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# UFO Photo Backed

The director of the International Association for the Investigation of the Unexplained said Sunday he has received more proof that a 1965 photo of an Unidentified Flying Object taken by a 14-year-old Tulsa youth is authentic.

Hayden Hewes, who has been studying UFOs for 18 years, said he sent a copy of the color photo taken by Alan Smith to William H. Spaulding, director of Ground Saucer Watch Inc., Phoenix, Ariz.

GSW examined the photo

with a computer that made two computerized (digitized) Polaroid outputs.

The outputs show electronic cursor lines which profile the exact shape, density and substance. The ridge effect of the cursor reveals a disc shape with low spots where there are no lights.

The enhanced view made by the computer reveals the shape of the object.

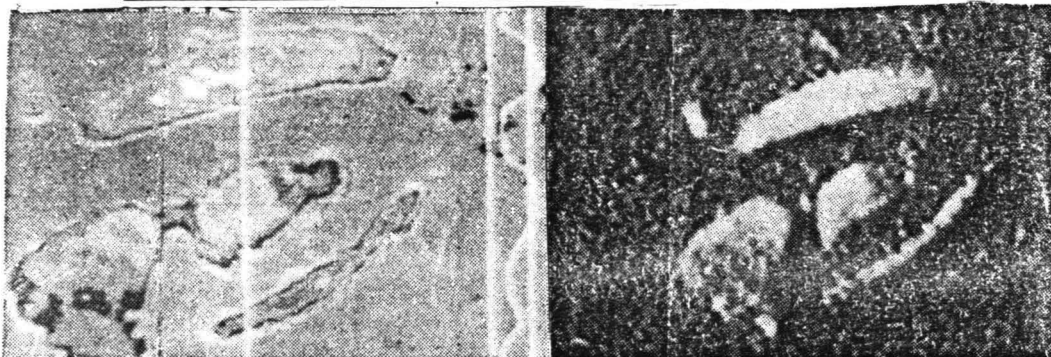
"For the first time, we have been given the exact shape," said Hewes. "The method they

used is the same as satellite pictures.

"If it were a hoax, this process would have found it.

"This is the only UFO I have observed," Hewes said. "That is why, after 18 years, I am convinced they're real. That's what has maintained my interest."

The Air Force studied the photo and could neither confirm nor deny the identification of it as a flying object, he said. The report said it was an object it could not identify.



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UFO: Two Views

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## UFO's Haunting Northwest

A flurry of sightings of an unidentified flying object made the headlines in the daily newspapers last week. One such report was made by Mrs. Howard Sartain, who claimed she saw a UFO on the empty highway between Whitefish and Olney, last Friday evening, October 17. She reported to Dave Knadler, Interlake reporter, that she had just gotten off work at Whitefish and was enroute to her home in Olney when she noticed the object in her rearview mirror.

She described it as a big orange ball, which seemed to be moving about the same speed as she was moving, and staying the same distance, for about three minutes. Then it "kind of went down like it was going into the road."

Another sighting was made by a resident of Columbia Falls, who reported a big ball of light on top of Columbia Mountain.

John Struble of Libby was driving a truck the same Friday evening on Flesher pass, about 24 miles out of Helena when he had a startling experience with a UFO also. He described the object as hovering about 50 feet above ground with four green lights flashing, its spotlight flinding him as he sat paralyzed in his cement truck which had suddenly lost all power. The incident reportedly happened just as he started to climb Flesher Pass. The object appeared approximately 100 yards ahead of him, hovering for five minutes. The lights in Struble's truck went dead and the truck came to a standstill—while lights from the UFO lit up the whole canyon.

He described the UFO as making a noise just like those big jet engines at the airport, rocketed straight up into the air, and pulled away to the east at an unbelievable speed. Moments after getting his truck underway again, Struble noted that his watch apparently had been stopped too.

Note: Additional UFO clippings from Montana in this issue.

Fayetteville, North Carolina (OBSERVER) October 22, 1975

## UFO<sup>s</sup> Experts: Robeson Sightings Were Genuine

By BILL WRIGHT

Staff Writer

LUMBERTON — Scientists at the Center for UFO Studies, Evanston, Ill., have concluded that the UFOs sighted in Robeson County during a four-night period last April were genuine.

Mrs. Jennie Zeidman, technical editor and investigator for the center, said Wednesday that after intensive study by herself and two other center scientists the staff had concluded that the UFO (unidentified flying object) could not be explained "in terms of any known, natural or manufactured phenomenon."

However, at the time of the sightings air traffic controllers at Grannis Field in Fayetteville identified the UFOs as jet test runs.

Alex McLeod, assistant air traffic control chief, said the object was actually a low-flying Piedmont Airlines 737 jet in the area on a pilot training flight.

Mrs. Ziedman arrived here Sunday and spent three days interviewing people who saw the object in preparation for writing a technical report on the sightings.

Mrs. Ziedman was the third technical investigator from the center to study the Robeson County sightings. She said she came to "clear up some facts and discrepancies in the report and get the feel of the situation."

On four separate nights last April an unidentified object was sighted over

various parts of Robeson County and at least once over Bladen County.

She called the sighting "an interesting UFO flap."

"We feel it was significant because there were so many observations over a four-night span," she said.

"The reports were quite consistent, she said. "Thirty-nine police officers were among the observers and we feel this has some validity in terms of reliable people who have had some degree of training in observation and reporting."

Mrs. Zeidman said the Center for UFO Studies is a group of 24 scientists who are seriously interested in the UFO problem and "who have studied it seriously and extensively and have absolutely concluded that it is a problem worthy of scientific research."

Mrs. Zeidman said 80 per cent of UFO sightings can be explained, but 20 per cent remain unexplained.

She said a television show aired Monday night, "The UFO Incident," erred in having a psychiatrist say that 95 per cent of UFOs are explained.

"This is absolutely incorrect," Mrs. Zeidman said. "Unknowns are not five per cent, they are 20 per cent. It is significant that throughout the 30 or so years that UFOs have been seriously studied on a worldwide basis, the unknowns remain at about 20 per cent in terms of any known, natural or manufactured phenomenon."

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## Was 'ball of light' a UFO?

BY BERT WORKUM  
Kentucky Post Staff Writer

It might have been the spectre of Halloween, coming up this Friday—or the ghost of a TV show from last Monday, called "The UFO Incident"—but Campbell County Ptl. Robert Perry's sure he saw "strange lights" flying through the sky early this morning.

In fact, Perry said, he saw the lights twice, and he saw more than one of them.

The first spotting was about 2:30 a.m., as the 28-year-old policeman was cruising north of Alexandria on U.S. 27.

"I saw this ball of light in the southeast sky," said Perry, who estimated it was 80 degrees above the horizon, or almost directly overhead.

The light "appeared to move closer and then far away," in a zooming effect, and "to move from side to side" before moving further to the southeast. But the light never did disappear, Perry said.

The patrolman radioed headquarters, "and I heard reports over radio from other cars all over the county—Highland Heights and Dayton."

Night Dispatcher Ed Stein called the report in to Cincinnati's UFO (Unidentified Flying Object) Center, "and they said it was some planet supposed to be close to the earth," day Dispatcher Joan Volhenheim told The Kentucky Post.

But Perry said the light "was brighter than any planet or star. Nothing in the sky as bright as them. Not even the moon."

And the second time Perry noticed the UFOs, about 4:30 a.m., there were two of them.

"I was coming up (Ky.) 1998 (in Cold Spring) and there was one on my right and one on my left. I was driving right between the two of 'em—and they were awful close," Perry said.

Cincinnati police also spotted the UFOs, but their sightings came earlier.

Sgt. Lester Muse, District Six (east side), said several of his men reported a "white light with little red lights" at each end around 11 p.m.



THE CHAT HELD IN HIS HANDS by Bt. Prairie Town Clerk Ivan Phillips has burnt look and smell. They were near strange circle in his driveway which Doris Blackford points to. Was this a UFO landing?



## UFO Landing At Burnt Prairie?

A visitor from outer space? Well, folks at Burnt Prairie aren't sure, but they've got a mystery on their hands.

Twice in the past week, a mysterious circle has appeared in the yard at the Ivan Phillips home, next door to the A & M

Truck Brokers office.

### First Sighting

The first sighting of the mysterious "happening" came a week ago Sunday, when Mr. Phillips discovered a perfect circle of "burnt" grass in his front yard. Actually, the circle was not exceptionally noticeable in the grass, except for the burnt look of the circle itself which had a diameter of 3 to 4 inches.

But Wednesday night, another "circle" appeared, this time in a chat driveway.

This circle, again showing signs of high pressure blowing against the chat, was smaller, perhaps two feet in diameter. The circle was again perfectly round, and again about 3-4 inches in its own diameter, according to Mr. Phillips.

### Chat Was Burnt

Nearby chat appeared burnt and three tripod leg prints were noticeable outside the circle, as if something of a three legged nature had landed there.

A group from Mt. Vernon interested in UFO's, one formerly a government operative, came to the Phillips home Sunday and took pictures, and burnt rock samples.

### Power Went Off

Another oddity...the power went off at 9 o'clock Wednesday night for some unknown reason, and was off about 3 to 4 minutes. "It went off again Sunday night, at the same time, and I got out but found nothing amiss," Bill Musgrave, of A & M Truck Brokers, told the Press.

What is it?

Wayne Co. PRESS (Fairfield, Ill.)  
Sept. 8, 1975

## UFOs over Olathe

Red, green and white glowing objects in the sky were observed Monday night by an Olathe family, who contacted police.

Three glowing objects were observed west of the home of Kenneth Hoffman, 509 Ridge in Olathe's southwest residential area. A fourth

object, also red, green and white was observed south of the house and a fifth object of the same description in a northeasterly direction.

The Olathe policeman reported, after observing the objects for about 15 minutes, one of the westerly lights moved at a high rate of speed toward the south. Others remained stationary.

There was no determination as to what the objects might be.

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## UFO Sighting Is Reported

The Aitkin County Sheriff's Office received a report of an Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) early Tuesday morning, October 21, in the McGregor area.

The call came at 1:38 a.m. from Darrell Bruggman who stated that he had been awakened by his dogs and a neighbor's dogs barking. According to the report, Bruggman went out into the yard to check on the commotion, and discovered the electric meter was making a funny beeping noise.

Bruggman stated that he saw a very bright white light about 100 feet above the

ground about a mile south of his home. He reported that the light came down to the ground, and he heard a funny noise which he couldn't explain. The light went out when a truck passed by on the highway, and then it suddenly reappeared.

At this point, Bruggman went and got his wife who also witnessed the light. The light suddenly went off and two red lights came on. Bruggman judged the lights to be about 25 to 50 feet apart. The object then disappeared.

Coincidentally, the sighting came just hours after the television running of NBC's, "The UFO Incident."

DEAR SUBSCRIBERS: Please forgive the 2 week delay with this issue. Our DECEMBER issue will be mailed in 2 weeks and our Jan. issue will be out at our usual 25th of the month mailing date. Thank-U.



# Eerie lights liven Grant Co. nights

By JIM MILLER CRJ Joe Brill  
Telegraph Herald State Editor

LANCASTER, Wis. — Couple a cattle mutilation with alleged sightings of unidentified flying objects, mix in a few foggy nights and the result is bound to be apprehension and, in some instances, downright fear.

That's what is happening in Grant County, Wis.

"These darn things have got everybody scared, and, for the life of me, I can't see anything to it," says Sheriff Percy Stich.

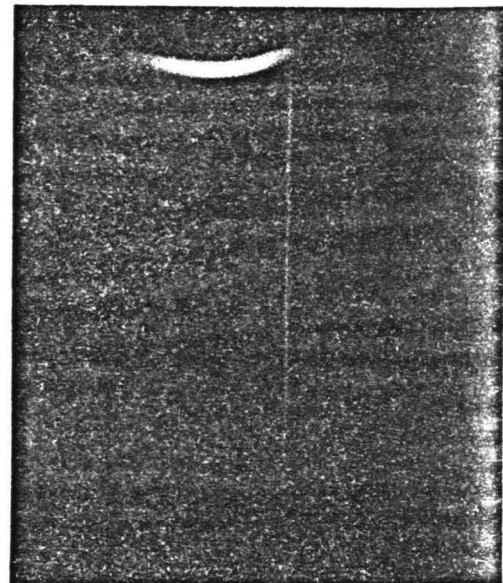
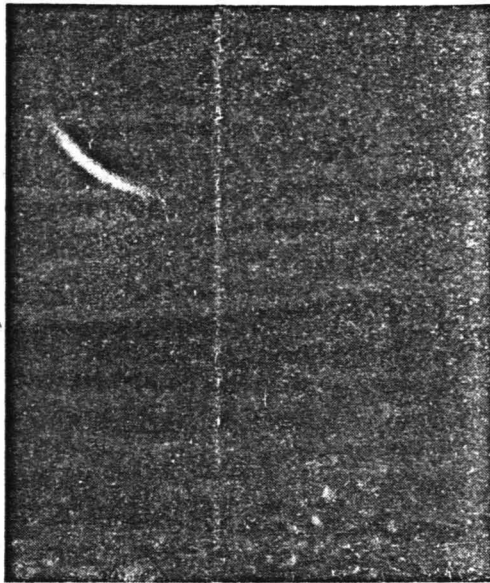
Stich and his 15 deputies would much rather serve as peace officers than traipse through the hollows around Patch Grove north of here searching for UFOs people reported seeing on several nights.

Curiosity got the best of dozens of northern Grant County residents who jumped in their cars and pickups and jammed gravel roads Thursday night after monitoring police-band radio calls that a Patch Grove farmer claimed he saw a UFO landing on a hill in his pasture.

Bud Allen, night dispatcher at the sheriff's office here, said the farmer, Harold Posten, called about 8 p.m. Thursday and "told me that a ball of light hovered on a top of the hill and lit up the whole valley."

Posten's alleged sighting couldn't be confirmed by the sheriff's deputy sent to the scene, a conservation warden or other persons interviewed who had been in the area that night. However, his report prompted other accounts of unidentifiable lights in the hollows near Posten's farm that night.

Sheriff Stich said reports of UFO sightings began filtering into his office last Tues-



These photographs of an "unidentified flying object" were taken by a Grant County, Wis., sheriff's deputy Tuesday night near Fennimore. He estimated the object was about 1,000 feet above ground. Treetops are barely visible at bottom left.

day. He then notified the National Center for Unidentified Flying Objects (UFO) Studies in Evanston, Ill.

The center sent two investigators to Lancaster. They learned that a dead 500-pound Holstein owned by Ivan Schmidt of Patch Grove was discovered in a pasture Tuesday morning, its left ear and tongue cut off with a sharp instrument.

Some area residents speculate that the

reported UFO sightings and the cow mutilation are connected, although a UFO center spokesman said last week that such a connection has never been established.

Tuesday night, a large bright light was seen in the sky at the west edge of Fennimore, about 30 miles east of the Schmidt farm. The phenomenon was photographed by a sheriff's deputy and the film is being held by the two volunteer investigators from,

## Red, white UFOs reported in blue over north suburbs

By Phillip J. O'Connor

A number of residents of north and northwest suburbs said they spotted unidentified flying objects early Friday.

"I picked up the shade and there was this thing up there," said Mrs. Cynthia Zusel, 29, of 9001 Golf, Des Plaines.

"It looked like a super star. It was changing shape as it was glimmering. I almost dropped dead."

Mrs. Zusel said she and her husband watched the object for 90 minutes. "It was bigger than a star. It wasn't an airplane, not moving. As the sky became light, it faded downward behind the other buildings."

DISK JOCKEYS Wally Phillips of WGN and Chuck Benson of WIND both received a number of calls from persons who reported seeing UFOs.

Some of the callers said that they saw bright red objects hovering and darting about in the O'Hare Airport area.

However, a spokesman for the Federal Aviation Administration said that air controllers in the O'Hare tower didn't report any unusual objects in the sky.

LAWRENCE Ciupik, an astronomer at the Adler Planetarium, said those who saw white lights may have been seeing stars, or the planet Venus in the east.

However, stars and planets don't dart about like the object sighted near O'Hare, he added.

"One of the hardest things to recognize or make a report on is a night-time observation of a UFO," he added.

"Motion, color and distance all make for a poor case history of the sightings."

THE CENTER for UFO Studies, headed by Northwestern University astronomy Prof. J. Allen Hynek, was investigating the sightings.

However, none of them here was as interesting as one near Toronto about 8 p.m. Tuesday night that the center also is investigating.

Margo Metegrano, Hynek's administrative assistant, said, "The report we have is that Robert Sufferin saw a bright light outside and thought his barn was on fire."

"He dashed outside and saw this bright object 20 to 30 feet in diameter and 12 to 15 feet high."

"A humanoid creature 4½ feet tall walked quickly toward a fence, then disappeared. It just seemed to float away. The UFO took off vertically and disappeared."

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the UFO studies center.

Lee Mehciz, one of those investigators, said the photographs show the object in a "typical UFO flying pattern, banking from side to side."

Dr. Jeff Davis, a Bloomington veterinarian who checked the dead cow on Schmidt's farm, said the cow died of natural causes, probably pneumonia. "The cuts were probably made after death, however, because there wasn't much blood around it," he said.

Dr. Davis said he believes something may have frightened the cow and caused it to run. "It was probably over-exciting itself, trying to catch its breath, and it developed emphysema in its lung," causing the death, he said.

Mehciz, one of the investigators for the UFO studies center, said Saturday that his investigation is still in its initial stage. He said conclusions cannot be drawn until early this week.

Mehciz said he has determined that "enough people saw something — some unusual lights which apparently hovered as low as tree-top level in one instance — that we've got to take them seriously and say that what they saw was, to them, unexplainable or unidentifiable."

Mehciz said, however, that a heavy fog that shrouded much of the county several nights last week may have caused some people to see things they can't explain. "Fog does have a tendency to deceive the eye," he added.

Sheriff Stich offered still another theory about the lights. He said light diffused from coon hunters' flashlights on a dark, foggy night "could be a logical explanation."

Credit: JOE BRILL

## Sighting Of UFO Claimed: Rio Del Mar

If the recent rash of reports ON UFOs is based on any kind of fact, there are more flying saucers around here than TWA stewardess use for serving in-transit cups of coffee.

The latest saucer crept into Rio del Mar. Well, it didn't actually go into Rio—just up to its beach.

Laura Thomas, 11, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Thomas of 416 Rio del Mar Boulevard, knows it was there.

Because she saw it hovering over the beach Tuesday while it tried to decide whether it wanted to come ashore.

If it did come aboard, it must have sneaked in. Laura thinks, because it hid behind a cloud and dropped out of sight after she had watched it awhile.

Realizing that not everybody gets the privilege of seeing a UFO, Laura arranged to have proof to cite to all Doubting Thomases: Four other Rio del Mar School students saw it at the same time.

Laura and her visionary friends saw the visitor at about 2:20 p.m. Tuesday through a school window. But apparently not everybody saw it, because school administrators say the school has not become overrun with reports.

The saucer, Laura notes, was "a roundish thing with a hump in the middle." Since it was so far away, she is not positive how big it was, but it probably was "about the size of a normal car."

And it was equipped with four things that looked like metal flags.

It was headed south when it went behind the cloud and was traveling faster than any airplane Laura ever saw. It was shiny "like tinfoil," and was so bright the glister almost hurt Laura's eyes.

It was about 100 feet high.

SOURCE: Vacaville, California REPORTER Oct. 19, 1975

Scores of persons from Davis to Vallejo reported seeing — and perhaps hearing — multi-colored unidentified flying objects in the clear sky Thursday night, police agencies reported.

A Vacaville policeman who saw lights dismissed them as a C5 Galaxy on an approach to Travis Air Force Base. Other descriptions matched his observation, he said.

But two California Highway Patrol officers who also saw the lights in the Allendale area "couldn't identify them as planes or anything else," a CHP lieutenant told the Reporter. One of the officers is an experienced aircraft pilot, he stated.

Davis police reported the sightings to the Center for UFO Studies in Chicago. Officials of that national organization promised to investigate.

Descriptions of the size, shape and speed of the objects varied greatly. But all reported flashing lights.

The first sighting was reported at 8:20 p.m. by Mary Landeros of Davis, who told Davis police she and her children spotted a saucer-like object hovering in the sky. It darted off rapidly to the west in a matter of seconds, she said.

### Lights

Mrs. Landeros and her neighbor, Nia Silvers, said they saw the saucer tilt on its side before it sped off. Mrs. Silvers said that when it tilted, she saw red,

white, blue, green and yellow lights dotting the outline of the saucer.

"When it moved," Mrs. Silver said, "I could barely even track it til it stopped again. When it moved, there was a flash of light and then it was in a different place."

"It moved back and forth in the sky before tilting on its side, and there was no way in the world it could have been a helicopter or a plane."

Mrs. Silver also called a friend in Allendale north of Vacaville, Sandra Smith of 1518 Elizabeth Road. Mrs. Smith and her whole family reported seeing and hearing the UFO.

Mrs. Smith called it "dome-like." The flashing lights were red and blue-

green, and one time "it lit all up like a spotlight," she told the Reporter.

"I saw it for most of an hour," she said. "It moved faster than a jet."

### "Over Our House"

Mrs. Smith's daughter, Tina, 14, was the first Vacaville area resident to spot the object.

"It was flying right over our house," she told the Reporter. "It was big, and round. It went off toward Vacaville, then came back."

The object was gray, with red, white and blue flashing lights, Miss Smith said, and it lit up yellow while near Vacaville.

Mrs. Smith and her daughter both (Continued on Page 10)

said they heard the object. Mrs. Smith said it made a loud whine, like a turbine engine, while Miss Smith said it made a quiet whistle, like the wind blowing across the top of an empty bottle.

Miss Smith reported the UFO sighting to Vacaville police at 9:58 and again at 10:38 p.m.

Gail Gustafson of 2050 Griffin Lane told the Reporter that her whole family spotted the light at about 11 p.m.

### "Disappeared"

Miss Gustafson described the UFO as small, about the size of a light plane. It had red and blue lights, and it lit up yellow when it stopped, she said. Then, she added, it "disappeared."

"I couldn't tell what shape it was. I didn't see it moving," Miss Gustafson said. She said she had it in view for about half an hour.

Other sightings were reported to the CHP and the Solano County Sheriff's

Office from the areas of Dixon, Winters and Vallejo. One Vallejo man reported that the UFO hovered about his house for an hour.

Vacaville police officer James Weddell was one of the policemen who went outside town to look. He parked near Leisure Town and spotted a C5 approaching Travis, he told the Reporter.

C5s, Weddell said, have red, white and blue-green flashing lights arranged in an oval on the wings and body. Their landing lights are white or yellow, and when they come on, "it's lit up like a Christmas tree," he added.

The huge planes appear to be moving slowly, except when they are immediately overhead, Weddell went on. And their landing pattern takes them low over Davis, Winters, Dixon and Vacaville, though not Vallejo, he reported.

### "Power of Suggestion"

C5s take off and land at Travis constantly. Weddell attributed the Thursday night sightings to "the power of suggestion," noting the recent news coverage of a UFO cult.

But CHP Lt. Richard Noonan said officers Roland M. Depue and Gary E. Gassner saw the lights at about 10:30, and kept them in sight for about 15 minutes.

"They couldn't identify them as planes, or anything else," Noonan told the Reporter. "And one of them has considerable aircraft experience."

Spokesmen for Travis, McClellan and Mather Air Force bases and the Nut Tree, Yolo County and Sacramento Metropolitan airports reported no unusual number of flights Thursday night. They told the Reporter and other news media that their personnel saw nothing but planes and stars in the sky.

## Meteorite Over Valley Causes Quite A Stir

Short-wave radio enthusiasts and those who monitor law enforcement dispatches were treated to an exciting half hour show last night as reports of a "large-burning ball in the sky" flooded into dispatchers' desks in Turlock and the rest of San Joaquin Valley, beginning at 8:15.

It turned out to be a meteorite that exploded over the Pacific Ocean.

Radio dispatchers in law enforcement agencies in Stanislaus, Fresno, Tulare and Kings Counties sent out broadcasts which followed the trail of the meteorite as it sped through the sky over the valley.

In this area there were several reports of it "landing" in Southern Stanislaus and Merced counties, but searchers have failed to find any trace of the meteorite, which was positively identified as such by observers at Edwards Air Force Base, a spokesman from the Merced County Sheriff's Department stated.

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# Anybody seen any UFOs?

SOURCE: Boca Raton NEWS (Florida)  
October 9, 1975

## Two fellows have, and they want to compare notes

By BOB GETZ  
News Staff Writer

Two IBM employees traveling to work separately Wednesday morning sighted a "phenomena" in the sky which they think might have been an unidentified flying object.

One of the two men, Roy Closson, reported the sighting to a radio station and to the Boca Raton News in hopes of learning that others had observed the UFO. Or whatever.

"It was so remarkable that I'm sure there must have been others who saw it," Closson said.

He's just grateful that at least one other person, fellow IBM employer Don Krueger, also saw it.

"For credibility, I'm glad somebody else saw it," he said, chuckling.

Closson was traveling to work going north on Military Trail when he saw it at about 7:10 a.m. Wednesday.

"Whatever it was," he said,

"appeared all of a sudden moving west to east at an angle of perhaps 30 degrees. It was an extremely bright, round ball-looking phenomena which was trailing something like a white hot steel.

"It looked like steel-like pieces breaking off back of it. It was the color of a welder's arc — a blue-white light.

"It crossed in front of me for perhaps a second and a half to two seconds," Closson said. "That was all.

It was like nothing I've ever seen before, and it couldn't have been a piece of space junk.

"The other fellow who saw it was traveling down the road in the same direction and was ahead of me several miles. I suspected it was passing over Boca, but he said it appeared quite a lot farther south.

"It didn't disappear in exactly a flash," Closson said. "It was just a little longer than that, and it must have

been traveling at an incredible speed — thousands of miles an hour.

"It wasn't at all difficult to see. And in just that two-second period, it appeared, went behind a cloud, reappeared and was gone. It was hard to judge how big it was — and it wasn't at all like a falling star.

"When I got to work, I started talking about it, and this other man, Don, overheard me and stopped in his tracks, since he'd seen it, too."



ROY CLOSSON  
...saw white object

8—Lincoln, Neb. Journal Saturday, October 11, 1975

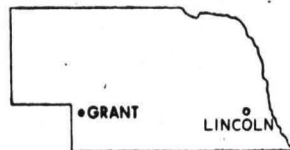
(Lincoln, Neb.)

## Grant Ranchers Upset About Objects 'Coming Out of North'

Grant — While Nebraska authorities have seen nothing of the caravan of Oregon residents who apparently are searching for a better life on another planet, the ranching community of Grant is very upset over reports of low-flying objects and cattle mutilations.

The Oregonians, who arrived at Bonny Dam near Burlington, Colo., Oct. 1 and camped for several days reportedly moved on to Nebraska.

Doug Green, superintendent of the dam, reported that the group "knew they were going to be taken from the planet Earth and some form of extraterrestrial life was going to pick them up. But they didn't



know when or where."

Meanwhile, 17 miles east of the Colorado border, in southwestern Nebraska come stories of low-flying objects which look like moving "neon signs."

On nine separate occasions during the past two weeks, ranchers southwest of Grant reported observing the objects coming out of the north and proceeding to the south.

'Helicopter-Type'

R. Allan Fillingham, editor of

the Grant Tribune-Sentinel, reported that authorities in Denver confirmed picking up a "helicopter-type craft" on radar at 8:02 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 5, simultaneous with sightings in the Grant area.

Although, an area of Perkins County lies in a Strategic Air Command flight pattern, SAC officials say if it had been their aircraft, it would have been heard.

According to Fillingham, no sounds come from the aircraft reportedly sighted by ranchers.

Coincidental with the sightings have many numerous reports of cattle mutilations in both Perkins and Chase counties.

Some 20 to 30 insurance claims for dead mutilated cattle have been paid to Perkins County ranchers, says Fillingham.

State authorities continue to blame predators for the deaths, but Perkins County Sheriff Anton Nowak says "if it's a coyote, then he has to be carrying a very sharp knife."

In Chase County to the south, authorities reportedly have investigated five cases of mutilations since Sept. 24.

Fillingham believes that most people in and around his community are conscious of the story of the Oregonians but haven't openly discussed it in connection with the already upsetting situation.

"It was flying real slow, and it did not make any noise," said Madden, son of Mrs. Sue Mullins.

Madden was walking near Bonnie Leslie and Wilson Ave. about 9:10 p.m.

"It was over a two-story house, and it wasn't very far above it."

Madden said the UFO disappeared "toward Highland Heights" after about 10 minutes.

A 15-year-old Bellevue youth saw an unidentified flying object (UFO) Monday night "as big as a house and yard put together" flying southeast over the city.

Dwight Madden, 212 Center St., and a sophomore at Bellevue High School, said the UFO "had a red light on one side, a blue light on the other, and a white light on the bottom that turned red when it flew over me."

When he saw the UFO flying from over Cincinnati toward Bellevue.

138 Sights big 'horseshoe'

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## Puzzling glow in sky

Along with strange glowing objects sighted in the sky in the Ft. Wayne area, Robert Donihue, 959 County Farm Rd., rural Sturgis said he saw such an unexplained glow over his neighbor's home Monday afternoon.

Donihue told the Journal that the unusually bright glow seemed to hover over the home for some time but then rapidly disappeared. He said the object seemed to be about three times as large as a barn and high in the sky.

Reports in the Ft. Wayne area told of a bright object which seemed to travel along over a police car. When the car moved, so did the object; when the vehicle stopped, so did the shiny glow.

# Two UFO Reports In Rural Midwest

By JEROME P. CURRY  
Of the Post-Dispatch Staff

Short, broad-shouldered creatures have been reported twice within the last week in the midcontinent, an investigator of unidentified flying objects said today.

One sighting was about 100 miles north of Toronto in Canada. The other was in a rural area near Alton.

J. Allen Hynek, a Northwestern University astronomy professor who directs the Center for UFO Studies at Chicago, does not believe there is any connection between those reports and the transcontinental migration of 50 to 70 followers of a mysterious couple known as "Her" and "Him." That couple apparently has promised their disciples a starship flight to another planet and a higher form of life.

The UFO group apparently began its journey Sept. 14 at a meeting in Waldport, Ore.

The UFO faithful camped from Oct. 2 until Oct. 7 at the Chain O'Lakes State Park near Fox Lake north of Chicago. A park ranger said they were "weird." "Her" may have been the woman driving a brown pickup truck with blue fenders. She appeared to be the leader. Perhaps, "Him" was the man driving a red van. Or maybe "Him" was the man who paid a dollar camping fee with a \$50 bill.

"I think that the group that began in Oregon may be more of a problem for a psychiatrist than an astronomer," Hynek wryly observed.

He said that nothing like the mysterious couple had been reported previously in the sometimes mythical, sometimes believable, always confusing history of UFO sightings.

But the fact does remain that the UFO cult was in northern Illinois. And, witnesses with no known connection to the Oregon group recently have reported seeing creatures — "unlike anything they had ever seen before."

Those witnesses were so afraid they would be called crazy that they asked Hynek not to make public their names. Hynek understands. Few persons believe flying saucer reports.

On Oct. 7 (the same day that the faithful left Chain O'Lakes State Park), a farmer in a rural community north of Toronto thought he saw an outbuilding burning. It was dark. He got in his automobile and drove down the road toward the building.

"He said that he came upon a glowing craft — typical saucer-shape as in many previous reports," Hynek said. "It was about 120 feet wide, he said, and maybe 10 feet thick. The man made a quick U-turn and headed back toward his house."

Then, Hynek continued, the man's headlights illuminated "a 4½ foot tall creature with broad shoulders. The creature pivoted out of the headlight glow and float-leaped over a fence and was gone into the bush. A half-hour later the craft was gone. The man and his sister thought that the craft had picked up the little creature."

The next reported incident was Sunday night at a farm north of Alton. A man and his wife heard their dog barking.

"When they went out," Hynek said, "they reported that they saw four 3½-foot-tall creatures wearing silvery, luminous garb. They seemed to be walking stiff-legged. The man and woman left. Apparently, the four also left because they weren't seen again."

Hynek said that the Alton couple did not report seeing an unidentified flying object, but they did say they had found a matted area in a field where a large heavy object might have rested. He asked them to take photographs of the area and send them to him.

And a final comment on the traveling UFO cult from Oregon: "I don't want to imply that I believe it. The whole subject is a little wild and woolly and that is wilder-and-woollier even than the kind of reports with which we usually deal."

CR: Mark Hall

## UFO Sightings Move Into Derry Twp. Area

The UFO's reported sighted last week by several persons in the Annville and Lebanon area have moved further west this week, and another sighting took place Friday night, October 24, reported another UFO near the Derry Township landfill on Ridge Road outside Hershey.

Members of the Derry Township, North Londonderry Township and Palmyra Borough Police Departments were called at approximately 8:30 p.m. to the scene and searched the vicinity of the landfill without success.

The sighting was made by Scott Burns, 31, of Palmyra RD1, who

reported seeing the object at about 8:05 p.m. at just about the Derry Township and Palmyra line. He reported the UFO had four lights, spaced much like the bases on a baseball diamond, and appeared to be hovering high in the sky.

The sighting by Burns was only one of several in the past week, most having come further east in the Lebanon area. Several sightings were made last Thursday night by persons in the vicinity of the Lebanon Valley Mall. Thus far, there have been no logical explanations for the sightings, as officials at Capitol City Airport report no unusual objects on their radar screens.

Hummelstown, Pa. SUN  
October 29, 1975

## Weather observer sees something new in sky

A weather observer from the Kansas University station was among a number of persons who saw an "unidentified flying object" in the area of Boonville, Mo., about dusk Saturday.

The local sighter was Richard Ross, 2500 W. Sixth, who was on a trip west after a women's golf tournament in Columbia.

"We were about 10 miles west of Boonville on I-70 when I saw two lighted spheres," Ross related today. "We weren't the only ones. About 50 or 60 cars had pulled off the road to watch — and we saw them for about a half hour as we drove on."

Ross said at first it appeared the lights might be airplanes or

helicopters, but further observation indicated they were not.

"They were first blue, then alternately changed to yellow, red and orange. A lot of people saw them and nobody seems to know what they were. There was no sound," Ross said. "They hung there for a while and then disappeared. I have to call them UFOs because I don't know what other term to use."

Ross took two pictures of the objects but the film was in color and had not been developed today.

In 1821 Juan Ponce de Leon, under royal patent, tried unsuccessfully to colonize Florida.

Lawrence, Kansas JOURNAL-WORLD  
October 20, 1975  
Credit: Ted Phillips

## UFO spotted by two men south of Corning

From: Joe Brill

They found a dead bird with a stiff tail, a sign, according to MUFON, that the bird had died of fright. The bird however was later lost.

Phillips said that he used to be sceptical about UFOs, but now having seen one, himself he says he now thinks "there's something out there."

Throughout the years, especially for several years right after World War II, a number of UFOs were reported in the Corning and Paradise areas. Some of them were identified later as weather balloons. Others were never identified other than as UFOs.

Meanwhile, last Tuesday, Oct. 7, a retired carpenter at Brace Bridge, Ontario, Canada, spotted a 14-foot disc hovering above a power line. At first he thought the brilliance was caused by a barn burning. But upon looking closer he was startled to see the UFO, and what he thought was a creature dressed in a silver metallic type garment.

"It made a humming sound and lit up the whole lot like daylight." That is what Tyrone Phillips, 38, and Hubert Brown, 22, said about a UFO (Unidentified Flying Object) they spotted on Sept. 30, at 3:30 a.m. Brown and Phillips, both employees of the Kent Pott Dairy, seven miles south of Corning, off Highway 99W, described the object as a disc shaped with a dome on the top of it.

It was first spotted by Brown who had gone to the back lot to roundup the cows. He ran back to the milk house where Phillips was still inside. They both went back outside where they saw the UFO hovering, emitting a bright red light.

After three to five minutes it soared off "in the blink of an eye" when the two men tried to get a closer view. They reported the cows had fled from the area back to the barn when they saw the UFO raising a huge cloud of dust.

Last week the men received a visit from MUFON, the Mutual UFO Network in San Jose. The man from MUFON told them that they had reports of 10 similar sightings in a three-mile area between the dairy and Corning.

## UFO Skirts County Sky

Another phenomenon was sighted in Lancaster County skies Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Samuel Goss, 352 N. George St., Millersville, said it was "a big red object in the sky," which appeared to be west of Millersville about 5 p.m.

She said the object, which she could see for only "a couple of seconds," was traveling westward, toward the Susquehanna River.

"It was a huge, big, bright red object, perfectly round. It seemed to get blue streaks through it, then it got long — the red part got long. It was a beautiful, big, bright red, something very unusual," she reported.

Lancaster, Pa. INTELLIGENCER-JOURNAL  
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# Perkins County People

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## 'Uneasy' About Sightings

GRANT—It may be funny to some people but it is not funny to farmers living southwest of Grant—they are seeing things that do not appear to be natural and they are concerned about what they see.

What they see varies. However, most of the time it is not accompanied by any sound and that is particularly frustrating.

It has been going on for about three weeks now. Farmers and visitors in the area have been seeing lights that appear to come from a stationary or moving device in the sky which can disappear or suddenly swoop away.

Most prefer not to be quoted. They feel they will be laughed at. However, it is a serious matter with them and one farmer said he would not go out to check his pivot irrigation system alone at night. Many are carrying guns in their vehicles.

"There is no rational explanation for the occurrences," one farmer said. "Something strange is going on but nobody knows what," he added.

Last Thursday a sighting was reported by two different groups in two different locations near Grant. Radar offices in Denver were contacted and they confirmed the fact that some type of aircraft was in the area but not identified.

One farmer said he saw the lights for a long period of time. "However, there is just not time enough to get any officials there before they disappear," he said.

Scene of the sightings is the sandhills area near the Perkins-Chase County border. Cattle have been found dead in the area but no one is saying their deaths have anything to do with the sightings. They just wonder how come the cattle mutilations and the aircraft sightings occur at the same time.

Five people all from Ogallala, went to the Jerry Whips farm in the Grant area Friday night. When they arrived they learned that the lights had been sighted already that evening.

En route home the five Ogallalans observed a light to the left that seemed stationary. It blinked red and then either blue or green. With binoculars it appeared to be jagged much like a "heart chart" but with the naked eyes it appeared to be a motionless light. At times a blue vapor seemed to trail it.

Suddenly it no longer was motionless, swooped high over the car and away with amazing speed.

They reported a farmer had sighted a pink glow hovering over him in the field one night the first time he spotted it. He could not get his tractor out of the area fast enough and got into his pickup and left the field. Since then he has spotted the light in the sky over his place quite often.

Groups of five to ten people have gathered to watch the lights. Always they seem to report the sightings in the hilly area southwest of Grant but some nights they see nothing out of the ordinary.

Adding a new facet to the situation is

the "disappearance" of 23 Oregon residents reportedly contacted by two "beings" from outer space. They were reported to have headed for Colorado where a forest ranger is said to have seen an odd group with lanterns in a circle. Next they were reported headed for Nebraska but no one has seen them in this state. Metropolitan papers have been calling the Grant and Ogallala newspapers seeking information on the sightings of lights and possibly movements of the Oregon group through the area. The group has been reported both east of Nebraska and still in Colorado.

Farmers around Grant are willing to believe there is a cult, a group carrying out an involved practical joke, aircraft from this country or other countries or outer space or some other explanation for the sightings. However, they do not think they are imagining what they see, especially when they see the same things others do and when they see them as groups and not just as individuals.

At Brule a man reported two "encounters" with something out of the ordinary the past two years.

Southeast of Ogallala he came upon a "floodlighted" area with light from an unknown source. The light went off and the source moved away fast.

Later he and a companion were northwest of Brule in the hilly area when they came upon a pickup that was stopped. Thinking there was someone in trouble, they stopped.

They noticed an object with glowing blue lights nearby. The man in the pickup told them he thought he had hit a police dog but there are none in that area and none was found.

When the man rolled up his window and started to leave in his pickup the object with the shimmering blue lights left without a sound.

The Brule man hesitated to report the happenings but he said his companion could verify the latter.

In all cases the people reporting sightings are just ordinary people with no reasons for reporting anything just for publicity. In fact, most want no publicity.

Monday's issue of the Grant Tribune-Sentinel devoted its lead story, full-page width across the top, to the incidents being reported as far as sightings and cattle mutilations in the area are concerned, most of them being similar to those reported above.

THE THIRTEEN TOWNS (Fosston, Minn.)  
October 16, 1975

## Flying Objects Break Long Silence Here

By F. Vikan

After several years of very little mention of flying saucers this newspaper received a report from a reliable source this week of the sighting of two objects which aroused much curiosity.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Thoreen, who live in a cottage on the south side of Spring Lake at Lengby made the discovery early Monday morning.

Mrs. Thoreen happened to look out the window about 4 a.m. and saw a bright object in the eastern sky. She promptly awakened her husband, who also verified the sighting and examined it with 8 power binoculars.

At about the same time another similar object was seen in the western sky.

Mr. Thoreen described the objects as similar to an shallow bowl and said there was some protruding object on the "saucers" which could be similar to a scanning device and seemed to move back and forth. In fact, one of the objects seemed to have two of these protruding appendages similar to the lens on a camera.

They watched the two until about 4:55 when a plane, traveling in a southeasterly direction, passed the area and one of the "saucers" disappeared very suddenly. The other remained in sight for a short time and then it also disappeared without any trace.

Asked what color light they gave off, Mr. Thoreen said, it was much the natural color as from a light bulb.

There was no way of determining what size they were because one wouldn't

know the distance away. Both seemed to remain in about the same spot throughout the entire period.

One was described as being nearly due east of their home, or possibly a little bit south, about in the direction of Ebro.

The other, from their position, seemed to be west, northwest or in the direction of Fosston.

They did not report having heard any sound.

These sightings recall the reports of a number of years ago when this office received a number of calls from various people in the surrounding area.

Most notable was the report of a boy down near Pine Bend, who described in great details a bright object which seemed to be coming toward him one night and frightened him a great deal.

The morning after that incident, this office received two other calls from the same general area in a radius of at least ten miles from people having seen strange objects. None of the three knew of the other two who made sightings.

It was long my belief that the "saucers" were some kind of experimental device with which the Air Force was working. However, a few years ago the Air Force put out a book in which the "saucer" idea was very much discredited and yet not specifically denied.

The editor asks that if anyone has any reasonably sound information on any such sighting, please call any time of the day or night.

CR: Mark Hall

Davis, Calif. ENTERPRISE  
October 20, 1975

## More UFOs reported in Davis area

Both city and campus police received reports of unidentified flying objects over Davis this weekend.

Paula Heady, 712 Adeline Pl., told police she saw a strange object hovering over her house and then speed away at midnight Friday.

She said she first spotted the UFO in the northern sky and it headed south very fast after first hovering almost directly above her East Davis house.

An unidentified flying object was reported in the same area Thursday night, although airport, Air Force and police spokesmen all said they spotted nothing unusual.

However, the UFO above the western edge of the campus was later identified to be a low-flying plane, police said.

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## Man says he saw UFO

An unidentified flying object was spotted by an elderly Gardner man who was working in his garden last week. The man, who did not want to be identified, said he observed the object on two different occasions.

The object was described as a circle with a dark color outer ring, and a bright, clear light in the center. The Gardner man said the object was high in the sky and travelling about 30 miles per hour.

He saw the object about 10 a.m. in the morning. The object disappeared from view once, and then, according to the man, came back into his sight. On the second occasion, the object circled around his vicinity and then disappeared into the north.

# UFO spotted over Roy area

by correspondent

ROY — On one of the blackest of nights, about three weeks ago, several residents in the Roy-Valentine area witnessed a strange "ball of fire" in the sky.

Mrs. Yvonne Spiroff was out walking her cat at her home east of Roy when she spotted the strange, eerie glow hovering in the sky south and east of their ranch home. She got her binoculars and watched it for 10-15 minutes.

"It was about 10:35 p.m. Friday, Oct. 10," says Mrs. Spiroff. "I noticed a bright, yellow-orange, oval-shaped light in the field west of the house."

"Because it was extremely dark, familiar landmarks were indiscernable, and distances deceiving. It seemed as if it

were on our land, but it could have been on the Harvey ranch next to ours. I thought it was a fire, possibly set by hunters."

"When I got the binoculars, I noticed the oval light had begun to move and it began to change shape," Mrs. Spiroff continued. "At first, it almost divided in two. Then it became round and began to rise, and grew a slight tail. As it reached the underside of a low-hanging cloud on the horizon, it became rectangular, with a slight tail to one side."

"As it rose, it changed in color from a bright yellow-orange, to an almost white, or bright, light yellow before disappearing behind a cloud. This rising took about 10-15 seconds."

"As it disappeared behind the cloud a reddish-orange glow showed around the edge of the cloud and part of the sky for several minutes," said Mrs. Spiroff. "A couple of dull, reddish-orange spots appeared on the hills below, moved about for a minute then went out or disappeared. The contour of the land surrounding these two spots was faintly illuminated by a soft, reddish-brown glow."

"The orange glow from behind the cloud gradually changed to a brownish-red and grew fainter and fainter, until it

disappeared altogether."

"I've no idea what it was," said Mrs. Spiroff, "but I really did see it. What it was, it does exist."

Mrs. Spiroff said a luminous white object appeared on the horizon in approximately the same location about 7:20 p.m., Oct. 7 or 8, 1973, a day or two after a U. S. satellite had been launched.

She also observed that object through binoculars. "It was a white, luminous, oval-shaped object, with a large indentation, which was edged by a band of green light," she said. "It hovered, then moved up and down, and from side to side for several minutes before moving behind a small cloud, giving off a soft white glow around the edges of the cloud."

After seeing the object three weeks ago, Mrs. Spiroff, an artist, drew several sketches of it.

Mrs. Carol Sluggett also reported seeing the strange object. However, some persons were reluctant to talk about it. "People will think I'm nuts," said one.

Another person, who had laughed about UFOs before, commented, "It would make a believer out of you."

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## Two Aspenites sight UFO in Hunter Valley

Two wedge-shaped, lighted UFOs, similar to those seen over a four-day period by scores of people in North Carolina, frightened two Aspen campers for a four-hour period Monday night, Aug 25.

The two, Susan McClelland and Lance Romance, were camping on Romance's mining claim at the 10,000-foot level in upper Hunter Creek when the strange objects were first sighted.

Romance said they did not report the sighting until a friend sent him a copy of the Sept 9 National Enquirer with an article about similar objects in North Carolina sighted during the period from April 3 to 6.

These objects, seen by 30 law enforcement officials and hundreds of residents, were similar in shape and in lighting to the two seen by Romance and McClelland in the Hunter Creek Valley, he told the Aspen Times this week.

In addition, Romance is certain that Rivers, the four-year-old German Shepherd with them at the camp site saw the objects, because the dog appeared extremely frightened.

The wedge or triangular shaped objects had a row of white lights on the bottom edge and a row of bluish green lights of less intensity on the upper edge, Romance reported.

They were first seen flying in perfect formation at about dusk in the valley below Romance's campsite. The two would fly, hover, then seem to disappear, or become dark, then reappear, or turn their lights on, at a new location, during the period from 8 PM to midnight, Romance said.

At one time another object, hexagonal in shape, appeared close to the campsite and he shone a flash-

light at it. This was the most frightening moment of a very frightening evening, Romance added.

At about midnight there was a tremendous boom, which was reported as a sonic boom in Aspen the next day, and the flying objects disappeared and did not reappear, he continued.

However, neither Romance nor McClelland slept during the remainder of the night because of the excitement caused by the objects and the fear that they might reappear.

Although not sighted in formation, a UFO similar to those reported by Romance was sighted a great many times by a great many people over a four-day period in the area surrounding Lumberton, N C last April.

Among those reporting the object, also triangular in shape with rows of lights on the top and bottom edge, were 30 law enforcement officers including deputy sheriffs, local police and at least one state trooper.

One deputy sheriff and his family saw the object fly into a field and disappear behind a farm building about 100 yards away from their car. One officer reported that the object seen in North Carolina had blue lights around the edges and a pulsating red light in the center.

Another police officer reported that the triangular object had blue lights along one edge and reddish lights along the other. Neither the FAA nor the Air Force could explain the North Carolina sightings.

Aspen, Colorado TIMES  
September 25, 1975

## UFO's Sighted Near Vo-Tech

Unidentified Flying Objects were sighted last night in the Oil City area.

"They definitely were UFO's, not aircraft," said Robert Cubitt of the Western Pennsylvania Emergency Radio Control.

"The Franklin airport said they were traveling at a much higher rate of speed than aircraft. This tipped them off that it wasn't aircraft," Cubitt said.

Most of the UFO sightings were reported on the hill behind the Venango County Area Vocational-Technical School.

Cubitt was among those who first saw the objects at 6:45 pm. One of them had orangish red pulsating lights and flew low on the horizon, he said.

Another one was elongated with lights on the bottom changing from orange to red.

bright strobe light on the right flashed intermittently.

Information on the objects was being transmitted by about 30 mobile citizen band radio units in the area, Cubitt said.

Tom Roberts also reported UFO sightings. "This is not a joke," he said. "You could tell they were not aircraft because of their lights."

He saw one object from Calvary Cemetery along with his wife and several other persons. Flying very low, "it was an oval-shaped vehicle with two red and two yellow lights and what appeared to be fins," he said.

Roberts said he also saw a circular object in the sky over the city garage. "It had two red and two yellow pulsating lights," he said.

THE DERRICK (Oil City, Pa.)  
October 27, 1975

LANCASTER NEW ERA (Lancaster, Pa.)  
October 30, 1975  
Cr. George Fawcett

## Red Object Seen Near Millersville

Another unidentified flying object was sighted in Lancaster County skies Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Samuel Goss, 352 N. George St., Millersville, said it was "a big red object in the

sky," which appeared to be west of Millersville about 5 p.m.

She said the object, which she could see for only "a couple of seconds," was traveling westward, toward the Susquehanna River.



6 SOURCE: Kalispell, Montana DAILY INTER LAKE  
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# Locals becoming believers

By DAVE KNADLER  
Inter Lake Staff Writer

I don't know what brought the subject up, but late Friday evening my brother-in-law and I got in a discussion concerning unidentified flying objects.

I said there was no such thing as extraterrestrial spacecraft. He disagreed.

Only a few hours later and about 30 miles from where I was at the time, what can only be described as an unidentified flying object was following Mrs. Howard Sartain on the empty highway between Whitefish and Olney.

Mrs. Sartain said she had just gotten off work in Whitefish and was en route to her home in Olney when she noticed the object in her rearview mirror.

"My first thought was that I was scared of it," she said. "It was a big orange ball...it seemed to be moving about the

same speed I was moving; it was staying the same distance."

She said the object appeared to follow her "for a good three minutes." Then it "kind of went down like it was going into the road."

Mrs. Sartain said she had never seen anything quite like it before. Does she now believe in unidentified flying objects?

"I really think they exist," she said.

Mrs. Sartain is certainly not the only one to have witnessed those elusive lights in the sky we call UFOs.

Nor was the only one in the Flathead to see them that morning.

Jack Giacomino, vice principal of the Columbia Falls High School, stepped out on his porch at about 4:30 that morning and noticed "a big ball of light up on top of Columbia Mountain."

As Giacomino went about preparing for a hunting trip, he watched the object for almost an hour, as it moved a bit further

toward the mountain and dimmed from bright white to red.

Later, Giacomino's wife reported the object got brighter than it had been originally, rose, and moved out of view heading north.

And ironically, at exactly the same time Friday night that I was denying the existence of extraterrestrial spacecraft, one apparently had John Struble's cement truck stopped about 24 miles out of Helena — hovering about 50 feet above the ground with four green lights flashing, its spotlight blinding him as he sat paralyzed in a vehicle that had suddenly lost all power.

John Struble's wife told me the incident occurred just as her husband was beginning to climb Flesher Pass. The object appeared approximately 100 yards ahead of him, where it hovered for five minutes.

The lights in Struble's truck went dead and the truck came to a standstill — while

the lights from the UFO lit up the entire canyon.

Mrs. Struble said her husband told her the UFO made a noise "like those big jet engines at the airport" just prior to its departure, then rocketed straight up into the air and pulled away to the east at an unbelievable speed.

It was a shaken John Struble who got the cement truck unc... way again after the object was gone, who noticed moments later that his watch apparently had been stopped too. Mrs. Struble said the watch had kept perfect time prior to the sighting, and was five minutes slow afterwards — approximately the duration of the UFO appearance. The watch was non-electric.

I asked Mrs. Struble if the incident had made her husband a believer in UFOs.

"You'd better believe it," she said.

And for the present, I'm wondering if maybe my brother-in-law doesn't have a point.

# UFOs

## Separate UFO Sightings Reported in Area

6 By JOHN WRIGHT  
Missoulian Correspondent

LIBBY — Separate sightings of unidentified flying objects were reported to have been made in northwest Montana Friday evening and early Saturday morning.

John T. Struble of Columbia Falls told The Missoulian he was "damned scared" after sighting a UFO about 25 miles northwest of Helena in the vicinity of Flesher Pass at 12:30 a.m. Saturday.

According to Struble, a large object about 50 feet in diameter and from 25 to 30 feet high passed over his truck from the rear and hovered approximately a hundred yards ahead of him for about five minutes. Struble said that all the power in his truck went out, including the lights and engine.

He described the object, which he said apparently directed a large spotlight in his direction, as hovering about 50 feet above the ground and having green flashing lights. "The whole canyon was lit up bright as day," he said, adding that he just sat there "frozen" the whole time the object was in view.

As soon as the UFO left, Struble said, the power in his truck came back on. He reported late Saturday that his eyes were still bothering him as a result of the spotlight's glare.

Struble, who has been driving a cement truck between Helena and Kalispell for the past three years, said that he had also seen another object with "bright flashing lights" for a matter of seconds at about 8:15 Friday evening near Clearwater Junction on Montana Highway 200.

The Flathead County sheriff's office dispatcher said

Struble had reported the sightings to their office upon arriving back in Kalispell at 6:30 a.m. Saturday.

The second UFO sighting was made by John Giacomino, Flathead Valley High School vice principal. He reported that he was getting ready to go hunting at 4:30 a.m. Saturday when he looked out of the window and saw a "big, bright object" near the top of Columbia Mountain, to the north.

After observing the object for about a half hour Giacomino woke his wife, he said.

Mrs. Giacomino told The Missoulian in a telephone interview that the object "lit up the whole mountain" before it dimmed and turned red. She said the object disappeared at 6:18 a.m. after rising and going over the mountain to the north. This incident also was reported to the Flathead County sheriff's office Saturday morning, according to the dispatcher.

THE MISSOULIAN (Missoula, Mont.)  
October 21, 1975

Lt. Stuart Young of the U.S. Air Force's 716th Radar Squadron stationed near Kalispell said his station "officially" had seen "nothing out of the ordinary."

Lt. Ken Marks of Malmstrom Air Force Base near Great Falls said that the Air Force is "no longer involved in investigating UFO's following the completing of project Blue Book in December of 1969." Marks said that based on a University of Colorado study which indicated that UFO's posed "no threat," the Air Force has "no official viewpoint."

Al Rierson, Flathead County sheriff, said late Monday afternoon that he knew nothing about the UFO reports, stating that he had not had a chance to check the log books in the office yet.

## Spook Ticket Number

# UFO Sighted in Sky Early Sunday Morning

By Lloyd Stinebaugh  
Publisher Shelby Times

When a person gets as old as we are, it is often times difficult to make us see things in a different light and we have always been skeptical at these reports of people seeing flying saucers, flying this and that and so on. But no more. We have seen and we believe but don't ask us what—all we know is there was something up there—it wasn't a meteor, a star or an airplane.

Sunday morning at about 5:15 the phone rang. We answered and the reply was: "This is the police department." We instantly thought a window or door had been bashed in at the shop and asked "What the trouble was."

The operator replied that there was a flying object and the police on duty, Al Eulberg wondered if we could get a picture of it.

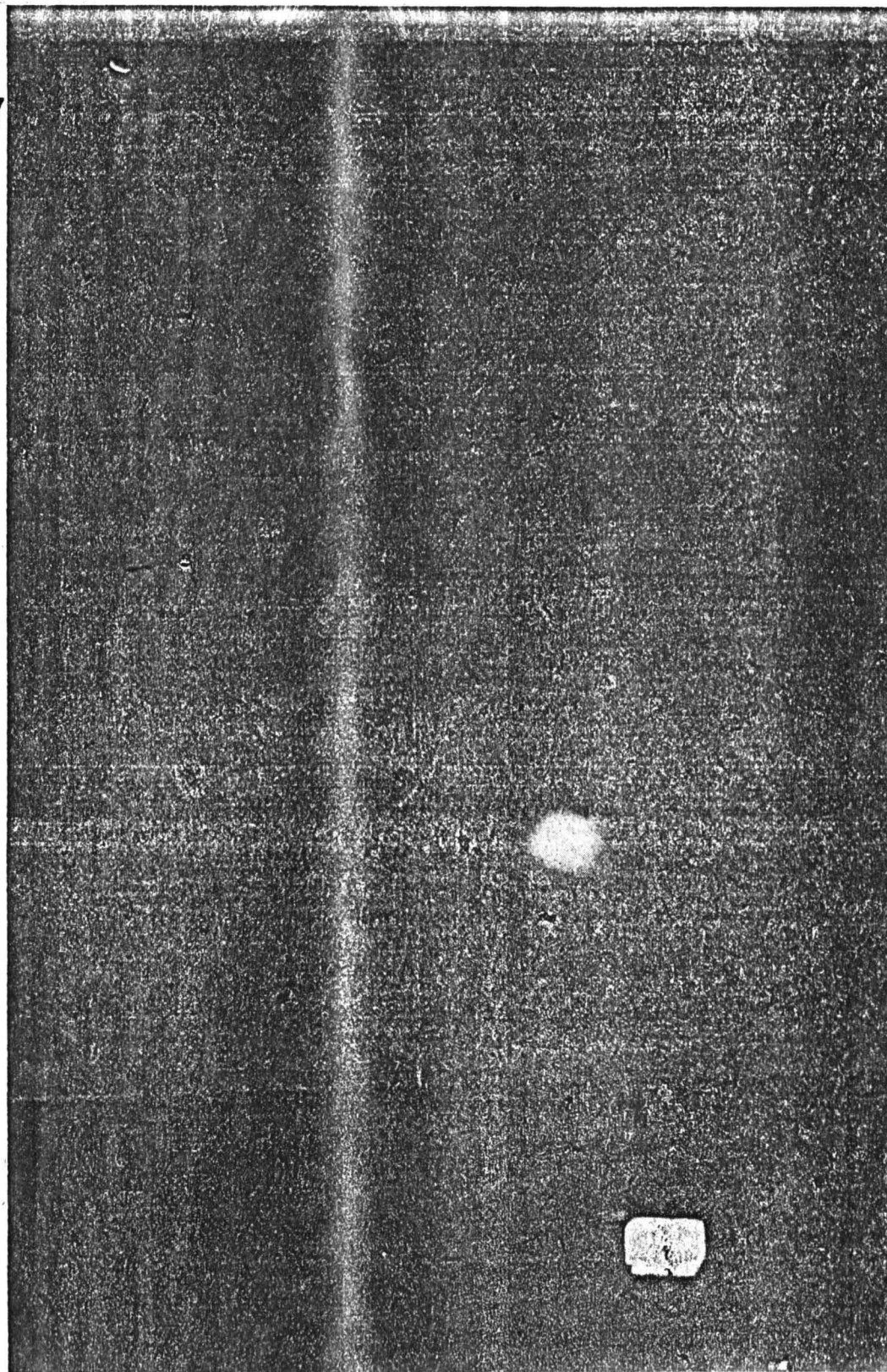
We dressed and opened the door

and the object could be seen exceptoinally clear and bright in the east. We drove to the shop, got our camera and took several pictures, looked at the object through the field glasses and decided to drive up on the ridge by the city dump grounds to get some more pictures.

In looking through the field glasses, the object looked more like a cross upside down or a cigar shaped thing with a cross or wings at the bottom. We also thought we could see a red light on one side and a blue light on the other. We may have imagined the lights and the moonlight striking the object may have changed it's outline to some extent as the photos did not show anything but the egg-shaped object.

We took several pictures up on the ridge, then drove back to the Times office and took some more. The object had not moved. It was impossible to gauge the distance

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from the ground or distance away. There was nothing to gauge it by.

We watched for nearly an hour and it never moved so decided to return home. On arriving there we gave it another look and could see it was beginning to move to the southwest.

We rushed the film up to Steve Swoboda for developing. Shortly afterwards he called and asked what happened to the pictures we took out on the ridge—they were a complete blank. Not a sign of anything on them. Pictures taken down town were good and we were able to get an outline of "something peculiar."

Shelby, Montana TIMES  
Oct. 24, 1975

## UFOs are reported

Three separate reports of apparently the same unidentified flying object were filed with the Flathead County sheriff's office Saturday.

The first sighting was reported by an Olney woman who was returning from work in Whitefish shortly after 6 a.m. The woman described a large orange and yellow ball in her rearview mirror that appeared to land and disappear behind her. Also around 6 a.m., a Whitefish man

called to report sighting a UFO in the Columbia Mountain area. The object reportedly turned from a bright white to red and was visible for more than an hour after the initial sighting.

Later that morning a Columbia Falls man told sheriff's officers he spotted a similar UFO at the same time near Helena Mountain in the Fletcher Pass area.

Kalispell, Mont. DAILY INTER LAKE Oct. 20, 1975

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## Orange UFO Is Reported

Another UFO has been reported in the west Sampson area, this one a round orange object "with points."

The sighting came Tuesday night, about 7:20 p.m., north of Autryville by two women who asked to remain unidentified.

One of the women said they observed the light as they drove along, describing it as "a lot bigger than a plane."

It was a bright glowing orange in color, she said, and it was round "with points on it."

"We couldn't figure it out," she said, "so we drove up the road, but before we got far enough, we lost sight of it."

A number of unidentified flying objects were reported in southeastern Carolina last spring, but this is the first incident reported here since then.

A number of reports have been aired in the past few weeks from early-risers who saw the brilliant planet Venus, which now rises in the east about 3 a.m. Other sightings in the past few weeks have been of a low-orbit satellite.

Clinto, N.C. SAMPSONIAN  
November 4, 1975

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What could have been a good explanation for at least a few of the recent UFO sightings in the area turned out to be even more of a mystery this morning.

Flathead County Sheriff Al Rierson said Thursday he believed two of the sightings could be attributed to a Montana Department of Fish and Game helicopter equipped with a search light reportedly flying missions in the area seeking illegal hunters.

However, Fish and Game District Warden Dale Graff told The Daily Inter Lake this morning the department has had no such helicopter in the area for the past month.

"I'm sure we would know if there was one," Graff said. "The only chopper we have is working in eastern Montana."

The most recent alleged UFO sighting reportedly occurred approximately 7:30 a.m. Wednesday between Whitefish and

Kalispell.

Steve Kemler, 18, of Whitefish told The Daily Inter Lake Thursday he sighted the object while en route from Whitefish to Kalispell, on U.S. 93.

He said the object he glimpsed momentarily appeared to be reddish brown in color, oval shaped, with flashing lights.

He said the object approached his vehicle from the left at an altitude of about 500 feet and veered up into the clouds.

# Recent UFO sightings become real mystery

Kalispell, Montana DAILY INTER LAKE  
October 24, 1975

Casper, Wyoming STAR TRIBUNE  
October 21, 1975

## Bright lights seen in Albany County

By JUDY THONE

LARAMIE — Bright lights are appearing in the skies of northern Albany County, ranchers there report.

Janice Roder told the Albany County Sheriff's office Saturday she and six other persons had seen a "bright object" about 10 miles northwest of the ranch.

The sighting was on the Chislow Ranch-Tunnel Road heading toward Wheatland.

Sheriff's officials said she reported, "It shot across the sky very rapidly and came down in a curved angle."

The report said, "She just wanted to inform the sheriff's office because she thought we would receive more reports on the same thing."

Attempts to contact University of Wyoming UFO expert Leo Sprinkle were unsuccessful, officials said.

Sheriff John Leazenby said he felt the object was probably a shooting star.

Tod Sermon's Horse Creek Ranch in the same area was the site of a mysterious helicopter landing recently, Sermon told the Star-Tribune Monday.

First sighted on Sept. 16 at about 11 p.m.,

by Mrs. Sermon, he said the helicopter had landed on Howell Mountain, behind the Sermon ranch house.

"There were cattle in the area," Sermon said. "We went around the mountain, and roamed the area the next day, but found no mutilations," Sermon said.

He said the whole incident was "highly suspicious."

He said his ranch hand, Nathan Vance, has been in Vietnam and he knows helicopters.

"Nathan had a rifle on the helicopter, but he didn't fire it, since we didn't know where it might be from. Nate told me 'it's a hell of a pilot that can land a helicopter on top of a mountain in the middle of the night,'" Sermon said.

Sermon said he thought the helicopter pilot deliberately waited for the Sermon car to move on before taking off, since Vance was behind him in his own vehicle with the lights off so he could see the helicopter more clearly.

The helicopter, he said, took off, and only turned its lights on at about 300 feet altitude.

Sermon said Vance could watch the

helicopter easily on the moonlit night even though its lights were off.

"The way I see it," Sermon said, "We interrupted some sort of operation. Why else would a helicopter be on top of a mountain with its lights off?"

"We thought at first it was a truck, but we saw no tracks," he added.

Since there were cattle in the mountain area, Sermon said, "I think they tranquilize them, and then they do their thing."

He said he reported the sighting to the Albany County Sheriff's office, and has seen no further incidents, but the ranchers have been "pretty nervous ever since."

"The idea of a helicopter behind your house is pretty frightening, with all that's going on," Sermon said.

Sermon described the lights on the helicopter as being "red, green, and white."

Numerous reports of unidentified flying objects in Niobrara and Weston Counties in September and October have included descriptions of white, green and red lights, according to county authorities there.

## UFO sighted Sunday

An unidentified flying object (UFO) was spotted by several people Sunday morning about 4:30 a.m. southwest of Shelby.

Among the people spotting the UFO was Capt. Al Eulberg of the Shelby City Police. Capt. Eulberg said that he was notified by John Babcock of the Fish and Game Department and they watched the object through Babcock's rifle scope.

Capt. Eulberg said that the object was "very bright" and

moved up and down. He said that he also took some pictures. He and Babcock watched the object move from northeast, east and southeast until it disappeared.

Capt. Eulberg said the sheriff from Liberty County had also seen the UFO along with the highway patrol from Conrad and there were also some reports of the spotting in Fort Benton.

According to Bob Hannah,

Shelby Chief of Police, and Capt. Eulberg, Malmstrom Air Force Base was notified of the object, but a spokesman for Capt. Hagenblotam's office said that he received no calls relating to a UFO sighting. The call would have come through his office, the spokesman said. He did say that the Air Force, since 1969, has discontinued keeping records of UFO reports. He said that there has been a number of sightings

recently and he doesn't know if any of them have been confirmed, yet.

Also sighting the UFO was Lloyd Stinebaugh of the Shelby Times. Stinebaugh had also taken some pictures of the UFO. He described it as looking like a "cigar with wings."

Capt. Eulberg said that it was "strange to watch." Last week in Conrad Highway Patrolman Allen Michaels spotted and followed a UFO.

Shelby, Montana PROMOTER AND TRIBUNE  
October 23, 1975

# Unidentified flying object reported

CLINTON — An unidentified flying object was sighted last night in the Bissell Road-Cokesbury Road area of Tewksbury Township by a resident who is on the citizens-band radio network in that area of Hunterdon County.

The State Police checked out the report in the area but found nothing to verify the report. The Clinton State Police Station alerted a patrol car in the vicinity to be on the lookout for any suspicious looking object in the night skies.

The object hovered over the treetops and followed one car along Bissell Road for approximately one mile, according to an eyewitness. He refused to be

identified but said he has a citizens-band radio and talked to other CB radio operators who also reported sighting the unidentified object.

The eyewitness, who saw the object in his front yard on Bissell Road, said it followed his wife's car as she drove along the road and followed her into the driveway where it stopped. He said he ran out of the house to get his wife out of the car and saw the object hovering about 150 feet in the air. Then it moved off slowly and without sound.

State police in Washington and Flemington said they had no reports of such objects and the Clinton Township Police who patrol the area said they also did not receive calls.

The object was last seen flying in a westerly direction toward Phillipsburg but police in that town said they had no reports of any sightings in their area.

The skies were clear and visibility was good, police said. Leon Pasquale of Bissell Road, who has a CB radio, sighted the unidentified flying object

over his property heading in the direction of Route 78.

The object made no noise and did not cause interference with radio transmission or reception, according to the CB radio operators.

The sightings were all between 9 and 10 p.m. in a sparsely settled section of farms and hilly terrain.

The latest UFO report recalls the 1958 "interplanetary space convention" on the Tewksbury Township farm of Howard Menger who claimed for many years that he had contact with people from other planets.

More than a 1,000 people from four states came to see the strip where Menger says space ships landed and took him for rides. None landed during the two-day convention.

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## 3 in Manoa Sight UFO

Three members of a Manoa Valley family said they saw a crystal-white cigar-shaped object with portholes hovering high above their home early this morning.

Kathleen Lydgate, of 3748 Kumulani Place, and her children Chuck, 14 and Camille, 11, said they saw the object between 5 and 6 a.m.

Chuck, up early, saw the object first, and woke his mother and sister.

He estimated it was above the clouds about two miles high, and looked "just like a white blob."

With binoculars, he was able to see that it was cigar-shaped, with at least four portholes that emitted light beams. Chuck said he saw nothing through the portholes.

THE LYDGATE home is on the ewa ridge of Manoa Valley. The Lydgates said the object generally stayed at the rear of the valley, though it would sometimes make circling movements and other times jerky forward motions.

At one point, it made a noise similar to a rocket taking off, emitted a red exhaust flame, then moved away, Chuck said.

The Lydgates watched the object for about an hour. By the time they left their home, it could still be seen, but was far away and looked like a star.

None of the three had ever seen anything like this before. They described the sighting as "strange and exciting."

Honolulu, Hawaii STAR-BULLETIN  
September 29, 1975

TIMES JOURNAL  
VINELAND, NJ  
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## Report of UFO Draws Crowd to Gas Station

The experts said it was a star, but Ralph Webster still insisted this morning that, "Stars don't move."

Webster was on duty as an attendant at the Kayo Service Station at Route 40 and Main rd. last night when he was attracted to a "bright, circular shaped" object which he believes was a UFO.

Webster said he first spotted the object at about 8:35 p.m. while it was still raining. But when the skies cleared, he said, "It was

still there, hovering in the same spot."

He said the object, located about three or four miles up in the sky, appeared to be the size of a street light and occasionally shot out a brilliant light."

The station attendant kept an eye on the alien object and noticed after a while that it began to move.

He called the Atlantic City Airport which he said declined to track the object on its radar

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equipment. He next called state police who sent out experts to investigate.

A large crowd also gathered around the service station to hear the expert's conclusion that the phenomenon was a star.

Others theorized that the glow was due to "thermal emission" which occurs in unsettled skies when large, cold air masses meet warm ones.

Webster, skeptical of the finding, continued to monitor the object for a couple more hours until "it was finally gone."

The Newfield man, who never previously had seen a UFO, said he believes in them and thinks he saw one last night. Do they come from other planets? "Well, yes," he said. "Probably."

## UFO sightings baffle national investigators

NORTHWEST BERGEN — A check with UFO investigators about recent Oct. 4 sightings, which Walldwick Police Sgt. Jay Stafford described as five bright objects traveling in a straight line across the sky in a northwesterly direction, found they could have been anything from airplanes to meteors to UFO's

"I haven't ever heard a description like that before," said Tom Lesser, a scientific assistant at the Hayden Planetarium about the UFO seen by residents in Mahwah and policemen in Ramsey, Upper Saddle River, and Walldwick.

The UFO Hot Line and Center for UFO Studies, both in Chicago, reported Saturday's phenomenon was a new one for them also, and they hadn't received

reports of it from other towns in the country.

However Ernie Jahn, an investigator for the National Investigating Committee for Aerial Phenomena, said he has received many reports of similar sightings.

He said what people saw at about 2:30 a.m. Oct. 4 could have possibly been five air force planes flying in formation for maneuvers. He also said the sightings may have been showering meteors or a misidentification of stars.

One star, called Arcturus, which is a bright, first magnitude star, was shining very bright that night and was reported as a UFO by several people traveling the Garden State Parkway later in the day.

But, Jahn, who is a believer in UFOs because of

numerous sightings in the past, said, "What was seen could have very definitely been a UFO. 'Either everyone in the world is hallucinating, or there is something out there.'"

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THE MISSOULIAN (Missoula, Montana) Oct. 21, 1975

### UFO Sightings Reported

6 Several residents of the northwest Montana area have reported sighting unidentified flying objects in the area Friday evening and Saturday morning. One of the individuals reported that a flying object about 50 feet in diameter and 25 to 30 feet high hovered in front of his vehicle on Flesher Pass near Helena for about five minutes, while a Kalispell-area man reported watching a lighted object hover near Columbia Mountain for more than an hour. For more details, see Page 6.



Some Possible Answers Offered

# Five Persons See Strange Lights

By RODGER L. HARDY

At least five persons saw strange lights in the sky late Oct. 9 or early Oct. 10, in the Palermo area the night a newborn calf was killed and expertly mutilated.

Harley Stout, 6840 Irwin Ave., was at a truck and tractor company on Highway 70 when he saw what appeared to be lights in the sky some distance away hovering over the Lone

Tree Road area.

He said "it did all kinds of fancy maneuvers," but did not back up. Stout and another man watched the lights for about a half hour from about 4:15 a.m. to 4:45 a.m.

The other man, whom he did not identify, thought the lights were from a helicopter. But Stout said he heard no noise and theorized that at that time of the morning they would have been able to hear helicopter motors if it had been one.

Another local resident who requested he not be identified said he saw what he described as red and green lights in the sky as he drove north along Lone Tree Road about 5:15 a.m. Oct. 10.

He said the object had four red and green lights on either end and side lights spaced the same distance apart as the end lights. When he first saw it he said it was 400 feet off the ground and about an eighth of a mile to the east.

He estimated it to be between 20 to 30 feet in length, but said it was too dark to see the body of the craft if it was a craft. It didn't go backward or up or down, nor emit a sound, but did move in other directions, he said.

"I don't believe in flying saucers, but I saw something awfully weird," he said.

Louie DeCamp, who lives next to the rented field where the dead calf was found, was out doing his chores the night before when he saw a "bright blue light" hovering in the air over the field some distance away. He said it stayed there for up to 15 minutes and then it was gone.

The fifth person to see the

phenomena was 16-year-old Michael R. Robertson of Palermo. He said he saw a dish-shaped object about 7:30 a.m., according to sheriff reports, hovering in the sky a half-mile northwest of Highway 70 and Palermo Road intersection.

He described it as surrounded by a "bluish light."

Mrs. DeCamp earlier

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described a light out in the field that looked like a pulsating burning cross the night the calf was slain. She said today she saw that light only once and not the night another neighbor's calf disappeared as reported earlier.

A spokesman at the Oroville Airport indicated no flight plans were available for visual

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flights as that would probably be. But he said that airplanes flying at night could be deceptive with the lights they have.

Early morning reflections off aircraft can also be deceptive he indicated.

The calf killing matched the description of other cattle and farm animal killings in several western and midwestern states. It was drained of its blood and had its sexual organs cut out from the inside after the rear quarters were skinned.

No blood was on the ground and the cuts were expertly made with what appeared to be a surgical instrument according to local residents that saw the cuts. Hap Robison, who owned the animal, said there were no nicks on the meat, the cuts were perfect.

In other states mutilated cattle have had lips cut off, the tongue cut out and the eyes expertly excised. There have been no signs of violence, no struggle. In many cases, as in the case of the Robison calf, the animal had not even left its own pasture.

By the end of August the state of Colorado reported 110 such mutilations and in one county 58 head were similarly killed and mutilated.

Other mutilations have been

reported in Montana, Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, South Dakota, Minnesota and North Dakota. Suspected mutilations have occurred in Wisconsin, Iowa, Michigan and Pennsylvania.

As in the Robison calf no meat is taken and there are no tracks near the carcass.

DeCamp said he knew the animal hadn't been cut with a knife. The cut was perfect, he said, and there were no jagged edges. He said he lifted up the carcass to see if there was any blood on the ground, but found none. The carcass is still laying in the field where it was dragged by predators, and DeCamp wondered aloud why the dogs and coyotes hadn't carted it off. Much of it has been eaten, however.

Another area rancher, Gene Ferguson, had a more natural explanation for the phenomena. He said he didn't see the animal right after it had been discovered and that animals had eaten parts of it. But he said the organs could have been pinched out by the cow and that the calf could have been stillborn.

However, he said one section of hide looked like it could have been cut. He said that particular breed of cattle, Charlois, could bite a newborn's cord and possibly the sex organs, severing them. Predators begin eating an animal at the softest parts, he added.

He said the strange lights may have been a fox fire or a will-o-the-wisp since the area is damp and misty "There's got to be a logical explanation," he said.

He added that a baby calf's meat is white and translucent when born. The calf's meat was reported as white and drained of blood. But he concluded when he saw the animal there wasn't enough evidence to really tell what happened.

Robison, said the calf's mother acted as though she were drugged and in a stupor. He said she is just now getting back to normal.

But L.W. Jones, the veterinarian that treated the cow said that considering her condition, she acted normal. The animal

still had the placenta in her, he said and under those conditions could act sleepy.

He said the cow hadn't enough calcium and was low on other minerals.

## Flying object seen at Tekoa

A reddish flame-type exhaust came from the center of the cone at the bottom, he said.

"That's what I saw and it's all I can say," Andor said.

He noted another flying object was spotted about a year ago in the same general location. Altitude of the object was lower. Andor noted the object was seen at several locations in north Idaho at about the same time.

The object seen Saturday differed from the one seen last year in the location of the exhaust jet. Andor said last year's model had the jet exhaust coming from the side.

Sighting of a flying object, shaped like a inverted ice cream cone, was reported Saturday night by Tekoa Marshall George Andor. The object was spotted in the Tilma area at approximately 9:50 p.m.

Andor said the object made a vertical exit at high speed from an estimated low altitude of 2,000 feet. The object then descended again, but maintained a higher altitude.

"It could really move," Andor said. After its second exit, the object was spotted a third time at an estimated location 10 miles south of Tilma along the Idaho border. Andor estimated the wide part of the object was 400 feet in diameter.

Colfax, Wash. GAZETTE  
November 6, 1975

THE TRIBUNE (Elkin-Jonesville, N.C.)  
October 27, 1975  
Credit: George Fawcett

## Flying object spotted

returned home from work. It eventually moved on as it rose in the sky.

An unidentified flying object which one man said emitted a soft white light while others said there were multi-colors was spotted in the northwest sky between 8 and 9 p.m. Wednesday.

Elkin police contacted Surry County Deputy Sheriff Roger Smith at 8:30 p.m. to contact Allen Myers regarding a UFO sighting off Ebenezer Church Road. Other calls came to police from Poplar Springs. No landings were reported.

Kenneth Harris of Benham said he and his father watched the phenomenon for several minutes as they

Lawton, Okla. CONSTITUTION  
September 26, 1975

## Flying Saucer Reports Filed With Lawmen

By PAUL HART

A MYSTERIOUS balloon hung over Lawton today causing many residents to call the Lawton police with UFO reports.

Officials at noon still weren't sure where the balloon came from, but were positive it is harmless.

At first the balloon was thought to be a research balloon launched from Holloman Air Force Base, N.M. several days ago. But a spokesman at the base said this morning the last balloon launched at the desert base has been recovered.

Another research balloon was launched near Muskogee Wednesday and its whereabouts are unknown. Also, the National Weather Service launched a weather balloon at Palestine, Tex., recently which could be the one currently over Lawton.

The balloon has remained nearly stationary due to a stagnant air mass over the Sooner state. Fort Sill radar shows that the balloon is at an altitude of about 10,000 south of the city. At noon the balloon was about 30 degrees above the southern horizon.

Thursday night, the plastic balloon was highly visible shortly after sunset. Its plastic skin reflected the sun's rays, making the object resemble a bright star to the northeast.

During the night, slight winds carried the balloon to its present position south of Lawton, where it remained at noon.

SOURCE: Casper (Wyo.) STAR TRIBUNE  
October 21, 1975

# Officials spot UFO's in vicinity of Upton

By PAT BOCK

OSAGE — An unidentified flying object was observed hovering over the Clay Spur area early Sunday morning.

The Clay spur area is about 4½ miles west of Osage.

Weston County Sheriff Willis Larson reported that the white light, similar in shape to a light bulb with red and green flashing lights, was seen from different locations by himself, highway patrolman William Condos, Deputy Sheriff Gregg Kayl, and a special deputy.

Earlier in the month, on the night of Oct. 7, a brilliant object was triangled by Sheriff Larson, Airport Manager John Bockman, and Deputy Sheriff Kail.

It was seen over a hilly area north of Newcastle, but vanished "straight up," Larson reported.

Later in the month, a similar object was reportedly sighted by the mail pilot, Kenneth Kennedy, who flies the route between Sheridan

and Cheyenne, Larson said.

Sgt. Stephen Doughty, of the Newcastle Police Dept., told the Star-Tribune that sometime in mid-September he observed a bright object hovering between 300 and 400 feet above Weston County Memorial Hospital.

He followed the object along Highway 85, then parked and watched the object stand still over a range of hills two or three miles away.

Observing the object through binoculars, Doughty saw many different colored lights, he said, and watched the object until it disappeared out of sight.

Doughty said he did not report the incident at that time, because he feared ridicule.

However, Patrolman Randy Schmidt of the Newcastle Police Dept., and Brand Inspector Charles Clark reported seeing a similar object two nights later in the same area, at which time Doughty told of his sighting.

Pilot Kennedy was unavailable for comment Monday.

North Carolina  
Mount Airy/NEWS Oct. 30, 1975  
Credit: George Fawcett

An unidentified flying object, which one man said emitted a soft white light, while others said there were multi-colored lights, was spotted in the north-west sky near Elkin last Wednesday night.

A Benham resident said he and his father watched the phenomenon for several minutes as they returned home from work. It eventually moved on as it rose in the sky.

Elkin Police contacted the Surry County Sheriff's Department about 8:30 p.m. Wednesday in reference to a sighting by Allen Myers off Ebenezer Church Road. Other calls came to police from the Poplar Springs Community. No landings were reported.

## UFO's Spotted?

Plainview, Tx. HERALD  
October 10, 1975

Many Plainviewans sighted what may have seemed to be a suspicious flying "object" Thursday evening about 7:30 p.m.

In checking with the Hale County Sheriff's Department and the National Weather Service in Lubbock, it was learned the object was nothing more than a high altitude weather balloon.

According to the National Weather Service, the balloon was one which had probably been released from the Weather Service's Upper Air Station in Albuquerque, N.M. The balloon is designed to reach an altitude of about 100,000 feet before it breaks and descends to the ground with the aid of a parachute. The balloon is used to measure air pressure, temperature and humidity. The distance and the time the balloon travels from the time it was released until the time it is recovered are used to calculate the upper air stream wind speeds.

## 'UFO' Sighting Residents Report

The sighting Thursday night of unidentified "bright lights" were reported by residents in the Shirley Basin area.

According to the reports, the lights were seen hovering above the ground and, in one account, appeared to be pulling a "hookline". There was no noise associated with the sighting.

The incident which reportedly occurred around 11 p.m. Thursday night, was seen by workers at the Utah International Uranium mine at Shirley Basin as well as ranchers in the Marshall area.

Other unexplained sightings have been reported recently in the Saratoga area.

## Unidentified lights reported

Rawlins, Wyo. TIMES  
October 4, 1975

# Strange lights appear in Lusk area

By RUSS FAWCETT  
Staff Writer

LUSK — Reports of strange lights in the sky have proliferated in this area.

Vickie L. Hoblit of Lusk apparently was the first in Niobrara County to spot what residents reported was a rash of sightings of strange lights in the sky and on the ground.

But authorities have no evidence to connect the sightings with reported cattle mutilations in the county, according to Sheriff's Deputy Gene Bryson, who said he was one of the people who looked through field glasses at a strange white light about 16 miles north of Lusk Thursday night.

Miss Hoblit reported that she first saw the strange light as she was leaving the ranch of her brother-in-law, Gale Hytrek, north of Lusk Thursday evening.

"I just saw this thing sitting up there in the sky as I went out to get in the car," she said.

Adding that it was north of the ranch when she entered her car, she said it was situated more to the west as she got back to Lusk.

"I got home, and called them on the phone and told them about it," she said.

Hytrek was unavailable for comment Sunday evening, but Miss Hoblit said the Hytreks and others watched the strange lights through field glasses, and then saw a large number of them appear, before they disappeared.

Miss Hoblit said she saw a "bright white light, and then a bright red light."

She added the lights were on the ground when she spotted them, and she did not look at them through field glasses.

One official who spotted the lights and observed them through field glasses was Bryson, who said all he saw was a white light.

He said he estimated the lights were about 16 miles northwest of Lusk, and that authorities had gone to the area the next day and had found no tracks or other evidence of vehicles in the area.

Miss Hoblit added that her brother-in-law also had ridden the area the next day on horseback, and had found no mutilated livestock or evidence of vehicle travel in the area.

Additional sightings were reported Friday night at Lusk, when persons attending the Lusk High School football game reported seeing multi-colored lights on the hill where the high school students have made the white washed "L" for the school.

One of them was Glen Gamble, a Lusk High School student who watched "a white light, a green light, and a red light on the hill."

"They were on top of the hill at first, then they came down toward the L, then stopped, and moved around some more," Gamble said.

Another high school youth said he went

up on the hill, but by the time he got there, there was nothing.

Another person who spotted a strange light Friday night was Mary Germann of Node, who said she saw a light in the sky "like one of those old satellites" that moved across the sky and disappeared.

Another possible mutilation was reported on land north of Keeline Friday afternoon by Rancher Cliff Parmely, of Manville. But he would not speculate whether the find was connected with the strange lights.

He said he thought the animal had been dead since about Thursday.

Bryson, however, said he thought the cow, which had only the teats cut off, probably was found dead by someone who did the butchering as a prank or in hopes of collecting a reward.

A rancher at Keeline, however, did report seeing the strange lights or UFO northeast of Keeline, Thursday night, Parmely said.

Meanwhile, at Newcastle, Sheriff Willis Larson confirmed he had had UFO reports, but declined to discuss them over the telephone or without "eye-to-eye contact."

Bryson, however, said Larson had received reports about two weeks ago, which would coincide with the time a mutilated cow was discovered in Weston County.



## Would You Believe? A UFO in Huntsville?

FROM:  
JOE BRILL

Would you believe that a UFO could be spotted in the small community of Huntsville? Well, most people think that UFO's are just a figment of the imagination, but just ask Darwin Bartlow what he thinks!!

Wednesday night, Darwin and his son, Kay, and Lyle Ellefritz all of the Huntsville community, were working late in the field when they saw a big green light appear in the sky. In a matter of seconds the light streaked across the sky making a swishing sound. This happened three times with the light finally disappearing.

Darwin, being very curious

as to what this was, shut off the tractor motor and lights trying to get a better look at the object, but was unable to see any more than the green light.

This event is just one of many to be reported in the area. Many other strange lights and objects have been sighted as of late. Just recently the police had a report of four star-like objects in the sky that were changing colors. They were thought to be UFO's also. But one thing is for sure, Darwin Bartlow is certain that what he saw was not something you see every night, and it has made a believer out of him.

Jackson Hole News (Jackson, Wyo.)  
September 25, 1975

### UFO sighting

Clara Toppan, who lives south of Teton Village, has reported to the News, that she spotted an unidentified flying object on Monday night. Mrs. Toppan said the object looked like an electric light, and rose from behind the Sleeping Indian, crossed the valley from east to west and finally disappeared behind the Teton after passing over her house.

"It kept moving, so I knew it wasn't a star," she said. The incident occurred at about 5:30 a.m., she said, and the object disappeared about two hours later. The object appeared to be approximately as large as the moon looks in the sky, but as it neared her, Mrs. Toppan could see that it had four legs and looked rather spindly. She said a friend had told her that there were reports on the radio of many UFO's spotted over Utah and Wyoming the same night.

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## Mutilation-UFO link probed by sheriff in Newcastle

by KARL DISTAD...BI Student Publisher

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A UFO sighting in the Newcastle area near where a cow was found mutilated Monday and a "strange" mark on the ground have left Newcastle residents reluctant to talk.

Weston County Sheriff Willis Larson said in an interview with the BI Thursday, that off to the side of the cow was a circle two feet in diameter where the grass was a different color.

"It was bright yellow. I don't know what caused it. It was almost a perfect circle," Larson said.

Larson said samples of the grass have been sent to the State Crime Lab.

The next night, Larson responded to a call by a Newcastle woman who reported seeing a flying object west of town.

Larson and a deputy, as well as a member of another law enforcement agency Larson didn't identify, responded to the call.

In the same area as the cattle mutilation, Larson said he and the others saw something unusual.

"It was about the size of an airplane," he said.

"It looked like an orange colored light. It was big in the front and tapered down."

Larson said he heard no noise, but the woman who reported it said she did.

When first asked about the UFO sighting, Larson was reluctant to talk.

"We don't want to talk about that," he said. "We don't want to give the wrong impression and have people panic."

When pressed, Larson told the BI about the UFO sighting, and said he had reported it to no one else.

The mutilated cow was found on the ranch of Raymond (Spud) Jones, three miles east of Newcastle.

Larson seemed confident the mutilation was not done by animals.

The whole udder area was removed, except for one nipple," he said. "The area appeared to have been cut away."

"There was no indication of animals pulling in the area," he added.

The lower lip of the animal had two definite cut marks made by a sharp instrument, with the middle part of the lip taken.

The tongue was completely removed.

"I realize an argument could be made that an animal reached clear in there and pulled it out," Larson said, "but there was no indication of an animal."

The cow was estimated to have been dead for three days when it was found.

Larson said the flank and lower lip areas, as well as samples of the yellow grass were sent to the State Crime Lab.

Spokesmen at the lab say the specimens have not yet arrived, and when they do, the lab will report its results directly back to Larson, and make no report on its results.

THE QUINCY HERALD-WHIG, Sunday, November 16, 1975

## Believes woman's UFO sighting is legitimate

Joe Brill of Quincy, a representative of the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON), is convinced that a woman's report of an unidentified flying object near Clayton is a legitimate sighting.

Brill plans to investigate further. The MUFON is a national organization that investigates UFO sightings.

Brill, who talked with the woman Saturday, said her story appeared to be authentic and that she was shaken by the experience.

The woman, who was not identified, told sheriff's officers that she saw a bright object while driving on Route 24 near Clayton about 4:15 a.m. Saturday.

Brill said the woman related that the object first appeared to be chasing her car and then passed her and came down on the road in front of her. When she braked the car, Brill said he was told the object quickly took off.

The woman, Brill said, described the object as being saucer shaped, with long legs and white lights under it.

The woman said she aroused occupants of a nearby house and called the sheriff's office. Sheriff's deputies who in-

vestigated reported seeing a meteor explode in the sky as they drove to Clayton. Brill said the meteor was also seen at Baldwin Field but that this was about 5 a.m. after the woman reported the UFO sighting.

Brill said a similar sighting and apparent landing was reported Friday near Bowen.

An area resident who did not wish to be identified was driving to work in Macomb about 6 a.m. Friday when he saw a black object sitting in a farm field about the distance of three city blocks away on his right.

The man slowed his car, then stopped and watched as the object shot straight up in the air and hovered at what he guessed was about 500 feet. It remained stationary some four minutes, then turned completely white and took off at an angle, trailing what looked like exhaust or condensation. The man reported the object vanished quickly.

Brill said he and a group from the MUFON organization will try to pinpoint the exact location in the field within a few days and check the area for any evidence of anything foreign having landed there.

Sunday, October 19, 1975

QUINCY HERALD-WHIG  
(Illinois)

## More UFOs

Reports of UFO sightings increased Saturday night, some triggered by a weather balloon that is moving over central Missouri.

Reports from the Hannibal area of a slowly moving object "quite high in the sky" were generally attributed by authorities by a weather balloon that is traveling toward Kentucky.

In the Quincy area, city police and Quincy Flight Service at Baldwin Field received several calls throughout the evening. The airport refers all callers to a Chicago group that records UFO sightings.

The most unusual call was to city police by a CB radio operator who claimed a UFO had landed at Taylor, Mo., and blocked traffic. He said the Missouri Highway Patrol rushed to the scene. When the Patrol was contacted, they were mystified but amused.

Other reports to Quincy police reported sightings that ranged from stationary orange objects with green lights to rapidly moving white UFOs that changed colors.

FROM: JOE BRILL

# CENTER FOR UFO STUDIES

This is the latest listing of UFO reports from the CENTER FOR UFO STUDIES. All reports are received by telephone from cooperating law enforcement agencies nationwide. We would like to thank Dr. J. Allen Hynek for these monthly listings.

note: NL means Nocturnal Lights      DD means Daylight Discs  
       CE means Close Encounter        \* means the sighting is being investigated.

For more information on sighting types, read THE UFO EXPERIENCE by Dr. Hynek. (Regnery 1972, or Paperback by Ballantine 1974 \$1.50)

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UFO CENTRAL CALLS, OCTOBER , 1975

Day	Location	# of witnesses	Type	Followup
1	Pinole, CA	?	NL	*
1	N. Hollywood, FL	?	NL	*
2	Sheboygan, WI	+	NL	weather Balloon
2	Fort Lee, NJ	1	CE	*
3	Greenville, OH	5	NL	*
3	Quincy, MA	6	NL	*
3	Chicago, IL	2	NL	*
4	Springfield, OR	9	CE	*
4	Tempe, AZ	1	NL	*
4	Woodbridge, NJ	3	NL	*
5	Almonte, CA	1	CE	*
5	Minneapolis, MN	3	CE	*
6	Minneapolis, MN	2	NL	
6	Cincinnati, OH	2	NL	*
6	Santa Clara, CA	3	CE	*
6	Olympia, CA	1	NL	*
7	Port Huron, MN	+	NL	*
7	KANSAS	3	DD	
7	Port St. Lucie, FL		NL	*
8	Landsdown, PA	15	NL	*
8	Sharon Hill, PA	15-20	NL	*
8	Yakima, WA	2	NL	*
8	Minneapolis, MN	1	CE	*
9	Watertown, WI	+	NL	*
10	Hannibal, MO	3	NL	*
11	Garrett, IN	6-8	NL	*
11	Mooreville, IN	2	DD	*
12	Humboldt, TN	-	CE	*
12	Berkeley, CA	2	DD	*
12	McHenry, IL	3-5	NL	*
12	McHenry, IL	-	NL	*
14	Bellefonte, PA	4	NL	*
16	Flagstaff, AZ	1	NL	*
16	Davis, CA	8	NL	*
16	Brazows City, TX	2	CE	*
16	Vacaville, CA	+	NL	*
17	Peru, IL	+	NL	*
19	Great Falls, MT	9	NL	*
21	Chesapeake, VA	2	NL	*
22	Lynn, MA	1	NL	*
23	Towson, MD	2	CE	*
23	Lebanon, PA	1	CE	*
24	Sycamore, IL	3	NL	-
25	Dearborn, MI	2	NL	*
26	Gilroy, CA	3	NL	*
26	St. Clairsville, OH	2	NL	*
27	Normal, IL	2	NL	*
27	Alexandria, KY	3-5	NL	*
28	Cranberry Twp., PA	4	NL	*
28	Viroqua, WI	1	NL	*
28	Stillwater, MA	1	CE	*
28	Newcastle, CA	4	NL	-
29	Southbridge, MA	2	NL	*
30	Noblesville, IN	2	NL	*
30	Des Plaines, IL	2	CE	*
31	Niles, IL	2	NL	*
26	Southbridge, MA	2	CE	*
27	Oxford, ME	2	CE	*



## UFOs or what?

*Strange findings, weird lights.....*

*C-204*  
It begins like the classic Sci-Fi Saturday night special at the drive-in. In fact, it was on the way from a Saturday night drive-in that the Hoods of Valentia first caught a glimpse of what was to come.

Driving along a stretch of country road near their R.R.

2, Little Britain home a few weeks ago, Don and Laurie Hood, and friends, thought Paul Hood, 17, was kidding when he spotted a strange object out the car window.

"It was no joke," said Laurie Hood, 14. "We all saw it. It was right over the top of

the trees and lights were flashing. I've never seen anything like it before."

But when the car approached the spot, it suddenly darted off, very quickly at rapid speed.

Laurie describes the sighting as only "mysterious".

She'll say nothing else about it. "I can't say what it was," she said. "Only that I've seen nothing like it before."

When the Hood teen-agers got home, they discovered it was easier to see something than to explain it. Mr. and Mrs. Hood doubted the object their children had seen was nothing out of the ordinary.

The doubt lasted only days, however, until Paul and Don found a 35-foot diameter patch of burned, swirled, and flattened marshland near a split rail fence located under a quarter mile from the Hood property.

There are six "pot marks" ...grapefruit-size depressions in the ground, and the grass is swirled in a counter-clockwise direction. The huge circle is clearly visible and can be easily made out from the surrounding swampy field.

The boys spotted it while mending fences on the property.

For about two weeks now, a steady stream of cars have brought the curious, and Laurie said that the spot has been trampled quite a bit.

Her friends proved as skeptical as any...until they've seen the evidence, according to Laurie.

Although she did experience fear when she spotted the object weeks before, Laurie is not afraid now, and neither are any other members of her family.

"I don't think anyone is afraid," she said. "I don't think anyone wants to hurt us."

What has been sparked, however, is an intense curiosity.

What started as a single sighting, however, apparently could have been confirmed by another party, had the Hoods known about the Perry family of Greenbank.

Mrs. Perry was returning home around 11 p.m. the



**A UFO landing site?**

same night and was getting out of the car when she spotted a bright object moving very slowly across the sky in a northeasterly direction toward Lindsay. Fascinated by what she was witnessing, Mrs. Perry drew the attention of her husband and family to it. Also joined by a neighbour, the group watched the object for about an hour as it travelled unhurriedly along, altering its course slightly as time passed and occasionally per-

performing a dipping maneuver.

The object, as seen by the Greenbank group, was round giving off a whitish light which was consistently in evidence. At intervals the group witnessed a flashing light, red in color, flashing more quickly at times than at others. They also describe a bluish color, emitted periodically.

Mrs. Perry, having a last look at the object before retiring, said it was flying in (continued on page 20)

about the same direction, without apparent increase in speed.

**YET ANOTHER**

"Very bright and very big" is the way a 17-year-old Uxbridge area girl described an object she spotted hovering over a nearby field at her Uxbridge 5th Concession home.

In the kitchen of her parents' home, she looked out the window and saw a bright light above the ground. She estimates the object to have been about 200 yards from the house, and making no noise.

Judy Bishop was afraid at the time. "I was excited to see it but a bit scared," she said. "It couldn't have been a reflection or anything. It looked like it was hovering above the field."

She looked away from the object, not sure of what she had seen. When she looked back again later, it was gone.

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STAR  
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CANADA

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From: Joseph M. Brill

SO. AFRICA

Of one thing, Mr. Danie van Graan, 69, of Loxton, is certain: the thing which he saw one morning not so long ago in his sheep enclosure, just outside the village, was not one of the Citrus Commission's orange-colored round lemon juice wagons. Despite the fact that it certainly looked like that.

Mr. van Graan believes that he saw a Flying Saucer. For the people of Loxton and other curious visitors, he can show them the thing's padmark in the enclosure where the ground is trodden as hard as stone. He closed off the 'padmark' with pieces of corrugated iron.

The photograph of the 'padmark' which accompanies this article, was taken twelve days after the event and has been subjected to the weather. Twelve days in which the august winds, with their usual strength, have been blowing. Even so, the wind could not altogether obliterate the marks during that time. Loxton people come and look at the 'padmarks', shake their heads, turn around and come and look again. The saucer must have been right here in front of their eyes just over the stream. And yet they have seen nothing!

"If only, on that morning, I had looked out of my dining room window, I would have seen this thing too," says Mrs. Anemie Sinclair. And she is terribly upset. Now it is only Mr. Danie van Graan who has seen the thing.

"It was the morning of July 31st when, at approximately half past seven I walked across my land. The sun had not yet risen, but it was quite light and I could see the thing quite clearly. I thought it was a caravan belonging to the people who are looking for uranium all around here," Mr. van Graan reported. "But as I came nearer, I saw that it was altogether round with rounded windows. I could immediately see beings who looked like people. They had rather long faces though. There were four of them. Three of them I felt, had me under their observation and the fourth was busy at an instrument panel of some sort. I could see lights immediately. All of these were three cornered. I felt like I want to get closer, but some sort of flap near one of the windows opened with a bang and a streak of light shone in my face. I felt very uncomfortable and started to bleed from my nose.

From a safe distance, I observed them for about half an hour. All four were approximately one and a half meters tall and I would guess that each one weighed between 54 and 58 kilograms. They looked just like normal people with very long faces. They also had high foreheads."

Following this, the thing rose up and within seconds it disappeared, without making any sound. It left five definite marks behind on the stone hard ground, each one a good distance from the other.

Between the five marks there is a burrmark, but Mr. van Graan told Mr. John Sinclair that he would not like to say that this was left by the UFO. A few weeks previously, he had burnt some rubbish at this spot and this could be the reason for the burrmark. The thing had risen without noise and disappeared. On the ground where the object stood, according to Mr. van Graan, there are definitely marks in the hard ground, as though made by a heavy object, each approximately two centimeters wide and ten centimeters long.

They are all the same length, precisely the same distance from each other and one asks oneself, is it possible that someone would perpetrate such a hoax?

Mr. Sinclair said that he did not believe that there were such things as Flying Saucers "but if van Graan made those marks there himself, then he must have taken a lot of trouble to pull the wool over the eyes of the whole village. And to what purpose?" This is also the question the people of Loxton are asking.

Someone has said that perhaps Mr. van Graan is after the R1000,00 that RAPPORT will pay for the month's best news story. But Mr. Sinclair says immediately, "If this were the case someone would have seen him doing this. This is right in front of our eyes. It would have taken him a half a day. And without help he could hardly do it. He is a little on the short side, so how could he make five marks in the stone hard, dry ground each one symmetrical and equally distant from the other?"

"Someone would surely have come closer and inquired what the old man was up to."

Mr. Ben Bruwer, Mr. Sinclair's business associate, said that he had seen Mr. van Graan early that morning with his clothes smeared with blood as though his nose had been bleeding. But he shakes his head when he looks at the marks and remains unconvinced.

Flying Saucers are not his cup of morning coffee.

Perhaps some interested scientists will come to Loxton and find out the secret of the marks.

## UFO Sighted In Akita

AKITA—Some 50 people reported spotting an unidentified flying object (UFO) Friday morning about 900 to 1,500 meters above Mt. Mori in the southern part of this city.

The UFO, which, according to the observers, was a golden color, was seen from the Akita Airport for about five minutes from around 10.44 a.m.

The observers included air controllers and passengers waiting for their flights.

"Everyone became excited when they spotted a golden saucer-like flying object," said Masaki Machida, reporter of the Akita ABC Broadcasting Corporation, who was at the airport. "But it dropped out of sight about five minutes later."

The Akita Airport officials said there was no aircraft flying over Akita City at the time the UFO was spotted.

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Credit:  
Y.J. Matsumura  
JAPAN



# Cousteau Begins \$2 Million Effort to Find Atlantis

ATHENS (AP) — French explorer Jacques Cousteau is beginning a \$2-million, year-long search for the legendary city of Atlantis.

"I am not convinced that such a glorified citadel as rumored existed, but I do believe there is some kind of civilization there where the myth originated," Cousteau, 65, said on his arrival here Friday.

"To search for it is every civilized man's dream, and we believe we will get to the root of the truth," he said.

Cousteau said the sole written reference to Atlantis is by the ancient philosopher Plato, who received it second-hand from Solon, who in turn heard about the city on a trip to Egypt. Greek and American archaeologists have discovered valuable antiquities on land believed related to the legendary Atlantis.

Cousteau, here with his 18-man crew and electronically equipped ship "Calypso," will concentrate his underwater filming and research around the island of Santorini and its sunken volcano crater. An eruption there around 1400 B.C. is believed to have caused Atlantis to sink, leaving a circular scattering of islands.

Once known as "Kalliste," or the most beautiful, they are now known as the "Kamenes," the burnt-out islands. Descents will be made into the volcano.

"We have found treasures and gems in our trips round the world," Cousteau said, "but I personally believe that there is no greater jewel for mankind than our archeological origins. That is what makes this trip the most interesting in our 24 years of active work."

Apart from the search for Atlantis, the crew will be shooting a film entitled "Islands of Treasure," concentrating on archeological items strewn on the Aegean seabed. The area is believed to be rich with antiquities from sunken ships of various civilizations that fell victim to storms, war or piracy.

Cousteau said two-thirds of the project would be funded by the Greek government, to be reimbursed from the first profits. After that, profits from television income will be divided, except that the networks of Greece and Cyprus will get exclusive screening rights.

The explorer said he was confident that antiquities would be found around Santorini and other islands, despite the passage of nearly 3,500 years. He said he particularly hoped to find bronze weapons made by invading barbarian tribes when they overran ancient Greek cities.

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Worthington (MN) GLOBE  
Oct. 27, 1975  
Credit: Mark Hall

## Turkey Creek area still sees monster

LOCKRIDGE, Iowa (AP) — What creature has been lurking in the cornfields around Turkey Creek?

Residents of this southeastern Iowa town aren't sure, but they aren't laughing at the idea of a "Lockridge Monster."

"To me, it looked like it had a monkey's face, but I didn't study it too long," said Gloria Olson, one of several residents who has reported seeing the mysterious creature.

Herb Peiffer said the beast is a large, four-legged, hairy creature that reared up on its hind legs to a height of about five feet.

Lowell Smith saw something that he could only describe as "a four-legged, black long-haired thing in the cornfield."

The stories got started when Peiffer spotted the bear-like animal on his turkey farm north of here. Smith also saw the creature on his farm.

Mrs. Olson said she was driving past an old deserted farmyard just before dark when she saw it.

"I slowed up and couldn't hardly believe my eyes," she said. "I didn't tarry too long."

## Sasquatch reports stir up reservation

By DON HANNULA

"If you try to twist this around, I'll personally come down and do a war dance on your head," declared the 240-pound Lummi Indian police sergeant who says he has seen a Sasquatch.

Sgt. Ken Cooper of the Lummi Law and Order Department was directing his anger over the telephone at a Times reporter, inquiring about a trip Cooper made to Hollywood last summer to be interviewed about an earlier Sasquatch investigation.

"That doesn't have anything to do with this," Cooper snapped before slamming the phone in the reporter's ear.

Cooper says he saw a giant hairy creature — supposedly the legendary half-man-half-ape Sasquatch — on the Lummi Reservation near Bellingham early October 24, then again a few days later.

COOPER SAID the creature also was seen by his wife, his cousin, Marvin Cooper, and his brother, Lee Cooper, also a Lummi police officer.

Capt. Fred Guardipee, Bureau of Indian Affairs officer who heads the Lummi police organization, said:

"I have no reason to doubt the words of my officers but I don't think I have the facts to justify calling in (B.I.A.) help for further investigation. At this time, I don't plan any further investigation."

Guardipee also said he didn't encourage his officers to threaten the public or press.

Since word on Cooper's reported sighting got out, the Lummi police have been besieged by 60 telephone inquiries from newspapers and radio stations from Alberta, Canada, to California to Chicago.

Intrigue over the Sasquatch, or Bigfoot as it is called in some areas, has been widespread for years and has been the subject of numerous books and movies — some of which have been good moneymakers.

Wolper Productions, a Hollywood producer of documentary films, has been big on Sasquatches. It produced "Monsters, Mysteries or Myth?" which was shown nationally on CBS-TV. It has just released a new Sasquatch film, "Bigfoot — The Mysterious Monster."

IN THE PRODUCTION of the latest film, Wolper paid the flight and travel expenses for Cooper and six other Indians to visit Hollywood for interviews about a 1967 Sasquatch sighting on the Lummi Reservation.

Cooper had investigated the report of the 1967 sighting.

"They didn't even use me in the the movie. He said the others wanted to interview me because of my position (as a police officer)."

Robert Guenett, head of Wolper Productions, said only one of the Indians' interviews was used in movie," he said. "I think they were paid for their flight, meals, lodging and "whatever actors"

scale is . . . I don't know . . . maybe \$100." Cooper said he is not a "Sasquatch buff or expert."

He told the United Press International that he didn't want any publicity but the news leaked out anyway.

Cooper said he was called to a home the night of October 23. There had been numerous reports of Sasquatch sightings within recent weeks, he said. He said he investigated, saw no animal but found a plastic storm door torn and its frame splintered. He also found two boards ripped from a fish smokehouse behind the residence, he said.

He said he returned to the residence about 2:30 a.m. October 24 with his wife and cousin and turned the patrol-car spotlight on a huge, hairy creature standing in the brush.

COOPER SAID he had his shotgun aimed at the creature and his cousin had a pistol. He said he decided to leave because the only way he could take it would be to kill it. He said huge tracks found on the reservation indicated three creatures of different sizes have been roaming the area. Cooper said he has a tape recording of the creatures hollering.

A call to Cooper's home yesterday was answered by Rene Dahinden, Canadian Sasquatch author and investigator, who once threatened to sue Wolper Productions over use of the late Roger Patterson's film showing a huge, hairy creature walking along a creek bed in Northern California. There has been much debate on whether the Patterson film was real or rigged. Various full-time Sasquatch experts over the years have been at odds, trying to discredit each other's claims and making charges and counter-charges over "evidence."

Of the Cooper sighting, Dahinden said:

"This looks like a good one."

Capt. Guardipee said:

"I've checked the incidents and I have not seen why I should call in any investigators."

# FAA Says 'Triangle' Really Does Exist, But Rejects 'Devil'

By DON BEDWELL

Knight News Service

MIAMI — Planes and ships may sometimes vanish in the legendary Devil's Triangle, but Federal Aviation Administration investigators at Miami doubt that the devil made 'em do it.

FAA sources say the disappearances that have spawned a multitude of often sensational books and telecasts inevitably have a logical explanation — though on occasion it takes years for evidence to turn up that can disclose the full story.

In fact, they say, the vast expanse of water hasn't claimed an airliner mysteriously during the last 25 years, despite tens of thousands of airline flights through the area. Only one jet went down during those years — a DC-9 that had to ditch after running out of fuel.

"The safety record of airliners in the Triangle," according to the agency's monthly publication, FAA World, "is actually better than over the Continental United States."

## Authors Bend Triangle Boundaries

The Triangle's boundaries generally are described as running westward from Miami to the Virgin Islands and northward to Bermuda, though some authors have bent it out of shape to accommodate puzzling disappearances that occurred outside those limits.

"According to a raft of magazine articles and recent best-selling books," observed the FAA publication, "flying into this mythical area is tantamount to sauntering through the gates of hell."

Debunking the sensationalists, FAA investigators cite the 1972 crash of a chartered DC-7 carrying relief supplies from San Juan to Nicaragua, a crash that took the life of baseball idol Roberto Clemente. It was characterized in some accounts as another Devil's Triangle enigma.

Not only wasn't the crash mysterious, said Alfred Swason of the Miami FAA office, it was predictable.

"The plane performed exactly according to specifications, which indicated it would not fly with the load it was carrying," Swason said. Although the transport managed to get airborne from San Juan, "it was not designed to fly under those conditions — and it didn't," Swason added.

## They Concede Mysterious Forces

FAA men concede that there are mysterious forces at work in the triangle.

"On a misty day, the gray of the water and the sky can blend together," said Jack Miltgic, a general aviation inspector from the FAA's Opa-locka Airport office. "Then the pilot loses his horizon and becomes disoriented."

Pilots can encounter radical weather changes, including cyclical "neutercanes" hidden in rain showers, potent enough to rip the wings off a light aircraft and scatter the pieces on the seas.

Such weather changes can prove fatal to the many inexperienced overwater pilots who venture out to try their hand at island-hopping around the Caribbean.

"Add to this that there are few radio navigational aids and that there are narcotics smugglers who sometimes want to get lost," said the FAA World article, "and it is easy to see that we have a legion of disappearances just looking for a place to happen."

## Gulf Stream Hampers Searches

Search and rescue problems are compounded by the Gulf Stream, which can carry floating debris or surviving airmen miles from the site of the crash. The FAA hopes that emergency locator transmitters, required on most light planes since June 1974, will banish some of the Triangle's mystery by helping

search planes locate downed aircraft before they sink.

One baffling mystery was explained almost a year after a flying minister's Piper Aztec vanished off Southeast Florida, prompting headlines proclaiming "The Devil Got the Preacher." A wingtip tank floated up on a beach, and FAA investigators from Opa-locka determined that the tank had been ripped from the wing during heavy turbulence that apparently had tumbled the plane and its pilot into the sea.

"In some instance, even intact planes with bodies still strapped to the seats have been found by scuba divers," noted the FAA publication, "but stories about supernatural forces persist."

Sam Hamilton, chief of the Opa-locka tower, recalls one incident that might have been written off as a mystery except that the pilot's actions seemed predetermined.

Hamilton, working in the tower, heard the pilot request a turn toward the southeast, where a hurricane was known to be brewing. He later notified Hamilton that he was lost and, seemingly resigned to death, he asked to be put through to his wife in Ohio to say goodbye to her.

Then, before the radio transmission was broken off, the pilot dictated to Hamilton his last will and testament.

# Two 'Scared' Teens Claim Seeing 8-Foot Tall Bigfoot

PINE GROVE, Amador Co.—Two surprised and shaken teen-aged boys think they may have met the mysterious Bigfoot, a large manlike creature that many believe roams the forests of California and the Pacific Northwest.

The two, Rick Van Dell, 14, and Joe Coughlin, 13, told sheriff's deputies that the creature they encountered on a hillside here Friday night stood about eight feet tall and four feet wide, was covered with black fur, had glowing red eyes and walked upright.

"I don't know what in the hell they saw, but it scared the hell out of them," said Gene Coughlin, Joe's father, who could not find any tracks or other evidence of the creature following the incident.

Joe Coughlin first met the creature about 7 p.m. as he walked to the Van Dell residence on a ridge north of Highway 88. When he heard a grunt

behind him, he turned around and shone his flashlight, catching the "huge and hairy" creature in its beams. "It was sort of like an ape, only bigger," said Joe.

He and Van Dell later visited the spot of the initial sighting and again saw the creature. "It made a real deep grunt. He was slouched over with his arms swinging," said Van Dell. "When I came back in to get my mom it ran up the hill."

The two sighted the creature again about midnight, at which time it ran up the hill and disappeared.

Van Dell is sure it was Bigfoot, noting that it stood on two feet all the time.

Joe Coughlin is less certain, but doubts whether it was a bear, also rarely seen in this area.

Sheriff's deputies also were unable to find any trace of the creature.

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## Loch Ness Photos Convince Briton

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ing the existence of the monster.

Rines did not say what kind of animal he thought the monster was. He said he has invited scientists to the symposium next month in Edinburgh, Scotland, to try to get clues to its identity.

Scott, son of antarctic explorer Robert Falcon Scott and an eminent naturalist in his own right, said, "I am quite certain there is a population of very large unknown animals in the Loch," a deep gash between mountains that runs almost the whole breadth of Scotland.

He said he is "violently against" any attempt to capture any of the creatures, which he said are "possibly 40 feet long."

"There may only be a very small number hanging on by the skin of their teeth against extinction," said Scott, a founder of the Loch Ness investigation bureau, which collaborated with Rines. "You can't catch one without the grave risk of killing it."

LONDON — (AP) — A leading British naturalist said yesterday he is convinced by an American research team's photographs that the fabled Loch Ness monster is a living prehistoric reptile — or rather a family of them.

"The most important thing shown is the flipper of the animal, which I find very convincing," said Sir Peter Scott, an organizer of a symposium at which closely guarded photographs taken by a team led by American Robert Rines will be shown to the world on Dec. 10.

"There is no known whale or dolphin which has a flipper this shape," Scott told a British Press Association reporter at his home in Gloucestershire. "But there are flippers of the same general shape in the fossil records of prehistoric reptiles."

Rines, a patent lawyer and dean of Franklin Pierce Law Center in Concord, N.H., was quoted in a copy-right story in the Boston Globe as saying that his Boston-based research group had taken pictures prov-

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## 'Beast of Lake' Can't Be Located

LAFAYETTE, Cal. (UPI) — A search by helicopters and boats failed to spot the seven-foot "beast of Lafayette Lake" and a recreational reservoir was reopened Wednesday for public use.

The 114-acre reservoir was closed to boating for several days to check on reports that a creature — identified by one man as an alligator — was on the prowl.

"We found no alligator, nor any signs of one," said Paul Fletcher, spokesman for the East Bay Water District, which administers the reservoir. "But that's not to say there is no alligator — we just couldn't find one."