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Mysterious Silver Dust Found

UFOs 'Invade' Iowa Fields

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI)—A Des Moines student of unidentified flying objects said Tuesday that the mysterious silver dust found in three Iowa soybean fields over the weekend was left by invaders from other planets.

William Atkinson, 34, a member of the Aerial Phenomena Research Organization (APRO) of Tucson, Ariz., discounted a report by Iowa State University that said the silver dust and craters were caused by lightning.

"These craters were definitely caused by spaceships from intelligent beings from an alien

world," said Atkinson, who is the only Des Moines member of the 6,000-member APRO group. "The farmers in Iowa would rather go to hell and back than believe lightning caused the holes in their fields."

The silver dust was discovered in soybean fields near Story City, Goldfield and Laurens in the past three days.

"The thing that makes my hair stand up on my neck is that the craters are all the same width and depth, and they are spaced about 50 miles apart," Atkinson said.

He said soil samples from the

"invaded" area have been sent to APRO headquarters and Utah State University for further study.

"I am positive that they will find materials from other places in the universe than earth, Atkinson said. "However, whether they will release these facts to the public is a different question."

Atkinson urged any farmer in the state with "unusual coloration" in his fields or craters not to cultivate the land so the areas can be thoroughly investigated.

"I am sure there are many more instances of this silver dust, but if the fields are cultivated," he said, "we lose any chance of proving that the craters are caused by spaceships."

He said he has visited with farmers across the state for the past several months and is "positive" there is increased UFO activity in the state and the rest of the country.

"We hit a slump several years ago when there were no UFO reports," said Atkinson, "but in the past several months we have had increased activity, and the silver dust on the fields confirms the upswing."

Atkinson said the "invaders" probably were so advanced in their civilization that the earth "simply bored them and they left again."

"They probably viewed Iowans and the rest of the world as little animals running around, and they figured there was nothing to gain by staying."

will remain stationary until an investigating officer radios another car about it. It then begins to move away — "every time we transmit it moves."

Shelton saw it about two months ago and chased it with his car at speeds of up to 100 miles per hour. He said it would run parallel to his car, or slightly ahead of it.

The UFO has been sighted several times a month, usually between 11 p.m. and the early morning hours, since late February.

The pragmatic rural Kansans have taken it calmly.

"The public really razzed the first officers to see it, asking them what they'd been drinking. Since then, some have become more serious, asking us to call them if it's spotted again," Shelton said.

A Forbes Air Force Base spokesman at Topeka said, after a check back as far as April, "from the period between April and the current times Forbes has had no low-level flights — low level being from ground level to 3,500 feet."

Forbes does have a plane equipped to take infrared photos but the spokesman said it flies "well in excess" of 50,000 feet. "And it can't hover — it's a twin-engine jet," the spokesman said.

Seattle P.I. July 18, 72 Kansans Unshaken By UFO Visitor

DIGHTON, Kan. — (UPI) — For several months this western Kansas town of 1,050 has been visited by a recurring unidentified flying object — a fiery red cluster of bright lights seen by the chief of police, several policemen and a number of citizens. But the community remains relatively unconcerned.

Police Chief M. R. Shelton described the object as a "round, red-orange and white light . . . bright as a cluster of lights on a football field." It hovers about 300 to 500 feet high, usually 10 miles west of town.

"We didn't think much about it at first," Shelton said. "We thought it might be the military taking infrared pictures of the area to check feedlot runoff." Shelton said the thing

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Fritz Kron

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'Flying object' baffles the experts

THE big question puzzling a number of Maldstone people — What was the 'flying object' zipping eastwards over the town on Tuesday night?

The "thing" was sighted at 10.45 pm and minutes later Ashford police received a similar report of something strange in the night sky.

Maldstone Town Councillor Ronald Streetley was able to give the Kent Messenger an eye-witness account of the phenomenon.

Several elderly people had knocked him up. At his Vinters Park Home, worried about the brightly lit object they had spotted.

He rushed outside in time to see what had alarmed them.

"I can only describe it as being like a 'car in the sky.' Travelling fast with all its headlights blazing," he explained.

"I did not have the normal navigational lights of an aircraft. There was a flashing red light but also yellow and blue lights and a bank of lights at the rear."

"At first there was no noise but as it went overhead you could hear a sound similar to an aircraft engine."

A senior officer at RAF Manston received a report of the "sighting" and filed it with the Ministry of Defence Air Department.

"It appears to be the same object seen over Maldstone," he commented, "but I have no idea what it was."

Neither the Meteorological office nor the Local Royal Observer Corps had any knowledge of the incident nor could offer an explanation.

McConnell AFB at Wichita also indicated it had no flights over the area. Shelton said authorities had not found it necessary to call the Air Force to check on the UFO, partly out of fear or not being believed.

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JUN-21-72 2/65 Sarasota, Florida

By BILL RUFTY
JOURNAL Reporter

The Sarasota Sheriff's Office received three separate reports of unidentified flying objects in the skies over the Gulf near Turtle Beach shortly before 6 a. m. today. Area weather experts reported that a number of natural phenomena could have caused the UFOs. Between 5:30 and 6 a. m. three residents in the south Siesta Key area reported to the sheriff's office an "orange object, cigar-shaped," which moved in erratic fashion across the western horizon over the Gulf.

Deputy Sheriff Jim Albritton, investigating the incident, said he did not see the object described, but noted sighting a "pinpoint of light or a star" which moved behind the clouds. MacDill Air Force Base Operations reported

no aircraft in the area at the time of the sightings and no weather rockets being used by base meteorology.

There was nothing on the radars in the area except a thunderstorm building up, air force personnel said.

Wendell Porth, meteorologist-in-charge at the Tampa area of the U. S. Weather Bureau, offered several possible weather phenomenon which may have contributed to the sightings.

"In the early morning as well as the late evenings, there are several unusual refractions possible especially in semi-tropical areas," Porth said.

A large weather front began building up in the Gulf early this morning, weather observers said.

Two possible explanations, Porth said, could

have been either light refraction from the rising sun or sheet lightning in the thunderhead clouds.

In some cases, Porth said, clouds at very high altitudes containing water droplets may reflect light from the sun while it is still just below the eastern horizon.

"It is very easy to misjudge height of clouds," Porth said. "A formation appearing to be about 15,000 feet above the ground may in actuality be 100,000 feet high — high enough to reflect light from the sun before it rises."

"I have been in this business quite a while and one thing I've learned," commented the meteorologist, "is that nothing is really impossible with meteorological phenomena. It is very difficult to try and predict just exactly what every sighting in the sky is caused by."

UFO's Return -- Swooping and Swishing...

Because so many OTHER people saw this strange "thing" late Saturday night and early Sunday June 18, this small mention of it in The Sun puzzles me greatly.

George Airmen Sight a Bright Orange Object

GEORGE AFB — Two airmen verified each other's report yesterday of seeing a "bright orange object" about 1 a.m. that seemed to be 375 feet in diameter as it sank behind a building southwest of their security-police beat at this base.

The airmen, Gary Corley and Randolph Wogoman, said the UFO (unidentified flying object) sighting apparently went unobserved by anyone else. They reported it to the air police, and to the Victorville Sheriff's Office and Adelanto Police Department.

No evidence was found of the object having landed, it was reported by the base information office.

Our party of three stopped at the scene of a minor accident around 11:30 p.m., Sunday, to find approximately 30 other people far more interested in watching this strange, circular, "whatever-it-was" moving quickly about in the sky above us, changing from bluish-white in color, at higher altitude, then to a weird orange-yellow as it came down into the smog-filled lower atmosphere.

One man in this mixed group of spectators told us that he had been told

several times, by Air Force personnel, that the "thing" he had seen before was a highly-secret "craft" and he should not talk it over with others who have also seen it. Three U.S. airmen, in uniform, who claimed to be from Air Base in Nevada, (on official leave, we supposed) said they would surely know about such craft, even though they might be under orders to remain silent about it, but they were as mystified as the rest of us.

The thing that sickens me about this entire deal is the harm I saw in what it had done to one family on the preceding Saturday night. (The family of four whose pickup camper and trailer had run off of the dirt road where the 30 or more of us were assembled.) I talked with the two almost-hysterical girls, one 9, the other 11, and learned that the "thing" had hovered around their family's rather isolated campsite the night before for more than three hours, hurting their ears with its strange whirling sound each time it ascended from "almost on top of us" as "a big round orange-colored thing" which became, a second later, "just a big bright-blue dot high in the sky."

The still-frightened girls told me their story between the several "dips" this "craft" made over us while several strong men moved boulders and pushed the camper and trailer out of the ditch. Each time the "thing" seemed to move in on us, as though exploring the various automobile lights and flashlights trained on the repair job, the two little girls would cover their ears and throw themselves at their mother's feet, sobbing, while I tried to assure both the mother and the girls that there was bound to be a logical explanation—somewhere. (I will admit that at times, when I also heard a faint whirling sound when "it" came in near us, I too, was shaken. I had always — until then—believed "UFO's" to be in the same classification as the ghosts of haunted houses.) At no time Sunday night or Monday morning however did this "thing" produce any louder noise for us than a vacuum cleaner might.

While talking with the father of the two little girls, I learned that he had told his family's story to a deputy sheriff Sunday afternoon, only to be told that he and the rest of his family were imagining things. The deputy had also given him erroneous directions for getting back to Barstow, but this may have been merely a usual error in communicating, plus the excited state of mind of the girls' father at the time he talked with the deputy, who also advised this man to forget his UFO.

Because I believed, at that time, that we would be hearing and reading about this "thing" upon our return to the civilized part of the world, I did not obtain the name and home address of the family of four, (who believed themselves to be the target of this "thing.") After they left us, in their slightly-crippled camper and trailer, I next talked with a lady from Inglewood, giving her my card and obtaining her husband's card in exchange. (It seems that our party and hers were the only ones who obtained pictures of the "thing," although I do not know yet whether any of us obtained what we hoped and tried for; none of us had Polaroid cameras with us.)

Before our party arrived on the scene, the party from Inglewood told us, the thing had "swooped in" over the dirt

road ahead of the pickup and trailer, causing the nine-year-old girl to grab her father and cause him to drive off the road. They had doubted this family's story—until the "thing" returned with another rather loud "swoop" over them. The Inglewood lady (whom I promised to contact Friday, if we do not obtain logical explanations before then) told me that she had obtained a story similar to mine from the two little girls and their mother, while her husband and his brother were trying to get the camper truck and trailer back on the roadway. I also learned, from this intelligent career woman, that the younger of the two girls had been quite ill, physically, since the first appearance of this "thing" over their campsite Saturday, although she had heretofore always been a healthy child.

What is the real story behind all this? More than a dozen of us stood around asking ourselves this question early Monday morning, long after this "thing" finally returned to its hiding place southwest of us. Some claimed to have seen "it" before, but were still reluctant to talk about it. When "it" had apparently retired for the night, one by one, the other cars and campers left, and so did we.

If you people know the whole story on this "weird thing," why do you tease your readers with small, meaningless stories like this? Is your short piece this morning part of some Nixon-dictated strategy to "cover up" some unofficial joy-riding of Air Force pilots? Why must we taxpayers help some inconsiderate idiots frighten two innocent young girls out of their right minds?

DARRELL TOTTEN
Highland

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San Bernardino, Calif.
Sun

Jun 20, 1972
Kellogg, Idaho
News

Fireball Lit Up Skies In Inland Empire Area

A big fireball whooshed across Inland Empire skies about 1:30 this morning and was seen by numerous residents from Mullan to Spokane.

Art Jacobson, pioneer North Fork river area rancher who has made a study of meteorites, said his cabin "lit up like daylight" at 1:32 this morning and about two minutes later he heard an explosion, which he surmised could have been caused by the fireball hitting the ground.

Kellogg and Wallace residents saw and heard the phenomenon and some calls of inquiry were received at police stations.

One Kellogg resident informed The Evening News he saw the entire sky light up like daylight when he was driving near the Harrison interchange by Coeur d'Alene Lake. He thought it was an airplane flare, but was seen over too wide an area to be that small an object. Skies were clear when the fireball came down and there was no lightning activity at that time.

Deputy Sheriff Vic Lees observed what he described as a "large arc welder" light that lit up the whole sky. The night shift gateman at Bunker Hill called the security office saying he thought the burning object was

headed straight for him when he first saw it.

Kellogg police saw the light as "simply a flash" that could have resembled lightning when they were driving on McKinley Ave., and state patrolmen said they thought the whole sky was lit up by the fire.

It was reported by some that a noise similar to a sonic boom was heard soon after the light, appeared, however, no speculation was made about whether or not the two incidents were related.

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Van Nuys, Calif.
Valley News & Gr.Sh.

WITNESS CLAIMS ANSWER TO FLYING OBJECTS MYSTERY

Tentatively identified flying objects have been spotted in Panorama City in the vicinity of St. Genevieve's High School, 13967 Roscoe Blvd., approximately twice a week for the past several weeks.

According to a witness the flying objects appear to be green trash can liners apparently filled with gas. The bags are tied with long string, onto which is tied some sort of

reflective material, which the witness said appeared to be aluminum foil.

An official at the Van Nuys Airport tower said he had had no reports on the flying objects and suggested that scientific experiments at the high school might be responsible for the observed irregularities.

Efforts to contact the high school yesterday evening were unsuccessful.

Housewife declares 'flying saucer' landed in her yard

BY CHARLES RICHARDSON
News staff writer

Then the flying saucer blew up.

It was just a normal day at the Robert Taylor home on Highway 25 five miles south of Leeds.

Today, a still-astonished "Peanuts" Taylor is attracting more attention than a new truck as he shows off the top

half of the slickly-designed "saucer" in the maintenance shop of International Harvester where he works.

ABOUT SIX FEET in diameter, the device is constructed of a heavy-textured metallic fabric with a hard coating of what appears to be white enamel. The underside of the top half is lined with fiberglass and appears to have contained a series of concentric rings tunneling through insulation material. The saucer also contains a tail fin and an exhaust port.

Taylor said the bottom half is still at home and is more heavily damaged. Bits of the insulation material were scattered over his yard.

The saucer's arrival was heralded at 9 a.m. Friday shortly after he left for work.

"My wife heard this loud explosion and looked up over the back yard and saw the thing coming down," Taylor said. The two parts, apparently separated in mid-air by the explosion, landed in Taylor's yard — 20 feet from the house, he said.

TAYLOR SAID he checked with the Air National Guard here and they "didn't know anything about it — or else they weren't saying."

The "saucer" is surmounted by a small white dome made of the same material as the body.

There is no evidence of little green men in the small white dome.

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Birmingham, Alabama
News

June 20, 1972
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
Press

What Was It?

Is it a bird? A plane? A meteorite? A flying saucer, maybe?

THOSE WERE questions asked at 1:35 this morning by Coeur d'Alene residents who happened to be looking northeast toward the sky over Canfield Mountain.

The answer to just what the bright fire that lit up the dark sky with "a ball of fire" came today from George Cambridge, land operations officer at Fairchild Air Force Base, Wash.

Cambridge, who said he couldn't be exactly sure what it was, termed the falling fire "space junk," part of boosters, rockets or other space vehicles that fall into the earth's atmosphere.

SAYING IT also could have been a meteorite, Cambridge said the space junk is a natural phenomenon that will probably become more frequent as space exploration increases.

"There are a lot of meteors this time of year," he said. "But meteors enter the atmosphere and drop at an angle to the earth. This morning's space fall seemed to come straight down."

Cambridge said the space junk burned to cinder ash about 200 miles above the earth and was not burning when it hit the ground somewhere in Kootenai County. There is little danger in the drop, he added.

JIM DOLAN, 521 Foster Ave., returned home from work this morning, described the sight as looking like a Roman candle, only bigger and longer lasting.

Mrs. Henry Scheller, 3404 N. 4th, said she thought she was dreaming when she saw the "whole sky light up like a ball of fire."

She said she thought the space junk landed on the Coeur d'Alene side of Canfield Mountain. Dolan said it looked to him like the debris landed about one-fourth mile east of North West Timber Co.

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AT LEAST four people phoned to say they spotted an unidentified flying object hovering over the Campbell River Junior Secondary School Friday night.

All four — and they were separate calls — reported seeing bright red lights streaking out from the UFO. They all said the object shot off into the dark after being within sight for about 25 to 30 seconds.

My guess is that the occupants of the UFO were probably trying to determine whether the junior secondary school is as crowded as most critics would have us believe.

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NEW ZEALAND

Third Bare Earth Circle Appears

Another unaccountable circular bare patch of earth was found on a farm near Tokoroa last week — the third occurrence in the district in the last three months.

The patch was found on the farm of Mr K. S. Cox, at Lichfield, about six miles north of Tokoroa. It was found by his neighbour, Mr C. M. White who saw the patch just near his boundary fence.

Like the other patches found in the Tokoroa area, this patch has been completely ridden of all the surface grass and, according to Mr White, there is no explanation for it.

Two of the patches so far — on the properties of Mr Len Baldwin and Mr K. S. Cox — have been located in isolated areas.

However, there has been one recent exception — on the farm of Mr M. Janssen, where the patch could be seen from his kitchen window.

Mr White said the patch on Mr Cox's property is certainly not caused by any fungi. He also discounted the weedicide or grassrub, possibility of cattle herding together during bad weather and urinating.

"Cattle don't generally mill around in an open area. The presence of complete pits of dung would indicate that they haven't milled in the area.

"When they mill in an area they frequently leave a mound of soil around the edge of the area where they have been standing. In this case the mound hasn't been left."

If the cattle had been there, he said, they would have trampled the grass into the ground. The patch, however, is completely devoid of grass.

LEVIN=OTAKI=WAIKANAE
WEEKLY NEWS

NEW ZEALAND

24 MAY 1972

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New Zealand
Weekly News

PROTEST GROUP OR U.F.O.

A strange flashing light was seen in the night sky by several duck shooters, the first U.F.O. Convention was held in Tauranga last month and peculiar spheres were found in mid-Canterbury by a variety of startled farmers.

What does it all add up to? One Auckland correspondent wondered if the discovery of several odd balls round Ashburton was the formation of yet another Springbok protest group.

Yet there is a serious side to this phenomena. The spheres, identical to those discovered in Australia nine years ago, have yet to be claimed by either the Soviet or American Governments.

Also a strange formation of objects was observed over South Canterbury just prior to the first discovery.

An Ashburton man rang the "Guardian" this morning to say that last night at 10.46 he saw a "bright ball" in the sky in the direction of Westerfield. "It was brilliantly bright with a greenish tail," he said of the object, which he believes to have landed in the Westerfield area. He was wondering if other people had seen the object.

"BRIGHT BALL"
IN SKY?

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UFO WAS STAR

A Hastings amateur astronomer, Mr A. McPherson, now has photographic proof that the "UFO" seen above the Havelock Hills on Thursday was in fact Canopus, the second brightest star in the sky.

Mr McPherson has no doubt at all that the bright object is the star Canopus, and to convince non-believers, he stayed up all last night to photograph the object.

The barrel-shape of the object seen on Thursday was due to optical distortion caused by using high-powered telescopes on stars low in the sky through a turbulent atmosphere, he said.—NZPA

He Used to Scoff at UFOs

By ANN DUNSMUIR
Times Staff

A television special — Chariot of the Gods — has rekindled interest in the flying saucer problem.

This BBC film based on the book of the same name by German author Erich Von Daniken, used pictures of ancient rock carvings and cave paintings to support the theory that unidentified flying objects (UFO) have been visiting earth for thousands of years.

The film's first showing here in March had a "fantastic impact" on the public, according to Jim Munro, owner of a local bookstore. He sold all 25 copies of the book he had in stock in less than an hour's time. Since then, he has sold almost 500 more.

Shown Again

Chariot of the Gods was shown again here on television last week.

Munro thinks the revived interest in UFO is part of the current trend towards mysticism and the occult.

"People are looking for an answer to things and have lost faith in orthodox religions," he said.

Dr. Max Edwards, of the

French department at University of Victoria, has been interested in UFOs for years, even though he admits he once scoffed at flying saucer reports.

"Then I looked into the evidence which is colossal, read the literature and interviewed witnesses," he said.

Edwards says the testimony of a Father Rayna, a Catholic priest and astronomer, is the best evidence he has collected so far. Dr. Rayna and 30 colleagues gathered at an observatory in Argentina to watch the flight of the U.S. Echo No. 2 satellite.

"They saw a large dazzling object start from the horizon and fly directly to the satellite. The UFO stopped, circled the satellite and proceeded to the opposite horizon. This manoeuvre was carried out three times in less than half an hour," Edwards said.

"The astronomers saw the object clearly and reported it was a disk with a dome on top and an orange and yellow line around the perimeter. The craft filled the entire field of the telescope."

Edwards explained that since the scientists knew the altitude of the satellite they were able to calculate the speed of the UFO.

"It travelled well in excess

of 100,000 — kilometers an hour."

At the time of the sighting, Father Rayna is reported to have said, "if this object is man-made, why don't they send astronauts to the moon in it?"

Edwards supports the theory of New Zealand author Bruce Cathie, an experienced airline pilot. Cathie claims the world is crisscrossed by a grid, representing regular flight paths for UFOs. He believes this grid is a navigational and power system for ships from outer space.

Using his grid, the New Zealander had been able to predict UFO sightings all around the globe with remarkable accuracy.

Edwards says that at one point on the grid located at Blenheim, New Zealand an orchard was destroyed when a saucer landed.

Secret Station

"The United States now has a secret station at Blenheim full of cameras," he added.

"At another point on the grid located in New Guinea, Rev. William Gill, an Anglican missionary and 38 witnesses observed four UFOs containing 'human' figures for a period of three days.

"The ships hovered at an altitude of about 200 feet and people came out on the deck. One figure returned a wave from the missionary."

Edwards says incidents like these, plus 10,000 reported cases of cars stalling when a UFO was sighted in the immediate area, have convinced him that "there is something there."

He believes the December 1965 reference to Santa Claus by American astronaut James Lovell in orbit behind the moon was actually a code indicating the presence of a UFO.

At that time, Lovell was quoted as saying, "We now know Santa Claus really exists." Edwards says this remark was taken as a joke by all "except those who remembered operation Santa Claus."

"Santa Claus was the code name for an attempt by the American fleet in the Mediterranean to track a flight of UFOs," Edwards said.

He supports Von Daniken's theory which claims UFOs have visited earth since prehistoric times. Edwards described a rock painting found in Fergana, Uzbekistan, USSR which shows a saucer hovering over a human figure dressed in what looks like a modern space suit.

Another significant find is a marble carving in the Palenque pyramid, Mexico. This 1,000-year-old carving shows a man seated in a bucket seat steering a small rocket. The artist has carved what look like flames issuing from the tail of the rocket.

Edwards says that the body of "an extremely large person seven feet tall was found under the marble carving." He thinks this may be the body of a space visitor, considered a god by the natives and given an appropriate tomb.

"All tribes have stories of people from the skies who came, lived among them and promised to return," he said.

"Some cave paintings 30,000 years old include perfect drawings of flying saucers."

Visitor's Words

Edwards believes the words attributed to God in Genesis Three, Verse 22, are actually the words of a visitor from space. In the Biblical text, God has discovered that Adam has eaten the forbidden fruit and says: "The man has become like one of us."

Edwards, who reads 15 languages, pointed out that in the Hebrew language there is no 'us' or 'we'. When they are

used, they refer to more than one person.

He says people will have to "reread the Old Testament in a new way. It should not be read in the light of the New Testament."

Edwards doesn't believe official claims that UFO sightings are the results of hallucinations, swamp gas or atmospheric conditions.

"If people are hallucinating, why do sightings occur along a straight line?" he asked.

Edwards pointed out that although the U.S. government denies the existence of visitors from space, the Airforce circular JANAP 146 lists a fine of \$10,000 and ten years' imprisonment for any member of the United States Airforce who reveals information about UFOs.

Edwards says Dr. J. Allen Hynek of North Western University, Chicago "scoffed at first" but became fully convinced of the existence of flying saucers during his years as Airforce consultant on UFOs for the U.S. government.

Another recent convert is the internationally known Greek physicist and engineer, Paul Santorini. He worked on the development of radar, the fuses for the atomic bomb that destroyed Hiroshima, and holds two patents for the

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guidance systems used by the U.S. Nike missiles.

Santorini, a fellow of the New York Academy of Sciences, came out of a two-year retirement in 1967 to claim that, as early as 1947, Greece had joined a "world conspiracy" to deny that the unidentified objects regularly visiting all parts of earth are flying saucers. He believes military authorities are afraid to admit the existence of an alien force against which earth has "no possibility of defence."

Edwards thinks governments refuse to issue information on UFOs because "whoever gets the secret of the alien method of propulsion will govern the world."

Canada has apparently joined the conspiracy. In November, 1967, Defence Minister Leo Cadieux refused to make public the results of a government inquiry into UFO sightings.

Responding to questions in the House of Commons, the minister said his department had "no intention of making public its report on the alleged sighting of a UFO by Stephen Michalak, at Falcon Lake, Manitoba."

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UFO over

Blackmill

Mountain

Wales

A CIGAR-shaped flying object was seen over Glynogwr mountain heading for Bridgend at 11.45 on Sunday night by a Blackmill policeman.

Police Constable Harris, who was off duty, was out walking with his father-in-law when he saw the cigar-shaped object about 40 feet above the mountain top. The UFO was about 30 feet long, of darkish colour and with a blue light at either end. It had no wings and made no noise.

P.C. Harris saw the object for about half a minute, as it travelled slowly southwards.

A police spokesman said a farmer living nearby was awakened about the same time and found his sheep in a distressed state.

A member of the South Wales Unidentified Flying Objects Group told the Gazette it was not unusual for animals to be affected in this manner.

"They seem to be more sensitive to the vibrations from such objects," he said. He confirmed that other sightings had been noted around the area in past years.

Rhose Airport confirmed they had no planes in the area at the time and RAF St. Athan was closed on Sunday.

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SOUTH WALES
ECHO

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POLICEMAN
SPOTS UFO

AN unidentified flying object was spotted by a police officer last night near Bridgend. It was tubular shaped without wings, and had lights at both ends.

The object was seen by the constable flying over Glynogwr Mountain, Blackmill.

A police spokesman in Bridgend said a local farmer had also seen the UFO which agitated sheep and birds.

"Like pointed beer barrel"

U.F.O. is tracked by photographer, Hastings police

Although an R.N.Z.A.F. Orion anti - submarine aircraft was reported flying in the area last night, Hastings photographer, Mr Russell Orr, is sure the object he saw in the eastern sky early this morning was "something out of this world".



MR ORR

May 24, 1972
Christchurch, N.Z.
The Press

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Object in sky

A bright object, possibly a meteorite, was seen in the western sky in Christchurch by two independent observers last evening, about 10.45 p.m.

One of the observers, Mr I. A. Hansen, the Official Assignee in Christchurch, said the object was a bright white, tinged on the outside with green. It appeared to fall to the ground towards Lincoln.

Mr M. Brown, of Hoon Hay Road, said he was driving towards Halswell when he, too, saw the light. It seemed to fall between the Black Horse Hotel and Sunnyside Hospital, and extinguish itself before hitting the ground.

Mr C. H. Rowe, of the Canterbury Astronomical Society, said the object almost certainly was a meteorite, from the descriptions given of it.

"Anyone else who saw it could get in touch with me, and we may be able to get a bearing on it, in which case it might be found," he said.

Mr Orr tracked the object for more than an hour through his powerful 1600m.m. telescope from the top floor lecture hall of the Hastings police station.

A resident of Lyell Street, Hastings, Mr V. J. Hooijdonk, contacted the police at 2.15 to report a red light to the east of Hastings.

Sergeant J. J. McCormack, officer in charge of the night shift, said today the red light reported was in fact the beacon at the Kahuranaki television translator.

But while this was being checked another object was seen by Mr McCormack and two other constables on duty.

Mr Orr, the sergeant and constables were able to see the object through the telescope from the police station and draw sketches of it on a blackboard in the lecture hall.

MOST UNUSUAL

"It reminded me a lot of a satellite re-entering the earth's atmosphere", the sergeant said. "It was most unusual."

Mr Orr said the object when first seen was quite close to the red beacon of the television translator, but instead of moving east-west as a star would do, it was moving from south to east.

To the naked eye it looked like an oversized, bright star behaving in a peculiar fashion. But through the telescope it dramatically took on form and colour.

"Its shape was that of a beer barrel with one end sharp," he said.

"It had a transverse band around the middle of the 'barrel' which was sharp and clear."

"It was changing colour from magenta to cyan (blue) and the centre part was a reddish-black".

LIGHTS PULSING

Mr Orr said the circumference pulsed with lights of changing colours. The object remained at a constant 10 degrees above the horizon and gradually traversed from south to east.

It remained in view for more than an hour and was under constant observation.

The object was seen again momentarily by members of the morning shift at the police station, coming on duty at 5 o'clock.

Mr Orr said all who saw the object were shocked that it was so large and clear and visible for such a prolonged time.

"I tried to relate it to things I had seen, but it was something out of this world," he said.

As a journalist he had reported comments of people who claimed to have seen unidentified flying objects, but this was the first time he had seen a U.F.O. himself.

It was the climax of a number of U.F.O. sightings in the district recently. A number of other people said they also saw the object, and these included Hastings taxidriviers on nightshift.

Mr Orr discounted the possibility it could have been a conventional aircraft or that it could have been a weather balloon or space satellite.

AGAINST WIND

It could not have been a balloon, because it was drifting against the wind and was illuminated. Its progress was not constant, and the object was in view too long to be a satellite.

Mr Orr said he was unable to photograph the object because this would have necessitated a prolonged time exposure and tracking of the object. The telescope was not fitted with an adaptor for this purpose.

An R.N.Z.A.F. spokesman at Ohakea Air Base said an Orion anti-submarine aircraft was known to be operating in the coastal Hawke's Bay area last night dropping flares and using a searchlight.

This appeared to be confirmed by a Maraetotara resident who reported seeing an object in a south-westerly direction from his home at 10 p.m.

He said it appeared to be over the Elsthorpe area, but could not really tell how close it was with no point of reference. The object was a white light moving very low to the skyline. It stayed in the general area for some time, giving the impression of "gliding" up and down.

From time to time red and green lights were seen. The object could well have been this type of aircraft.

The Daily Telegraph, Friday, May 19, 1972

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Daily Telegraph

TRACKERS BAFFLED

But neither the Mt John tracking station and observatory in the South Island nor the Navy meteorological service, Wellington, have been able to identify the object or its origins.

No meteorites or satellites have been reported over the vicinity, and the Meteorological Office discounted a weather balloon explanation because of the appearance and duration of the object's flight.

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Timaru, N.Z.
Timaru Herald

Timaru Woman Sketched UFO

What she thinks was an unidentified flying object was seen by an 80-year-old Timaru woman last week. She quickly changed her glasses — "just to make sure" — and made a sketch of it.

Mrs F. E. M. Beattie, of 26 Regent Street, told "The Timaru Herald" yesterday that she was standing on her veranda at about 8 p.m. when she was astounded to see a large bright object in the sky. It had two sets of lights that flashed alternately. When lights from the "body" of the object went out two others shot up from each side "lighting everything up."

"I went straight into my lounge and drew a sketch of it," she said.

Although she was not frightened, Mrs Beattie said it was a bit worrying.

Mrs Beattie would like to hear from someone who shared her experience.

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UFO, 37 claim sightings

Mr Russell Orr, of Hastings, has had 37 people telephone him with reports of sightings since he and three policemen saw an unidentified flying object on Friday morning.

Mrs S. Vincent, of Wainuiomata, on holiday at a Waimarama farm, saw the U.F.O. three times.

Mr Orr said today that other people in the Waimarama-Ocean Beach area had also reported seeing the object in a north-westerly direction.

This would place it in the hills between Waimarama and Hastings.

He said it had been assumed on first sighting that the object was far out to sea but the further sightings allowed a fix of its position to be made.

Mr Orr discounted Mr A. McPherson's contention, put forward today, that the object was the star Canopus.

He said Canopus was not visible at this time.

June 1, 1972
Hamilton, N.Z.
Waikato Times

UFO hits again— may be...

Tokoroa farmers, puzzled by what appear to be frequent visits from Unidentified Flying Objects, have found another mysterious circular patch of bare earth.

This patch — the third in the area in three months — was found on Mr K. S. Cox's farm at Lichfield, six miles north of Tokoroa.

A neighbouring farmer, Mr C. M. White, saw the patch while riding his boundary line.

The patch is almost perfectly circular, some 12 paces across, and completely devoid of grass.

Mr White said he did not think weedicide,

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UFO NEW ZEALAND seen by Napier couple over Kawekas

A Napier mother and son said yesterday they had seen an unidentified flying object (U.F.O.) "searching" the Kaweka Ranges with searchlights on Thursday night.

The sighting was from Mrs B. A. Collins' home on Bluff Hill about 10 p.m.

Mrs Collins' son John, a student at Victoria University said he observed the U.F.O. through a small telescope. The object remained in sight for an hour.

A Hastings man, Mr Russell Orr, yesterday reported having seen "something out of this world" in the eastern sky early in the morning.

He said he tracked the object for more than an hour through his powerful 1600-m.m. telescope from the top floor lecture hall of the Hastings police station.

Mr Collins described the object he and his mother sighted from Bluff Hill as "two lights, one on top of the other. The one on top was slightly larger and both had beams of white light which seemed to search the bush in the hills in a zig-zag pattern."

"At first I thought it was cloud inversion or something like that," Mr Collins said. "But the lights seemed to move in patterns, or sometimes irregularly."

BRIGHT

"It was fantastically bright," he said. "It must have been to be over the hills and still be visible from Napier."

Mr Collins said that after about 10 minutes the object disappeared, but reappeared after one or two minutes over Tangoio.

The ranges are about 40 miles away and the shift was about 45 degrees. That meant the object had travelled about 30 miles in about two minutes.

"I think that rules out any explanations of helicopters or aeroplanes, or even shooting stars, because the object became almost stationary while it searched

near Tangoio with its lights," Mr Collins said.

He did not believe in U.F.O.s before Thursday night, he said, but he was now "convinced there is something to them."

"I can not explain those lights at all. They behaved too peculiarly to be searchlights, aircraft, cloud inversion, the headlights of passing cars, or anything normal," he said.

"I am convinced now U.F.O.s are real."

Mr Collins said he was unaware of the detail of the sighting made by Mr Orr, Sergeant J. J. McCormack and two constables in Hast-

ings. He had heard a radio news report, but this had not included details of the description of the two U.F.O.s.

The sightings are similar in that they both lasted about an hour and in both instances they were seen at night. The objects moved unusually and irregularly in both cases.

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Was object a bright star?

A suggestion that the U.F.O. seen from Hastings yesterday morning was in fact the bright star Canopus has come from a Hastings man, Mr A. McPherson.

He said Canopus was a rational explanation for the phenomena seen.

The object was seen again last night from Hastings and kept under observation for some time.

Mr McPherson made his suggestion after viewing the object through Mr Russell Orr's telescope from the top floor of the Hastings police station.

"EERIE"

"I saw the same thing again last night. It was quite eerie," Mr McPherson said. "I can understand how people were intrigued when they saw it."

He said it had moved across the sky over Mt Erin (south-east of Hastings) and had been "pulsing with brilliant light".

Canopus was a bright star and the light effect would be caused by refraction, Mr McPherson said. He had taken measurements and Canopus was the only bright star in that area.

The star was near the horizon yesterday morning.

south celestial pole and would move from south to east—the same direction as had been observed by Mr Orr the previous night.

A description by a 10-year-old Havelock North boy, Shane O'Neil, of a bright object hovering behind trees in the direction of Mt Erin would fit the appearance of Canopus.

Mr McPherson said that the object's appearance at the same time, 2.30 o'clock this morning, suggested it was part of a cyclic pattern and a natural phenomenon.

He said that observation through Mr Orr's high-powered telescope, through the glass of the police station windows and at a sharp angle, would account for the "blob" of light seen to take on an elliptical shape.

Mr McPherson, who has equipment for photographing celestial objects, saw the object this morning after offering his services to the police to try to solve the mystery.

The astronomer and television personality, Mr Peter Read, spoke to Mr Orr yesterday about the sighting and at first thought the object could be the star Achener. After further discussion with Mr Orr, however, he discounted this theory.

The Hastings police received one further report of a U.F.O. in the sky last night and several other people have confirmed the original sighting made by Mr Orr, a police sergeant and two constables from the police station.

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grass grub or fungi could have caused the patch. It certainly was not caused by cattle herding together in bad weather.

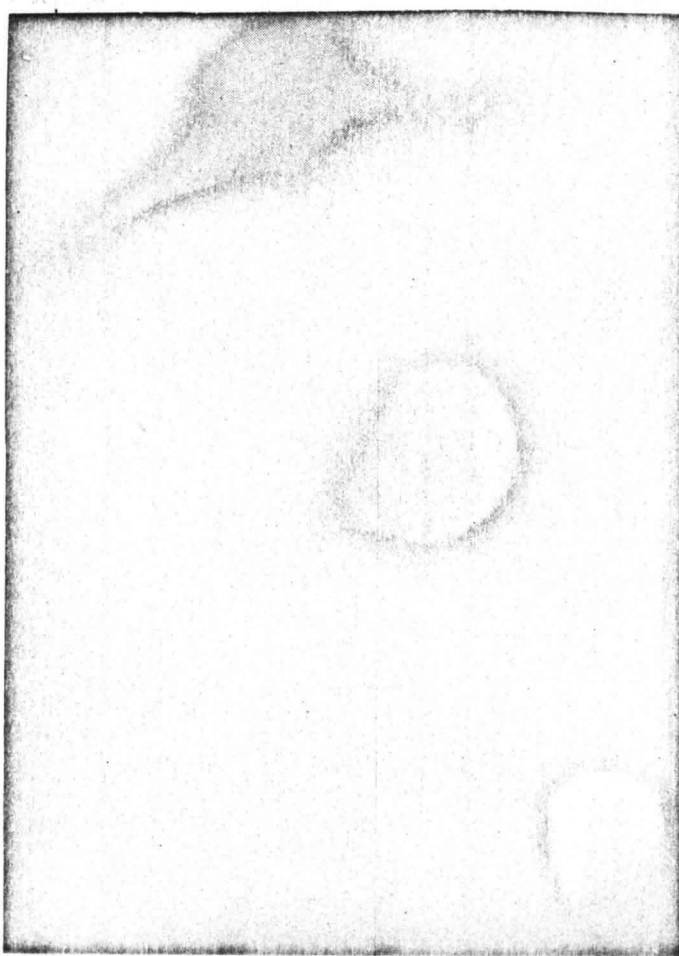
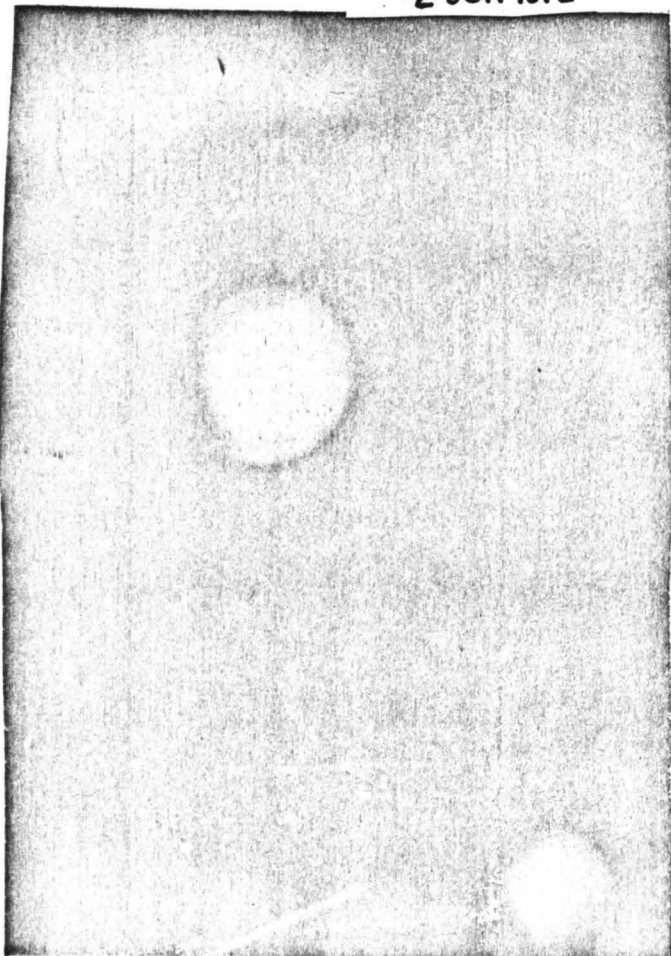
The other two patches were found on Tokoroa farms about two months ago. They had disappeared with grass re-

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One was taken by UFO chaser John West— the other was mocked up by our photographers in the darkroom

by LEON
SYMONS

JOHN WEST left England for Australia nearly ten years ago to pursue a hobby which is fast becoming a full time occupation—UFO hunter.

He has never regretted leaving the island he describes as "an overpopulated land mass" for he has unearthed some fantastic—there is no other word for it—stories and data in his investigations.

He has returned for a short break to his parents' home in West Grove, Woodford Green, where I spoke to him.

His first interest in extra-terrestrial bodies was as an amateur astronomer, which began when he was about 14.

FIRST SIGHTINGS

In 1947 came the first major Unidentified Flying Object disc sightings, and his own scepticism about the subject began to break down.

"At first I thought that visitors from space were not from our solar system, but I also considered the distances they travelled were not possible.

"But as I got into it and first hand evidence came up, I realised they have been flying around us for a long time," said John.

He is 38, and his trade is electronics. He decided to move down under in 1963 "because there was not a lot of scope in London.

"UFO's seem to favour less populated regions, and there are many more out there," he said.

Now he is field investigator and liaison officer for UFO International Centre in Sydney.

One of the most amazing stories he tells is of a woman and her husband who lived in a desolate Queensland farmhouse.

"The area has been a UFO activity centre since 1890. The woman claimed she was regularly visited by a machine which landed in her garden. A man got out of the machine, walked around and then got back in and disappeared.

"I heard footsteps once when I visited the place, and always get the feeling of being watched.

"But I have never seen the machine," admitted John.

The woman drew pictures of the "space-man" And a man living several hundred miles away saw the same thing a month later.

He considered his greatest find to be the objects in the picture here. He takes star photographs on long time exposures and set his camera

up as usual one night a couple of months ago.

When the film was developed, at first it looked quite ordinary.

But then he noticed a couple of unusual pinhead-size spots. He had the particular frames blown up in size, and they showed the blurred shape in the top left hand corner, and the two spots of light.

70 MILES HIGH

John estimates their height to be 70 miles and is absolutely positive the objects did not originate on this planet.

"The other thing which was strange was the fact that they had some markings down one side of the negative which the photographer said he had never seen before.

"He was certain the film had been exposed to some sort of radiation, and it could only have come from those objects," he said.

John feels that too much information on UFOs is kept secret. He considers the general public should be gradually educated to them.

Although he still earns his living as an electrician, John has started his own UFO finding project, named UFO Shadow.

IS the picture above one of three U.F.O.'s—or is it a very good fake?

John West says he took this one by accident while taking star-shots late one night two months ago with his camera on a time exposure.

He took the film to a photographer, who developed it, and it was then he noticed the unusual specks which he proceeded to blow up to the above shot.

Independent chief photographer John Chinnery examined the picture closely.

He concluded: "It is very difficult to judge whether it is genuine or not.

"It is quite possible that it is a U.F.O. picture. But it would be quite easy to rig up something like this on a photographic enlarger."

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He also hopes to go to South America.

"It is non-profit making, and I have financed it completely myself. Phase one has already been completed, and I have got some very useful data."

John's belief in extra-terrestrial beings is now unshakeable. He also believes there is much that could and should be told by world authorities to the public about UFOs.

BIG QUESTION

This is not only to establish the fact of whether they really do exist, but to try and answer what, for him, is the 64,000 dollar question—why do they come?

Is it to invade our planet, or to try and help us better our civilisation?

Or is it that they have, as we do, a very strong sense of curiosity?

Whatever the answer is—and it is part of his Shadow project to unravel that particular mystery—he feels we may know it one way or the other in the not-too-distant future.

Canberra,

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UFO 'LANDING' SITE EXAMINED

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Mr from Unidentified Flying Objects Research Project inspect them. The director of the project, Mr Frank Wilks, said today: "It is a landing site for sure." He said a circular area of grass 33 feet in diameter had been flattened and there was another circle three feet inside this. There also were indentations in the ground.

Mr Ron Sarina, 59, discovered the marks on his 56-acre golf practice course. He is developing the property opposite the Warragamba Lion Park for a golf practice course. Mr Sarina said today he was intrigued by the marks, which did not seem to have any explanation. He called his wife and later two investigators have a look at them and

he said. "There was nothing out of the ordinary on that night as far as we are concerned," he said. "A Richmond Park superintendent said that Miss Devereux's sighting had been the only one reported."

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Unidentified visitors at Richmond Park

FLYING SAUCERS—seven of them—touched down in Richmond Park last week. But nobody noticed except Miss Shirley Devereux, her parents, and perhaps some of the deer.

"I was looking out over Richmond Park when I saw the first one—that was at about 10 p.m. on Tuesday," said Miss Devereux, who lives at 38 Allbrook House, Danebury Avenue, Roehampton.

"It was a conglomeration of lights, it hovered over the park, about 30 feet above the ground, and then moved across the park until it stopped near the priory. Then it just disappeared," she said. Miss Devereux said that she saw a number of other lights converging on the spot where the first one had disappeared at between 10 p.m. and 12.15 a.m.

"By this time I was watching through binoculars, the lights were so bright that my mother could see clearly with her naked eye. The lights were brilliant orange, they seemed to go duller before they landed. I could see a distinct flying saucer shape," she said.

Miss Devereux said that she reported the phenomena to the Police, the Park officials, the London Planetarium, "and anybody else who might be interested," but had not been able to contact the association which deals with U.F.O. sightings.

A Richmond Park superintendent said that Miss Devereux's sighting had been the only one reported.

Other people heard the noise as far away as Peterlee. One said: "It was very loud, and my dog went mad. I thought it was an aircraft."

DOG WENT MAD

My wife Rita, who was in the car with me, was terrified."

"It seemed to fly along, then it stopped for two or three seconds, and then it shot up vertically at great speed. "I've never believed in flying saucers and that sort of thing before, but now I don't know."

Another motorist who saw the "light bulb" was Mr Richard Roberts, of Roberts Tours (Wingate) Ltd., who was driving home with his two sons from the Fir Tree Inn. He said: "It came from the west towards the east coast. We thought it was a rocket at first. "It seemed to hover for a few seconds and then it did a vertical climb. It had a hell of a rumble with it."

"It was like a brilliant spinning light, with a centre and a sort of flare around it. It disappeared upwards in a flash, and must have been travelling faster than sound. "Quite a few people stopped to watch it."

WINGATE RESIDENTS PUZZLED BY UFO.

A MYSTERIOUS "flying electric light bulb" puzzled Wingate residents last night. For shortly after 10.30 p.m. an unidentified flying object brought people out of their homes, and caused motorists to halt as it lit up the night sky. One eyewitness, Mr James Anderson, of Lake View, Wingate, told the Mail today: "I was driving down through Wingate when the car in front of me pulled up in the middle of the road. The people jumped out and

looked up at the sky. "There was a brilliant light in the sky—like an electric light bulb. There was a terrific noise with it. "It seemed to fly along, then it stopped for two or three seconds, and then it shot up vertically at great speed. "I've never believed in flying saucers and that sort of thing before, but now I don't know."

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'A UFO RIDDLE

A YOUNG journalist claims he was "buzzed" by an unidentified flying object in Forest Gate last week, writes JEFF EDWARDS.

Said 22-year-old Leon Symons this week: "It was an amazing experience, I shall be keeping a close watch on the night sky over Newham from now on to see if it returns."

He says the mystery object came into view as he arrived home last Wednesday about 10 p.m.

"It was so bright you could not miss it. I got out of the car and watched. It was bigger than any star but more yellow than silvery. It was impossible to judge what height it was at but it seemed low.

"It made slow progress towards Stratford, but its movements were very erratic, as though it were describing a graph, moving up and then down. As I watched it banked — that's the best way to describe it — round towards Ilford. To follow it I had to turn a half-circle.

SPEED

"It suddenly accelerated from a leisurely pace to a great speed and climbed out of sight, heading roughly towards Southend."

Throughout the sighting there was no noise from the object. Said Mr. Symons: "It definitely was not an aircraft."

Said a spokesman for Forest Gate police: "Nobody else has reported seeing this object."

Recently in neighbouring Waltham Forest two policemen on early morning patrol reported seeing a massive UFO flying low over London towards Newham.

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U.F.O. search

Sir — It would be much appreciated if, through your columns, any of your readers could supply me with any information regarding the appearance of unidentified objects in East Anglian skies during the week of May 21st-May 27th, and in particular, over Taverham on the evening of Wednesday, 24th.

Any correspondence received will be treated with the utmost confidence, but I am anxious to establish an investigation of such phenomena in such a way as to put minds at rest. — Yours sincerely,

B. P. MARSH

Taverham Hall School, Drayton.

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Putaruru Press

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"Phooey to U.F.O."

Publicity given another apparently unexplained bare patch of earth on a South Waikato paddock has been greeted with a snort of derision by the farmer on which property the patch was found.

"All damned nonsense," said Mr K. S. Cox, veteran Lichfield farmer, this week. "There are no flying saucers on my farm."

"A calf had been 'slipped' and other cows milled

round," he explained. "I have seen this many times before. Furthermore, the patch was not circular, it was oblong."

The patch which has been in the news was found by

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MR K. S. COX

a neighbour, who said that it had been completely cleared of all surface grass. This had not been caused by fungus, and the neighbour discounted the possibility of weedicide, grass grub or of cattle milling.

If the cattle had been there, he said, they would have trampled the grass into the ground. However, it was completely devoid of grass.

AUSTRALIA "HERALD"

Melbourne, Vic.

5 JUN 1972

A LETTER (in boyish handwriting) received by the Department of Civil Aviation:

"Dear Sir,

Enclosed in with this note is a slide of two Unidentified Flying Objects which were photographed out the back of Seaford on April 24 at approximately 9.45 p.m. We wish to remain anonymous as we were out there when we shouldn't have been.

Yours Friendly,
Anonymous."

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UFO 'landing site' mystery probed

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May 25, 1972

Perth

CANADA

Two pieces of news concerning UFO's mysteriously landed on my desk last week. The first one was from a Perth resident who believes that he, or she, spotted an unidentified flying object at 12:45 a.m. two Saturdays ago. No comment. The second piece was an advertisement. It read: Information required on recent sightings of unusual aerial objects, occurrences or unexplained ground markings which might be related to actual aerial phenomena.

It seems that a Canada wide study is being made. Correspondence is to be sent to "Cumulus", P.O. Box 427, Station "F", Toronto 5, Ontario.

Here and there in B.C.

— Notes of interest from B.C. weekly newspapers, edited by Edgar Dunning

Well, I haven't brought you any news for quite a while about unidentified flying objects, and so it was interesting to find in the Upper Islander of Campbell River a story about a UFO that was sighted by a Willow Point man and photographed as it hovered in the sky over Quadra Island.

The picture was taken at dusk, and the photographer asked the newspaper to develop the film and then send it to specialists at Canadian Forces Base, Comox, to study and possibly identify.

The man told the paper: "I'd like you to do it because I don't want people to think I'm some kind of kook. I know what I saw and what I photographed but I don't really expect anyone to believe me."

What the man saw was a circular disc-shaped object hovering in the sky above Quadra Island for about 15 minutes, spinning round and round like a top. The observer told the paper that the object had a dull sheen to it, like dirty chrome. Lights flashed off and on around its rim in what seemed to him a completely random sequence.

Then the Willow Point man said: "After a bit it sort of shuddered, then tilted and sped straight up for maybe a thousand feet. It levelled off, then took off on a zig-zag course toward the north at a fantastic speed. I lost sight of it shortly after that, but I did manage to get some pictures of it."

The man discounted the idea that the object could have been a plane or a heli-

copter. He said the thing was round, had no markings, no wings and no rotors.

Only one of the seven pictures taken by the man was printable, and the Upper Islander had it on its front page. The rest were underexposed, taken when there wasn't enough light.

Officers at Canadian Forces Base Comox said there would be no way of knowing if the UFO had appeared on the base's radar screens, since the base monitors for military air traffic only: Capt. Tony Brett, the base information officer, said: "Even if an object appeared, as they often do, we would have no record of it."

Officials at Campbell River Airport said they had no equipment with which to track aircraft in the area.

So we'll have to wait and see what the experts at CFB Comox come up with in the way of an answer about the UFO sighted by the Willow Point man over Quadra Island.

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THE NEWS

'Flying saucer'

WAGGA. — A Riverina farmer claims he saw a flying saucer while he was milking cows on his property near Wagga early yesterday.

He said the saucer-shaped object with a fiery tail, about five times its own length, appeared in the north-eastern sky about 7.10am.

Mr John Campbell, 42, was milking cows in the yard of his farm about two miles outside Coolamon when he noticed the silvery object hovering motionless above the horizon.

sighting

"It was like a saucer on its side with the sun shining on it", Mr Campbell's wife Jeanette, said later.

"As my husband watched it veered from left to right several times and dipped up and down.

"There was a tiny black speck near the tail, with a brilliant red tail streaming out behind".

Mr Campbell watched the object for several minutes before running into his house to rouse his wife and four children from their beds.

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June 7, 1972

High Level men trailed by UFO

CANADA

By JUDITH HIEBERT

HIGH LEVEL — Picture three men in a truck, travelling northward, May 26, three o'clock in the morning, casually chatting, looking out the window occasionally. One happens to look skyward, freezes, and then states excitedly that there is something above the trees, quite huge, tail pipes visible in the breaking dawn, and that this something is following them. What, they don't know.

This, ladies and gentlemen, is exactly what happened on the above date to three local citizens from High Level, travelling northward to High Level. Joe Anderson, Andy Dufrene and Bob Ashmead were returning from Edmonton and on the aforementioned date and time, five miles south of Paddle Prairie, became quite concerned when they realized they had unexpected com-

pany.

This strange company followed them for approximately fifty miles, at one time broke into segments, wandered around in the sky and then fused together again. This procedure was amazing, since there was no sound accompanying this. During the 50-mile ride it glided from the left side of the road to the right, then back to left again.

Concerned that they would not be believed, and that possibly people would say they saw among other things, swamp gas, helicopters, etc., they radioed ahead on their mobile radio, to their employer in High Level, asking that these people go into the yard and observe what was taking place. The man and wife did see exactly what I have mentioned above, the strange unexpected company. This has been reported to the RCMP in High Level and a

statement was taken to the above mentioned.

What was it? No one seems to know. Perhaps the learned public can explain. Since this happened there have been many similar experiences reported. Perhaps we humans are so afraid of being called "a little bit strange" that we maintain our silence and slowly, with time, forget that it took place. Who knows.

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Wagga, N.S.W.

SIGHTINGS OF U.F.O.

Further reports were received yesterday on the unidentified flying object which startled a Coolamon family early Sunday.
Two Gumby teenagers, Eric Martin and Phillip Sharrock, reported seeing the object with a friend Trent O'Keefe on the O'Keefe property at Old June.
Eric said yesterday they watched the U.F.O. for about 40 minutes.

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MORE SIGHTINGS OF UFO's REPORTED

Two more Riverina "sightings" have kept alive interest in U.F.O.'s.

Both unidentified flying objects were reported on Sunday evening—one at Junee and the other at Downside, near Wagga.

A woman phoned station 2WG yesterday morning and reported sighting what she believed to be a U.F.O. at Junee, while an experienced glider pilot reported seeing an object after completing an afternoon's flying at the Wagga Gliding Club's range at Downside.

The pilot, who did not wish to be named, said the object he saw was visible for about 10 seconds as it

travelled across the horizon.

He was sitting in a motor vehicle with friends at the time.

"It was travelling too slowly for a satellite and not fast enough for a meteor," said the pilot.

The pilot said the object had a bluish tinge, but he believed it was reflected light off a metal object.

"The first thing I thought

when I saw it was that it was a U.F.O.

"I said to my friends: 'Look at the U.F.O.' But by the time they turned to look it had gone," he said.

The sighting occurred about 6 p.m., just on dark.

The pilot said the object faded slightly as it came over the horizon, but then became very bright before disappearing over the horizon again.

"It appeared to be well out in space," he said.

Gliding Club president, Mr. Bob Phillips, yesterday confirmed the pilot's report.

"Although we didn't see the object it was obvious that he saw something," said Mr. Phillips.

"By the time we turned when he yelled out it had gone down below the horizon again."

No further details of the Junee sighting were available yesterday.

The latest reports follow an incident on a Coolamon district property last weekend when a family reported observing a U.F.O. for about 15 minutes.

UFO ACTIVITY in Waltham Forest has died down just as mysteriously as it all began—but there are other matters, perhaps even more weird, that are troubling the British Unidentified Flying Object Research Association.

For although UFO sightings over the borough's land surface have virtually stopped, unusual sightings have been made

near local reservoirs.

At least one observer has seen something large emerge from the water and take to the sky.

Others, said BUFORA regional organiser Ken Phillips, have seen UFOs in the vicinity of the reservoirs in Waltham Forest and farther along the Lea Valley.

The phenomenon ties up with the ideas of some theorists who have for years held that craft from other planets or areas of space have harboured underwater when not moving or observing the earth's surface. Some experts connect such a theory with the strange

case of the ship Marie Celeste—which was found undisturbed and drifting with no sign of a crew—and similar events since.

Now, it seems, UFOs may have taken to inland waters—an idea feasibly laid down recently by the popular TV programme UFO.

"The rash of sightings in Waltham Forest seems to have stopped," said Mr Phillips. "But we are very interested in these over-water sightings along the Lea Valley. They are, of course, a complete mystery." Mr Phillips can be contacted at 980 4811 extension 398. All callers are assured of strict privacy.

Mrs. Campbell then called to her children, David (15), Robert (12), Jenny (10) and Jamie (8) and they raced out of bed and stood and gaped at the object in the sky.

Mrs. Campbell said she had read about such things and had wondered.

"But this was incredible," she said.

The Department of Civil Aviation, the RAAF Base at Forest Hill and the Meteorological Office at Forest Hill could not account for the UFO sighting.

The UFO moved in the direction of north-north-east, and was watched by the Campbells from 7 a.m. to 7.15 a.m.

No other reports have been received from Riverina residents.

May 3-72 CANADA

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May 3, 1972

UFO photo examined in Ottawa

A photograph showing an unidentified flying object hovering over Quadra Island last Monday has been sent to Air Force experts in Ottawa for analysis.

The photo, taken between 7 and 7:30 p.m. April 24 by an unidentified Willow Point man and carried exclusively in last week's Upper Islander, is now being examined by experts in the nation's capital, Capt. Tony Brett said Tuesday.

Brett, information officer for the Canadian Forces Base at Comox, said photographic analysts at the base had been unable to identify the object in the picture.

One of the major difficulties in the analysis was the fact the picture contained no readily-identifiable points of reference, Brett said.

"There's nothing in it to indicate relative size or position," the officer said.

Unconfirmed reports that an Air Force investigator visited Campbell River Thursday continue to circulate.

Meanwhile, a Rock Bay man reported Thursday he had seen a similar object in the sky 25 miles north of Campbell River April 21.

Ken Shaver told The Upper Islander he had spotted the object a full three days before it was seen locally.

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U.F.O. OBSERVED BY COOLAMON FAMILY

A Coolamon family watched a white unidentified flying object with a "flaming red tail" hover over the Riverina for 15 minutes on Sunday morning.

Before breakfast on Sunday morning, Mr. John Campbell of "Austral-Eden", a property two miles from Coolamon on the Temora Road, was milking a cow.

He noticed a "queer cloud formation" appear in a cloudless sky.

He lined it up with a tree and noticed the "thing" didn't move.

"Then, all of a sudden, it dipped and shot off to the left."

Mr. Campbell called to his wife Jeanette, who came out of the house.

"Have a look at the antics of this thing," he said.

Mrs. Campbell said she saw a "white elliptical shaped thing" which was "quite stationary."

"Then it tipped up at either end very slowly and shot off to the right with a bright flaming red tail."

They're
coming
up
from
the water
now

ENGLAND

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MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

UFOs Reported in City, Hilts

Medford Mail Tribune
Sept. 13, 1960

An "unidentified flying object," described as being cigar-shaped and having rows of lights along the side, was sighted over the western part of the valley at 8:31 last night, according to Medford resident E. R. Vroman.

The object first appeared in the south and traveled at high speed in a northwesterly direction, disappearing in the general area of Gold Hill, Vroman said.

A faint sound of rushing air seemed to follow the object after it had passed. The "machine" appeared to have been propelled by a jet of fire, Vroman added, but moving far more rapidly than any conventional jet plane. It took approximately five seconds to pass from horizon to horizon, he said.

When it came into view,

Vroman said he started in the house for his binoculars, but seeing the speed it was traveling he knew he wouldn't have time. Guessing at the size of the object, he said it could have been anywhere from 100 to 200 feet long, or as small as 50 feet.

Hilts—A Yreka woman reported today that she and several other persons saw two unidentified flying objects over the Hilts area last night.

One of the objects, according to Mrs. Robert Earl, 552 North Oregon st., was moving so slowly it was visible for three hours but the other moved at such a rapid clip it could be seen for only a few seconds.

The first object "looked like a star," Mrs. Earl said, and was "red, white and blue-

green" in color. The second looked like "a flashing red light" which blinked about once each second during its fast trip across the skies.

Mrs. Earl said six other persons saw the first object. With her were her husband, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Shuck; her brother, Tommy Shuck, and Weldon Snook and his son, Wendell. All but Mr. and Mrs. Earl are residents of Hilts.

The first object was spotted about 9 p.m., Mrs. Earl said, and members of the group took turns observing it through two telescopes and a pair of binoculars. She said it was west of Hilts, bearing about 70 degrees.

The second object appeared about 10:30, she continued, and headed northwest toward Mt. Ashland. It was traveling

very low, she said, and was bearing about 45 degrees.

Mrs. Earl said all members of the group but Snook and his son were present when the second object appeared.

After the second object appeared, Mrs. Earl notified the Civil Air Patrol office in Medford. She and the rest of the group then continued to observe the first object until about midnight. By then, she said, it had grown very dim and moved out of range behind the mountains.

Last night's sighting recalled a report last week from Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dengler of Rogue River. The Denglers said they observed a "dull, red, flashing" object over the Rogue River area Thursday night.

England SUNDAY EXPRESS Feb. 5, 1961

SAUCER FICTION

MOSCOW

A CAMPAIGN to "rectify" errors by some Soviet scientists who "have referred to flying saucers as real facts" is being conducted by Pravda.

Academician Artsimovitch says they are natural phenomena of light refraction—an optical effect and attacks "certain persons who are holding lively discussions on the cosmic origin of the mysterious saucers."

"New facts have not been discovered and there are no grounds for suspecting secret excursions of Martians or the inhabitants of Venus to Earth," he adds.

But Artsimovitch is even more

worried by reports that saucers have been seen over the Soviet Union.

"There have been a host of vague rumours on the appearance of space saucers over towns in Uzbekistan and Tajikistan."

"It has even been said that the tiny inhabitants of Venus, on reaching the earth, immediately dispersed in search of inexpensive Oriental sweetmeats," he said.

"There was even a photograph of a saucer taken in the north of our country, but laboratory tests at the U.S.S.R. Academy of Sciences Institute of Applied Geophysics showed that this photograph was also the product of an optical effect which can be artificially produced by any amateur photographer."

Chicago, Illinois NEWS Aug. 31, 1960

RED, GREEN, GOLD, WHITE

Skywatchers See A Colorful 'Thing'

"It was flickering—changing colors—from red to green, gold and white."

That was Helen Gibbs' breathless description of the UFO (unidentified flying object) that sailed slowly westward across the southeast sky over Chicago shortly before midnight Tuesday.

BUT IT wasn't determined whether this was the same UFO that Robert I. Johnson, director of the Adler planetarium, reported seeing here Friday night.

His report preceded simi-

lar sightings in other parts of the nation.

Miss Gibbs and Miss Donis Anderson, members of the Edgewater Beach hotel moon-watch team, said they watched Tuesday's thing-in-the-sky 20 minutes from their perch atop the hotel before the thing vanished.

"IT WAS moving too slow to be an airplane," they said. Johnson's UFO had been reported as fast-moving and only one color—red.

Chicago, Illinois CHICAGO'S AMERICAN September 1, 1960

Mysterious Light Captured on Film

A picture has been taken of the mystery object sighted for the first time over Chicago Friday night.

The photograph was made the same evening at the tracking station maintained by the Grumman Aircraft Engineering corporation on Long Island and was forwarded to the National Space Surveillance Control center at Bedford, Mass., according to Robert I. Johnson, director of the Adler Planetarium.

Celestial coordinates obtained from the picture—a mere streak of light across the black background of the sky—confirm his own observations of an east-west flight pattern, said Johnson.

Not Identified

However, the picture does not establish the flying object's identity, despite confirmation of its presence by the photo and observations by several independent groups, including Georgetown university astronomers. Future photos are planned if the object remains visible in the night sky, a spokesman for Grumman told Chicago's AMERICAN by long distance phone. He said:

"We are definitely interested and are going to try to get a fix on it."

Lack of information makes it almost impossible to accurately predict what the object may be, Johnson said. He explained:

"We need several simultaneous sightings by trained observers before it will be possible to tell whether it is a small object traveling relatively close to earth or a large body far in space."

Letters Arriving

Letters from persons who say they have seen the reddish object are pouring in from all parts of the country but many are not reliable, Johnson said. He explained:

"In most instances there is just no way to tell whether the observers saw the same thing I did here. In other cases, it was obviously something else, such as aircraft lights."

Both Johnson and the astronomers said the object traveled from east to west—the reverse of most natural astronomical bodies and all known man-made satellites—and its speed seemed about twice that of Echo I, the United States balloon satellite. However, the Georgetown observers reported it considerably brighter than did Johnson.

BUSY NIGHT

Mysterious Objects Abound In B-N Sky, Spotter Reports

The Bloomington night has spawned one of the world's most prolific spotters of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs).

He's Robert Glover of 405 Maizefield, who spotted—and plotted—seven mysterious flashing objects between midnight and 5 a. m. Friday.

His first sighting led to a call to the Pantagraph and sent Night Editor Virgil Hinshaw up to the roof of the Pantagraph building for a check.

THERE IT WAS

Mr. Hinshaw reported seeing a stationary object in the sky which flashed white to green to red. (Mr. Glover, who was aided by binoculars, said the flashing was of the red only; the other colors stayed constant.)

Then at 1:20 a. m., a second object was spotted by Mr. Glover. Mr. Hinshaw again went to the roof, but saw nothing.

He then went down to Washington Street and reports he saw it from that point.

All seven objects, said Mr. Glover, were stationary, a statement which perhaps brands them as a breed apart from the color-changing UFOs that have been spotted across the country this week.

RAPID SUCCESSION

Mr. Glover said his objects flashed red for about an hour and then ceased, only to have another start flashing from another point almost immediately.

And he said that even after the flashing stopped the objects remained visible, and looked like ordinary stars.

The objects, he said, were apparently grouped in pairs. The flashing of a first would be followed by the appearance of a second object a bit to the right and a bit further down than its predecessor.

BELOW HORIZON

He thinks the reason his observations ended with an uneven number in spite of his theory of pairs

is that one sighting was of an object very near the horizon line.

Its mate, he thinks, was below his line of vision.

Each one flashed for about an hour, he said.

Mr. Glover said that through binoculars, the objects appeared to

be cigar-shaped, set on end, with the flashing red light on top.

Observer Glover's concluding observation: The race to get the first man into space may not go to the country with the best scientists, but rather to the one with the best hitchhikers.

CHICAGO, ILL., CHICAGO'S AMERICAN
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Several See Object Again Over Chicago

Sighting of an unidentified flying object was reported last night by several Chicago area residents.

Floyd Wolski, of 509 S. 23d av., Bellwood, said the object was orange or reddish in color, and was traveling from north to south about 9:35 p. m.

Wolski said he and several friends were watching the sky for the Echo I satellite when the mystery object appeared.

"It wasn't as bright as Echo," Wolski said, "but it appeared to be shooting across the sky about three times faster than our satellite."

James Zeman, of 748 Westchester blvd., Westchester, said he and his family saw the object when it appeared in the western sky. He said it was going in the same direction as Echo I. He said it didn't appear to be as bright or as large as Echo I.

Echo I, the 10 story high balloon satellite, will pass over Chicago three times tonight and tomorrow morning, according to Robert I. Johnson, director of Adler planetarium. At 9 p. m. it will speed from west-northwest to southeast, at 10:54 p. m. from west-northwest to east, and at 1:03 a. m. from west-northwest to south-southeast.

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MYSTERY SKY OBJECT SIGHTINGS CONTINUE

CHICAGO, Aug. 30 (AP)—New sightings of a mysterious unidentified object circling the earth were reported today.

Data are being compiled by Robert I. Johnson.

OTTAWA, ILL., REPUBLICAN-TIMES
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Sept. 3, 1960

Dayton Residents Report Seeing Mystery Satellite

A mysterious light traveling across the sky in the opposite direction of the Echo I space balloon was spotted by three Dayton residents Wednesday evening.

It appeared possible the object might be one that was sighted by a Chicago observatory about a week ago traveling in a direction opposite to that of Echo. That object has never been identified, although speculation was it might be an unannounced Russian satellite.

Mrs. John Murphy, her son, Francis and his wife, Phyllis saw the fast-moving light Wednesday at Dayton.

They were sitting in the back yard when Francis sighted it and called the others' attention to it.

It had the appearance of a star which was flashing rapidly on and off, Mrs. Murphy told the Republican-Times. The group said there was no sound, and discounted any possibility that the light could have been on an airplane.

The light, travelling southwest, passed directly overhead.

About 15 minutes later Echo I put in its appearance, traveling in the opposite direction at a much slower rate.

UFO Reported in Montague, Calif., Area in Evening

The third report of an unidentified flying object within the month reached the Mail Tribune news room today.

The report came from the Montague, Calif., area, where several residents during the past few days have reported seeing a silver, dome-shaped object.

About 7 p.m. each day for the past several days, some Montague residents have seen "the object" in the Bald mountain area, about seven miles northeast of Montague. It rises slowly from the vicinity of the mountain, hovers and later disappears in about the same area, residents reported.

The object, according to witnesses, has red, green and white flashing lights, and usually is comparatively close to the ground.

Seen Three Nights

The object was seen by Mrs. Ardith Piper and her two sons, route 1, box 162B, Montague. Friday and Saturday evenings, and by Louis Rockwell and his family Sunday night.

Rockwell said the Sunday evening sighting was over the Yreka area, where the object hovered over a mountain in the vicinity, and disappeared in about the same location where it rose.

Last week, several residents of the Hilts area reported sighting two unidentified flying objects. An unidentified flying object was reported in Medford that same evening, and previous to that, a Rogue River couple reported seeing an object in the Rogue River area.

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Medford, Oregon

Hornell, New York,
September 19, 1960

TRIBUNE

Unidentified Flying Object Sighted Over California

An unidentified flying object was sighted Sunday night over the San Fernando Valley, Santa Ana, Calif., and San Antonio, Texas.

The first reported sighting was made by moonwatchers at Trinity University in San Antonio. Bob Jernigan, head of the team, said there were no U.S. satellites due over the area when the object was seen. The team did not be-

lieve it was a meteor.

At least a dozen persons reported seeing an object in the sky over California around 8:30 p.m.

K. E. McCusker, an engineer, described it as "an enormous glowing thing arching across the sky from horizon to horizon."

U.S. Air Force officials in Washington said their early warning radar network had no reports of an object in the sky.

September 2, 1960

AFTERMATH OF ARGUS-LEADER STORY

Mysterious Reddish Object
Circling Earth Photographed

A mysterious reddish object circling the earth that presumably left what appeared to be a large vapor trail over Sioux Falls has been photographed by a tracking camera of the Grumman Aviation Engineer Corp. at Bethpage, N.Y.

Grumman, The Associated Press reported, said the photograph was taken by a special tracking crew which has been on watch.

The strange object was reported as result of a news story in the Argus-Leader saying a vapor trail or what resembled a large beam of light in the

atmosphere was reported over Sioux Falls and later much of the nation.

There is no scientific explanation as yet for the object, which was reported traveling east to west rather than on the west to east trajectory common to man-made satellites.

The object appears to be about a tenth the size of the Echo I balloon satellite and traveling about twice as fast.

The Adler Planetarium of Chicago is compiling data on the object and says it doesn't appear to be an artificial satellite or a meteor.

GREENWOOD, S.C., INDEX-JOURNAL
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September 2, 1960

Scientists Try To Work Out
Orbit For Strange Sky Object

National Space Surveillance Control Center, Air Force command and control development division, is trying to work out an orbit for a strange object reported several times recently.

But the scientists here said that thus far they have had only one solid observation to go on — the photographing of the object by Grumman Aviation Engineering Corp. at Bethpage, N.Y., last Thursday night. The center said today it has had no report of new sightings of the object.

Astronomers had reported seeing the heavenly body generally described as of reddish color and moving from east to west, but

even the astronomers' observations have not been precise enough to provide a good fix on the object.

Most of the reports have indicated that the body was moving more rapidly than the Echo I balloon satellite.

Lack of precise data has made it impossible to guess at its elevation above the earth. Its east-to-west motion, unlike the paths of man-made satellites, discounted the likelihood that it might be "sky junk" from some earlier satellite.

Complicating the observation problem, from the standpoint of the satellite observers, are a variety of reports—apparently of other things moving in the sky.

Medford, Oregon, Mail Tribune
Mysterious Object Seen
Sept. 11, 1960
In Sky Over Rogue River

Rogue River—An unidentified flying object was reported seen in the Rogue River area Thursday night for a short time.

Fred Dengler, former Rogue River mayor and present councilman, told the Mail Tribune he and his wife saw a "dull red, flashing" object in the sky as they were leaving their home, 230 Main st., about 7:35 p.m. Thursday.

He said "it" had a tail like a comet, and was heading west in the southern portion of the sky. He estimated a tail about six inches long, and said the object was going "very fast." He noted it was much larger than the Echo

I satellite, and, except for size and speed, resembled the "sputniks" visible some time ago.

Dengler noted it was evident for only a few seconds, and no one, to their knowledge, had also seen the object.

Sighting of the object recalled the report of a similar "thing" in Red Bluff, Calif., last month.

The California sighting was made by highway patrolmen who pursued the "thing" for two hours.

A flashing light on the end was evident to both the Californians and the Rogue River couple.

ATLANTA JOURNAL AND CONSTITUTION

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Solon Charges Air Force
Holding Back Saucer Data

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15 (UPI) — Rep. Edgar W. Hiestand, R-Calif., and the Air Force sharply disagreed Saturday over the old question whether there is evidence that flying saucers are real. Hiestand, writing Air Force Secretary Dudley Sharp under date of Sept. 19, to suggest release of full information about saucers said:

"After all, although the unidentified flying objects are unknown devices, there seems to be enough evidence available to convince that they are real rather than imaginary."

Finally rejecting this position, the Air Force said it had "analyzed over 6,500 reports

last 13 years and has found no evidence that the UFOs are anything but natural phenomena."

In releasing Hiestand's letter, a group called the National Investigation Committee on Aerial Phenomena, said Air Force radar at Red Bluff, Calif., had tracked an unknown object at the same time police saw an object with red lights hovering 500 feet above their patrol car on Aug. 13 at Red Bluff.

THE AIR FORCE said the incident had been evaluated as follows:

"The individuals concerned witnessed a reaction of the planet Mars and the two bright stars Aldebaran and Betelgeuse."

November 1960

Flash in Sky
ARKANSAS GAZETTE
Stirs Furor
In Midwest

By United Press International
An unidentified flying object (UFO) trailing a tail of light flashed across the pre-dawn sky of the Midwest yesterday and set off a storm of speculation from Des Moines to Dayton.

Government experts checked notes and couldn't agree on what it was they had seen.

There was no unanimous opinion on what caused some people to see a light "bigger than the moon" and seemingly trailing smoke or a comet-like tail.

Some said it might have been a rocket, a flying saucer or a satellite, as far as they could tell.

The best bet was that the bright lights were actually a shower of tinfoil dropped by a high-flying Air Force jet. Such "foil showers" can jam tracking radar observation and a tinfoil drop test was believed to have taken place over Carleton, Mich.

But the Air Force itself didn't buy the tinfoil theory. It leaned to the idea that the UFO was a giant research balloon launched yesterday morning near Sioux Falls, S.D., as part of the Tiro satellite program.

The balloon got caught in a jet stream, the Air Force theorized, and was whisked across the Middle West from west to east.

FREEPORT, ILL., JOURNAL STANDARD
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September 1, 1960

Unknown Object
Seen In Skies
Over Freeport

The unknown object sighted over the United States the past several days has been seen over the Freeport area, according to reports by residents Wednesday night.

It was sighted by several persons about 10 o'clock while they were waiting to view Echo I, the U. S. Satellite. It was also reportedly seen Monday night.

According to reports, it was brighter than an, star, white, and came from the northwest at a very rapid speed, "faster than an airplane, and about three times faster than Echo."

When the object was directly overhead, it made a wide turn and headed back in the direction it came. It was in view about two minutes, according to observers.