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UFO sighted Saturday near Lake Lefterts

MATAWAN BOROUGH

Police say they are still puzzled about the appearance Saturday night of an apparent unidentified flying object near Lake Lefterts.

Approximately 20 people reported sighting the object, police say, but calls to airlines at Newark Airport and the Federal Aviation Agency revealed nothing unusual.

According to police, a group of about 15 people on Route 31 shouted to a passing patrol car to stop "and look up at the sky".

The patrolman reported that he thought he saw a "plane on fire, it was so lit up".

The patrolman also noted that the object had a red light at its front end, and a blue light at the rear.

A Madison Township policeman also notified borough headquarters of the apparent UFO, and another borough patrolman sighted the object.

Shortly afterwards, the UFO disappeared from view, police say.

According to the patrolmen who sighted the object, "if it was a plane, its wings were huge."

Police say the UFO was believed to be the first ever sighted in the borough.

FAA officials suggested that the object might have been a plane with fluorescent lights.

Police reported that they received several calls Sunday from New York City radio newscasters asking for information about the UFO, but were unable to provide additional information.

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GARDEN STATE

UFO Lights Over Area?

WESTFIELD — Unusually clear skies Monday night may have led to a report of unidentified flying objects over Rahay Avenue.

A young man told The Daily Journal he saw three or four red and green beams of light circling high above. He said the lights appeared to be floating and would disappear and then come back. He estimated they were 10,000 feet up.

A federal Aviation Agency spokesman at the Newark Airport control tower said the very good visibility may have enabled the youth to see airplanes at high altitudes.

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Babysitters See a 'UFO'

Two girls babysitting at a Second Avenue home told City Police twice last night they had seen an unidentified flying object briefly, but it disappeared in the direction of Pittsburgh.

The youngsters told officers at 9:25 p.m. they were on the steps of the house when they saw a round, bright yellow light in the sky for about 10 to 15 seconds. When they went inside to call police, they reported the television set was acting strangely.

Police notified the Westmoreland County UFO group, and were told the reports coincide with other reports received in the past two weeks.

At 10:45 p.m., the two girls called police again to report sighting the light again. It reportedly followed the same pattern as the first time, hovering for a few seconds, then dropping down and moving in the direction of Pittsburgh.

On Aug. 14 and 15, residents of the Broad Street area of Butler had sighted similar lights in the sky. Police forward such reports to a UFO study group in the Pittsburgh area.

It Was Orange, But Was Not The Great Pumpkin

CR: STAN
GORDON

By JAMES PLETCHER JR.
Courier Staff Writer

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Loyal of 105 Newport St., Connellsville, need a new paint job on their car.

Damage to the car they believe may have been caused by an unidentified flying object.

The couple observed an orangish-fire-burst flying low over their home about 7:50 p.m. Saturday.

Mrs. Loyal said she was in their mobile home at the time. Her husband was on the couch in their living room, watching television. There were no lights on in the home.

At first, Mrs. Loyal said, she noticed an orange glow in front of their home. Thinking something was on fire, she and her husband went outside. Instead of a blaze, they looked northward and saw the orange burst, traveling in a straight line, heading toward the Scottdale area. Mrs. Loyal said it was more egg-shaped than round, although she could define no real form to it. She also said it was traveling about 50 feet high.

Mrs. Loyal said she contacted several neighbors only to find no one but she and her husband made the sighting.

It wasn't until Sunday the couple found they were going to need a new paint job on their auto.

Small white specks, similar to bird droppings, were scattered all over the hood and other parts of the car. They contacted the State Police when they noticed there was a tiny burn mark where each particle had hit.

State Police took their names and listened to the Loyal's story about the sighting.

Members from the Westmoreland County UFO Study Group contacted the Loyals and asked their permission to check out the white, ash-like residue on the car.

Samples were taken, Mrs. Loyal said,

adding the three-man, three-woman study crew picked up just about every speck of the residue it could find. Mrs. Loyal also said one member of the group placed a bug on one of the specks. The bug died almost instantly, she related.

Specks of the white residue were also found on the roof of the Loyal's home. There too, burn marks were found under the specks.

The insurance adjuster handling the Loyal's claim estimated about \$206 damage to the car. But, Mrs. Loyal said, he was in a quandry about what to put down for a reason on the claim.

Members of the UFO group said apparently there was intense heat from the residue. They also said similar sightings have been reported, although it will take the group about a week to finish its report.

Stan Gordon, head of the Westmoreland group, said the specks were analysed and found to be made up of magnesium oxide composition. This material he added, is commonly found in flares.

Gordon said there is a chance it could have been a hoax, that someone tied a bunch of flares to a balloon and set it free.

But, he added there was a path about 400 feet long where the white specks were found around the Loyals' home.

Gordon said there have been about 15 sightings of similar objects in the Allegheny, Butler, Beaver, Fayette and Westmoreland County areas during the past one and one half months.

In all the cases reported, Gordon added, no one sighting the object heard any noise or saw the particles falling from the item. All were also what Gordon called "low level sightings," meaning they were 50 feet or below.

Photographs have been taken of the object and one security guard at a Reading stone quarry, Gordon said, reported the orangish ball hovered over his head.

U.F.O. 'message' turns skeptic to believer

Geoff Gray-Cobb, an English-born Canadian, was with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration from July, 1962, to February, 1966. He has been a writer for some time and was sent on the South Africa mission as a public-relations consultant. However, it was discovered he had technical knowledge relative to the mission and so was drafted for scientific duties. He came to the Vancouver Week in May and has been its editor the past six weeks.

(Reprinted from the Vancouver, B. C., Georgia Straight.)

By GEOFF GRAY-COBB

VANCOUVER, B. C. — Until October 22, 1965, I had strong doubts about the reality of U. F. O.s. After that date, I became a believer, along with a whole bunch of previously skeptical engineers, electronic technicians and space-research personnel.

On that day we listened to an invisible U. F. O. in the skies above Johannesburg, South Africa, using a 92-foot-diameter radio telescope designed to track NASA spacecraft out to the limits of the solar system.

And after that date a string of apparent coincidences prevented me from ever investigating the incident any further.

I was the control operator at the South African Deep Space Instrumentation Facility from mid-1962 to February, 1966, tracking the Ranger and Mariner probes to the moon, Venus and Mars.

Mariner 4 was launched toward Mars in December, 1964, and our crew had helped track the craft to a successful 9,847 km. flyby of the planet on July 15, 1965.

After that, Mariner 4 flew on in sun orbit, still transmitting data on the emptiness of space over its 10-watt transmitter.

Back on earth we pointed our big dish at the sky and acquired the spacecraft each day, routinely watching the data flow in on punched tape which we shipped over telex links to the Jet Propulsion Laboratory computers in California.

ALMOST a year of daily tracking becomes a steady routine. The mighty trivia of sending hourly reports on signal strength, maintaining voice contact with the United States, keeping a handwritten log of any events (press hard, the third copy is yours) and making sure

that the tape recorders carried my Limey tones reporting such newsworthy items as 'Changed tape reels at 0100. Signal strength recorder ran out of paper at 0225. Servo to auto tracking mode at 0243.' etc. and infinitum ad nauseum, occupied our time in a calm, organized, straight and soporific manner.

Tracking the Mariner bird was a breeze. Find spacecraft as it rose above the horizon, pick up two-way lock from the Australian tracking station when the track director in Goldstone, Calif., gave his gilt-edged and triple-checked permission, feed the telemetry data onto the telex, follow the bird across the blue bowl of the Transvaal sky, and pass control to the Goldstone station when Mariner was nearing our western horizon.

The most exciting thing which happened during September — which was never explained — was that Mariner abruptly changed course slightly. For a craft with only attitude gas jets for propulsion, that was, as Mr. Spock would say, interesting.

Then, at 2:18 on the afternoon of October 22... drama!

"Signal strength rising." Willem Pretorius, the receiver op., sounded bored.

"Can't" answered an anonymous voice on the station hotline, "not unless the bird's coming back."

"Still rising," said Willem. "What's up with your maser, Kobie?"

THE MYSTERY of the maser (a relative, I believe, of the laser), has always eluded me. It operated in a bath of liquid nitrogen and if it leaked, it got colder than it should, and quit. It also quit if it got hotter than it should, but it was doing neither that day.

"Nothing wrong here, man," Kobie van Zyl, the servo man, said.

I asked for a voice report from each of the crew. All reported in the green. I thumbed the cross-Atlantic microphone button.

"Track — this is DSIF 51. Report signal strength rising."

It was dawn in California. The tired voice of my opposite number at J. P. L. answered.

"Keep us advised. I'll wake an engineer. He'll take a look at the T/M data. Keep it coming."

Meanwhile, Willem was quietly going out of his tree with disbelief. His signal-strength-indicator meter was hitting the back stop, hard. I could hear the clicks

of the needle from across the room.

SEEN FROM my position, his little 3-inch oscilloscope had always shown a tiny blip of signal hardly peeping out of the 'grass' at the bottom. Now great green sweeps of electrons were painting a Dali landscape on the little scope.

"Take a look at this," Kobie said. His recorder head had been quietly drawing a thin red line along the extreme edge of a 9-inch endless roll of paper. Now the pen was leaping the full width of the paper, drawing peaks and valleys of red in regular pulses.

"Lost data," said Jaapie Breytenback at the telemetry racks. "Circuits won't take it."

"Computer's having a hairy," reported John Dinham, an English engineer. "Program won't handle whatever we're getting."

"For God's sake turn the wick down," suggested Marius de Beer, the then assistant station manager, "the Ampex's (tape recorders) are overloading."

For a while there it was a three-ring circus. All available data agreed that raw radio energy was pouring down from the sky, right into the middle of our dish, and it was coming hot and heavy — in an unlikely succession of blips and dashes. Willem switched in an audio circuit. A roaring squeaking, ticking sound filled the air-conditioned control centre.

J. P. L. had woken up. The audio being transmitted over the radio link may have had something to do with it, as nothing but garble was clicking through the telex.

"You've got a radio-frequency source in your beam," said the United States operator, "and it ain't Mariner, no sirree."

"We figured that," I replied. "Reckon we've got a U. F. O. up there."

"You sure got something, buddy. You want to keep those reports coming. The brass are interested. Oh — and tell us if you see anything, eh?"

AT 2.26 P. M. IT stopped as suddenly as it had started.

"Receiver in lock on Mariner," Willem reported.

"Telemetry in lock. Recorders OK. Computer OK. Servo in auto track."

Everything went back to normal.

While the flap was at its height, Marius De Beer had gone outside and trained a pair of binoculars up the beam.

"Nothing up there," he said. "I wondered if a heli-

copter might have been playing games."

Our look angle was about 80 degrees up from the eastern horizon, right into the bowl of a cloudless sky. Visibility was virtually unlimited, the hills stood out sharp and clear and we could see eagles circling far above the sunwarmed veld.

"Maybe one of the birds is bugged," someone suggested.

Mariner continued to behave perfectly and so did our equipment.

I spoke briefly to a United States engineer on the voice link, but there was little to add which wasn't already on record, in writing and on tape. The dual recorders used separate tracks for telemetry and voice, so the din from our sky visitor didn't obscure the conversations.

Late in the afternoon, as our big dish had moved across the western sky, Goldstone was able to pick up Mariner as it rose above their horizon.

"Goldstone acquired spacecraft," I recorded, some four hours after our excitement.

THEN THE VOICE link from the United States came to life.

"Take servo out of auto. Now would you guys like to scan back up to zenith and beyond, and see if you get anything like you got this morning." I'd never heard that voice before. He sounded vaguely apologetic — I mean, unidentified radio waves out of a clear blue sky — ridiculous.

The servos whined and the hydraulics wound the 300-ton assembly back across the sky.

"We think maybe you locked on to a galactic radio source, like Andromeda."

An English engineer, whose name I forget, a PhD. who was using the dish as a radio telescope during downtime, was in the control room at the time.

"Not unless Andromeda's moved into moon orbit. It wasn't," he said to me. "Those recorder traces are from a big, fat hairy source of RF."

I wasn't about to argue with the NASA engineer. But as I watched the dish inching slowly upward, I calculated. If we'd caught a radio star, then in the intervening hours it would have moved about 60 degrees across the sky, due to the rotation of the earth. It would then have been some 40 degrees from the west horizon, just around where Mariner was. In fact, Mariner was so far out that its

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apparent motion against the fixed stars was virtually nil — so how in the name of astronomy could it drift across a radio-star and drift away again in eight minutes flat?

The servos kept up their steady whine.

"There it goes again," said Willem. His receiver was doing its thing again, but he'd wired some pads (attenuators) into his RF amplifiers, to keep the received power within bounds.

I can't recall cold shivers of prickling back hair. But it felt more than a little weird to know that the radio source was still in the same segment of the sky it had been in several hours before, despite the rotation of the earth.

"It's been looking at us all day," said Kobie.

"Spiral search mode," said my earphones. "Plot the limits of the phenomena. Try to lock up telemetry, and keep all recorders running."

Kobie cranked up his hydraulics. The dish nodded gently in a preprogrammed pattern normally used to look for a satellite if only its approximate position was known.

For 20 minutes, the receiver fell in and out of lock as we traced the shape of the phantom transmitter up there in the evening sky. We turned on the closed-circuit TV which was tied into a 10x telescope which looked up the beam. Nothing showed on the screen, although we know that the scope could pick up details on a twin-engine Cessna aircraft flying at 22,000 feet when we did practice instrument calibration tracks.

Results? The source was an almost perfect circle, 2 degrees in diameter. Range unknown. Data unintelligible to our gear. The audio circuits produced a hiss, click and whine which resolved into audible 'patterns' at intervals. If you want the technical bit, the signal was both frequency and amplitude modulated.

Our United States engineer was getting just a little excited. Maybe the J. P. L. computers had made some sense of the raw data we were shipping over the radio links.

"Transmit an R. T. C. zero," he said. This was a bunch of radio pulses from our transmitter which normally commanded a spacecraft into a 'ready-to-receive' mode.

Jaapie thumbed his buttons, called out the Read-Write-Verify numbers and stabbed his "send" switch.

"Received signal gone," said Willem. His scope was almost blank, showing only the random radio interference from auto ignitions and domestic appliances 40 miles away in Krugersdorp. The pen recorder idles against zero.

WE SEARCHED and found nothing. The pulses of energy from our transmitter had cleared the sky, almost as if our few watts of power had been interpreted by . . . something (something?) as a hostile move.

Anticlimax. We closed down for the night. 'A' shift took over next day. 'B' shift the next and 'c' shift (us) on the third day. Our visitor never returned.

Many details hung loose. At Christmas, I was at a party in Jo'burg where two of the Australian techs were passing through. The Paarl brandy was too potent for me to get into specifics, but I heard the Aussies tell of an incidence had me on shift at night in October when they were called out at 10 a.m. L. console operator who had and told to turn their dish to the northwest and carry with us.

out a search from horizon to zenith. Nothing was found, and no one explained what they were looking for. Jo'berg is roughly northwest from Australia. Maybe their antenna was searching up and down our beam to try to triangulate our visitor. If so, the fact that they found nothing means either that the mystery transmitter used a directional antenna, or it was low enough over our station to be concealed from Australia by the curvature of the earth.

BUT BEFORE that party, I'd run into some spooky bits. Early in December co-incidence had me on shift at the same time as the J. P. L. console operator who had shared the October flap by NASA and is recorded in

"What happened to our U. F. O.?" I asked.

"Wait one. I'll take a look at the log," he answered. Brief pause. "Funny—someone's taken out the pages for that morning. I guess they're still checking it out."

That was all. He went off shift two hours later. I never heard his voice again in the rest of the time I stayed at the station.

Coincidence? I guess so. But no one else who ran the United States console seemed to recall our U. F. O. episode whenever I queried it.

It was January, 1966, when I got the bright idea of replaying the tapes for October. 22. Spacecraft data is deemed highly important

duplicate. Two identical sets of tape reels, two sets of punched tape, two copies of the log, two copies of every smidgin of data get piled up after a track.

Data package 'A' is flown to the United States. Identical package 'B' is locked away safely so that if 'A' is lost, a further set of data can be dubbed off and flown to J. P. L.

So data package 'B' for October 22 would be in the store under the control room. I borrowed the key from Tom Klew, the storeman, and entered the store.

October's packages were on the right, third shelf up. 18th-19th-20th-21st . . . 23rd-24th. All neat parcels, lined up tidily, but with a gaping hole where October 22's data should have been.

Tom knew nothing about it. He was worried he'd be in trouble as he alone was responsible for the data store.

He and I went to see Doug Hogg, the station manager.

"The data package for October 22 is missing from the store," Tom said.

Doug looked at us both in silence for a full minute.

"I know," he said.

"But it shouldn't be," I said. "That package was important."

"So I gathered," Doug agreed. "How important, I don't know. But extremely important to the two gentlemen who brought me an authorization from NASA to take it away on October 25."

-Palm Beach Post, Thursday, September 26, 1974

West Palm Beach, Florida (Fortean Clip)

A Noise, a Shape, 6 Shots, a Scream..

By BOB BRINK
Post Staff Writer

Cary Kanter describes himself as "a relatively calm person," and he doesn't want to make a big affair out of the thing he says he saw the other night — a creature that resembled what other reputed witnesses to it call the Skunk Ape.

Like others in Central and South Florida, Kanter claims not only to have sighted it; he also scented it.

"It smelled like it had taken a bath in rotten eggs," he is reported to have said. "It made my eyes water and my nose fill up."

Kanter, 24, was at his post at the unfinished Wellington housing development off Southern Boulevard west of U.S. 441 early Tuesday, sitting in a Jeep and watching over the development in his job as a Burns security guard.

He reportedly saw something move in some bushes, and when he saw it move again, trained his jeep lights on the spot. He got out of the Jeep

and ordered what now appeared to be a dark form to tell what it was doing there.

The hulking form moved toward him, and he pulled out his service revolver and told it to stop, but it kept coming, he told Palm Beach County Sheriff's deputies later.

"It was huge — about seven feet tall — was real hairy and was either hunched over or had no neck at all," he reportedly said, and also described its awful odor.

When it got to less than 30 feet away, Kanter, a former military policeman in Vietnam, fired all six rounds of the highly lethal kind of ammunition that fragments and spreads when it hits. He said that he was positive he hit the form twice, but that "it grabbed his chest and ran like you can't believe — like a track star."

Sheriff's Department spokesman Frank Messersmith confirmed part of the incident, saying, "He reported a large object and that it smelled bad." But the sheriff's report contained no refer-

ence by Kanter to its being hairy, Messersmith said.

"He said he shot at it six times with his service revolver, and it fled south," the spokesman said.

The incident occurred about 1:30 a.m. and Kanter called the Sheriff's Department. Deputies came, searched and found nothing.

About two hours later, Kanter called deputies again and said he heard "screeching and screaming sounds," according to Messersmith. The deputies again found nothing.

"He probably did see something, there's no doubt about that — whether it was a bear, a Florida panther, or whatever it was," said Messersmith. "I'm not suggesting what it was."

The place where it was seen, he said, "is a quite woody area."

Kanter declined to return a call to confirm a report of the incident. An employee of Burns International Security Services said he preferred not to talk further about it.

THE SKY over Lake Huron seems to be the favorite place for spotting unidentified flying objects. During the first week of July area lawmen received a rash of reported UFO sightings over the lake. The most recent report was filed with the Alpena County Sheriff's department and again the object, with red, blue and green lights, was spotted over the lake this time near Grass Island. A check with the National Weather Service office at Capt. Phelps Collins field about the July sightings indicated that the "bright light" reported might have been one of many large research balloons launched by a private company under contract to the federal government. Weather service officials, when contacted by sheriff's deputies, did not identify the recently sighted object as a balloon. Readers can draw their own conclusions as to what it might have been.

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8 Policemen Spot Low-Flying UFOs

Eight policemen watched for almost two hours early Sunday morning what they believed were Unidentified Flying Objects.

Tilton Patrolmen Mark E. Paine and Michael E. Alden notified headquarters at 3:23 a.m. of a saucer-like object with red, blue, white and yellow lights flying above the tree-line near the Sanbornton exit, off I-93.

Within half an hour they were joined by two Belmont officers, a Gilford officer and a deputy from the Belknap County Sheriff's Department.

Twenty-two-year-old Paine, who has been with the Tilton force for seven months, said the first UFO came within 100 yards of the cruiser before it turned up on its side and backed off. It was an elliptical shape with a dome on top of it and was about 30 by 50 feet in diameter, Paine said.

Two other flying objects were seen several miles away, apparently flying in triangle formation with the closest saucer, Paine said. A fourth object, which was independent of the triangle at one point came straight up from the trees and then flew right over their heads, Paine said.

Two Franklin officers, notified of the phenomena, observed three flying objects with multi-colored lights from the

Franklin police parking lot at about 4 a.m. To get a better look they went to the Franklin Shopping Center where a view of the sky is unobstructed.

Between 4 a.m. and 5:30 a.m. they were joined by seven other persons who had come to pick up their Sunday newspaper deliveries.

According to police the UFO's were apparently headed off toward Canterbury, Laconia and Winnisquam and disappeared in the early dawn. Alden and Paine were the only ones to get a close-up look at the objects to be able to say they looked like saucers.

Officers converged at the Sanbornton exit and joined Tilton police in flashing their patrol car lights at the objects. The UFO's appeared to be signaling in return, police said.

Paine said he had talked to employees at the UFO Central in Chicago. A photograph which was taken of the objects by Tilton police will be developed there and the center's director is expected to come to New Hampshire soon to research the event, Paine said.

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FRANKLIN — Reports of sighting more Unidentified Flying Objects continued to crop up yesterday in this area.

A group of persons on Sanborn Street hill reportedly saw colored lights and three UFOs at about 9:30 p.m.

Fay Mahoney of Victory Drive, who joined the group, said she saw a green tear-shaped object in the sky when she left her home but decided it was an optical illusion against the trees.

"One person looking through binoculars said there were three objects but one was absorbed into another leaving two," Miss Mahoney said. "At one point there was a movement from west to east but I think it was a plane landing in Laconia."

One person looking through binoculars reported seeing a flower-shaped design of various colored lights.

Acting Dep. Police Chief Benjamin St. Jacques, called from his home on Proctor Street to observe, said he thought most persons were observing meteor showers and identifying them as UFOs. "I saw six meteors striking across the sky like falling stars," he said.

"They looked like stars to me — bright stars," Miss Mahoney said.

Other persons in the group could not be reached for comment.

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East Liverpool, Ohio
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Lighted Plane
Reports About 'UFO'

An airplane with advertising lights apparently caused a number of East Liverpool area residents to think they were viewing an unidentified flying object Wednesday evening.

The East Liverpool police department and other law enforcement agencies received telephone calls about the lighted craft moving across the skies about 10 p.m.

Officials at the Columbiana County Airport said Lee Holland of Aliquippa has an advertising plane small super-cruiser at the airport equipped with framework and lights for advertising. But they said they did not know if Holland was flying the plane last night.

Salem News
Salem, Ohio
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See Object In Sky

Several residents in the Georgetown Road area about three miles south of Salem reported seeing a strange object in the skies about midnight Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Balta said the lighted object looked like a type of balloon, went round and round, remained stationary and finally sped away. It disappeared in the southwest, they said. Others confirmed the Balta's sighting.

CR: G. Fawcett
Boston, Mass.

UFOs Reported in N.H.

SANBORTON, N.H. (AP)—The director of UFO Central in Chicago is expected to come to New Hampshire soon to investigate reports by police officers from three Lakes Region communities who reported sighting Unidentified Flying Objects.

Police officers from Tilton, Guilford, Belmont and the Belknap County Sheriff's Office said they spotted the UFOs about 3:30 a.m. yesterday in the Sanbornton area around Interstate 93.

Tilton Patrolmen Mark E. Paine and Michael E. Alden were the first report seeing the UFOs.

Paine said the first UFO came within 100 yards of the cruiser before it turned up on its side and backed off.

It was an elliptical shape with a dome on top of it and was about 30 by 50 feet in diameter, he said.

More Police Officers Spot UFOs Over Capital Area

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More unidentified flying objects (UFOs) were seen last night in the sky by Capital Area police officers.

Concord patrolman James J. McGonigle Jr. this morning said he had watched for about an hour four flying objects high in the sky while parked off Oak Hill Road, overlooking Turtle Pond.

They were hovering between three and five miles above earth, McGonigle estimated, and projected a vertical pattern of lights. A steady white beam was topped by a flashing green light and a red light flashed below, he said.

McGonigle said he made his observation between 3:30 a.m. and 4:30 a.m. Two other Concord patrolmen — one on Loudon Road, the other in Penacook — had reported seeing the same thing, he said.

The UFO's moved horizontally, McGonigle said. "At

first I thought they were the lights of an airplane or better yet a helicopter because of the sequence and color."

"I was very hesitant to call what I had observed into headquarters because I didn't know what it was that I was looking at," McGonigle said.

As of this morning McGonigle had not filed an official report of the incident with the Concord Police Department.

Northfield Police Chief Kris W. Meinhold reported a similar incident above Northfield between the hours of midnight and 2 a.m.

Concord police last night were advised to be on the lookout for UFO's by State Police who had received a telephone call from a Concord resident. No state trooper, however, reported sighting any unusual phenomena.

Meinhold said his department had received several calls from citizens.

"Of course, once something's in the paper people start looking around," he said.

"They were something I'd never seen before," said Meinhold, a one-time amateur astronomer who observed the UFO's through binoculars.

With him were two other Northfield patrolmen as well as 19-year-old Tilton officer Michael E. Alden. Alden for two hours early Sunday morning had watched with five other policemen what he described as flying saucers hovering near the Sanbornton exit off I-93.

Meinhold said what they had seen last night was very similar, according to Alden, to the flashing light signals observed Sunday. All police who saw the UFO's last night, however, were unable to make out any shape.

Tilton Police Chief Roger Willard this morning said he photographed taken of the objects Sunday was developed and showed nothing. The picture may have been underexposed, he said, adding it is very difficult to take pictures of objects in the sky.

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Centralia, Wash. Chronicle
Sept. 20, 1974

Bright lights sighted at night

The Thurston County Sheriff's Department sent deputies to investigate an alleged unidentified flying objects sighting south of Olympia.

A mother and her daughter apparently witnessed the glow of "very bright red lights" hovering in a triangular formation behind their residence shortly after midnight. The two women told the investigators the formation periodically changed shapes, but the brilliance remained constant and the lights slowly moved east at the same elevation. The two said they observed the UFOs for about 15 minutes. Deputies report they received no other such sightings.

Early Friday morning, one sheriff's

deputy happened upon a fight in progress at the intersection of the Rainier Road and the Yelm Highway. In his report he noted a woman was beating her husband as she held him to the ground. The officer broke up the altercation but made no arrests.

Olympia, Wash.
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Three dark red lights bobbing up and down were seen by the Harlan Evans family Wednesday night south of the family home on Route 5 (Box 260). Evans called the Daily Olympian Thursday morning to report the unidentified flying object and ask if any other sightings had been reported.

His was the first. The three lights, which seemed to change positions, he said, stayed mostly in a triangular pattern. On occasion, two of the lights would bob up and down then when they became stationary, the third began to move. The lights were visible for approximately 15 minutes before moving east and disappearing behind tall timber on the Evans property.

Evans said he checked with the Olympia airport and no air planes were in the vicinity of his home at 12:30 a.m., the time of the reported UFO sighting.

Weird, flying objects reported to police by Alfalfa-Powell Butte area residents

By Julie Tripp

Bulletin Staff Writer

Bend's state police office received "numerous" calls last night from residents of the Alfalfa-Powell Butte area who thought they spotted an unidentified flying object (UFO) about 9:30 p.m.

Callers said the object was "very

bright, then dim, continuing off and on" and it was traveling from east to west and back again.

Kathy Grindstaff, 18 Piper Drive, and Margot McWilliams, Rt. 1 Box 856, were traveling from Prineville to Bend when they spotted a "bright, all red, pulsating" object in the sky, according to Mrs. Grindstaff.

"We stopped the car for a minute to look at it," she said. "At first we thought it was a plane, but it didn't seem to be going any place."

Mrs. McWilliams was driving the car.

"She about made me wreck looking for it," Mrs. McWilliams said. "I looked at it, and said, 'Oh, Kathy, it's just an airplane.'"

Vernon Arment, Alfalfa, "thought it was one of them satellites traveling across the sky."

He said he saw two objects, one going northeast, and the other southeast, "forming a cross." The objects were "a couple of minutes apart from each other," he said.

"I thought maybe it was something the Russians had up there," he said, referring to a satellite.

He said he saw it between 9:30 and 9:45 p.m.

Danny Jonas, 14, Alfalfa, was riding his motorcycle when he saw the red blinking object.

"I thought it was just an airplane," he said.

Loren Gill, 13, Alfalfa, said, "I see those all the time. Usually, they're just airplanes."

The Federal Aviation Administration office at Redmond's Roberts Field told police they would watch for the object. The FAA said one plane had come in for a landing a few minutes before 9:30 p.m. with its landing lights on.

If the object was still visible after 9:30, the FAA said, it would not have been the aircraft.

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Spotted by Residents, Policemen

Round, Metallic, Red Blue UFO Appears in Eastern Oregon

VALE — A round unidentified flying object (UFO) was seen by several persons Sunday night and Monday morning between Ontario and Vale in Malheur County.

Vale police officer Ed Berry said he first saw the metallic red and bluish object at about 10:10 p.m. coming from the north at a fast rate of speed and parallel to the ground. It stopped northeast of Vale at about 30 degrees above the horizon, he said.

The UFO hovered in the area for a

short time and then disappeared. He said he saw it again at 1:45 a.m. and watched it until 3:45 a.m. when it rose from its 30 degree position to 50 degrees.

"There was not a cloud in the sky and it was easily visible to the naked eye." At the second appearance, he said, it appeared from the east between Cairo junction and Malheur Butte and hovered over the butte for a time.

Ontario police reported calls from people seeing "odd lights and/or flying

stars. One state policeman said he saw what might have been the northern lights, although different than they had appeared in previous sightings.

Berry said he also saw northern lights earlier in the evening but to the north. That is not what he saw later, he said.

Two women at different locations in Vale also saw the UFO and watched it from 11:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.

Mrs. Howard Cockeram said she watched it hover for some time, then move north, where it stayed about 45

minutes, then slowly move back to its original position. One time it appeared to go straight up in the air, she said.

Mrs. Ed Berry, who had been called by her husband to view the strange object, said she saw it northeast of Vale toward Ontario. "We first saw it along the bottom star line and it appeared to be round, sometimes red lights showing, some yellow and sometimes bluish green lights. It moved like a rotating ball.

"It was as bright as about five stars

and through the telescope looked like a gigantic star," she said.

Several Ontario police officers also said they saw strange beams of light while on patrol duty. One said he hesitated to say anything about it because the last time he saw one and told about it people doubted it, but it was there, all right, this time, he said.

No reports were made of a UFO by any airplanes at that time in this area. There is no one on duty at the Ontario airport during the night, officials said Monday.

UFO Sighted in Dupont Sunday

While coon hunting in a corn field about four miles south of Dupont Sunday night I sighted a UFO. The time was about 10:45 p. m.

I first heard a regular humming sound in the air. Then the sound changed to an erratic screeching noise. That's when I turned around and sighted the foreign object. It seemed to be about 1,000 feet away at an elevation of about 450 feet from my viewpoint. The ob-

ject seemed to be saucer shaped. It was stationary and was positioned in a direction pointing towards me.

The main body of the object had the color of a brick red or the color of the setting sun. On the outer edges of the object it seemed to be flames of red ejecting from the complete circumference of the object.

The top of the UFO was dome shaped and was a little less reddish than the base.

I gazed at the object still suspended motionless for about one minute. During that minute it made that screeching noise again for about 15 seconds and then it became perfectly silent while still ejecting fire from its sides.

Then I turned around and fired a shot into a tree and then turned back and noticed the object began to move in my direction without making any noise or ejecting any extra fire.

I turned my headlight off and began walking away very fast. The object moved very slowly towards me while lowering its height to about 300 feet. It moved in about 400 feet closer to me than it began to change its course from the south and began moving towards the east and away from me. It continued to move away in a slow speed without making any sound until I lost sight of it behind the trees.

S/ Ted John Fruge
Rt. 1, Box 250 E
Plaucheville, La.

Strange Lights Sighted

By MIKE BOYD
Times Staff Writer

Unexplained lights glowed in the sky over Asheville before dawn this morning.

Several residents — including one police officer — reported seeing a strange flickering red and green shape.

Tony Weatherman, a night watchman at English Lumber Company on Sweeten Creek Road in Biltmore, called police at 4 a.m. to report that some kind of object was hovering over the area.

Weatherman said the lights hovered about 15 minutes, but he couldn't be definite about the shape of the mass.

Patrolman William Cummings of the Asheville Police Department went to the lumber company and confirmed that there was indeed something strange glowing in the sky, but declined to speculate on what.

Cummings told newsmen that he understood that something had been sighted on radar at Asheville Airport, but an FAA official said later that the mass on the screen was believed to be a temperature inversion.

Other callers to the police department this morning included a newspaper carrier who lives in the Haw Creek area who said he observed strange lights in the sky and wondered what they were.

A woman in the Charlotte Street area called police about 6 a.m., saying an arrow-shaped flying object was in the sky over Charlotte Street.

Dispatcher for the Buncombe County Sheriff's Office said this morning that the office received no calls during the night concerning lights or flying objects.

Officers at the police department this morning indicated that there were enough unrelated calls from various parts of the city in the same time period to indicate that people saw — or at least thought they saw — something.

CR: V.R. Osha

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2nd sighting is made of strange glowing object in Farmington sky

Mrs. Frank Voertmann's "ghost story" turned out to be more truth than fiction Tuesday night as the Farmington area had its second sighting in three days of a hovering glowing object near the earth.

Mary Voertmann, a "farm girl" who rides horses, likes outdoor sports and is an unafraid type.

"We had been down to our farm on H highway between Farmington and Fredericktown," Mrs. Voertmann said, "and we were coming back sitting on wet oathing suits and talking and I was driving."

In the car was her sister, Mrs. Cheryl Smock of Branson, the two Smock

children Elizabeth and Michael, Kristi and Kathryn Voertmann, and a friend, Marlene Ratliff.

They drove through Farmington, turned east on Burk's Road to EE and, a mile or so out, and turned right onto the Colony Church Road to go to Mrs. Voertmann's mother's place, Mrs. Tom Spencer.

The road is hilly there and the kids were pleading for Mary to tell a ghost story. That was when they were going by the Old Calvary Cemetery.

A second later Mrs. Smock screamed "What's that?" and the car was filled with shouts and crying as they looked

ahead, nearly over the road at about 45 degrees, to see a misty pink object hovering over the road ahead.

"I drove on for a few seconds," Mrs. Voertmann said. "Then I stopped the car and turned off the headlights to see it better. It was sort of moonish in appearance. I've never seen one, just read about it, and I still don't know what I saw. Maybe it was a weather balloon that reflects the moon, I don't know."

While they looked at it the object got really bright and someone shouted that it was coming closer. Mary Voertmann put the car in reverse and, while the others kept their eyes on the strange object, backed nearly two

blocks back to EE. The object, as they watched, moved quickly to the west as they backed over the hill.

They raced to the Ratliff home, which was the closest, and phoned Dick Dugal, who had a similar experience a night or two before.

Dugal and his brother-in-law, Ron Short, drove out the road a few minutes later but whatever it had been was gone.

Both Mrs. Voertmann and Mrs. Smock — and the children — were shaken by the event. The children, who watched most intently, described the pulsing or "breathing" appearance that Dugal had previously seen.

Mrs. Smock, whose husband

is an airplane enthusiast and a former space program employee at Cape Canaveral and a believer in UFOs, is a skeptic herself and referred to the object as something supernatural. "I hope the Lord knows what it is and what it's supposed to be doing," said Mrs. Smock.

Mrs. Voertmann was puzzled. "I'm just dumbfounded," she told The Evening Press. "I don't know what to think — I just don't. Maybe it's a weather balloon that reflects the moon, but I don't know. I want to believe that it wasn't something watching us — I'd like to go back to mother's to visit in the evening and I won't go back by myself now."

"The craziest thing," Mary Voertmann said, "is to come back to town where the lights are on, everything is safe and sane, and there are people who haven't seen anything — and you feel like a fool — there's nothing you can say, no way to describe it or compare it to."

The funniest thing," she remembers, "is that a few years ago a former Farmington resident came back from Columbia on vacation to visit his parents in that neighborhood. He cut his vacation short and went home after seeing a sort of luminous object hovering above the ground. We all laughed at him, but I'm not laughing now."

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Center Residents Report UFO Sightings

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The UFOs have returned to Beaver County, according to reports from several residents of Center Township.

The sighting of the unidentified flying object was reported over the Monaca Road area at dusk, Wednesday evening.

"We saw a large orange globe of light over my brother's house," said Mike Lucci

of Monaca Road. "It had a tail and was hovering about as high up as an airplane."

Lucci explained that when the UFO was directly overhead it looked like a bright light with no definable boundaries, and he said it compared in size to the sun as it appears during the evening. "At first we thought it was the sun," he offered, "but

when it started to move we knew it wasn't."

The object started moving in the direction of Shippingport, Lucci said. "When it got over Shippingport, it split into two pieces. Each part had a tail. One part came back over our area and the other moved off."

"The portion that came back seemed to rise straight up into the air and out of sight. It got smaller as it went up."

Lucci added that he could make no accurate estimation of the object's dimensions because he could not determine its true altitude.

Another Monaca Road resident, Mrs. Joe Christopher, said she first noticed the strange object when it seemed to be over Shippingport.

Her description matched Lucci's, but she added that the orange ball made no sound. "We couldn't believe our eyes," she said. "We were fascinated."

Mrs. Christopher noted that the tail looked smoky like that of a jet, but that it didn't leave a long trail as does a jet. "After it

split, one portion moved back toward us in a broad arc and then seemed to go straight up into the air and out of sight," she reported.

Mrs. Christopher explained that the object didn't seem to be at a very high altitude when it passed over the Monaca Road area. She compared it in size to the moon.

There were several other reported sightings of UFOs in the Beaver Valley during the past year. In November, a number of persons in the Midland-Ohioville area reported seeing strange objects in the sky and what's more, strange footprints on the ground. Casts of the huge footprints were made by Midland police.

Evening World Herald Omaha, Nebraska Sept. 5, 1974 Saline County Area Has UFO Reports

Authorities Thursday were exploring possible explanations for a group of unidentified flying objects spotted Thursday morning over Saline and Jefferson Counties.

The sightings were made shortly after 2:30 a.m. by at least two police officers in the area and reports were received by the State Patrol in Lincoln from Beatrice police.

Daryl Thompkins, a member of the Crete Police Department, and Arlen Stahl, a deputy with the Saline County Sheriff's Department, said in telephone interviews that they saw a group of bright objects near the Saline-Jefferson County line.

Thompkins said he counted 13 of the objects, which he said he viewed through binoculars for about two hours. He said he and other officers saw what appeared to be vapor trails near the objects.

Contacted by telephone, Capt. R. J. Sisto of the State Patrol in Lincoln said that office received a report from police in Beatrice that seven ob-

jects "which appeared to be helicopters" had been cited.

"They were up pretty high in the vicinity of DeWitt," he said.

He said the department is exploring the possibility that the objects might have been military helicopters on maneuvers from Ft. Riley, Kan.

A spokesman at the base, however, said that "to the best of my knowledge, we didn't have anything up in that area."

He said activity charts showed "no helicopter activity planned in that area."

A spokesman for the Omaha Radar Approach Control Facility at Offutt Air Force Base said there were "no reports of anything at all on radar."

Thompkins said all the objects had the same character, were about the same size and were at various altitudes in the sky. Rays of light streamed from each, he said.

The State Patrol also received reports of sightings in an area from Norfolk to Wahoo and from Newman Grove to Tekamah.

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Did Bozeman have a mysterious visitor Saturday night?

The Gallatin County Sheriff's Office said they received several reports last night from local citizens concerning a bright light in the sky northeast of the city.

A representative of the sheriff's office said a deputy ventured to the outskirts of town with a binoculars to view the object. "It's just kind of hanging over the Bridger Mountains," he reported the deputy as saying.

"It looks like just a bright light until you look at it through the binoculars. Then it looks like a red-green alternating light."

The representative said the first report of the object was phoned in to the sheriff's office at 9:43 Saturday.

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was contacted and put the KBCM radio radar in service.

A large tanker airplane was reportedly picked up on the screen, but according to one of the UFO watchers, that plane fails to account for the number of sighted objects.

The UFOs were about 7 to 10 miles from the Libertyville center, a watcher estimated. They also were scattered in three directions — north, east and south, he reported.

Five red and green, pulsating UFOs were again spotted at 11:50 p.m. Monday and early this morning.

by Dick Dahl

— From LeMars Daily Sentinel

Campaign. UFO's Visit Goodland?

KANSAS
Colby Prairie Drummer
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Flying saucers have been sighted in northwest Kansas again!

According to the Goodland Daily News, three Goodland boys observed a strange looking object at tree-top level Monday night as they were walking home.

The object was cigar-shaped, contained a bunch of yellow lights, and was noiseless. No other information was given, but it gives the community something to talk about!

21 UFOs spotted near Libertyville, at Kingsley, Remsen, Orange City

An area south and west of Le Mars was the scene of a "visitation" of several unidentified flying objects (UFOs) early Sunday morning and again early Tuesday morning.

The UFOs were first spotted by persons near the Libertyville alcoholic treatment center Sunday at about 2:30 a.m. At first one was spotted, but the number grew to five within several hours.

One man who saw the UFOs told the Daily Sentinel they were red, green and white in color and moved in an erratic manner.

One of them acted like it was "on a

pendulum," he said, and at 6:30 a.m. one accelerated upward and made a loud boom, presumably a sonic boom.

The group of persons watching the UFOs contacted the Plymouth county sheriff's department and officers soon arrived at the scene where the group was watching.

Le Mars police received a report at 5 a.m. Sunday from one of the watchers. Kingsley, Orange City and Remsen police departments also reported seeing the strange objects.

The Woodbury county sheriff's office

UFO reported seen near New Brighton

A flying saucer was reported by some residents of the New Brighton area early today, but a Ramsey County sheriff's deputy who verified the sighting said it appeared that the object was a "slow-flying airplane at a high altitude."

The UFO (Unidentified Flying Object) was first reported to the sheriff's office by a woman living at the north end of Long Lake in New Brighton at 12:59 a.m.

Two New Brighton police officers said they also saw the "red, green blue and purple flashing lights in the sky," but in their report said nothing about seeing any object attached to the lights.

Ramsey Deputy Sheriff Bernard Witzmann said that he looked up in the sky when he heard the

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dispatcher give the report to the New Brighton squad car and that he too saw "red, green and white flashing lights."

"I assumed the lights were those of an airplane," he said today. "Apparently it was flying in circles and so high that it appeared to be hovering in one place."

"It was over the New Brighton area," he said, adding that it appeared to be at such a high altitude that he couldn't hear it. I assume it was the same object reported by the New Brighton people."

HOLLYWOOD — Glenn Ford, a captain in the U.S. Naval Reserve, not only got equal rank in "Something in the Air," a new NBC movie for television in which he plays an Air Force colonel, but, as part of his costuming, wore his very own campaign ribbons earned in World War II and the Vietnam War.

The movie is about unidentified flying objects, a subject Glenn finds especially intriguing, since he's seen at least one flying object which defied identification.

"I was sitting on the beach near Ormand at dusk looking out at the sea," Glenn relates. "You know, the moody Welshman, just looking at the sea and thinking."

Glenn tells of UFO

By NANCY ANDERSON

Jacumba, Calif.
The Mountaineer
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Brunswick, Maine
Brunswick Times Record
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Suddenly, there was something strange way up there in the sky

BAILEY ISLAND — Two men with over 15,000 hours of flight time, and one a Cumberland County Deputy Sheriff, saw three unidentified flying objects last night off Bailey Island.

Deputy Sheriff William Medary said he and Walter Butcher, a Brunswick special police officer, were riding in a cruiser last night just before 9 when they saw the first of three UFOs.

"At first, it looked like a big bright star," Medary said today. "But it was too low for the North star. It didn't move for about five minutes and we sort of stopped paying

attention. Then we saw it move straight up and change colors. Then it came across the sky.

"I could see a definite cylindrical shape to it and two red lights or portholes. I couldn't see any middle. The lights at one end changed colors, reds and greens etc. and then it went straight up rapidly and disappeared from sight completely."

Shortly after the first UFO disappeared, Medary said, "We saw two more coming across the sky. They didn't seem to be as close, they went away and then went up vertically quickly and disappeared."

Medary said he and Boucher used binoculars to watch the strange objects and says frankly, "If Boucher hadn't been with me, I wouldn't have said a thing. Everyone's first reaction is 'what were you drinking?'"

Medary reported the sightings to Brunswick police which notified the naval air station and he also contacted the UFO Control headquarters in Illinois. "The UFO people weren't too interested until I actually described what we saw," he says. "Then the girl said Doctor somebody would be in touch with us today to find out more."

Medary said he has over 7,000 hours of flight time from his years in the Navy and Air Force, and Boucher also had over 7,000 flight hours with the Navy. "We both know what airplanes look like. And these weren't planes."

Lights Hovered Over Broad Street School

UFO'S IN WEST END

8/16/74

By DEBORAH L. ENYEART
Eagle News Intern

They don't know what it was, but they're sure they saw something.

Approximately 15 residents of West North Street Extension claim to have seen three unidentified flying objects (UFOs) Wednesday night.

One woman said the three objects circled over Broad Street School, had colored lights and made no noise. Another woman

"You know, I recorded UFO sightings, only 80 per cent can be explained, and I find the other 20 per cent very intriguing."

"When you consider infinitely, I think it's unrealistic for us to assume that we live on the only inhabited planet. However, if intelligent beings from outer space are visiting us, I don't think they have hostile intentions."

"I think they've simply come out of curiosity, to investigate."

By the time this rechees print, Glenn will be in Georgia playing a Depression era preacher in an NBC Movie of the Week called "Holocaust."

"The script was written by Abby Mann and is a boy's recollections of his dad," he says. "It's the part I've always wanted."

As to the enormous dilemma he recently gave pretty Cynthia Hayward, Ford denies it means an engagement.

"It's a friendship ring," he insists. "We are very good friends."

If curals count, they certainly are.

WINSTON-SALEM JOURNAL - N.C.

Not a Meteor

MILWAUKEE, Wis. (UPI) — A hot chunk of metal which thumped into the yard of a northwest side home and sparked talk of outer space is only a piece of fused slag, officials concluded Thursday.

CR: G. Fawcett

BUTLER, PA.

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described the lights as flickering like a candle. Their neighbors agreed it wasn't a helicopter or searchlight and seemed to move up and down. A woman added that the lights were small like a flashlight.

One of the children in the area said they were convinced it wasn't a plane because a plane did pass over the area later and didn't resemble the lights they had seen.

City Police received a call about the objects from "an excited boy" at 9:35 p.m. and a second call at 9:56 p.m. Wednesday. The objects were gone when they arrived.

"It was the strangest thing," recalled one woman. "They were gone when the police got here but came back after they left."

She said the police didn't take the report too seriously and were making jokes. "But it was no joke," added her neighbor. "I don't think it's anything from space, but it's no joke."

Most of the sightings were frightened by what they saw, although there were a few people who thought they were making too much of it. "The lady who lives across the street said we were getting too excited," said one resident.

"Everyone seemed to think we were crazy, but we can't all be crazy. One of us maybe, but not all of us," she added.

The National Weather Service in Pittsburgh reports there were no weather balloons in this area at that time.

CENTER FOR UFO STUDIES

This is the latest listing of reports received from the CENTER FOR UFO STUDIES. We would like to thank Director, Dr. J. Allen Hynek for sending it to us.

J. ALLEN HYNEK
DIRECTOR

UFO CENTRAL CALLS/SEPTEMBER 1974

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Witnesses</u>	<u>Classification</u>	<u>Follow-up</u>
01	Seattle, WA	1	NL	
02	Ottawa, IL		NL	
05	Newton, NJ	1	NL	
07	Sheldon, IA	4	DD	*
07	Albuquerque, NM	1	NL	
08	Virginia Beach, VA	2	NL	
08	Canton, NY	4	NL	*
08	Stillwater, MN	3	CEI	*
09	Ft. Pierce, FL	2	NL	*
11	Decatur, GA	1	NL	
12	Seattle, WA	2	DD	*
12	Livingston, NJ	2	DD	*
16	Belvidere, IL	1	NL	
19	Inkster, MI	+	NL	*
20	Garden City, MI	+	NL	*
20	Seattle, WA	2	NL	*
20	Seattle, WA		NL	*
21	Racine, WI	2	NL	*
21	Largo, FL	3	CEI	*
22	Madison, WI	6	NL	*
22	Walnut Creek, CA	2	NL	*
23	Santa Rosa, CA	1	NL	
24	Highland Beach, FL	1	NL	
24	Brunswick, ME	2	NL	*
24	Edina, MN	2	NL	*
24	Midland, PA	2	CEI	*
25	LaCrosse, WI	14	NL	*
25	Greenbay, WI	1	NL	*
25	Dubuque, IA	4	DD	*
26	Mt. Prospect, IL	3	NL	*
26	Topeka, KS	2	NL	
26	Sturgeon Bay, WI		NL	
26	Jefferson City, WI	2	NL	
29	Sarasota, FL		NL	*

Classifications

DD-Daylight Disc

NL-Nocturnal Light

CE-Close Encounter

I -No physical effects

II -Physical Effects, traces

III -Landing, occupants

See: THE UFO EXPERIENCE, J. Allen Hynek (Regnery 1972, Ballantine 1974)

CANADA Minden, Ontario Thurs., August 29, 1974

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Pulsing lights puzzle Glamor Lake area

CR: G. DUPLANTIER

CANADA

Strange, pulsating lights that moved willy-nilly through late evening skies last week left residents of the Glamor Lake area north of Gooderham puzzled and perplexed. Equally puzzled and perplexed was Provincial Constable Roy Telford of Minden who arrived in time to witness part of the display. The strange lights were first seen a week ago Tuesday about 10 pm by Mrs. George Bailey who noticed a large bright, circular object hovering low in the sky south of her Concession 10 home. She described it as a 'glowing, almost fluorescent, chrome-like object, oval shaped'. Together with other members of her family, Mrs. Bailey then watched as three smaller lights, pulsing red and green 'seemed to come out of the big one'. The objects appeared one at a time and settled at a similar angle to the ground in the north, east and west respectively. Mrs. Bailey said none of the objects made any sound and explained that, far from remaining stationary, the small objects moved erratically up, down and sideways on occasion while the large object at one point 'blinked out, then came on again'. Although police were called, the strange lights disappeared from the sky before the officer arrived. Wednesday Mrs. Bailey, joined this time by still more family members and neighbors, watched a similar performance. This time the large light again appeared south of the house about 9.30 pm but so low in the sky it shone

through the tree tops. It was about one-quarter its size of the previous night. 'Suddenly it moved right up the sky to the same position of the night before', recalled Mrs. Bailey, who said that this time six small, pulsating objects appeared to emerge from and return into then emerge again from the large object. 'They flew back and forth across the sky, disappeared into the big one then reappeared in pairs and settled in pairs in the north, east and western skies', said Mrs. Bailey, who again called police.

When Constable Telford arrived this time, one of the small objects was still hovering in the sky to the north, pulsing red and green. The officer said he noticed the one object in the sky and that, quite suddenly, it flew across the sky from north to west, still pulsing, then finally faded from view. Witnesses said the object moved and behaved in a strange fashion and agreed the movements were totally unlike those of stars, meteors, satellites or aircraft. With Mrs. Bailey at the time were her son Clint, 17, a sister and a nephew from Scarborough, and neighbors Clayton Roberts, 17, and Donna Breen, 17, whose par-

ents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Breen watched the performance from their nearby home.

ALEXANDRIA, ONT.
Glengarry News
JUL 18 1974
UFO reported seen near Glen Robertson
John van Nooten, who farms on the green road north of Glen Robertson, is wondering if any other residents of the area spotted an Unidentified Flying Object about dusk Monday night. Mr. van Nooten and his hired man, Brock Currie of Kemptville, think they saw two UFOs hovering over the area for a period of 45 minutes. They were never closer than a half-mile, he reports, but he followed them with his binoculars as they circled in the area at a low altitude. Green and red changing lights flashing from the objects caught the attention of both Mr. van Nooten, as he left the barn, and Mr. Currie who was out in the field. The objects appeared to have a disc shape though their outlines were almost indistinguishable. There was no sound emanating from them.

UFO sighted

CANADA

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Gordon Parker of Calgary sighted a rather unusual object in the western sky on Saturday evening about 10:30 while on a family campout on Daisey Creek on the Coleman-Kananaskis highway. Thinking it looked different from the stars he took his binoculars and the Parkers watched the object for a good hour before leaving it to continue its romp in the sky. During the time they watched the object it would change from an odd star shape in its still position to

a snake-like form when it would dart up and down and then to the south and back again. It looked closer than the stars and varied in color from red, green silver when it was standing still to red and turquoise as it was moving in its snakey form. It didn't make any noise.

Dot Parker of Longview reported the sighting to The Times and at press time there was still no explanation for the object, other than it was a UFO.

HIGH RIVER, ALTA.
AUG 22 1974 CANADA

UFOs Again Baffle Experts

Experts at a missile base in Alabama say they are puzzled about strange "ghost ships" picked up by powerful radar scanners in the Pacific during a tracking exercise last year. There has been little official comment on what the scientists found. But Major Dallas van Hoose, the army's base spokesman, confirmed that "some unexplained aerial phenomena" were observed last August. Scientists, many of whom are reluctant to be named in interviews because of general public scepticism concerning unidentified flying objects, say privately they have been unable to find an explanation for the "ghost ships." "We have never seen anything precisely like this before," said one ballistic missile defence expert who works for an army agency here and is familiar with the advanced radar used to test missiles and warheads. Huntsville houses the army's ballistic missile defence systems, command, which analyses results of missile test in the Kwajalein A toll region of the Marshall Island Trust Territory held by the United States. Last August, the air force launched a Minuteman intercontinental ballistic missile

(ICBM) from Vandenberg Air Force Base aimed for the Kwajalein missile range, used by the army, air force and navy. When the ICBM was screaming toward the Pacific test site, it began its descent on a normal, ballistic trajectory. The nose cone had separated from the third stage of the missile and was entering the atmosphere at 22,000 feet a second. Radar scanners at Kwajalein in the Pacific Islands were tracking the nose cone routinely. At about 400,000 feet, the radar experts in the Pacific found they also were tracking an unidentified flying object next to the ICBM's nose cone. Radar picked up an inverted saucer-shaped object to the right and above the descending nose cone and watched it cross the warhead's trajectory to a point which was below and to the left of it before the phantom disappeared. The ghost ship was described as being 10 feet high and 40 feet long. So far, none of the experts believe the ghost ship was a natural phenomenon caused by break weather conditions or echoes commonly seen on radar screens.

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THOUGHT
HE SAW A
UFO

Aug 8 1974

A Stevenage man who thought he saw an unidentified flying object a week ago Sunday wants anyone else who spotted it to come forward, so that he can be sure he's not going mad.

The man, who wants to remain anonymous because he doesn't want to appear foolish, saw the UFO about 9 pm.

"It was in the north-western sky and it certainly wasn't an aircraft or a balloon," he said. "It was metallic and the sun was shining on it. It appeared to come down and hover, and then it disappeared."

STEVENAGE

GAZETTE

Aug. 8, 1974

On a clear
night I
saw my
third UFO

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I READ your article about the UFO seen over Lewisham (last week's Mercury) and wish to say that Mrs. Hanson-Abbott was not alone in seeing it that night.

I also saw it over the weekend of July 20-21.

It was a clear night and hardly any cloud.

The light was very brilliant and low.

It was hovering in the SE apparently over Catford or Downham.

The time was around 10 p.m. - 11 p.m. and there were no other stars or lights in the sky except that one.

I did not see any flash because I went to fetch my binoculars and when I returned it had gone.

This is the third UFO I have seen over Lewisham over the years.

I did not bother to tell anyone about this latest UFO because people think you are up a gum tree. — MR. C. E. PETIT, Gabriel Street, Forest Hill.

SOUTH EAST LONDON
& KENTISH MERCURY

- 1 AUG 1974

Bonus for
the U.F.O.
observers

A party of U.F.O. observers who gathered on Winchester Hill, near Warrford, found the evening not only entertaining but strange into the bargain.

For the 15 members of WATSUP — Wessex Association for the Study of Unexplained Phenomena — saw three separate incidents which aroused their curiosity.

"The first thing we saw was a cloud, which split in two and one passed behind the other — it was very odd," said Mr. Richard Nash, the regional organizer of WATSUP.

"Of course it could have been two flocks of birds dragging the clouds across or two aeroplanes."

Later the enthusiasts saw two pale yellow "dancing" lights, which appeared, and disappeared very suddenly.

"I should think they were there for a total of 17 minutes. After that we saw a very, very intense blue light which could have been an aircraft, except that it would have been travelling at stalling speed," said Mr. Nash, of Southwick Hill.

PORTSMOUTH
NEWS

Aug. 21, 1974

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Some of those
UFOs are...
genuine, but...

"BETWEEN four to six per cent of strange objects seen in the sky remain unexplained," said Mr. Peter Wain, a member of the national executive committee of the British Unidentified Flying Object Research Organisation (BUFORA).

Speaking at a meeting of Mystic Forum at St. Margaret's Hotel, East Twickenham, Mr. Wain explained the organisation was purely an amateur one.

"We are mainly a scientific body of amateurs dedicated to the elucidation of the riddle of UFOs," he said.

When reports were received they were followed up and although many turned out to be fakes, a small percentage were genuine and for those there was no explanation.

Mr. Wain said he had ex-

perienced UFOs on two occasions. On a night in October for no apparent reason he looked up at the sky and saw a blazing mass which looked like a blazing sun with fiery tails.

The other occasion was at Biggin Hill when he saw an object in front of him silently taking off into the air. He stopped his car to make sure it was not a reflection from the glass windows. After the object had disappeared he found he was the only one to have seen the UFO.

Mr. Wain ended his talk alleging the governments of the world knew far more about UFOs than they would reveal.

At the next Mystic Forum at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday, it will be an open meeting when members and friends can share their own ideas and beliefs. Films taken on outings earlier in the year will be shown.

MIDDLESEX
CHRONICLE

(Hounslow & Brentford)
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SAUCER SAGA— THE FOLK WHO SEEK THE TRUTH

Aug 6, 1974
by Mark Donlan

WHAT exactly are those bright lights you sometimes see in the sky? Is it a bird, a plane—or one of the unidentified flying objects that have captured the imagination of people for years?

A recent opinion poll has shown that one in three people believe in the existence of UFOs and don't dismiss them as something fanciful.

This part of Kent now has its own society for studying sightings and has nationwide contacts.

North-West Kent UFO Society was formed 18 months ago and is gradually growing.

The society began from meeting at the home of the chairman, Mr. John Miller, at 14, Dallin Road, Bexleyheath, to hiring a room in a pub for meetings. There are now 38 local members in Bexleyheath, Erith, Dartford, Swanley and Hextable.

They have investigated many local sightings and the most recent one was only two weeks ago. Mrs. Barbara Rowe, of Malyons Road, Hextable, saw a bright white light in the sky which then moved off and split into two parts.

When a sighting is made the society interview the person involved, and reports are

made. They then try to check if there have been any planes or satellites in the vicinity at that time.

Photographs taken of flying saucers are often dismissed as fakes. Some are—but what of the others? Mr. Miller (pictured below) said that often the best pictures of UFOs are taken by people who have no interest or belief in them.

He added that there were a large number of sightings by policemen while on night patrol. "They are responsible people," he said.

Perhaps the most baffling phenomena the group have come across locally was at Ruxley, near Swanley, about 18 months ago.

As two people were going to bed one night a woman saw a very bright light in the fields at the back of their home. It was hovering only a few feet above the ground.

The light was so bright it lit up their bedroom.

Investigations afterwards showed a track in a cornfield behind their home 35ft wide where corn had been damaged. The interesting thing is that the track followed two sides of a field the same distance all the way. There was also a 90 degree turn in the corner of the field.

A car or a tractor you may say, but there is no access to the field at that point.

Damage caused was not like normal storm damage. So what was it?

The society can only deduce

that the bright object observed had travelled down the field. Seeing UFOs is not just restricted to the ordinary man in the street—many famous people have spotted objects and since believed in flying saucers.

The society is always keen to hear from people who are interested in UFOs and can be contacted at the group's headquarters at 14, Dallin Road, Bexleyheath.

Incidents which seem to involve flying saucers are endless but a really interesting occurrence happened in the 1800s at the North Kent village of Chalk.

Records show an object resembling an airship appeared over the village dragging an anchor on a rope. The anchor got caught on a set of railings near the parish church.

Something or someone then climbed down the rope about half way and cut it leaving the anchor behind.

The anchor was melted down by the Church and made into chalices and other pieces of Church equipment.

These have been tested and found to be made of an alloy completely unknown at that time.

The group hold sky watches about once a month looking for UFOs and are looking for somewhere to set up an observatory. At present, they use either Canada Heights, Swanley or Dartford Heath.

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Merseyside, ENGLAND

Paper Unknown
Aug. 21, 1974

THAT
MYSTERY
UFO 'WAS
SKYLAB'

Aug 21, 1974

Claims by several Merseyside people that they had seen a "flying saucer" in the sky on Sunday night were refuted to-day by a Liverpool Astronomical Society spokesman.

Mr. Bob Halliday, of Redbrook Street, Liverpool, said they had seen the Skylab space station which was launched as part of the American space programme on May 14 last year.

Skylab was the home of three astronauts for a record 85 days in space.

There is a chance it could be visible again to-night between 9.47 and 9.49 if weather conditions permit.

All Clips cr: Jim Auburn, M.R.S.

ENGLAND Aug. 1, 1974

'Saucers' in the night sky

aug 17 1974

A MAGICIAN'S amazing predictions for Tyneside have come true — dozens of Geordies are spotting mystery lights in the sky.

And many of the people who have sighted the strange objects are convinced they saw flying saucers.

Reports of unidentified flying objects have been flooding in this week after American mind-reader and entertainer Kreskin predicted the saucer syndrome would hit the area.

Sightings first started about a week ago and all have been some variation of lights — from coloured varieties to spectacular things which change their shape and zoom across the night sky.

Latest sightings came late on Thursday night when the lights appeared to move from the Tyne Valley out over the North Sea.

First to spot them in the area was Mr. Michael Nolan,

aged 36, who saw them near his home at Prudhoe.

It was about midnight when he noticed a circle of lights travelling towards his car. He stopped and watched them hover for about 30 seconds before they flew away.

The mystery lights always appear just around midnight — and Newcastle Airport officials cannot dismiss them as planes.

A number of scared UFO spotters have telephoned police stations in the area reporting the sightings.

Professor A. C. Hardy, of Newcastle University, was another witness to the lights in the sky.

He said yesterday: "I was out in the yard of my house at Stamfordham just after midnight when I saw the lights travelling across the sky to the north."

"I have no idea what the lights were, but I have never seen anything like them before."

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NEWCASTLE JOURNAL

Aug. 17, 1974

Woolton family watches

UFO

aug 19 1974

Shipping director, John Thomas, thinks he saw a flying saucer — over Woolton, Liverpool, last night. And he wants to know if anyone else saw the mystery object. "My children and I clearly saw this strange object in the heavens at 9.50 p.m. yesterday," said 43-years-old Mr. Thomas.

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"We were just saying goodbye to some guests when we saw this object. It was travelling east to west. It was absolutely silent and very brilliant. I dashed inside for my binoculars and I could see it was a round shape, travelling very fast."

Now Mr. Thomas, who lives at Quickwood Drive, Woolton, wants to know if anybody else saw the object. And, he added: "I'm of sober mind."

But Liverpool Police and Air Traffic Control at Preston have had no other reports of flying saucers. A spokesman for Air Traffic Control said they could offer no explanation.

LIVERPOOL ECHO

Aug. 19, 1974

WOMAN SPOTS A UFO

aug 19 1974

IT LOOKED like something out of Star Trek... a flashing object soaring high in the sky at Saltburn, according to residents.

"They spotted the Unidentified Flying Object on Friday at 9.30 coming from the direction of Skelton. It interrupted the television viewing of Mrs. Joyce Kelshie, of Coastguard

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Cottages, Saltburn, who saw a "bright light" through the curtains.

"It came towards the cottages over the hills, towards Brotton Road," she said today. "It seemed to hover over the fields for about five minutes before swinging across in a straight line towards Brotton, where it hung over the Warsett Hills for about another ten minutes."

Speed

"Then it shot off into the sky at a terrific speed."

Mrs. Kelshie and her husband alerted two neighbours and went outside to watch the "flight."

But apparently the flying saucer made only a fleeting trip to Cleveland. A spokesman for air traffic control at Teesside Airport said: "We didn't see it" and neither the airport nor Cleveland Police had received any reports of it.

MIDDLESBROUGH EVENING GAZETTE

Aug. 19, 1974

LIGHT SPOTTING—AGAIN

NEWCASTLE aug 20 1974

THE space mystery of the flashing white light over East Cleveland thickened today when a second witness stepped forward.

Yet the light, seen at 9.30 p.m. on Friday, was not spotted by Teesside Airport

air traffic controllers. Mr. Derek King, of 41, Lime Road, Redcar, who is a keen astronomer, confirmed an earlier report of an object flying from Skelton towards Brotton.

He said: "I was standing outside my home when I saw it. It was moving quite fast and looked to be outside the

earth's atmosphere. It gave an occasional flash but didn't look to be an aircraft or a meteorite."

An air traffic spokesman said: "We have no record of it so we have no idea what it was. But at that time it is only half light and distances and speeds can be extremely deceptive."

ENGLAND Aug 20, 1974

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'We saw the UFO' calls

pour in... ENGLAND

aug 20 1974

The great mystery of Merseyside's "flying saucer" deepened today as a spate of sighting reports flooded in.

Since the first report of the sighting appeared in yesterday's Echo, many sharp-eyed Merseysiders have phoned in with their stories of UFO's — unidentified flying objects.

All say they saw "something" in the heavens on Sunday — but no one knows quite what it was.

According to 18-years-old Elaine Rimmer of Norris Close, Noctorum, Birkenhead, it was definitely gliding and rotating, and

going west-east at about 200 feet.

But Nigel Howard, aged 16, of Larkfield Road, Alburgh, who saw it with four friends at the most popular time of 10 p.m. on Sunday, said he saw the "thing" travelling east-west and going "pretty fast."

Air Traffic Control at Broughton can still throw no light on the great mystery — except to say they knew nothing about weather balloons which some observers claimed it was.

LIVERPOOL ECHO

Aug. 20, 1974

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Lights in sky shock couple

aug 13 1974

THE bright lights were too much for Sylvia and Brian Charlton — the young couple were left shaking in the street as the illuminations flashed across the midnight sky.

For the lights were bright orange and became brilliant as they grew bigger and changed shape over Kenton Newcastle.

But Sylvia, aged 22, and husband Brian, aged 27, of Bradwell Road, Kenton, didn't have to worry about being branded as "nutty" UFO spotters — for other people around the city saw

the mystery lights on Sunday night.

People in Longbenton and other areas of Tyneside telephoned The Journal to tell of frightening lights.

Sylvia said yesterday: "We were disturbed by the lights in the sky as we were watching the television with the curtains open."

"They were not clouds and we always keep an open mind on things like this — we think it was a flying saucer."

"We both went outside to check we weren't seeing things because of the television. There was a man walking his dog and he said he had seen something. We were shaky but not frightened."

Newcastle Airport said they had no flights between 11 p.m. and 4 a.m. The lights were spotted around midnight.

The "sighting" comes after a number of recent UFO reports in the area, and after a prediction by mind-reader Kreskin that Tynesiders would spot unidentified flying objects by the end of this year.

NEWCASTLE JOURNAL

Aug. 13, 1974

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MIDDLESBROUGH EVENING GAZETTE

Tonight's sky watch

aug 17 1974

ROSSENDALE enthusiasts will be among those on a nationwide sky search tonight.

Today has been nominated as National Sky Watch Day, and from 7 pm to 7 am members of the Rossendale and District Amateur Astronomy and UFO Sighting Society will be taking part in the exercise. Between them they will cover the whole 12-hour period, linked by telephone to ensure a proper overlap.

The sky watch has been organised by the British Unidentified Flying Object Research Association, in conjunction with the Investigative Group of Aerial Phenomena, the latter being based on Manchester.

Rossendale and District AS and UFO Sighting Society official Mrs Hilda Rogals told the Free Press they would be looking mainly for UFO. She herself had an encouraging experience on Thursday night of last week.

"I saw one myself," she said, "I was going down the lane to my home about 11.10 when there was this object that looked like a red star moving NNE to SSW in the direction of Bolton. It was certainly not an aircraft light. It was a dull orange-red and was tremendously high in the sky."

ROSSENDALE FREE PRESS

Aug. 17, 1974

Mystery lights

pass over

West town

aug 17 1974

Portsmouth resident Mr. Arthur Jones is trying to identify three mysterious silent lights which passed over the town.

Mr. Jones of Lower Down Road, and his family watched the lights for about five minutes with field glasses last night.

They were white lights, two appeared close together and the third some distance away. They made no noise and were steady with no flickering or flashing.

The lights were travelling fast in an easterly direction and were not, says Mr. Jones, an aircraft or satellite.

"I thought at first they might be balloons but they seemed to be travelling too fast," he said. "We had no idea how high they were or how far apart."

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"SATURDAY EVENING MERCURY"

21 SEP 1974

Hobart, Tas. AUSTRALIA

A FAMILY living in a remote area near St Marys claims they have been terrorised by UFOs.

Farmer Brian Richards, a father of three, says he will buy himself a high-powered gun "for some protection." His ill and distraught wife Andrea is taking sedatives to calm her nerves.

A strange, brilliant light first stopped Mrs Richards' car, "killing" its engine, headlights, radio and heater. Then the following night the light followed Mr Richards for 30 minutes as he drive home. It then "buzzed" their house.

They are even thinking of selling out and leaving the District.

Their nightmare began on September 16, when Mrs Richards was returning home from Launceston with two of her children, Kathleen (5) and Janine (8).

A few miles from home the night sky suddenly "lit up" ahead.

They were driving up a rise when the car suddenly lost power.

The car radio started "playing up" and then all the electrical systems failed. The headlights, dashboard lights, and heater all went "dead."

Mrs Richards said she tried to start the car, but even the starter-motor was dead.

Then strange vibration noises "like 30 or 40 jets" started roaring.

"It was as though my head was splitting open. I thought the end of the world had come," she said.

Mrs Richards, an average country housewife, did not know what to make of it.

But worse was to come. She said the noise became so loud she tried to block her ears. Then painful "electric shocks" flashed through her. They were much worse than shocks she had received from household appliances.

She said the vibrations of her body were overwhelming. Her face felt "numb." Then she smelt something like a gas — "stronger than household gas."

"I felt I just had to get out of the car," Mrs Richards said.

Kathleen slept through the ordeal, but Janine experienced the same sensations as her mother. Janine had thought the car was on fire.

They dragged Kathleen from the car, and ran off into the night. They ran two miles to the home of Harvey Chappel, who could plainly see Mrs Richards had been badly frightened.

Mr Chappel, and his brother Derek, drove the Richards back to their car.

The light and the smell had gone.

The car started immediately and the radio, which had never given trouble before, worked perfectly again.

The only unusual thing about the car was that the radiator was empty.

At the time of Mrs Richards' harrowing experience, her husband was at home. He was waiting

UFOs "STRIKE" FAMILY

for her and the children.

He looked in the general direction from which she would come.

He heard what he thought was a car roaring, and saw a light shining. He assumed it was his wife on her way home, but, in fact, she was some five miles away.

The next day, the Richards had their car, which always was kept in good condition, checked by a mechanic, Mr Graham Stone. He found it to be in perfect working order.

Since the experience, Mrs Richards has been ill. She could not walk the next day and still has a mark the size of a two-cent coin over her right eye.

Her arms and fingers, which became swollen, are only just returning to normal.

Two nights later Mr Richards was driving home after visiting a neighbour when he noticed a light in the sky. It paced his car and "seemed attracted by the headlights."

When he slowed and drove with only the parking lights, the object fell behind.

It followed him on the thirty-minute drive home.

At the house it zoomed in from an estimated height of 2,500 feet to about 80 feet, just above

some trees about 100 yards from the house.

His wife, Janine and son Ricky (11) watched it through a window.

At one stage Ricky went outside the house for a closer look, but when the object came closer, the family dragged him inside.

They described it as crescent shaped, and a "vibrant egg - yellow" in colour.

They watched it for five minutes. It seemed attracted by the lights of the house. When they turned the house lights off the object soon "faded out."

The family have seen odd lights about the sky in the area for some years, but had taken little notice of them.

Relatives and friends who have known the family for years have no doubts about the accuracy of the Richards' report.

"We know what we've seen, but how can you get people to believe you," Mrs Richards said today.

Mr Roger Brooks, senior master in English at St Marys District School went to the Richards' remote farm today to get this story.

● For more startling facts on the UFO mystery see Page 24.

'FARMERS AFRAID TO WORK'

"Something was there and I doubt it was a hoax. There's no indication anything had been wheeled in or out and Mr. Fuhr seemed genuinely scared."

Constable Morier took photographs and measurements and sent his information to the National Research Council in Ottawa.

"Some farmers are afraid to work their fields," the constable said. "At least that's what I hear on coffee row."

Fuhr says he got down from his swather and moved to within 15 feet of the objects.

"All of a sudden I noticed the grass was moving... turning near this thing. I just watched it for about two minutes and then noticed that the whole thing was turning."

"I backed up slow. I wasn't going to turn my back on the thing. When I got back to the swather, I noticed here were another four to the left of me, all revolving. I just froze on the seat and didn't move."

Canadian Press

LANGENBURG, Sask. — RCMP Constable Ron Morier says he doesn't think a disgruntled farmer is trying to pull a hoax with his claim of seeing saucer-shaped objects hovering about a foot over a slough near his rapeseed field six miles north of here.

Edwin Fuhr, 36, claims five stainless steel objects stayed for 15 minutes before leaving. He says there were depressions in the foot-high grass about 11 feet in diameter where they had been.

Constable Morier visited the farm Monday in this community 120 miles northeast of Regina.

"They took me out to where they'd seen these things in the grass," he said. "I saw the rings."

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17 SEP 1974 Launceston, Tas. AUSTRALIA

YOUTHS SEE LEGANA UFO

THREE YOUTHS at Legana on Sunday night reported watching an unidentified flying object for several minutes before it rose straight up and disappeared.

The U.F.O. sighting took place between 7.30 p.m. and 8 p.m. just past the end of Freshwater Point Rd, one of the youths said yesterday.

Tony Morrison (16), of Legana Jetty Rd, said that he, his twin brother Brendon, and a friend, Nigel Cunningham (19), of Invermay, clearly saw the U.F.O.

"It was above and to the north of us, about 3000 m up," Tony said.

"It was in the form of a bright yellow circular object."

"As we watched, it just went straight upwards at a fast but steady speed and disappeared."

"I've seen falling stars before, but I've never seen anything like this," he said.

Nottingham Evening Post

14 SEP 1974

That UFO ENGLAND — genuine

MR. PETER JACKSON, chief investigator of the Nottingham Unidentified Flying Objects Society, today said that the UFO spotted on Monday night by Susan Mackenzie over Plains Estate, Mapperley, was not an aircraft.

Mr. Jackson, who interviewed Susan and her mother, said: "The object was oval shaped and was about 300 yards away. Without doubt it was a genuine UFO."

"EXAMINER"

Launceston, Tas.

AUSTRALIA

1 AUG 1974

U.F.O. increase

THE TASMANIAN U.F.O. Investigation Centre yesterday reported a dramatic rise in the number of sightings of unidentified flying objects in the North of the State during the last year. In its latest news-sheet, the centre said sightings were reported from Waterhouse Island, Blackwall, Lilydale, Latrobe, Perth, Queenstown, Mawbanna, Burnie, Railton and Scottsdale. The Northern Tasmanian increase could fit in with a recent report from Victoria that the number of sightings there this year had almost doubled, the centre said.

Spotted: U.F.O. men

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Sept 10, 74

A Coventry man who wrote to ask us if we could help him to find local spotters of unidentified flying objects has now been linked with two Bristol people.

Mr. Donald Speed, of Woodway Lane, Walsgrave, wrote to say that in the 1950's there was an active U.F.O. group here and asked us if we could tell him where he could contact them.

Through the Bristol City Information Office and our files, we were able to find Mr. Graham Knewstubb, of 52, Nevill Road, Bishopston Tel. (Bristol 421360), of the British Flying Saucer Bureau, and he told us that their local President was Capt. E. L. Plunkett, of 71, Chedworth Road, Horfield (Tel. Bristol 696769).

Project

Now Mr. Knewstubb is writing to Mr. Speed in Coventry, and he told us that the Bureau is currently carrying out a project called "U.F.O.'s In Retrospect."

As part of the project they are visiting people in the Bristol area who have made sighting reports in the past.

A lot of their work is to help to provide data to people outside Bristol, sometimes to people writing about the subject, and they have their own library to help them.

Recruiting

In recent years they have had successful conferences in Bristol, and they are interested in recruiting people who are prepared to help them investigate reports, or look after their library.

For people who have an interest in the subject members of the British Flying Saucer Bureau committee are running a course of six lectures at North Bristol Institute of Adult Education from October 18.

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UFO sighted at Bearwood

Aug 15, 1974

A large circular spinning object with a central red light and two flashing white lights was seen over Bearwood late on Monday evening.

Mr. Philip Whitford, who lives in Poplar Avenue, Bearwood, saw the object as he was walking home along Willow Avenue.

"There was another fellow there and he pointed it out to me," said Mr. Whitford.

"I looked up and there it was. It was circular with a large central red light, and was definitely spinning. You could see the sort of reflection from the lights.

"There was absolutely no sound, either. It went directly over us from the Birmingham direction and we saw it for about three or four minutes."

The object was sighted at about 11.30 p.m. when the sky had a light cloud covering. And Mr. Whitford emphasised that he had not had a drink since 6.30 that evening.

A spokesman for Birmingham Airport said that there were positively no aircraft in the area at the time and that he would pass the information to the London centre where it would be handed to the Ministry of Defence.

Edghaston Observatory said that they had received two calls that night but that on a clear night that was average.

"I can't tell you exactly where they were because they are only listed on the phone call list," said a spokesman.

"The trouble with these reports is knowing exactly what people have seen from the description they give — which can often vary.

"However, this certainly doesn't sound like a weather balloon or anything in that line."

Mr. Derek Samson, Chairman of the National Investigation Committee for Aerial Phenomena said that this sounded like a good sighting.

"We have had quite a lot of reports from this area, especially Harborne," said Mr. Samson.

"Two or three of these have been from the police, all between the hours of 10 p.m. and 2 a.m.

"No government would test prototype craft in a built-up area where citizens could see them, so that is ruled out, and this does not sound like an aircraft or meteorological apparatus."

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WARLEY
NEWS-TELEPHONE

ENGLAND
The
Odd
Spot

Aug 15, 1974

THE MAN who thought he saw an unidentified flying object recently and wanted to remain anonymous in case people thought he was mad will be relieved to know he wasn't the only one who saw something strange hovering over the town.

Following the report of his UFO spotting, a number of people have contacted us claiming they too saw something.

Descriptions varied from "a long, yellowy red flash in the sky, moving very slowly" to "two small, pink, vapour-like trails" — but all agreed it wasn't an aircraft or a balloon.

STEVENAGE
GAZETTE
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... It Went Bleep, Bleep

BRIAN BLAIR was at his parents' home in Albert Terrace, Stranraer, last weekend when he and his mother, Kathleen went into the garden in the early hours of the morning, hoping to see Jupiter and its moons.

Both have been keen astronomers for years.

But instead they believe they may have seen a space-ship!

"I don't think it was an aeroplane, because it showed no navigation lights" and moved too fast," said Brian.

"All we saw was a light flash three or four times, pause, then flash again. This continued for five minutes."

An official of the Royal Observatory, Edinburgh, says they've had no other reports of unusual sightings on that night.

But he asks Brian to send a detailed report.

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Sunday UFO also seen by couple

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A HITCHIN couple also saw the unidentified flying object which a Stevenage man reported he observed on Sunday, July 28. (Gazette, page 13 last week.)

Mrs. May Ridgway, of 122 Burford Way, Hitchin, says that she and her husband saw what appeared as a glow in the direction mentioned by the Stevenage man.

She writes: "It was against a bank of dark night cloud and stood out quite clearly. I rushed upstairs to fetch binoculars, and was able to view for only a few seconds before the cloud covered it.

"We had watched a gas balloon the previous week and so thought that it may have been that, as it was too far off to make out what it was.

"The balloon came over the house on two evenings and had caused a glow

when the occupants turned the gas on.

"We had wondered if that was what we could see, as there seemed no reasonable explanation.

"But I must say this seemed completely out of character with anything we have ever seen before, as it was a steady glow. It was very reminiscent of the 'doodle bugs' from the last war.

"So please put your correspondent's mind at rest — we definitely did see this odd thing when he did."

Reassurance for the UFO spotter also comes from another reader, who wishes to remain anonymous, who claims to have sighted a mysterious "thing" at the same time and the same place.

"It was between the two Wymondleys," he told our Letchworth office.

"I was driving along when my wife saw a very bright light in the sky. It remained stationary for an instant, and she said it had a disc like shape."

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Did anyone else near Dartford Heath on a Saturday night about three weeks ago see anything?

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fireball in focus

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A thousand to one chance paid off for local astronomer Raymond Purvis on Tuesday night Aug 29, 74

He had just begun to observe Jupiter through his telescope at New Barn Farm, Hartford Hill, Wyton, when he caught sight of a bright object.

It turned out to be a fireball, something which is very rarely spotted through a lens, and the first Raymond has sighted.

His son Peter, also a keen amateur astronomer, said: "It was a thousand to one chance seeing that. But the chances are very good of spotting it without a telescope — anyone looking high in the west would have seen it."

The fireball was visible for about

two seconds — much longer than the more common meteors — and then disintegrated.

The fireball hovered over Huntingdon and then showered particles. Peter thinks it possible particles may have landed on the ground.

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Raymond took detailed notes of the sighting and intends to record it with the British Astronomical Association.

He recorded: "Time of sighting 11.26 p.m. I traced back the path of the fireball slightly to the south of the star Albireo in the constellation Signus.

It appeared to be brilliant white in colour with a brilliant nucleus. Compared to a meteor it was moving much more slowly and had a wider trail.

From start to finish it lasted two seconds and then disintegrated. It did not explode but faded rapidly."

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Things that go buzz in the night

LIVESTOCK and people in the northern NSW hamlet of Tyringham have been having trouble sleeping at night. The township, which consists of one shop, a few houses, and several properties, has become a mecca for UFOs.

The UFO Investigation Centre, a privately operated group, has reported more than a dozen sightings in the area in less than a month. There have been weird nocturnal buzzings, strange inter-planet helicopter noises, soaring saucers, plummeting mushrooms, and clear shaped things with flashing rear lights.

UFOIC says the first sighting was by a lady they call "Sandra F."

"Sandra F brought her husband's attention to a strange light SSW of Tyringham at 11 pm... It consisted of two flashing lights — green on the left, and red on the right, surrounded by a bluish glow. This object was watched for over two hours and was described as being very agile, zigzagging erratically all over the sky, and performing a variety of acrobatic manoeuvres. The lights were very bright. Sandra and her husband Warwick had an old horse and a cat, both of whom were very agitated during the whole sighting."

Then, a few nights later, "Jill C." awoke with an uneasy feeling and lit a cigarette. Then the room filled up with a bright white light from outside the window, even though the window was covered with dark curtains. She could not even make out a cupboard two or three feet away. Joy, the horse, had gone wild that night and was frothing, etc."

A number of the UFOs were spotted apparently touching down on nearby Honey Mountain. When several of the doubtful residents went out to track down the night sky intruders, their compass began "spinning wildly" in the area.

The UFO group hopes to investigate the sightings fully, and look for what could be landing spots. However the Honey Mountain area where they suspect the UFOs might have touched down is extremely rugged.

from: Y.J. Matsumura, Dir.
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Mainichi Daily News, Sunday, September 29, 1974

UFO Topic Keeps Town Sleepless

IIAKODATE, Hokkaido — Townsfolk of Sawara, a modest fishing port at the foot of Mt. Komagatake on Hokkaido, have become "insomniacs," for they have learned to be fascinated by unidentified flying objects that travel over the 1,140-meter-high mountain night after night.

Since someone declared them to be flying saucers, many people think they have to see those light-emitting objects for themselves and cannot go to sleep unless they see them.

The "flying saucers," which were seen only on clear nights during the summer, now can be seen on cloudy and slightly misty nights. Many witnesses say the flying objects occasionally land on the mountain.

As a great portion of the 6,800 townsfolk have seen the unidentified flying objects, they have given varying accounts of their shapes, color and flight traces.

School children who take in television science fiction stories

believe these objects came from outer space. Accounts by adults range from, "The one I saw last night was so big and it landed at the foot of the mountain" to, "I saw two red objects flying in succession and they disappeared over the mountaintop."

The uproar all started when a school pupil saw a flying object hurtling overhead while camping on the beach on the night of August 7.

"It flew from the sea in the direction of the mountain, while emitting orange-colored light and spinning as it moved horizontally," the schoolboy reported to Saburo Shiratori, 53, a night-duty man at the fire station.

Shiratori has since made it a practice to while away the long, lonely and tedious nights watching the unidentified flying objects from his watchtower and making reports to the townsfolk.

Presently he was joined in



The horizontal line indicates the flight trace of an unidentified flying object. Photo taken on the beach at Sawara Town, Kayabe-gun, Hokkaido, on September 17.

the nightly observation by Hiroshi Abe, a 36-year-old grocer who lives near the fire station.

The reports of the mysterious objects had spread all over town by the time many transient workers came home for the midsummer Buddhist All Souls' Day, and the town's "bon-odori" festival was as bustling and

gay as ever.

Every day after sunset, scores of people, men and women and young and old, gathered in the town's main plaza to see the flying saucers.

Police Sergeant Akitoshi Nagaoaka, 48, assigned to the police box near the plaza, was

also involved in the uproar.

"At first, my job was to offer protection and guidance to the children who gathered in the plaza," he said. "But I made a report to headquarters when grownups began to throng there. I received new orders—to investigate if the unidentified flying objects cause any

harm to the townsfolk or pose any potential danger to them."

So far, the flying saucers have not done any harm to anyone, but a woman had her ribs bruised when she fell while running in the dark in the direction of someone who shouted, "There! There goes the flying saucer."

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Strange lights dazzle Dongola

CR: G. DUPLANTIER

A dazzling display of fiery lights in a rain-sodden sky outside their Dongola home is the latest in a series of UFO sightings perplexing Shirley and Ron Newman. According to the young couple, they were working outside their home east of Norland ten days ago when they spotted the lights shortly after 8 p.m.

cept on one occasion when her husband noticed strange lights while closing a window.

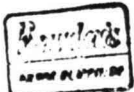
'I was sort of skeptical about it all until this happened', he said. 'Now I just don't know what to believe. I know what I saw, but I can't explain it'.

Mr. Newman is a carpenter, his wife a former Minden bank teller.

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MYSTERIOUS UFO IS SEEN IN SKY NEAR HILLSBURGH

An unidentified flying object was sighted by Marion Duncan and Olga Brown while out on a sight-seeing evening drive near Cedar Valley in the Hillsburgh district. The two Toronto women have been holidaying at the summer home of Ms. Duncan, the former Tarzwell mill.

The UFO was seen about 9 p.m. on July 28 when the two stopped to view the scenery from the popular look-out hill on 27 Sideroad west of the Fifth Line. Known locally as Somerville's Hill, the peak is about 1,600 feet above sea level and Toronto bay can be seen from there on a clear day.

'We saw this bright headlight-looking object circling east away from the sunset at a fairly high rate of speed,' said Ms. Duncan. 'It seemed small in comparison with a small aircraft which happened along at the time, travelling in the opposite direction at a much lower altitude. It was trailing an undistinguishable line of some kind as it disappeared into the clouds.'

Ms. Duncan and Ms. Brown said the UFO bore no resemblance to a kite or a balloon.

'Another race' says UFO vet

A 29-year-old Clarkson resident says he believes a Mississauga man who reported seeing a UFO last week was probably correct because he has seen two himself in the last three years.

Raymond Anderson of 2260 Bromsgrove Road said this week he had two personal experiences with unidentified flying objects.

'The first was three years ago when I was driving in North Dakota. I'd just stopped at a small town and I was on the highway when I saw a flash of red in the sky

about 50 to 80 miles away.'

Anderson, who believed in UFO's before the sightings, says the bright red flash he saw was probably the landing of a craft. No one else saw the phenomenon along the empty stretch of highway late at night.

The other experience Anderson refers to was in October of 1971. Out walking in the early morning fog, Anderson claims he saw a disc directly between himself and the sun. He said the disc remained in the same spot for about 30 seconds and then vanished. The incident occurred in Rexdale with no one else around he explains.

Anderson said he never told anyone about his experiences but he 'doesn't care what other people say.'

'I've been studying philosophy, psychology and ancient mythology and they all point to the existence of something else,' he says. 'There has to be another race.'

Anderson is a bus driver with Mississauga Transit.

A man reported to police last week that he saw an oval-shaped, white, fluorescent disc while walking along Dixie Road south of Bloor at 5 a.m. Thursday.

About the same time, Peel regional police got several complaints of a loud explosion from the Erindale area.

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UFO sighted at Centre

Workers at Muskoka Centre reported this week that an unidentified flying object was sighted from the roof of the Centre early Monday morning, but they discounted the possibility that they had seen a plane since the lights remained stationary for about two hours.

One lady (who preferred not to give her name) said that she first glimpsed the round object, high in the air, about 1 a.m. She was later joined by eight others who watched until it disappeared about 3 a.m.

There was also a report of a similar sighting in the Huntsville area about the same time. While the object remained motionless in the sky, the ladies were able to discern a tail and red, green and yellow lights on all sides.

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UFO spotting

Visitors from outer space passed through the skies over Mississauga last week, according to a report received by police.

Police say that a man has reported he was walking north on the west side of Dixie Road, south of Bloor at 5 a.m. Thursday morning when he spotted a UFO — an unidentified flying object — 'travelling rapidly across the sky in a westerly direction.'

He described the object as being an 'oval-shaped, white fluorescent disc.'

At approximately the same time, the Peel Regional Police radio room received numerous calls from residents of the Erindale complaining of loud explosion. Halton Regional Police also received calls about the noise.

The cause and location of the explosion is unknown, according to a police spokesman.

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Flit about Gull Lake

CR: G. DUPLANTIER

Two fast-moving, low-flying unidentified flying objects that darted and flitted about Gull Lake held Minden hydro worker Allan Rogers and his son enthralled last Friday evening.

The Rogers were returning home about 8 p.m. on Highway 35 when they first noticed the two objects at Miners Bay. They said they each had lights blinking, green on top and red below,

and appeared to be about two miles away. Although the lights' blinking followed no apparent pattern or sequence, the two objects appeared at one point to be following hydro tower lines at tree-top level on a north-south course. They said the two objects were unlike any known aircraft and could change direction abruptly at very high speeds.

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● UFOs — do they exist or do they not? It's a question that some people think is nearer an acceptable answer, thanks to sound observations and accounts from witnesses such as the one reproduced here by Press Artist Kevin Bailey. It was made from the tracing of a sketch that two men made when they observed a UFO over Scamander recently. On the top right is the flight pattern the man logged of the UFO and on the near right is the men's impression of the UFO. Mac Moults has the story.

A REPORT of a sighting of an unidentified flying object which made headlines in SEM three weeks ago, is now regarded as one of the best sightings made in Tasmania.

The UFO, which was watched for 1h 43 minutes by Roger Brooks, a senior English master at St Marys District School, and Gary Bensemann, a student at the Northern division of the Tasmanian College of Advanced Education, "darted about the night sky, hovered like a helicopter, and flashed coloured lights."

"This is a classic sighting," said Mr Ken Bennetto, sighting officer of Tasmanian Unidentified Flying Objects Investigation Centre, and who has been checking out the report.

The possibilities of the UFO being an aircraft, planet, or even a temperature inversion, have been ruled out.

"This is a genuine sighting of a UFO — something I'd give my back teeth to have seen myself," Mr Bennetto said. Brooks and Bensemann were walking a dog on Scamander beach when they saw an unusual pale yellow light with green and pink lights below it.

The UFO was at about 1,600ft. viewed against St Patrick's Head which is 1,600ft high and half a

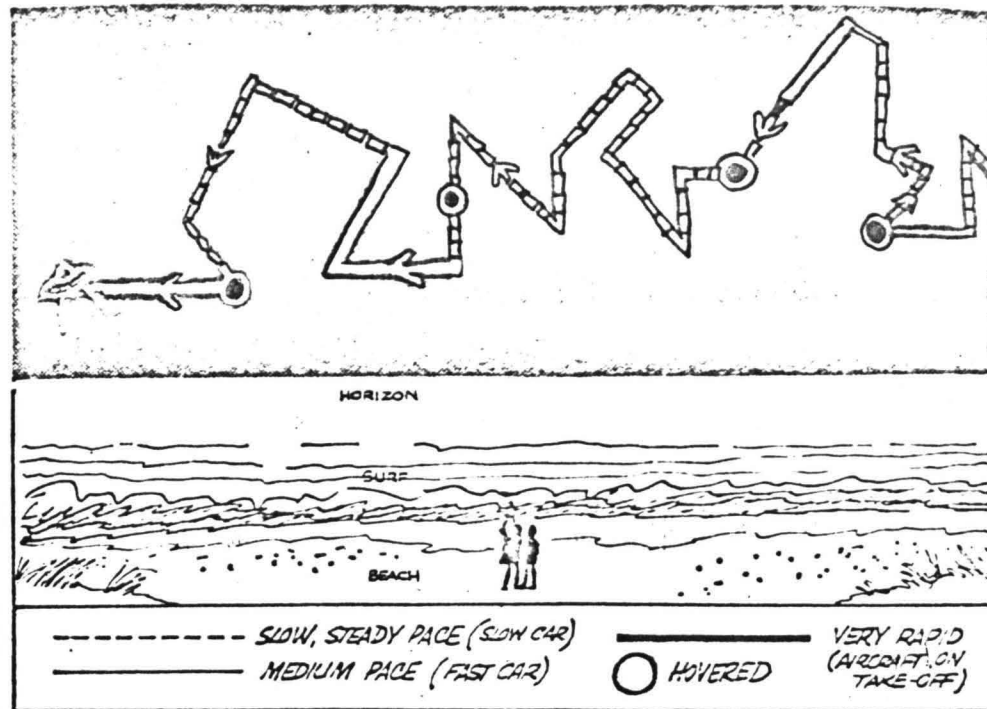
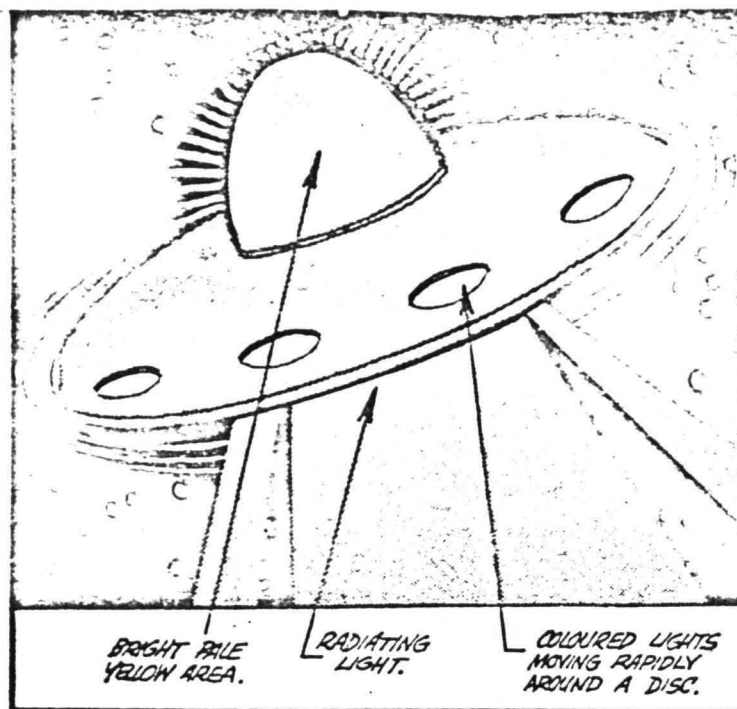
mile from the coast.

The two observers telephoned Hobart Airport but learned nothing. Then they contacted Mr Bennetto who gave instructions how to take sightings, and plot its course.

On the beach they formed a simple rectangle with two sticks driven into the sand, and another stick resting securely across the top.

Sighting through this they watched the UFO hover, move at slow and medium speeds, and at times move very rapidly like an aircraft does on take-off. At times it moved out of the "frame."

The planet Jupiter was clearly visible at the



SCAMANDER SIGHTING IS TASMANIA'S BEST

time, and aided the two men in making their calculations.

They described the UFO as being four to five times brighter than Jupiter.

It was "an object mainly composed of lights: the brightest one, pale yellow, was shaped like a sharp dome; beneath that green, pink, and occasional white and pale blue lights moved from left to right around

what appeared to be a disc like an upturned plate. This lower part did not appear solid but rather was an area of light," was how they described the UFO.

It was 10.20 pm when they made their first sighting, and the UFO had been following a diverse path in a northerly direction, but 15 minutes later it started to move south.

The two men followed it by car for eight or nine miles to Four Mile Creek.

The night was quite bright when they first saw the UFO, but half an hour later some cloud showed up. Stars tended to become dimmed, but the UFO maintained its brightness.

About 10.50 pm the UFO picked up speed along its southerly course, and an

hour later was so far away, it "looked like a star."

Fascinated by what they had seen the two men still watched until the UFO was lost to sight through cloud at 11.50 pm. The UFO reappeared briefly again at 12.02 am — it was quite distant by then — and eventually disappeared.

At 12.15 am the two

men called it a night: "We were disappointed," they said, "we could have kept on watching."

What the UFO was, where it came from, and where it went to, are of course mysteries. Mysteries as great as the reports of UFO's which can be found all through the world's least read best seller — the Bible.

All kinds of theories have been put forward as

to where UFO's originate from. Some appear sound. Some appear quite unsound.

One of the world's foremost authorities, Prof J. Allen Hynek, of Northwestern University, Illinois, told me it is his private belief that UFO's are from another dimension.

He was the United

States Government's representative on the official inquiry into UFO's, and he accuses the Government and the US Air Force of "covering up" genuine reports of UFO activity, many of the reports being made by scientists and astronomers.

Prof Hynek is still working on a world-wide probe of UFO's.

Bigfoot Sighting Brings 'Pros' To Search Area

By MARJORIE NASON
Of The News-Review

Bigfoot, the elusive, legendary man-like creature who likes his solitude, has only to make a fleeting appearance to attract swarms of people determined at least to strike up an acquaintanceship, and at most to capture or even kill him.

When Mrs. Steven (Jean) Fitzgerald, 4345 SW Carnes Rd., Roseburg, reported spotting two of the fabled creatures while camping near the Lake In The Woods Campground in the Umpqua National Forest about 30 miles east of Glide, she precipitated an avalanche of visitors to the area.

Some came armed only with cameras. Others were equipped with guns fitted to shoot tranquilizing darts into Bigfoot, also known as Sasquatch in North America, and as the Abominable Snowman or Yeti in the Himalayas, where others have been reported.

During the past week, after stories of Mrs. Fitzgerald's sightings appeared in newspapers and were broadcast over radio and television, she was contacted by several organizations wanting to come to the area, among them North American Wildlife Research and the American Yeti Expedition Film Co., sponsored through the National Wildlife Federation.

North American Wildlife Research is headed by Ron Olson, Eugene, who visited with

Mrs. Fitzgerald at her home Wednesday with his associate Mike Jay before going out to the area to seek evidence of Bigfoot's existence there.

Olson, who was associated with the late Roger Patterson who shot film footage of something he thought to be a Bigfoot several years ago, has been on the track of the big man-like creature since 1968. He said that out of hundreds of reports he had investigated, there were only three that he really believed in. He also reported finding tracks that he believed to be Bigfoot's in an area where there had been substantial reports of his appearance.

Jay, who planned to accompany Olson into the area where Mrs. Fitzgerald had reported seeing two Bigfoots, said that he was "positive that the creature exists." He said he had found tracks on three occasions, the last being found in March near Florence, where he saw two sets, one 16 inches long and the other 18. He estimated the weight of the track-leaver at 600 or 700 pounds because of the depth of the tracks.

Searching for Bigfoot is "a very competitive proposition," Olson commented, and to back up this statement, shortly after he and Jay left for the field, another group came to the Fitzgerald home.

Under the leadership of Robert Morgan, the American Yeti Expedition Film Co. arriv-

ed to question Mrs. Fitzgerald about her find, and to offer an intriguing explanation of the "raven" that she had heard while watching Bigfoot.

Morgan asked if she had ever seen the raven in Bigfoot's company, and when she replied negatively, he said that Indian legends have it that Sasquatch communicates through birdtype sounds like a raven.

Morgan and his crew, Larry Crowley, Bill Miller and Elizabeth Morgan, were to accompany Mrs. Fitzgerald to the site where she had spotted two Bigfoots (Bigfoots?). Morgan said their main objective was to get film of the Bigfoot to prove its existence in order to get funds to study it and possibly get federal laws to protect it.

Morgan, unlike Olson, said he did not want to implant a transmitter in the creature if one were captured, saying it would be too dangerous to Bigfoot. Olson and his crew were to spend a few days here before returning to the Mt. Hood area where they conduct searches for Bigfoot in the summer, and possibly return later to the Douglas County area.

Another outfit, also under the name of National Wildlife Foundation, was to come to Roseburg from Canada over the weekend, Mrs. Fitzgerald told The News-Review.

Also, she said, the Walt

Disney film company had contacted her in regard to making a movie with her and her children, Gloria, 9, and Danny, 16, who had also seen Bigfoot. She said that they had offered "a sizable amount" and that she would sign a contract to make the film. Paramount Films is also interested, she said, and indicated that she would let her attorney make the final decision on any contract with them.

"Everything has been like a dream since I spotted this creature," Mrs. Fitzgerald laughed. "I'm going to continue the search — a man from Washington is bringing down a \$25,000 camera and sound equipment for me to use. I won't stop until I get him."

Over the Labor Day weekend, the Fitzgerald family searched caves on Quartz Mountain seeking for evidence that Bigfoot was occupying one, but the search was futile. Later, however, Mrs. Fitzgerald said that she had found evidence to indicate that "he will be here this winter."

"He has supplies put away that I found in another cave," she said, "berries, red huckleberries, lots of dried frogs, stacks of branches and red maple limbs, and an enormous amount of bark, small, like shavings." She said she had found this in a cave which was "not near the Quartz Mountain caves."

The Toronto Sun, Tuesday, August 6, 1974 5

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Vampire admits killing for blood

NUERNBERG, W. Ger-
many (Reuters) — A quiet-
looking bespectacled man
went on trial here yesterday
as a notorious "Vampire of
Nuernberg" whose exploits
have rocked the nation.

Kuno Hofmann, 41 was
charged with murdering a
young couple found courting in
a car, then sucking the blood
from their necks.

Hofmann, who admitted the
crime, also claims to
have broken into 35 mortuaries
throughout West Germany to
drink the blood of fresh cor-
pses.

A wave of mortuary
break-ins supports his claims.
Hofmann was also charged
with the attempted murder of
a nightwatchman shot during
a mortuary break-in.

The court is sitting in a
courtroom once used for Nazi
war crime trials. All seats
available to the public were
quickly filled after sensational
publicity on the trial swept
West Germany.

The first of two
psychiatrists appointed by the
court, Dr. Eberhard Roessler-
Hofmann, said Hofmann had
lost touch with the world and
was unfit to stand trial.

But a colleague, Dr. Hans
Schildmayer, disagreed.
Schildmayer told the court
that Hofmann himself was
largely responsible for his
"hysterical condition."

The court then adjourned
until today when a third
psychiatrist's opinion will be
heard.

If Hofmann is judged unfit
to plead he faces confinement
in a mental institution for the
rest of his life.

Klamath Falls, Ore.
Herald & News
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'Motion' Device Explodes; 2 Die

ROCKFORD, Ill. (AP) — Two
Rockford men, were killed when
a "perpetual motion" machine
they were working on exploded.

Mark N. Richardson, 25, was
killed instantly by a piece of
metal striking him in the head,
authorities said. John Billstrom,
38, died of head injuries later in
a hospital.

The accident occurred Thurs-
day in a machine shop belonging
to Billstrom's father, Edwin.
Billstrom said he heard an elec-
tric motor start, and shortly
after that there was a terrific
vibration and a series of
crashes.

Richardson's sister, Christine,
said her brother had quit his job
as a draftsman about six
months ago to devote all his
time to perfecting the perpetual
motion device.

★ Bigfoot Is Back

ROSEBURG (UPI)—Bigfoot has popped up again—this time in Douglas County.

Mrs. Jean Fitzgerald of Roseburg said she and her family spotted an 8-foot monster with black fur several weeks ago when they were camping in the Umpqua National Forest about 27 miles southeast of Glide.

"We think he may just be the legendary Bigfoot or Sasquatch who is said to roam this area," she said.

Last week, she said, a second sighting was made.

"We saw him around 11:30 p.m. and he had black fur, looked sort of like a gorilla but walked upright as a man and was monstrously big," she said.

Mrs. Fitzgerald said the creature "seems to love candy bars and that's the only thing it will take from our campgrounds."

She said she planned to return to the area each weekend as long as weather permits in hopes of seeing and capturing the creature on film.

Scientific crew spent 4 months hunting Bigfoot in Cougar area

By Ken Rosenthal
Daily News Staff Writer

If we are to believe Bob Morgan, leader of the American Yeti Expedition, there is an eight foot tall, hairy critter—a Sasquatch—roaming the forest near the foot of Mt. St. Helens.

Morgan and his team have been based in Cougar since May in search of this creature that science has scoffed at until recently.

Morgan does not scoff. He claims to have seen the creature three times, the last sighting taking place July of this year on the south slopes of the mountain.

He said he heard a whistle and saw a black blur that obscured a stand of trees as it moved quickly away. He ran to the area but could not see. However, another member of the team saw the head and shoulders of the creature as it disappeared down a slope.

Examination showed freshly turned scuff marks, fresh mud on logs and large footprints on the pine needle floor. "We have not drawn conclusions. It appears to be a valid sighting," Morgan said. "It is still under analysis."

Such caution is typical. Morgan knows the sightings are not verifiable. "My problem is" collecting scientifically acceptable evidence so the creature can be protected. This is unprecedented. We're doing this so science will accept Bigfoot as a zoological fact without killing or confining him.

Morgan and his co-workers take exception to many of the people and groups trying to locate the elusive creature. Several groups are attempting to capture or shoot Bigfoot, which Morgan admits is a practical approach in terms of verification, but counter to the goals of his expedition.

"We have people in the group whose scientific reference is such that they wouldn't associate with an ill-organized, or wrongly motivated, effort," he said. "We are conservation motivated and scientifically oriented—we'll stand the test of time."

The creature they seek has many names, depending on the place he is reported seen. Bigfoot and Sasquatch are usually associated with the Northwest; the creature is called "Momo" in Missouri and "Skunk Ape" in the Everglades. The expedition has used Yeti, the name of the Himalayan creature, in its title because it is the international name.

The crew Morgan has assembled to find the many-named creature offer a wide range of talents, and are:

—Michael Polesnek, who Morgan calls "the finest woodsman I've had the pleasure of working with." He is an ex-Marine and has been known to track in the Everglades without shoes;

—Ann Swain, a trained observer with a sociology degree;

—Laymond Hardy, teacher of biology, chemistry and zoology who has written numerous articles for National Geographic magazine; he has a degree in botany from the University of Florida;

—Don Blake, a classmate of Hardy, is a horticulturist, botanist and ecologist with field experience in plant and animal identification from Mexico to Alaska;

—Len Aiken, who is regarded by his co-workers as an Indian historian without peer;

—John Crowder, a zoologist with the National Fish and Wildlife Service, division of ecological surveys in Atlanta;

—Elizabeth Moorman, described by Morgan as an intelligent and sensitive student of biology, she will attempt to make contact with Bigfoot utilizing the techniques of Jane Goodall.

Morgan called himself a "coordinator of skills." He was a computer specialist with the Federal Aviation Administration in Washington, D.C., at one time. He will be the new president of the American Anthropological Research Foundation.

Polesnek said Morgan has handled the project with precision. "He's sure of his movements. The group functions well as a team."

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Area UFO Confirmed As Advertising Plane

Officials at the Columbiana County Airport today confirmed that the "flying saucer" reported by several persons Wednesday night was an advertising airplane owned by Lee Holland of Aliquippa.

Holland was testing his airplane for Federal Aviation Administration approval.

The airplane is equipped with a framework containing numerous lights, and as the pilot feeds a message into a computer in the aircraft, the lights form the message.

In addition to the field team, Morgan has enlisted a scientific advisory board of 17 persons, including such notable scientists as Dr. Carlton Coon, a prominent anthropologist, and Dr. George Agogine, director of the Paleo-Indian Institute in New Mexico and a former member of the scientific advisory board for the Hillary expedition in the Himalayas.

Morgan describes the team's method of operation as a "complimentary approach." The goal is a "programmed contact" with Bigfoot, which in the initial stages involves collecting sightings over the past five years.

He said there have been over 1,000 recorded incidents involving Bigfoot, and realizes that every report has brought laughter from authorities.

"The majority of the reports I get are mistakes, imaginations and in some cases outright hoaxes," Morgan said. "But with many reports the people are either mistaken, or they saw something."

Aiken's knowledge of Indian legends also is involved at this stage. "The Indians speak a symbolic language," Morgan said. "But it is always based on fact. Indian legends have provided me with greater insight than I could have achieved with ignoring them."

Morgan pointed out that western man didn't believe the black man when he told about the mountain gorilla, or the yellow man when he spoke of the panda bear.

"Now the red man is trying to tell us something," he said. "There are 225 different Indian legends dealing with Bigfoot, involving 195 tribal units."

Another preliminary step involves determining if an area can sustain a creature such as Bigfoot. Hardy and Blake have determined that the area around Mt. St. Helens is a likely place to find such a creature.

"We're trained to believe what we see," Hardy said. "I'm not a believer and I'm not a disbeliever. There could be such a thing."

The group thinks the creature follows food north from Northern California during the summer, following berries and animals. Hardy said the area at the foot of Mt. St. Helens abounds with blackberries, three types of huckleberries, sorbis berries and succulent bushes, a food source for bears.

"We're involved with the pure biological aspects of the expedition," Hardy said. "The others are involved in tracking and locating the creature."

The tracking is Polesnek's job. He is sent into areas to locate evidence (he said he has found prints, hair and other evidence believed to be left by Bigfoot). The expedition believes it has determined three suspected movement routes used by the creatures.

Much of this phase involves arduous tracking, running the four-wheel drive vehicles at night on the tricky back roads that crisscross the wilderness and special monitoring equipment, such as star telescopes.

Morgan said the next step is to send in gentle, passive people. Although every member of the group seemed to fit the profile of gentleness and passivity—there is not a weapon in the camp—the specific assignment is Ms. Moorman's.

She has been camping alone in a remote area of wilderness along one of the suspected travel routes.

"I am certain any living thing will respond to your attitude," she said. She described her approach as very pacific, and said she thinks physical contact with Bigfoot is a definite possibility.

"I hope for a relationship of sorts, but I don't have any idea what sort of relationship it would be," she said. "Bigfoot will be 50 per cent of that relationship."

She is willing to give the creature a measure of terror if she encounters one. "I'll be startled, then I will complete a series of pacific movements depending on the situation." She will also be taking pictures.

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What the group hopes to achieve is the first film of Bigfoot with qualified people present to verify it, Morgan said. The group is also prepared to tranquilize the creature, but Morgan quickly pointed out that the procedure is tricky and that he would not attempt it without a qualified physician on hand.

The group's concern for the safety of their quarry is grounded deeply in principles of conservation. Morgan feels Bigfoot is on a collision course with extinction.

First, Morgan said that even if Bigfoot is left alone, he will be forced to steadily retreat in the face of man's continual encroachment into wild areas. He said this encroachment is severing contact between groups of the animals, therefore reducing procreation among the species.

"It is becoming harder for them to have intergroup relations," Morgan said. "Bigfoot is not a gregarious creature; he has no natural enemies. Our gregariousness is necessary for survival."

Secondly, Morgan said that if man does make contact, he will act violently towards the creature. "Man is such a fearful creature. He destroys anything he can't control, utilize or understand."

Morgan described the creature as more man-ape than ape-man. He said Bigfoot is covered with hair, walks erect

and seems to live in small family groups. He is non-aggressive, semi-nomadic and does not appear to have articulate speech.

He said the creature does not appear to have an opposing thumb; is a tool user, but not a tool maker; and is known to use rocks as missiles and for communication (by banging them together).

He said the creatures have a diet similar to the black bear and are capable of eating greenery. It is not known if the creature gathers food of how it spends the winter.

"They seem to be intelligent, gentle and well adapted to their environment," Morgan said.

Hogwash, you say? If you do, you are hardly alone. "Healthy skepticism is great," Morgan said, "but not the closed-minded kind." He has dealt with the skeptics, and he knows their disbelief is an obstacle.

Why haven't loggers seen Bigfoot? is a question he encounters frequently. "Their attention is demanded by their job," he said. "The noise made by loggers—the saws, the trucks, the talky-tooters; loggers haven't stopped to see about it. How many times have loggers seen a cougar, or a wolf?"

He added that there have been "two damn good reports" from loggers near the Washougal River and Hood River recently. "There were three loggers in each group," Morgan said. "One of the men has been working the woods for 18 years and was a complete skeptic, and he says he saw Bigfoot."

Why haven't we ever found a skeleton of the creature? "Perhaps we have," Morgan responded. "We believe we saw a skull pan of one, but the anthropologist studying it can't identify it, and won't release his findings until he can."

Crowder said, "It's hard to find carcasses of any creature. Dampness takes care of a lot, and Bigfoot exists in small numbers anyway."

Morgan indicated it has been a major problem getting funds to study the creature. He said it is hard finding someone to fund a study for a creature that officially

doesn't exist. Morgan quickly added that the only way that existence can be verified is through a properly funded study.

The current expedition has been sponsored through the National Wildlife Federation, a 3.5 million member private conservation organization. It put up \$40,000 for the project, which Morgan calls "sufficient to dig the foundation and erect the walls, but insufficient to put the roof on."

Next year the group will be under the auspices of the American Anthropological Research Foundation.

The members of Morgan's team get paid according to need, but from their enthusiasm it is plain they would work for free.

"I've stayed up 60 hours straight tracking once," Polesnek said. "It's a seven-day, 24-hour job, and when you're done in the field you beat your brains out on the maps."

Despite such rigors, the team is cheerful and relaxed. As one crew came in to the base camp at The Lone Fir trailer court in Cougar, there was harmonica playing and dancing. It appeared to be a very close-knit group. By now, however, the group has split up.

Polesnek and Ms. Swain have left to set up winter operations in the Everglades by now. The others, except for Ms. Moorman and Morgan, have also departed. When the snow comes to the mountain area Moorman will give up her attempt at passive contact and Morgan will pack up and head for Florida.

But he will be back to Gifford Pinchot next spring, after working his way up from Northern California, in search of a creature most people don't believe exists, and most of the rest of the people think may be a possibility, but want to see irrefutable evidence.

Bob Morgan's American Yeti Expedition just might put the lid on the Sasquatch puzzle. If it does, it will bring forth a revolution in physical anthropology. If it doesn't, the hairy man-ape called Bigfoot will be seen, reported and hunted until the reality or the hoax is proven.

LOCH NESS has nothing on the Columbia River when it comes to monsters. Witness this near-six-foot sturgeon displayed by Lawrence Goudy of The Dalles, whose son Gordon, 13, and nephew Melvin Lucel, 19, caught fish in Columbia on a sturgeon line near second tunnel (up-river from Stevenson) this week. Estimates placed the giant at several

hundred pounds. While boys were pulling the sturgeon up to their boat, they report they saw a bigfoot which waded into the water, came quite close and watched for about 15 minutes before it turned, left the river, and headed back into the mountains bordering the Columbia Gorge.

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Strands of Hair Deepen Sasquatch Riddle

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Strands of hair found in association with huge man-like footprints in a remote area near Mt. St. Helens have been identified as human, the director of the American Yeti Expedition disclosed yesterday.

Robert Morgan, leader of a group of scientists and trackers searching this summer for the legendary Sasquatch or Bigfoot, said the hair was found about a month ago and analysis has just been completed.

"It's something we're very excited about," Morgan said yesterday from his base camp in the town of Cougar.

Many people have suggested in the past that Bigfoot is some kind of ape. Morgan said the hair could eventually lead to proof that Bigfoot is human.

Morgan said two of his trackers were on a trail in a densely forested area next to wilderness. They rounded a hillside and came upon a small stream that had cut a notch in the hill.

As they started to cross the creek, they noticed an "extremely fresh" scuff mark on a moss-covered rock. The hair samples were taken from the rock.

Searchers two days later concluded that some-

thing apparently heard the trackers coming. It went up the stream about 20 yards, then circled to the left above the trackers.

Morgan said the hair was examined by a microbiologist in Portland named Mary Joe Florey. She concluded it was human hair from the lower extremities, probably an ankle or leg.

"If it was a Bigfoot, then it opens up many new doors," Morgan said. It could suggest a mutation in a heretofore unknown human evolutionary link.

Analysis of the hair will continue, he said, and

comparisons will be made with human hair he recovered from a fence two years ago.

At that time, the hair and huge man-like tracks were found in an area where a deer and cattle had been killed by something very large. The heads of the animals had been chewed and ripped off.

Morgan also has an unidentified hair sample from another expedition.

Morgan said the hunt will continue in the area "until the snow flies."