft by a giant balloon. The balloon and telescope were launched from the NASA space center in Huntsville, Ala., Thursday and lost about 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

The recovery team, headed by Tom Edwards, recovery director, followed the balloon from Alabama, stayed overnight in Memphis, Tenn., and answered the call when the object was spotted over Forrest City. The recovery team stayed in

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More Word About 'UFO'

Evidently Mr. and Mrs. John Davenport, of Stone Crest, were not the only regional people who heard the "whining noise" in the sky on the morning of July 30, as reported in the Aug. 5 edition of this paper.

Mr. Davenport has received calls from residents of White's Ferry and Tunkhannock, in addition to neighbors in the Osterhout area, that they too heard the mysterious noise.

An unconfirmed report also has been received that on that same morning a silvery object landed in a field near Camptown, and when a boy touched it, his hand was burned so badly that he required hospital treatment.

The report further states that when the boy's brother and mother went to view the object, it "chased" them until they left the area and returned to their home.

'UFO's' A sighted!

Last Sunday morning Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dick were surprised to notice several bright colored objects bobbing up and down in the alfalfa field near their farm home.

Upon further investigation, the objects were discovered to be balloons tied together with a note attached.

Mrs. Dick said the balloons had been turned loose Saturday night by a Kansas City girl at the Platte County fairgrounds at Tracy. The note asked the finder to write and tell how far the "UFO's" had traveled.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick live south of Edgerton on Highway B, about 20 miles from the fairgrounds!

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UFO Heard in Vicinity

An "unidentified flying object"—heard but not seen—has been reported as being in the Stonecrest area south of Tunkhannock early Friday morning.

According to John Davenport, when he was unable to sleep about 3:00 A.M. Friday he suddenly heard a whining noise outside his Stonecrest home. At first, he believed the noise was coming from a speeding truck on the South Eaton road, across the Susquehanna River.

However, the sound persisted long after a fast-moving vehicle would have been out of earshot. It was loud enough that it awakened Mrs. Davenport, and in the nearby home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pownall, a pet dog apparently became frightened by the whining noise and jumped into bed with the Pownalls.

According to Mr. Davenport, the source of the sound seemed to be following the river, proceeding toward Tunkhannock at a speed of about 10 miles an hour.

He is interested in determining if anyone else heard the sound or saw what was making the noise.

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is to obtain sharper pictures of certain galaxies, nebulae and the planet Saturn than are possible in Earth-based photography.

A spokesman for the recovery team said the instrument, when it was launched, was lifted to about 80,000 feet by the balloon system. It reached the height in about 110 minutes.

The balloon was expected to drift westward about 20-25 miles an hour. The spokesman said it was expected the balloon would drift over Forrest City and be recovered somewhere in the area.

Forrest City attempting to track the balloon until about 10:30 a.m. this morning when they received reports that the balloon and its cargo had been spotted heading toward Searcy and Greer's Ferry Lake.

The team had with them a hoist truck with wench line to recover the balloon and take it back to Huntsville. The balloon, when spotted over Forrest City, was drifting at about 20,000 feet and falling at a rate of about 1,000 feet per minute.

The launching of the Stratoscope II marks the eighth flight of the instrument. The goal

July 22, 1971
Walla Walla, Wn.
Union Bulletin

UFO Sighted in Prescott Region

"I'd say it was larger than Prescott, Waitsburg and Dayton put together . . . It was bright like daylight, but there was no glare . . . and when it moved, it MOVED!"

Neil Arbogast, Prescott, described a "UFO" he claims to have seen on three successive occasions, Friday, Saturday and Sunday night.

Arbogast first saw the object about 11:30 p.m. Friday. "It wasn't round or oval; it had three antennas with bright red tops and three beams of light were coming from it."

"It wasn't hard to detect its shape, but size and distance are always a form of illusion."

About 11:40 p.m., Arbogast went in to get his wife to confirm the sighting. "We both saw it," she said.

Arbogast saw the same object Saturday night, only in a different direction and somewhat farther away. Accompanying it, he said, was a stationary object which was changing colors in a pattern of red-blue-green-white.

"It was the wierdest thing you have ever seen," Mrs. Arbogast added. "I'd say it was too far out to be within the Earth's atmosphere, but you could still see it changing."

On Sunday night, Arbogast continued, the first object was back in its position of two evenings earlier. This time, it was accompanied by a bright orange object.

"It would be just like a race between a jackrabbit and a snail if one of our fastest fighters tried to catch it," Arbogast said. "That first object moved out and it was GONE."

Arbogast reported his sighting to the local Air Force detachment. "They told me the Air Force is no longer investigating UFO's," he added.

The Air Force had no other reports of this particular sighting.

"I'm not one to be jumping the gun," Arbogast pointed out.

"I check things out first and I saw what I saw."

The sky-watcher said he had seen a UFO once before — in 1958 when he was stationed at Ft. Ord, Calif. "We thought at first it was a satellite, but it wasn't."

"If something is scary, people aren't going to stay around, but if it is wierd they will stay and watch, and I mean this was WIERD."

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Union Bulletin

'UFO' Explained

Residents who spotted a multi-colored dinner plate Wednesday evening on the southeastern horizon over Pike's Peak can relax.

The UFO sighted by a number of persons in the area was tracked down by Air Security officers as a satellite, according to the police department.

The white, red and green-colored object is apparently nearing the earth's atmosphere and will burn up in several days, officers said.

Police reported numerous individuals inquired about the UFO by telephone and in person but didn't identify themselves for fear of ridicule.

CR: FRITZ KRON

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Officers Discover Flying Saucer

MONTREAL (AP)—The mysterious flying saucer discovered in a suburban St. Jolie parking lot by two Quebec Provincial Police constables turned out not to be the real thing.

The 20-foot wide saucer, standing on automobile dri-

veshaft legs, was seen by two constables who brought in an official from the civil defense corps.

It was learned that the saucer had been purchased by the parking lot owners from a movie company which used it in producing a children's film.

22D Wed., Aug. 25, 1971 ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH

UFOs Sighted In South County

Unidentified flying objects in south St. Louis County are believed to be weather balloons connected with a pollution experiment. However, UFO buffs reported last night that they had seen three objects unlike the experimental balloons.

The weather balloons are lighted and exhibit a golden-orange hue. William Christian, secretary of the UFO group said he saw three red objects traveling in a different direction from that of the weather balloons.

The balloons are being launched at the mouth of the Des Peres and Mississippi rivers to determine the cause of unusually heavy rainfall along a line between Millstadt and Collinsville, Ill. Conductors of the experiment, the Argonne

National Laboratories and the University of Wyoming, are attempting to measure the effect of pollutant and air flow on rainfall. The balloons are released and then tracked.

The scientists expect to complete the experiment here no later than Tuesday. August Auer Jr. of the University of Wyoming said the experiment was being conducted in several places throughout the country.

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Scientist Says Life Possible On Jupiter

COLUMBUS, Ohio (UPI)—Karl G. Henize, who could become one of America's first scientist-astronauts to fly in space, said Friday he believes there is a possibility of life on or near Jupiter.

Henize, a 45-year old astronomer who was on the support crew of Apollo 15, pointed out that Jupiter's atmosphere contains methane and ammonia, hydrocarbons believed to be bases for life.

He also noted that although the temperature on Jupiter is about 100 degrees below zero, it is warmer in certain layers of the atmosphere.

"It is possible certain life forms are floating between layers of atmosphere," Henize told a news conference. "There is not strong evidence, but we should not discount the possibility."

Henize was the featured speaker at the 50th anniversary convention of the Ohio Vocational Association. He joined the NASA program in 1967 and hopes to be selected for a Skylab flight in 1973 or 1974.

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UFO may have been plane

Landing lights of a commercial airliner may have been the unidentified flying object seen in central Alberta last Sunday night, a Canadian Forces spokesman said in Red Deer yesterday.

It is common for pilots on commercial airliners to turn on the landing lights at 30,000 or 40,000 feet when they begin to descend for a landing, Capt. Denny Ryan said. Two commercial airliners were approaching Edmonton International Airport Sunday night, and one had its landing lights, on, Capt. Ryan said.

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U.F.O. MAN CLAIMS SIGHTING HERE

An American UFO expert, in Perth to set up a branch office of the Arizona-based Aerial Phenomena Research organisation, has claimed his first sighting.

On Saturday night Mr Donald Cline, of Glen Forrest, watched a brilliant white light through binoculars from the corner of Helena Valley-rd and Midland-rd. at 8.15 pm.

It appeared 30 degrees above the south-western horizon, descended very fast, hovered for several seconds, then disappeared over the northern horizon," he said.

Mr Cline said that an official at Perth Airport told him that there had

been no flights in the area.

He watched it for about 45 seconds.

Mr Cline, now a freelance journalist, has been given permission by the organisation to act as a field investigator in Perth.

He has been here one month.

He would like anyone with further information about the object to write to him c/o PO private bag, Glen Forrest.

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POLICEMAN SIGHTS UFO

This sighting of an unidentified flying object at Aldridge, Staffordshire, in England had the British UFO research association on a seven day alert.

The object was sighted by a young police officer who watched it for two hours with four other policemen.

He took 11 photographs.

A high ranking police officer immediately banned publication of the photographs.

The photographs were later released and the Jodrell Bank observatory and the Defence Ministry decided it was a planet.

The chairman of the British UFO research association disagreed. He said it was the wrong shape and put the association on a seven day alert.

Police had other confirmations of the sighting. Some people described it as being bigger than a jumbo jet. The object appeared to be hovering at about 10000 feet.

An amateur astronomer in the region said that she had seen a similar object last winter.

"It looked like a gold and pink rugby football... I have never seen anything move so fast," she said.



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Australia

Tracking UFO 'Snowmen'

UNIDENTIFIED Flying Objects are fairly old-hat in North Queensland. Since the busy period of 1965-66 when some rather unusual happenings put the town of Tully on the UFO map, ufologists have been keenly interested in the area.

UFO Researcher Mr John West, writing in the latest edition of the UFO Investigation Committee's newsletter, reports that the sightings are continuing as regularly as ever.

As he describes the situation: "Sightings are still going on, in the higher ground and on the more remote beaches, and I got more than one account of an abominable snowman-like creature seen in the Kamerunga area, a few miles out of Cairns."

Mr West sums up the local UFO-Snowmen possibilities: "I formed the opinion that a prolonged stay in this general area would well prove to be a bonanza and towards this end I have formed plans to set out in November and extend the investigation to an 'Around Australia' project. I will be accompanied by an assistant and we will be travelling in a four-wheel drive vehicle, carrying elaborate camera equipment and other detection devices."

"BORDER WATCH"

Mount Gambier, S.A.

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UFO SIGHTING IN MOUNT

A UFO was sighted by a Mount Gambier woman, Mrs. J. D. Jackway of Schinkel Street, on Saturday night south east of Mount Gambier.

Mrs. Jackway said she watched an orange coloured light in the sky for about 20 minutes before it veered to the left and went out of sight very fast.

She first saw it from the corner of Pick Avenue and Commercial Street East about at 7.30 p.m. on Saturday.

It was straight out over the State Mill from that corner, said Mrs. Jackway.

Mrs. Jackway went home shortly after and told her two children who went outside and watched the light for some time.

Mrs. Jackway explained that one side of the object had become very bright just prior to it taking off.

The object veered to the left first and then travelled very fast, says Mrs. Jackway.

"It was too fast for an aeroplane," she added.

Mrs. Jackway said that she had seen a similar object about three or four years ago, but it had seemed closer then.

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In Search of a UFO

By WARREN OWENS

Two high school girls returning home from the Torrens shopping centre noticed a bright red light on a hill behind Mawson.

The light was oval-shaped and appeared brighter on one side than the other.

As the girls watched, the red object changed to a peacock blue, then back to red.

Occasionally it threw out bright yellow sparks.

Then it began to move, pulsating slowly from side to side.

Frightened by what she saw one of the girls ran for the safety of her home.

Her schoolmate also ran home where, with a pair of binoculars, she confirmed the sight of the mysterious oval-shaped object.

Later, the first girl went outside

to check on the strange red object. It had vanished, but soon afterwards a red circular object shot across the southern sky and appeared to land on the same hill.

That evening, Tuesday last week, a young schoolboy walking across the Torrens sportsground also saw a red object on a hill behind Mawson.

He watched it for several minutes before hurrying home for dinner.

The three students — all from the same school — have teamed up to try to unravel the mystery.

They traced the probable location of the object — by taking lines from the three sighting points — to a hill near the Mount Mugga range.

The hill eventually will form part of the new exclusive suburb of O'Malley, but so far it is undeveloped.

● PICTURED: Johnny Mott, Lisa Bishop and Leanne Benzecze hot on the trail of an elusive UFO.

The youngsters, Leanne Benzecze and Lisa Bishop, both of Torrens, and John Mott, of Chifley, searched the windswept hill yesterday for more than an hour.

They found a shallow, U-shaped trench, probably dug months ago by a camper, a tree with low-lying branches missing, some sawn and some snapped off, and an old, empty cigarette packet.

But clues to any sort of inexplicable activity were lacking.

As darkness set in, the three students called it quits and returned to their homes.

They are all young — each is 12 — but are convinced they saw something on the hill last week in spite of their fruitless search for evidence.

The Canberra Unidentified Flying Objects Research Society probably has gained three new recruits.



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Another U.F.O.

While playing about 10 p.m. on Saturday I saw a U.F.O. flying over Hillwood. I called to my sister, Pateena, and my cousins, Suzanne and Robyn Donnelly, and they watched the object with me for five to 10 minutes. We saw that it had four flashing red lights. It was moving too slowly for an aircraft — slowly for an aircraft — STEPHEN DONNELLY, Jetty Rd, Hillwood.

"ADVOCATE"

AUG 8 1971 Burnie, Tas.

"U.F.O. d Not"

claim that an unidentified flying object had been seen by a Northern Tasmanian man was discounted yesterday by a Strahan resident. The resident (Mr. Har-McDermott) said last night that he had seen the object over Strahan flying in a north-south direction. He said the object alleged to be a U.F.O. was in actual fact a meteorite. He said his findings had been confirmed by authoritative sources.

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Readers Letters

Sir,—I am afraid I will have to disagree with your last report in the Observer about my sighting not being a UFO.

In the first place, the shed the samples were taken from was not the one the flying object was near.

The shed the samples were taken from was found a few days later to be scratched and burnt, and it was supposed another flying object could have hit it at another time.

But it was nothing to do with the first one I saw.

Also, about a month after the first sighting, my two sons, Gregory and Robert, and I had another remarkable sighting and nothing will ever convince me it was any weather balloon or anything else from here.

It was about the same time as the other sighting, 10.45 at night.

I backed the car out of the garage to take Gregory back to where he is boarding.

We happened to look back at our stone storage sheds which are situated about 300 yds. down a cattle race.

At first glance, our thoughts were that the shed was on fire.

In fact, we both called out together — "Quick, our shed's on fire."

Greg started running down towards it and called out — "No it's not, it's a space ship."

He kept running and I was running after him calling out to him to come back as I was absolutely terrified.

The object was about 20 ft. in diameter.

When Greg was about nearly half way down, it must have been hovering above the shed as it lifted up in the air and took off at I should say two or three thousand miles an hour.

Within seconds the object kept getting smaller and smaller until it completely disappeared from sight.

As it disappeared, it

left an orange haze behind it.

No weather balloon would be strong enough to turn a large stone shed into a red hot orange coal glowing in a furnace.

Also, no weather balloon has been known to travel at that speed before.

My other son also saw it before it disappeared.

In case any readers do not believe in such things as UFO's, I have some tapes that were recorded at UFO meetings, and reports of sightings by such people as ministers, school teachers, etc.

I also have a report by a minister and 38 other people who witnessed a UFO at the same time.

There are also movie pictures of this sighting that are now in his possession.

I also have a copy of the picture of the space craft that was sighted.

If anyone is interested in listening to the tapes or reading these reports, I have them available. — Yours, etc.,

MRS. M. M. SMITH,
Foleys Rd.,
Gorae West.

"NEWS"

Perth, W.A.

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More UFO 'visits' tipped

"I have yet to speak to someone in Perth who hasn't either seen an unidentified flying object or knows intimately someone who has," the visitor said.

"It seems that Perth is a highly active UFO sighting centre and by the end of this year I predict a massive number of sightings as Mars begins its approach to Earth."

Why? Because UFO 'inhabitants' use Mars as a base.

The speaker, of course, was American UFO expert Donald Cline who is setting up a branch of the Aerial Phenomena Research Organisation, here in Perth.

Mr Cline said that already he had received many reports of sightings, three by the same woman in Como, Mrs Rosemary Dunge, who watches regularly.

Mr Cline planned to spend all last night watching the skies with Mrs Dunge.

Mr Cline said he was also interested in a report on September 12 by a Cottesloe woman who awoke to find her neighbour's dog barking furiously and went outside expecting intruders.

The sky was so brightly lit she thought it must be dawn, but checked her clock and found it was 2.45 a.m.

In the sky she saw a brilliant light surrounded by mist which moved rapidly about the sky, flashing on and off. She said she also saw the object (cigar shaped) seemed to have a row of small lights along the side.

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SIGHTINGS MYSTERY DEEPENS

The mystery surrounding Sunday night's unidentified flying object sightings on the N.W. Coast deepened yesterday.

A Kentish councillor and private pilot, Mr. J. R. Collins, of Railton, said he saw three U.F.O.s within half an hour between 11.15 p.m. and 11.45 p.m.

"They definitely weren't conventional aircraft," he pointed out.

Mr. Collins saw the first object from the Devonport Airport. It came in from over the sea and moved from north to south.

It appeared to be fairly low — at an altitude of about 2000 ft. — and travelling at 500 to 600 m.p.h.

"Of course, it may have been higher, in which case it would have been travelling faster than 500 to 600 m.p.h.," he said.

The object was almost directly above him when he first spotted it. It left a fiery trail like a meteor, but was not a meteor.

"I have not seen anything like it before," Mr. Collins added.

He and his wife saw two similar objects as they drove home to Railton. The first of these crossed the sky when their car was near the Mersey General Hospital at Latrobe, and the other was sighted when the couple were in the brickworks area between Latrobe and Railton.

Each of the U.F.O.s seemed to stay at a constant height above the ground.

"If I had seen only one I might have been convinced it was a meteor but not with three," Mr. Collins added.

A satellite ?

A Port Sorell man, who watched one object with his wife, said he believed it was a satellite returning to earth.

He saw it at an angle of about 30 degrees from the earth's surface, and said it appeared to be travelling due north and south.

It disappeared to the south.

"It was like a very, very bright star, and was brighter than anything I have ever seen before in the sky," he explained.

"I expected it to burn out, but it didn't."

"It was travelling very fast and seemed to keep the same height."

An unidentified flying object was spotted at Penguin on Sunday evening, the second strange flying light reported in two days.

On Monday two Burnie mill workers reported seeing a strange white blue light crossing the sky late the night before.

Yesterday Mrs. D. Young of Penguin, related what she saw from her front room window early on Sunday evening.

"I was sitting in the front room about 5.30 when I saw a bright flare appear on the horizon."

"It appeared only for a short time and I wondered if I had been mistaken."

"I was still wondering 15 minutes later when there was another brief red flash over the sea."

"I went outside into the street and looked for a while, but the object did not appear again," Mrs. Young said.

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U.F.O. sighted at Numamara

DEPARTMENT of Civil Aviation officials in Launceston have been unable to identify a ball of light that swept over Northern Tasmania late on Sunday night.

A D.C.A. spokesman said that no aircraft were in the area where Myrtle Park headmaster Mr Garry Jones saw a bright white object. The spokesman said that a number of meteors had been seen over Northern Tasmania on Sunday night.

But this theory was discounted by Mr Jones, a former R.A.F. mechanic. He said that unlike any meteor, the ball of light was travelling in a steady direction from north-east to south-east just above tree-

top level at about 400 m.p.h.

He said he thought the object had been a jet with an unusually bright landing light, preparing to put down, since it was heading towards Launceston Airport.

Mr Jones said he had been driving home to Myrtle Park from Launceston on the Tasman Highway when he saw the object near Numamara at 11.20 p.m.

He stopped the car to observe it, but it disappeared behind the trees after about three seconds.

Mr Jones described it as a round, bright, white light giving the impression that there was something solid behind it.

He said it was on a definite course and travelling low.

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U.F.O. sighted

Sir,—On Sunday night I saw what was presumably the same U.F.O. that was reported in Northern Tasmania.

The object was travelling fast to the S.E. of Hobart (seen from Sandy Bay) at 11.20 p.m. It appeared to be on a level course, quite unlike a meteorite though it left a glowing trail.

I saw the object for only two or three seconds before it was obscured by rooftops, but it appeared to be elongated; the outline was not visible against the sky, but there was a bright light at the leading end; and what

appeared to be a group of small lights in the middle, and another at the tail, merging into the luminous trail.

My impression was of a large object moving like a high-speed jet, but without noise. It was impossible to guess at size, speed or altitude.

My observations may be made a little more credible by the fact that I have held a pilot's licence for several years. — (Dr) J. C. MARWOOD, St Marys.

Two "unidentified flying objects" which were seen by a number of motorists at Elaine on Sunday were sighted about half an hour earlier by another motorist about 40 miles north on the Ballarat-Creswick road.

Mr A. V. Godfrey and his family, from Daylesford, who were driving home from Ballarat about 5.15 pm, saw two "things" in the sky when they were near the Dowling Forest turnoff.

With the aid of a fire fighters' ordnance map, Mr Godfrey plotted their position as somewhere over the Waubra area towards Ercildoune.

The objects were a bright, glaring yellow and appeared to be at the height of the jet routes.

One suddenly turned on its side and completely disappeared.

Mr Godfrey said yesterday that they seemed to be clouds, though there were no similar cloud formations in the sky.

He put powerful field glass on the other which, he found, appeared to be nebulous like cloud. This remained motionless in the sky until they left the area.

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Burnie, Tas.

Mystery patch

A Queenstown resident is puzzled over a patch of ground which appears to have been burnt in a complete circle 30 ft. in diameter.

The resident said he discovered the patch of ground on his property about three miles from Queenstown.

His property is close to an area at Lynchford, where several months ago it was claimed an unidentified flying object could have landed.

The resident told "The Advocate" he had discovered the patch of grass two weeks ago.

He said that the grass appeared to be completely burnt.

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WEMBLEY U.F.O. SIGHTING: SECOND IN TWO DAYS

Another UFO sighting, the second in two days in Perth, was reported by a Wembley man this morning.

Mr Michael Gottfried (69), of Salvadore, saw a "large, very bright object" from his bedroom at 4.15 am.

He said he watched the object for about three minutes moving slowly north from a stationary position in the southwest.

"I guessed it would be about two or three thousand feet high," he said.

"It was so bright it hurt my eyes.

"It was circular but took on a slightly flatter shape as it moved," Mr Gottfried said.

"When it reached a position north of my window, it suddenly belched dark, red flames and

took off very fast with a noise like a jet," he said.

It disappeared in a north-easterly direction.

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Mystery sightings

Mr Godfrey was curious about the time discrepancy as the reports from Elaine gave the time as 5.45 pm.

Mr Godfrey is somewhat sensitive to strange sights in the sky. Some years ago he was fishing with his father and two friends at Cairn Curran—all men of mature age.

He said it was a very dark night with no moon. Suddenly the whole landscape began to light up—not just the tops of the trees but the branches, and trunks and ground beneath.

Mystified as to the source of the light, they turned and saw a brilliant blue beam of light coming down out of the sky and slowly descending on them. Mr Godfrey said they were petrified with fright. Suddenly the light disappeared.

When they met other members of the group who were fishing in a different part of the lake, they were equally stunned and incredulous at what they had seen. Their accounts differed in that, from their angle, the others had seen less blue light but had seen flames streaming out behind the object.

Suddenly, like the light, the flames had been extinguished. There was no noise and no sound of impact or explosion.

Mr Godfrey said it was under-

standable for children to be frightened, but more unusual for a group of grown men to have been terrified by such an experience. After what they had seen that night, they would believe anything could come out of the skies, he said.

Like most strange experiences, the story took some "living down" in Daylesford.

But it was not long after—about a fortnight or so—that the sensational report was received of the man whose headlight beams were suddenly angled uncontrollably off the road.

This incident happened within 15 miles of the inexplicable "sighting" by Mr Godfrey and his friends.

A group of four Ararat residents yesterday reported seeing an unidentified flying object in the western sky on Friday evening.

Mrs Margaret Ryan, of Lambert street, said they had been travelling towards Ararat from Buangor on the Western Highway when she saw the object, about 5.45 pm.

She said that at first she thought it was an aeroplane, but then it was noticed that it was not moving, although it had a "trail" like that left by an aircraft. The object, which was orange in color, with a light on top, disappeared after about 10 minutes.

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OBJECT IN SKY SETS POSER

Burnie mill worker Norman Christopher Blake is still scratching his head wondering what he saw in the sky at Burnie late on Sunday.

"It astounded me, really," he said yesterday. "Actually I still wouldn't have called you, only my brother-in-law saw it as well."

What Mr. Blake and Cary Lawson saw is still not exactly clear.

"It's sort of hard to explain," said Mr. Blake yesterday.

"It was big, I've never seen anything like it. It was all lit up."

"It looked like a white

blue light coming from north to south at about 20,000 ft. something say like a vapor trail about 20 or 30 miles "It lit the whole sky up,"

"It was the speed it was travelling at that amazed Mr. Blake said. The Department of Civil Aviation was unable to

Mr. Blake said he had spotted the U.F.O. about 11

...went to pick up his brother-in-law for shift work at about, you know."

He said it could also be a type of mirage caused by an aircraft flying through

In the time he had taken to see if the object had

to see it, the object had
flashed across the wind-
screen travelling from

heart ruled out the "capital flight" theory.

An official said no flights were on record, either civil or military, over the North - West Coast about 11 pm, Sunday.

But he said it could possibly be an aircraft flying over Tasmania without landing.

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Saucers Are Back

What was the bright blue light many people in Madras saw in the sky on August 20 around 8-30 p.m.? It moved from the west to the north-east and was followed by a noise like thunder. Some Met officials also saw it, but could give no explanation. Was it a satellite? The time of sighting was about right; So too the direction (for some satellites). But they are never blue, hardly ever bright, and certainly no noise accompanies them. Was it a high-flying balloon, a secret experimental craft, an optical illusion which affected several people at the same time, a new aeronomic phenomenon—or could it have been a 'flying saucer'? Reports from many parts of Europe indicate that Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs), after a quiet spell of many months, are now back. A few days ago a Staffordshire policeman submitted photographs of a "sort of gleaming egg" which he had seen. Conical objects have appeared in the past month over Spain, South of France, Italy and North Germany. The British UFO Research Association has now called for a seven-day alert, during which several volunteers will keep a look-out for similar strange things.

It is of course easy to explain it all away as nonsense. That is what some scientists, despite the need to avoid bigotry, have done. However, even the committee headed by the American physicist, Dr. Condon, which investigated hundreds of reports of UFO sightings, conceded that while a large majority of them were explicable in the light of what we know today, there were a few which remained mysterious.

Logically, even one unexplained case is sufficient to initiate a multi-disciplined inquiry. Hundreds of trained observers, scientists and airline pilots, policemen and military personnel have seen them; in many cases animals have reacted violently to UFOs, eliminating the possibility of hoaxes and human errors; unfakable photographs and radar sightings have been made. How would it, then, be unreasonable to suggest that these UFOs may well be extraterrestrial spaceships under intelligent control. Such a theory could cause emotional and sociological upsets, but there is no need to be scared. If an alien life system has progressed enough to make an interstellar voyage, it must also have evolved out of the phase of violence, greed and selfishness. Any space visitor to this world can only be a friend.

New town NUT 'visit' from a UFO

FIVE SOBER MEN were walking in Skelmersdale early one night, talking amongst themselves, when, out of the black sky came a shining white . . . something.

It zoomed past them, disappeared, then reappeared aiming its two-inch wide, circular shape towards Wigan.

Thomas West, of Cedar-
grove, Skelmersdale, was
walking along Lancaster-
crescent with four friends
when he saw the "thing"—
the UFO.

"We were walking along the road when this thing flew out of the sky.

"When it headed for the second time towards Wigan there was an orange coloured

flame shooting from it and bright white flashes were streaking out from its tail."

Mr. West reported the UFO to the Skelmersdale police. And a police spokesman said that several people had seen the UFO that night in the Skelmersdale area.

The spokesman continued: "This object has been seen at night by people in the Midlands, the Wirral and in Formby."

"It seems to be working its way across country."

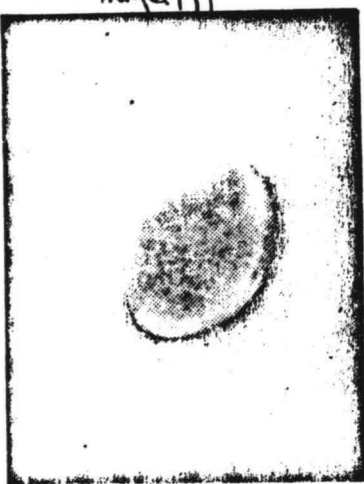
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POLICE PICTURE OF THE THING

What the cops saw in the sky

By DAVID JACK

FROM police files yesterday came an official picture of The Thing that was copped in the sky.

The photograph was one of 12 taken by Constable Leslie Leek as he and three colleagues watched The Thing for two hours this week over Staffordshire.

But what was it—a Flying Saucer or just a freak view of the planet Mars?

Police chiefs cautiously said: "We've not drawn any conclusions."

However, Constable

Leek, aged 25, previously always sceptical, is convinced that The Thing he snapped was an Unidentified Flying Object.

At speed

Quite definitely, he said—and his colleagues agree—it was not Mars.

"Had it been it would have remained stationary in the sky.

"This object eventually moved eastward at speed, turning an orange colour before disappearing."

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Councillor followed by a UFO

A CIGAR-SHAPED UFO followed a Blackrod councillor's car along Crompton Way, Bolton.

But when the car stopped, and he and his family tried to watch the mysterious object, it disappeared.

The UFO was spotted by Counc Frank Isherwood and his wife Yvonne, of Latham Road, Blackrod, and two of their children.

Mrs Isherwood told the Evening News: "We saw two silver things hovering above a

low-flying aircraft. Then one of them separated and started to follow us down Crompton Way.

"It was cigar-shaped, and flat, and looked quite far away. It followed us for a few minutes, but when we stopped the car it disappeared."

There has been a spate of UFO sightings in the Bolton area this month.

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U.F.O. might have been a view of Mars

They are here again. Our visitors from outer space seem to have been having another close look at us and, as usual in this area, their craft was first sighted by a man in Aldridge.

This time, it was a bright light in the sky, "bigger than

a Jumbo jet" and it was watched for more than an hour and a half before it disappeared, heading west.

The man who saw it was Mr. Joseph Willcox, who spotted it while outside his home in Walsall Road, Aldridge, at about 2.30 a.m. on Monday.

"It was low in the sky in the direction of Birmingham Airport. I could not see the shape because of the light from it," he said.

"It was definitely not an aircraft. I would think it was about 700 to 800 feet up and was bigger than a Jumbo jet. My wife and I watched it for about an hour and a half. I'm not a crank; it was something I can't explain at all," he said.

The police were notified and four policemen saw the object. Jodrell Bank, the radio telescope establishment, was also notified, although they picked up no signals.

FAVOURITE SPOT

Aldridge seems to be the favourite spot for these occurrences. Over the past 15 years there have been many sightings in the area, most of which have been reported in the "Observer."

At one stage, the sightings became so frequent that a member of the South Staffordshire Metaphysical Society said that a "flying saucer" would land in the Aldridge area in the near future.

This was refuted by the late Rev. R. W. Cartmel, rector of Aldridge and a member of the Flying Saucer Investigation Bureau himself.

He firmly believed in flying saucers, and suggested that the reason they kept visiting us was because of our atomic explosions.

But the likeliest explanation for the present sighting seems to be the one from Edgbaston Observatory. A spokesman there said that Mars was visible in the object's reported position.

"The planet is almost in its closest position to the Earth. It is very bright and low on the southern horizon all night. We have had about 40 calls in the past few days from people who thought they had seen a flying saucer," he said.

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Mystery flying object sighted

A mysterious flying object, flying about the height of a plane coming in to land, was sighted by many Dubliners walking along the banks of the Canal about 9.15 last night.

Miss Hazel Patton said she was in Haddington Road when she saw the object hovering over the city.

"It seemed to be cylindrical in shape, pointed at one end, and had an orangey-red tail light, which kept winking," said Miss Patton. "There was no sound from the object, but there was a lot of black smoke coming from it as it hovered over the area," she said.

"It seemed to hover around for a short while and then it flew off in a north-westerly direction," she added.

CIGAR-SHAPED

Mr. Patrick McGuinness said that he saw "a green cigar-shaped object, with no windows in it and an infra-red light attached," floating in a westerly direction over the city at Earlsfort Terrace last night.

A spokesman for Dunsink Observatory at Blanchardstown said that they had received one report of an object in the sky. "However, from the description given by the caller, we think that it is one of the weather balloons sent up by the Meteorological Service."

Another report of a flying object in the Leeson Street Bridge area came from Dominic Kelly, of Ranelagh. Mr. Kelly said he was on a bus about 10.00 p.m. when a grey cylindrical object was sighted hovering over Leeson Street Bridge.

"It seemed to stay there for a few minutes and then move off very slowly in a westerly direction," said Mr. Kelly.

MAN AT BUS STOP SEES 'FLYING SAUCERS'

UNIDENTIFIED flying objects are with us again. A Bedford man says he saw two black objects flying over the Queen's Park area of the town on Thursday afternoon.

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They made no noise he says

some cloud and then re-appeared.

"They had no wings, there were no smoke trails, and they made no noise. There was the sound of jet aircraft all around, but that had been prevalent all afternoon," said Mr. Goodby, who is a technical engineering assistant.

"This is the first time I have seen anything in the sky which I have never been able to account for. My son Gareth is quite interested in this sort of thing, and he has a lot of authoritative articles on this subject."

When Mr. Goodby got on the bus, the first person he was able to tell was the conductor, who replied: "Oh well, I suppose they will have radar on them."

He later checked with RAF Cardington, but they have no records of any such objects in the sky, and he tried unsuccessfully, to get in touch with the Royal Observer Corps.

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MYSTERY OBJECT

A long cylindrical object was spotted in the air by several Nelson and Tahunanui residents this morning.

Two men from Moutere; Messrs H. Harris and J. Wilkes, said they saw the "unidentified flying object" above the water behind Haulashore Island as they were driving along Tahunanui Drive about 11.15 a.m.

Several other people said they had seen it earlier in the morning.

A meteorological office spokesman said today that from the description given it did not fit any meteorological phenomena.

FLYING SAUCERS ?

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MISS M. L. WESLEY, of 8 Rose Avenue, Middleton-on-Sea, told "The Post" this week, that she thought she sighted a flying saucer on Thursday last week, about 8.30 p.m.

"It was round and a pinkish yellow colour with blue patches. I thought at first it was the moon but it was not in the position of the moon and suddenly disappeared."

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Wairoa men sight UFO near Mahia

Two Wairoa people saw an unidentified flying object rise brilliantly above the Wharerata hills about 2am on Sunday.

Messrs Theo Payne and Doug Goodley were returning from a crayfishing trip to Mahia and were near the Mahia post office when they saw a brilliant white disc rise very quickly, moving west to east.

Mr Payne said the object had two "trailers", one each at the top and bottom, which clearly showed the direction it was moving.

"It seemed to rise high into the clear sky and began to turn north when it disappeared just as quickly as it had appeared," he said.

Mr Payne believes people in a car following his must have seen the object also as he stopped to point it out to them.

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U.F.O. SIGHTING

Until last night, Mr D. Houghton of Tokoroa, had some doubts about the truth of reported U.F.O. sightings.

But after watching an object moving across the night sky at 6.10 p.m. last night, he is convinced that they do exist.

"My mother who was in her bedroom at the time, first saw the U.F.O., and called out to me to have a look and a few seconds later I spotted it," Mr Houghton said last night.

He said he watched the object fly from the south in a north-westerly direction for 60 seconds until it disappeared over the horizon.

"It appeared to me to resemble a lighthouse beacon. It was an oscillating light without a beam," Mr Houghton said.

Mr Houghton could not estimate the distance away from him the object was, but said it was about the height of the cloudline.

"I've seen comets, aeroplanes, helicopters and satellites at night, but this thing didn't resemble any of these," he said.

Mr Houghton's father, Mr R. Houghton, admitted that he had not previously seen any similar object in the sky at night.

This morning Mr D. Houghton spoke to U.F.O. expert, Mr T. Bailing of Taupo, who is likely to come to Tokoroa this week to consult with him.

Mr Bailing said this morning that though there was a number of reported sightings earlier this year, they had been few and far between in the area over the past few months.

He said that he had heard of no similar report.

Light was 'brighter than stars'

A light "brighter than the stars" has aroused the interest of Rotowaro residents after it appeared over the settlement at the weekend.

On Saturday night flashes were seen in the sky resembling an arc-welder, and more piercing than lightning, according to one resident.

About 4 a.m. the next day a shift worker at the carbo works went outside and saw a brilliant stationary light in the sky.

"I do not know what caught my eye, but I saw an unusual bright light. I just looked at it."

"I would not say it was terribly lower than the stars, but a lot brighter than the stars," he said.

He returned inside, but the light was still there 10 minutes later. The conditions were quite clear at the time.

The worker said he did not think much more about it, and it had seemed to disappear by 5 a.m.

When he returned to his home a quarter mile up the valley his wife told him she had seen a light about 6.30 a.m.

This time the light had actually been moving, at first backwards and forwards across the sky, after which it made a down and up motion.

Then it had moved away slowly in the direction of Raglan, Kawhia and the coast.

A similar incident was reported from the area three months ago, when two people had witnessed another light.

On this occasion the light had made a down-and-up motion before disappearing.