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Reports Sighting ^{X5} Humanoid Beings

NASHVILLE — A report that two mysterious beings described as "humanoids" were sighted northwest of Nashville last night is being checked by an investigator for the Center For UFO Studies at Northwestern University, the Sentinel has learned.

Authorities said a middle-aged woman was driving down a country road when the two unidentified beings flashed a blue light at her. She sped away.

Deputy John Gronewald of the Washington County Sheriff's Office said the sightings took place "about three miles west of Nashville and five miles north of Rte. 460 on the Covington Road."

He said the woman "wasn't really for sure what she had seen," but was quite scared.

Mario DeSario, 31, of Carbondale, a center investigator and Southern Illinois University graduate student, was assigned to the case after the sheriff's office notified the UFO center.

Gronewald said the UFO center was told of the sightings

because "I figured I wasn't qualified" to investigate further.

DeSario said the woman described "two very tall humanoids with large feet and no necks. They shined a blue light at her. This follows a pattern we've been noticing lately. The fact that they did not have any necks is especially significant."

He said he planned to be at the scene today to check for any imprints which may have been left on the ground.

Gronewald said the woman "didn't see a space ship or anything. She just stepped on the gas and away she went."

Both Gronewald and Sheriff Tom Hale speculated that the woman may have seen some coon hunters.

DeSario said his investigation was routine and that until he checked further he could not speculate on what may have taken place.

The woman's name was released.

EVING SENTINEL (Centralia, Ill.)
February 26, 1976

UFO Sighted In E. Hanover

EAST HANOVER- John F. Russell Jr. of Denville reportedly drew somewhat startled stares from East Hanover Police February 28 when he came to headquarters to report a UFO sighting. [Unidentified Flying Object].

He drew police a picture of what he saw and noted the object was observed at about 2:30 a.m. He told police he was working outside of Fritzsche Brothers, bringing drums in and out of the

building. A large egg shaped object came out of the South East and stood still in the sky, he reported.

The shape moved away, out of his sight, passed the tree line for a time, and then returned.

Russell described the object as "seeming to have fire coming out on all sides," he said when it went out, it was like shutting off the flames on a gas stove.

Several other UFO sightings have been reported in recent weeks in the area around the Boonton reservoir, but this is the first such sighting reported in the Hanover area. Police reports did not indicate their reaction to the observations.

THE WEEKLY NEWS (Whippany, N.J.)
March 3, 1976



Artist Conception
Of Space Visitor



Johnny Sands

For more information on the Johnny Sands UFO and occupant encounter near Las Vegas, Nevada on the evening of January 29, 1976, look in side ...

Whirring Object Seen In Sky Over Morton

By JOHN F. MORRISON
Of The Bulletin Staff

A strange circular object in the sky frightened children in Morton, Delaware County, last night and caused motorists on Baltimore pike to stop their cars and gawk.

Steve Strolli, 13, described the object as looking like "two domes pressed together." It was circular, he said, with white running lights that flashed on and off and a flashing red light on top.

Steve said he and his brother and two sisters and two older cousins were in the back yard of the Strolli home at 108 W. Sylvan ave., Morton, when the object appeared shortly before 8 P.M.

A Ridley Township police dispatcher said that at about the same time he got a call from a woman mo-

torist who said she saw a similar object in the sky over Baltimore pike.

She said she was among other motorists who stopped their cars to look at it. The dispatcher, who apparently didn't take the report very seriously, neglected to find out where the motorists were when they saw the object.

Steve Strolli said that when the object "came over the 8 trees" he told his younger brother, Vincent, 11, and sisters, Michelle, 10, and Susan, 7, to get into the house.

"We were scared," he said. "It was big!"

His cousins, Kurt Weng, 17, and his sister, Linda, 16, confirmed Steve's description of the craft.

Steve said it appeared to hover in the air and he could hear only a "whirring" sound. After about 5 minutes, it flew off and disappeared, he said.

Philadelphia, Pa. BULLETIN April 10, 1976

The subject of conversation in Broadus and area for the past two weeks has been the UFOs seen in the Boyes and Broadus areas.

Dan Lansing of the Alzada area spotted the red and green flashing lights from his kitchen window at 11:30 p.m. Then a bright white light came on lighting up the entire countryside. Lanning figures the light was one to one and a half miles away and around 150 to 200 feet from the ground. He later saw a similar red light head north and disappear.

Davis at the Boyes Store and Roy Richards report they sighted an object with two lights, one on top of the other. They report the lights were huge and possibly two miles away and some 200 feet from the ground.

Patrolman Dick Blankenship was called and went to Boyes. He reports he saw a half-moon shaped object fluttering overhead like fluorescent lights with changing colors. Dick, Richards and Davis watched until the object went out of sight. He met truck drivers with CB's who reported sightings of three of these objects at a time. They kept on in sight until they reached Broadus. Blankenship accompanied by Millard LaFlamme, deputy sheriff, watched the lighted object until 2 a.m. and then went to bed. Blankenship reported the objects to the UFO Reporting Center for Phenomena research at Seattle. The flying objects seemed to zig zag across the sky and move close to the ground and higher over the hills. — Miles City Star.

UFO Sighting in Alzada Area

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UFO Sightings Reported In Talladega Over Weekend

By MADGE MCGEE

TALLADEGA — Whatever those mysterious glowing objects in the sky are, a number of area residents say they were back over Talladega during the weekend.

Residents of Westend reportedly sighted what was described as a round, grey object moving slowly at tree-top level early Saturday evening.

And according to several sources, two patrolmen on duty also reported that sighting, but Police Chief Joe Sparks said he preferred not to comment on the alleged incident, even though a number of people monitoring their scanners claim they heard the officers' verbal report.

And at least one other resident spotted a similar object on the south side of town Sunday night, emphasizing in the telling that she had not been imbibing.

Sparks speculated that what was allegedly seen over Talladega Saturday and Sunday was probably the same thing which triggered another report of a UFO (Unidentified Flying Object) sighting.

In that incident, glowing objects seen by two women driving from Gadsden to Talladega were explained as aerial flares for night photography.

Sparks acknowledged that there had been several calls to his department concerning the local sightings, but he had not attempted to determine the actual cause, under the assumption that the explanation would be similar.

A spokesman in the northern division office of the sheriff's department said he could not remember any UFO reports made during the weekend, but had there been, the calls would likely have "just been ignored."

In the wake of several recent sightings in the Gadsden area, the official explanation for those "glowing" and "pulsating" objects overhead was given as tests at the Redstone Arsenal at Huntsville. According to one newspaper account, gases released during the testing could take on different colors and shapes depending on the circumstances.

But here's how it looked from the ground to several startled and at least three terrified observers.

The children of Faria Parker of 510 Lawson St. were "white as cotton" on reaching the safety of their home, after what they said was a large smoky-blue object hovered over them as they played in the yard.

Five year-old John, who first sighted the pancake shaped object which approached the playing youngsters from the cover of a nearby tree, was also first to react, according to the mother.

After alerting brothers Timothy, seven, and

Michael, ten, he dashed inside and locked the door on them. Mrs. Parker, who was tending to an infant daughter, hearing the commotion from the other boys pounding on the door, let them in.

They were at first so frightened, she said, none of them would venture back outside. But when one of them agreed to join her, she saw it too.

"It looked like it was coming down in the backyard," she said. At this point Michael and Timothy said the object extended "rods, like it was going to land." They also insisted it had a door which opened and "flashed blue lights" as if it were taking photographs.

When the object began to move away, blinking red and white lights rimming its edge, "It just disappeared," said Mrs. Parker. "A few minutes later, I saw it again, but it was way over there," she said pointing to the southwest.

Mrs. Parker said her children were not given to vivid imaginations, and she believed them completely since she had seen it herself.

Several Howard St. residents also called the Daily Home about the Saturday sighting, but none gave their names.

What was seen by Jackie Hallmark around 9 p.m. Sunday as she was driving on Cherry St. near Lancaster was described as an "oblong shaped" object "pulsating blue" in color which shaded to bright orange at one end.

Mrs. Hallmark, a Daily Home employe, said the strange object moved across the street, then appeared to "just disintegrate."

But the manner in which it vanished was the most puzzling part of the incident, according to the observer. The object began to disappear from one end, until it was entirely gone. "It was like it was being covered up by something," she said.

To Mrs. Hallmark, the object appeared to be "not very large" and moving at "tree-top level."

"Of course, it could have been fireworks or something else," she laughed. "But I've never seen anything like it before," she added.

The Parker family said the same thing. "The only thing I've ever seen like it before was on television," the youthful sighters chorused.

Another Daily Home employe, Billie Mowery, said that after getting a call from one "very excited" Howard St. resident Saturday evening, she also sighted "something," but it was to the southeast and was "too far away" to be distinguishable.

As of press time Monday, it had not been determined whether any testing had been conducted in Huntsville which could explain the phenomena of the two past nights.

College students spot UFO from High Street

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Several college students who were walking along High Street Monday night about 9 say they saw what they believe to be a UFO, according to one student.

"I thought it was a balloon or something until there was a bright flash and it zoomed off," Sara Cram said.

The object was orange, she said, and moved slowly, "but seemed to have a sense of direction like it was looking for something." It traveled from west to east, probably about 500 feet off the ground, she said.

Cram said she talked to other students who watched it for about 10 minutes.

She's sure it wasn't an airplane because it made no sound, she said. It also dropped two flares before zooming off, she added.

A spokesman at the Blaine Air Force Station, which has radar tracking equipment, said the station has received no calls reporting UFOs.

Bellingham, Wa. HERALD
March 9, 1976

Deeson residents report sighting 'saucer' object

She said it hovered near their home for nearly 20 minutes. Her neighbors and their five children also were said to have seen the strange craft. In fact she said one neighbor became so upset that he fired at the craft with a shotgun. The Deeson resident said that "I was too scared to do anything. We just watched until it went away." She declared that it was not a helicopter. Deeson is located on Mississippi 1 in Bolivar County.

Several Residents of Deeson reportedly became quite alarmed about 3 a.m. last night, when they were awakened by what at least one person said appeared to be a flying saucer. According to one Deeson resident, who refused to allow her name to be used, she and her husband woke up to the sound of "all the dogs in town barking." When they went to the window to see what was happening, they saw "a round thing, as big as a large room, with white, red and green flashing lights."

PRESS REGISTER (Clarksdale, Miss.)
February 24, 1976

UFO Spotted

SAN CLEMENTE — Anyone see a UFO out over the ocean Tuesday night?

An anonymous caller informed police at 9:25 that he and numerous other persons atop the Buena Vista bluffs were watching a UFO hovering above the ocean out by Catalina Island.

Police contacted the sheriff's harbor patrol division at Dana Point, but there was no further word today on what the lighted object might be.

The caller told police the object seemed to be hovering motionless over the water, with its lights changing colors. "He was sure it was not a boat as it was above the water," police said, "yet was too low and stationary for a plane."

San Clemente, Calif.
SUN POST
April 21, 1976

DAILY HOME (Talladega-Sylacauga, Ala.)
March 31, 1976

Dear Subscribers: We would like to thank your for your patience while we moved into our new offices. Due to lack of time lost while moving, we have had to combine our April and May issues into a double issue. The next issue will be out in about 4 weeks. Thank you again, Rod Dyke, Editor.

PS: Those who ordered Dr. Vallee's and Hynek's book should get their copies from the publisher in 4-6 weeks.

Siskiyou UFO sighting stories under study

By Don West

There was a time not long ago that most people would be afraid to tell their closest friend: "There was this green cloud like a vapor. It was not so much floating as it was sliding over this cut in the mountain, over the top of the stumps and trash. Inside this greenish glow, I could see the outline of a man."

The man telling this story was in his early 20s. He and four friends had been out in the Siskiyou mountains on Dec. 8 when they encountered this unexplainable apparition, a sight they will still discuss with only a few people.

UFO investigators Tom Gates and Pau Cerny are among the few, having won the confidence of 14 people who have sighted strange objects in the skies rimming the Oregon-California border from Eureka to Burney, since November.

Gates, director of the De Anza College space science center, and Cerny, mechanical engineer for an electronics firm, have the job of sorting out the credibility of the people and the stories they tell, separating explainable phenomena like aircraft lights and weather balloons from less understandable sights.

They are part of a nationwide network of investigators reporting to Northwestern University's Center for UFO Studies.

"Most of these people are ordinary smalltown working people, not the sensation or publicity seekers that try to pull hoaxes," said Cerny, who has been chasing UFO stories for more than 20 years.

The biggest problem in testing the stories is weighing the credibility of the people involved, all of whom Gates and Cerny are protecting from publicity until completing their investigations.

"As always, we find the people with the best reputations least willing to talk, while those prone to embellish and exaggerate talk more readily," said Gates, a 10-year veteran UFO investigator.

UFO activity in the area had been quiet for a couple of years since a woman reported that a strange craft had sucked up the water in a pond in 1973. The first sighting since was on Nov. 15, followed by other sightings Dec. 3 and Dec. 10.

Gates and Cerny surveyed the territory on Feb. 8-9 and found themselves a direct part of the story.

"We made our own sighting, not an extraordinary event by today's standards, but important nonetheless," said Gates.

About midnight on Saturday the eighth, the two were parked in the mountains near Alturas when a large orange glow of light rose over a ridge about three-quarters of a mile away.

Cerny watched with his naked eye, while Gates used 10/50 binoculars.

"I could see a glowing center inside the square shape, which Paul saw," said Gates.

The orange shape, glowing and iridescent, was about 30 feet across and rose 100 feet before descending briefly, rising again and then disappearing, they said.

The light had appeared in an uninhabited part of the mountains, where logging roads were too clogged with snow for land vehicles to traverse.

They were unable to reach the area the next day to check for physical evidence, because of the snow.

"This helped convince us that there was some sort of activity," said Cerny.

They also are investigating a story of an abduction reported by two women, one in her 30s and the other in her 60s, and a man in his 20s.

The big obstacle with this investigation has been drawing firm recollections from people.

Both have been consulting Jacques Vallee, computer scientist and UFO book author, on details of their investigation, comparing shapes, lights and colors seen with phenomena observed elsewhere over the years of the UFO studies.

Vallee has been involved in these studies since he noticed fellow astronomers at Paris Observatory altering their reports to delete unidentified flying objects. He has been doing detailed work on the social impact of UFO sightings.

The Northern California sightings fit the usual patterns of appearances in rural areas between midnight and dawn, he noted. But he still is studying

'These people are not trying to pull hoaxes'

the symbolism of the shapes and colors observed.

He will take special interest in people who have close encounters with UFO or their occupants and plans to follow up with visits in later years.

Such follow-up studies have demonstrated to him that all undergo a radical shift in their lifestyle after such encounters. Many suffer changes as severe as Herb Schirmer, a former Ashland, Neb., policeman now divorced, disconnected from family and friends and unable to find work following a 1961 encounter.

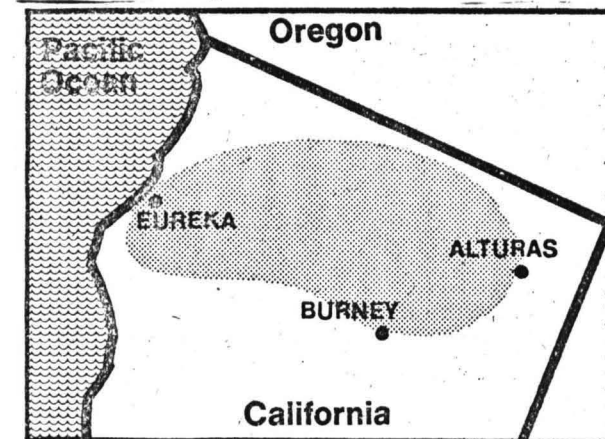
Few escape as unscathed as the Joseph Lugo family of Gilroy, who were subjected to considerable community and public pressures after an encounter last summer.

Lugo, owner of an auto parts store, endured some light-hearted kidding after his daughter and daughter-in-law were chased home by a strange airborne vehicle that both he and his wife saw.

"Most people are reluctant to tell too many others for fear of suffering harassment," said Cerny, who also investigated the Lugo incident.

Some of their work has already eliminated some of the Northern California sightings as aircraft lights.

But the two close encounters will require considerably more investigation before the Northwestern UFO



Area where latest sightings occurred

Center reports are submitted.

"I want to get back up there as soon as possible," said Cerny. "Who knows? I might get a ride on one of those things yet," he said, only half-kidding.

S.F. SUNDAY EXAMINER & CHRONICLE

April 4, 1976

Credit: Loren Coleman

Glowing Objects In Buttes

Five yellow glowing objects were reported seen flying together near the Sutter Buttes area about 2:30 a.m. today, according to the California Highway Patrol dispatch center in Chico.

The unidentified flying objects were apparently seen by at least one Yuba City police officer and a Sutter County sheriff's deputy, but both departments today say they are unable to confirm the sighting by their officers.

Spokesmen for the Sutter County Sheriff's Office said deputies were sent to the area where the sighting were reported, but they found nothing.

Past similar sightings have been traced to youngsters who rig kites with lights and fly them at night.

This is the second UFO sighting reported in the Sutter Buttes area in as many days.

Four objects, also reported to be glowing and yellow colored, were reported in the same area shortly after midnight yesterday.

The sighting was reported to Yuba City police about 12:15 a.m. by an anonymous caller.

The California Highway Patrol office in Yuba City received a teletype message from the CHP dispatch center in Chico that the five objects had been seen in the area this morning.

The objects had apparently been seen by a Yuba City police officer and a Sutter County sheriff's deputy, but no names have been mentioned, the CHP said.

A dispatcher for the Live Oak police department said today there was a lot of police "radio traffic" about the UFOs, "but they don't want to commit themselves," the dispatcher said.

Beale Air Force Base officials said they have received no calls from people seeing the objects, but they were contacted by the CHP and the Sutter County Sheriff's Office, "just for our information."

Spokesmen said today that

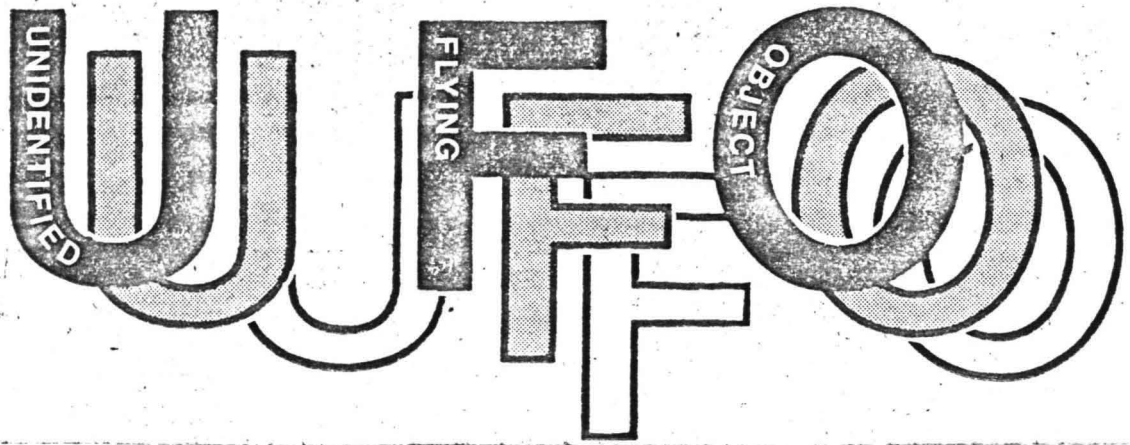
the Air Force "no longer has any interest in UFO's" unless they pose a possible threat to the "security of the installation."

During the 1950s and 1960s the Air Force was involved in a study of UFO's and often followed up reports of sightings, "but that has stopped," the Beale spokesman said.

Beale officials now refer UFO calls to law enforcement agencies.

Marysville, Calif.
APPEAL-DEMOCRAT
February 26, 1976

There was a 25-minute gap in the life of police patrolman Schirmer until UCLA hypnotists restored his memory



The PROVINCE (Vancouver, B.C.) March 20, 1976 Cr. Gene Duplantier

By James Spears

Most scientists believe that it is inconceivable that homo sapiens is alone in the universe ... the lord of creation. Attempts are now being made with space probes displaying clever universal symbols, to contact intelligent life in the light-year immensity of our galaxy. But what if our infantile hands, groping into the vastness of space, have already been superceded by visitors from space-time itself; by observers who reach us through the 'wormholes' that scientists believe, may provide corridors through space and time. Periodically we hear of people who claim

contact with the crew of a UFO and the great global controversy of truth or fiction intensifies. Such a claim is made by former police chief Herb Schirmer, formerly of Nebraska, whose story was uncovered in a deep-trance hypnotic state by UCLA scientists. While in this state of altered consciousness, Schirmer made several drawings of the vehicle into which he was taken.

Whether you believe or not, his story is a fascinating one. Perhaps one day the governments of the world will tell us what they know... if they know.

Schirmer had been taken aboard an unidentified flying object

"On the left side of his head was a small antenna. The skin on his face was of a grey color. His nose was long and flat and his mouth was narrow and slit like. His eyes looked like cat's eyes. . .

"Then he spoke, saying: Are you the watchman of this town? I said: Yes sir, I am. He spoke again, saying: Watchman, come with me."

So began the UFO experience of Herb Schirmer, now 30, who was a policeman, and later police chief, at the town of Ashland, Nebraska. The date: Dec. 2, 1967.

It was not a pleasant experience, especially after he wrote on his police log. "Saw a flying saucer at State Junction 6 and 63. Believe it or not."

Some townspeople hanged Schirmer in effigy as an expression that they didn't believe him. Tires were slashed and a windshield broken on his car.

"I would give somebody a traffic ticket and they would look at me and laugh, and tear up the ticket. What could I do?, said Schirmer in an interview at his home in Point Roberts.

He didn't last long as police chief, and quit. He has held other law enforcement jobs, including a job in a private security force in Oregon. When word reached his employers of his UFO experience, he was told to move on.

Despite ridicule, Schirmer has stuck with his story since 1967, and feels he is ready to begin telling it to the public.

"There might be a lot of people who have similar experi-

ences who are afraid to admit it," he said.

The UFO encounter was brief in Schirmer's memory, but it was later found there was a 25-minute gap in his radio log. U.S. Air Force investigators in Boulder, Colorado, interviewed Schirmer and discovered he had no memory of events between the takeoff and landing of the UFO. He was later hypnotized, and the memory of the 25 minutes returned. He has since been hypnotized a number of times, mostly by a group of UFO scientists at the University of California at Los Angeles. It was under hypnosis that Schirmer drew scale diagrams of the interior of the space ship he saw, and the grey-skinned being who spoke with him.

With friends, he has attempted to duplicate the sounds the spacecraft made through the use of a sound synthesizer. And he is putting his memories on tape at an inexpensive home-built sound studio in Point Roberts.

In 1967 he was working the midnight shift in the small town and a little after midnight noticed a bull had broken loose from an auction barn. The patrolman got the bull back in the pen, and then checked on two gas stations nearby.

"I made a radio check with Wahoo Sheriff's office and informed them that all was secure," said Schirmer in a report he wrote after the hypnotic sessions. "The time was 2:20 a.m. I pulled on to State Highway 6 going west."

Then he saw the UFO, first as flashing red lights, then as a football-shaped object.

He tried to call the sheriff's office but his radio was dead. "The craft was moving over the

highway north about 40 feet in the air. It seemed that some great force was pulling the patrol car up the embankment towards where the craft was beginning to land."

Schirmer saw a red-orange glow on the bottom of the craft, and saw a hatch open. "It was then that a shape of a man came out and walked over to the front of the patrol car. Then a second man came out of the craft and walked over to the car. The first man stood in front of the patrol car and, holding a small box-like object, pressed something. A green mist came out spraying all over the patrol car.

"The other man walked over to the driver's side of the patrol car and reaching inside, pressed a silver object against my neck, directly under my left ear. I felt a tingling sensation go through my whole body."

It was then that the grey-skinned man addressed Schirmer as "watchman of the town."

The grey-skinned man told Schirmer how the craft operated, showed him the power source and computers, and answered questions on the purpose of the craft's visit.

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Among the answers: The craft landed to extract power from a nearby hydro transmission line. 'He said: Look watchman. And I saw a blue bolt of light, through a port hole. It was like a beam and it hit the transformer on a power pole approximately 200 feet from the craft. There was a bright flash of fire and the blue bolt came back to the craft.

"Then the man said that one of the reasons they landed was to extract electricity from power stations. He also said that they have been observing us for a long time."

One of the men also told the patrolman that spacecraft would visit him again twice in his lifetime. "If I were some kind of kook I would be saying that I had a visit last week, but

it isn't true. I never saw anything again.

Under hypnosis, Schirmer has drawn detailed sketches of the power plant of the craft, which the spaceman said was based on "reversible electromagnetism."

He saw a room circled with cannister-shaped objects, with wires connecting them. In the middle of the room was an object, glowing red, like a spinning football.

Schirmer said he was conveyed, by a glass elevator, to another level of the craft and saw a TV-like screen which the spaceman manipulated. He showed Schirmer what his own solar system "in a galaxy next to yours," looked like, and saw pictures of the craft's mother ship on the screen.

By the screen, he said, was a map of a sun with six planets "with writing beside each planet. The language was one that I could not read."

Schirmer says he is not a church-goer, but looks to a Bible quote as a source of comfort that he is not going crazy. It's from Ezekiel, Chap. 1.

"And I looked, and, behold, a whirlwind came out of the north, a great cloud, and a fire infolding itself, and a brightness was about it . . . out of the midst thereof came the likeness of four living creatures. And this was their appearance; they had the likeness of a man."

Schirmer saw four men and talked to two of them, and hopes that others who have seen simi-creatures will not be afraid to talk about them.

The truth as he saw it

In early 1968, shortly after his UFO experience, Herb Schirmer was interviewed by members of the Condon Committee, a research project at the University of Colorado funded by the U.S. Air Force.

Among those who spoke with Schirmer was Dr. R. Leo Sprin-

kle, currently director of counselling and testing at the University of Wyoming.

Dr. Sprinkle told The Province that during the interviews Schirmer appeared "sincere and telling the truth as he saw it."

"He was aware of a loss-of-time experience (the missing 25 minutes in his radio log) and said he sensed someone coming toward him. At that time he didn't have any memory of being taken aboard."

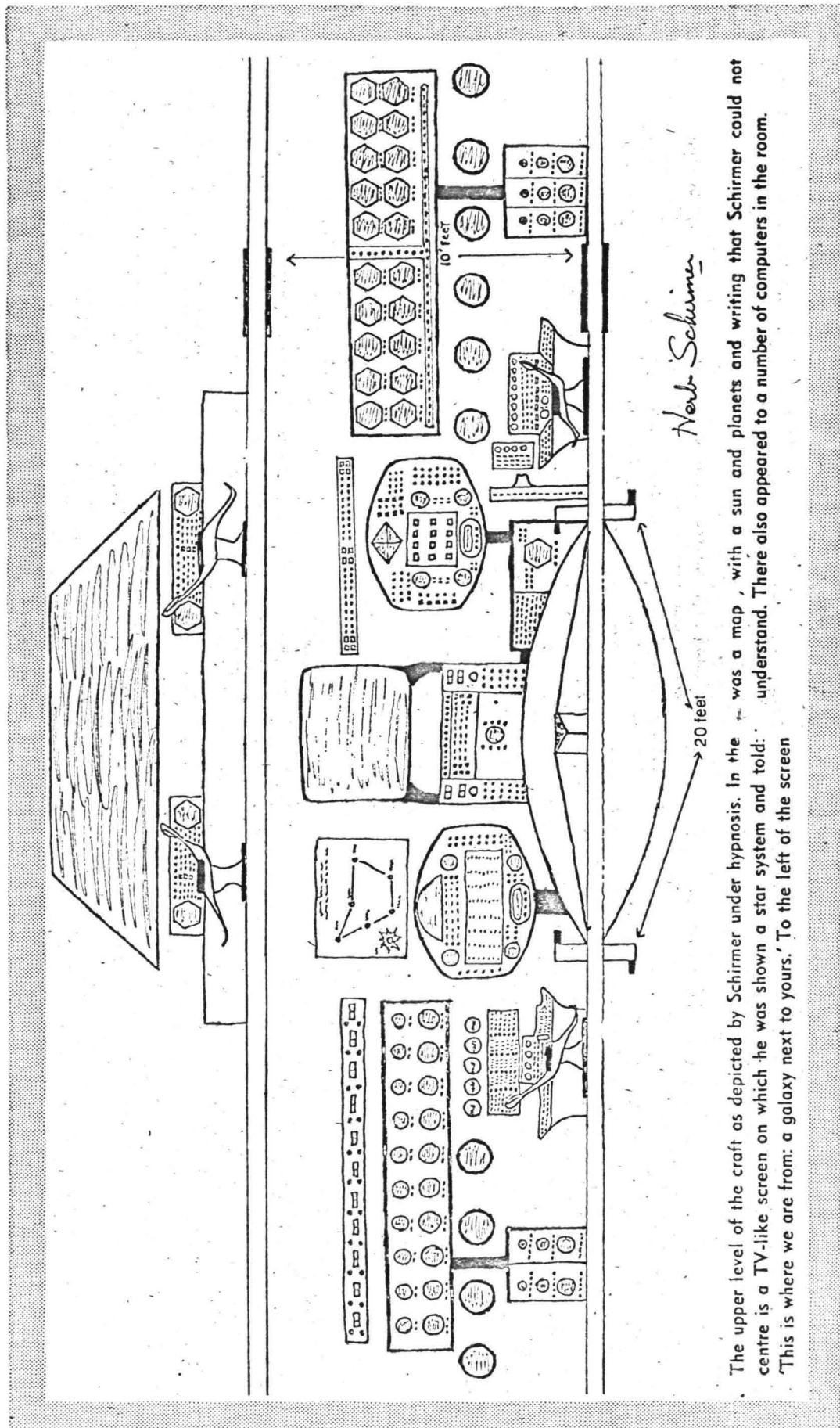
Later, Schirmer was put under hypnosis to delve into the missing 25 minutes. Dr. Ron Katz, of the University of California (Los Angeles) department of anesthesiology, told The Province that Schirmer had submitted to a number of hypnotic trances and drew sketches of what he saw while in a trance. The drawings were made in 1974.

Dr. Katz said that although he could confirm the trance sessions took place he could not speak about them because it was a doctor-patient relationship.

Generally, he said, subjects under hypnosis do not attempt to fabricate stories. The one exception, said Dr. Katz, might occur if a subject had been previously hypnotized to "remember" a series of events under subsequent trances.

Schirmer said that he believes he was put in some sort of trance, perhaps with the aid of the silver object placed beside his neck.

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The upper level of the craft as depicted by Schirmer under hypnosis. In the centre is a TV-like screen on which he was shown a star system and told: "This is where we are from: a galaxy next to yours." To the left of the screen

Strange Object Spotted

They're at it again. Those darn visitors from outer space—or wherever.

Saturday night, about 9 o'clock, they were hovering over Strausstown in their UFO.

At least that's what Mrs. Ray Shaak of Bethel R.D. 1 said. And she had plenty of support. She said at least six of her neighbors watched the strange object for more than a half hour.

The children were all excited, she said.

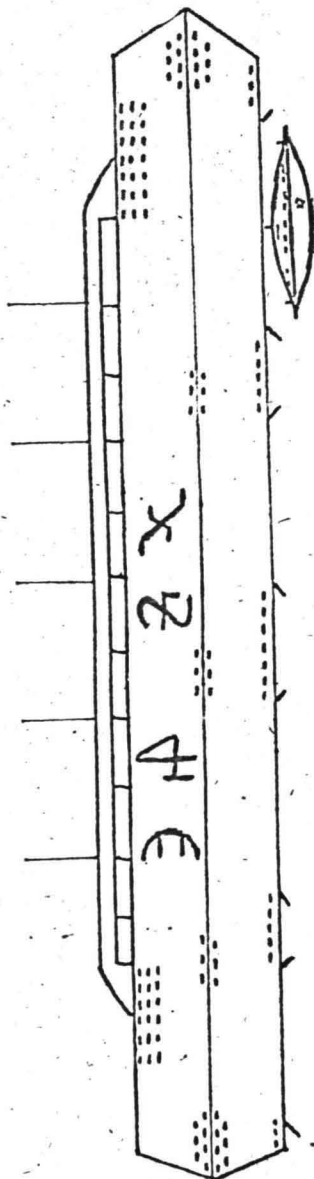
She described the UFO as a cigar-shaped light that gave off red sparks every time an airplane flying into or out of the Reading Municipal Airport flew over it.

She said at least three or four airplanes did that.

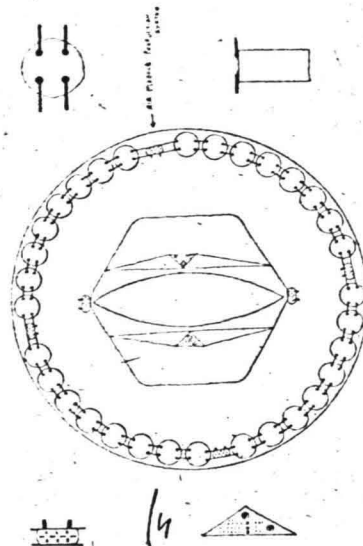
The control tower at the airport, however, reported it had no reports of anything unusual.

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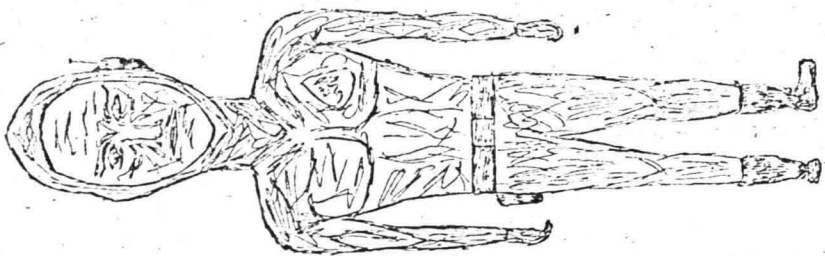
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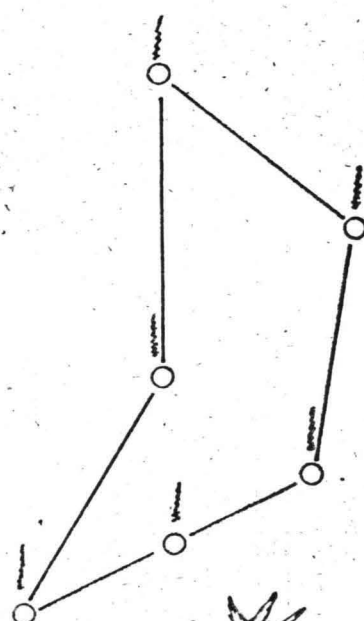
Schirmer did not physically see the 'mother ship' but was shown it on the UFO's video screen.



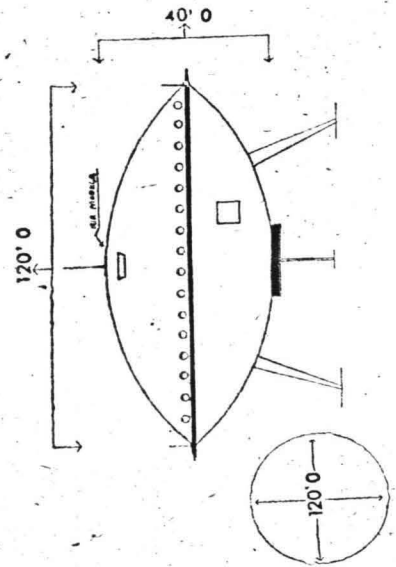
The most mysterious sketch was of the propulsion unit. Schirmer was told that this worked on a principle of 'reversible electromagnetism'. Shown is a series of wire-connected canisters, surrounding a glowing cone in the centre. The triangular objects appeared to be computers.



The spaceman appeared to be 4½-5 feet tall. He wore a close-fitting, hooded, silver-grey uniform, black boots, belt and gloves. On the left chest was a red emblem of a winged serpent. The man's proportions were normal. Looking down, the eye would normally 'see' a picture of a person with a large head and small feet but the conscious mind compensates for this perspective problem.



The spaceman said that his solar system 'was in the next galaxy'.



The dark area of craft, (bottom, centre) emitted a bright reddish glow. A spinning catwalk is depicted by the dark line around centre. Glow went out and catwalk stopped spinning just before men alighted.

X-AFO Spots UFL

A retired Air Force officer spotted a UFL—that's right, a UFL—Unidentified Flying Light—Saturday night directly overhead his Manheim Twp. home.

Harold Spangler, an ex-military flier who has logged 7,000 hours air time in everything from B17s to jets, said he and his wife, Gladys, were standing outside their home at 495 E. Roseville Road at 7:47 p.m. when something very high above them caught their eye.

The object was a pulsating light moving at what Spangler estimated was enormous speed. There was no shape to the object.

Although the light was pulsating like no jet's, glowing bright white, going dim, then brightening again, a jet was what Spangler assumed he must be seeing.

Even when the "jet" crossed through 30 degrees of arc, from 90 degrees right above him to 60 degrees, in the breathtaking time of 15 seconds, Spangler still awaited the customary sonic boom.

However, Spangler said the light emitted no boom nor noise of any kind.

The light disappeared in the far distance below some buildings.

Spangler, who retired from the Air Force in 1968 as a lieutenant colonel, says he "never saw anything like that before."

The air traffic control center in New York whose radar screens reach out to Lancaster monitoring high-altitude crafts reported no sighting on its equipment.

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An Encounter In The Night

By SELBY BATEMAN
Review Staff Writer

Johnny Sands says that he first saw the object as he was driving north toward Las Vegas after an early evening country and western gig he played in a small town nearby.

"I spotted an object in the sky which, at first glance, I took to be an airplane getting ready to land in Vegas."

At that point the car engine died and the vehicle slowly rolled to a stop there on Blue Diamond Road about 14 miles southwest of Vegas. Sands stepped out of the car and into the cool night air of the Nevada Great Basin.

Only a slight breeze broke

the stillness of the desert air as he walked to the front of the car and raised the hood.

"As I pushed the hood up above my head I saw this flying object hovering above the car about 1000 feet up," the dark-haired Sands says quietly. "There was no movement...no sound...no noise at all; just some lights flashing on its side. It moved south, slowly, right over the slope of a mountain about 500 feet from me, and then disappeared out of sight."

"I started working on the car and then something...I don't know what...made me turn around."

As Sands turned to look over his shoulder, his eyes detected

something about 200 feet down the highway, something that, in the dim extension of the car's headlights, looked like two men standing motionless on the tarmac.

It was 10:30 p.m. on January 29, 1976, a Thursday night that was to become for Johnny Sands the most memorable evening he has ever had; a night that he says has changed his outlook on many things, not the least of which is his belief in intelligent beings from another world.

That is quite a change for a young man raised in the Leaksville section of Eden, who, for most of his 30 years on earth, has been a die-hard

cynic when it comes to UFO's, little green men, and related theories of extraterrestrial life.

It is a wholly different scene from the many concerts and road shows that Sands has played for the past 10 years as a successful musician and singer. He has been onstage at the Grand Ole Opry, played back-up for stars such as Conway Twitty and Barbara Mandrell, and generally enjoyed his high-status vocation.

When Johnny Sands saw those two figures on the road, he says that he just seemed to freeze into immobility. His first thoughts were of a robbery attempt, two men

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jumping him there alone on the road in the middle of nowhere and taking everything.

"I started to turn around to run," Sands says, "and when I did...I couldn't move my body. I said to myself, 'Calm down, man, don't let this thing get ahold of you.'"

But then, Sands adds, he began to realize that it wasn't terror that held him immobile, but something else...something which he couldn't fight, couldn't even understand; an external force which he soon came to presume was produced by those two figures on the road ahead.

They approached him there in the steady lights of his car, coming up to within three feet of the frightened young man. Still, Sands says, he could not move.

An artist's sketch of the two men, made later under Sand's guidance, shows a figure quite human in appearance, with only minor differences.

The figure's head is bald, having curved indentations around the temples and what appears to be flesh-like flaps of skin just below where the ears should be. The nostrils are wide and flaring, the chin strong and squared, and the sunken eyes seem to stare rigidly from beyond the surrounding bone structure.

Sands says that the body of the figure was in a skin-tight suit, giving the appearance of strength and youthfulness; a humanoid of about average height.

"When they first came up to me," Sands continues, "one of them sort of stared at me, moved his hand to his belt, and began twisting something that appeared to have the shape of a bullet or a capsule. Then he started to talk, only he wasn't using his mouth."

Sands believes that mental telepathy of some sort was used to communicate with him, using that "capsule" on the belt as an aid.

"It sounded like two people talking on the telephone long distance," Sands says. "Sort of

muffled and a little slower than our speech."

An eerie conversation ensued, Sands maintains, during which he was asked why he was there in the desert and why all the people were nearby (in Las Vegas). He was also told a story concerning mankind's testing of nuclear devices, Sands says, one that held him in rapt attention.

One of the two humanoids produced a shining silver ball, which floated unattached between Sands and the two figures, rotating on its axis much like the earth.

Sands says he was told that the nuclear explosions from earth were creating serious lapses in the time sequence as we know it, causing us to age faster and to contract dangerous diseases not known 40 years ago. He says that the humanoid used the silver ball as a visual aid in explaining the problem, indicating that this situation was creating problems for their planet as well.

The summation included the warning that unless this situation is stopped, humanity will come to an end.

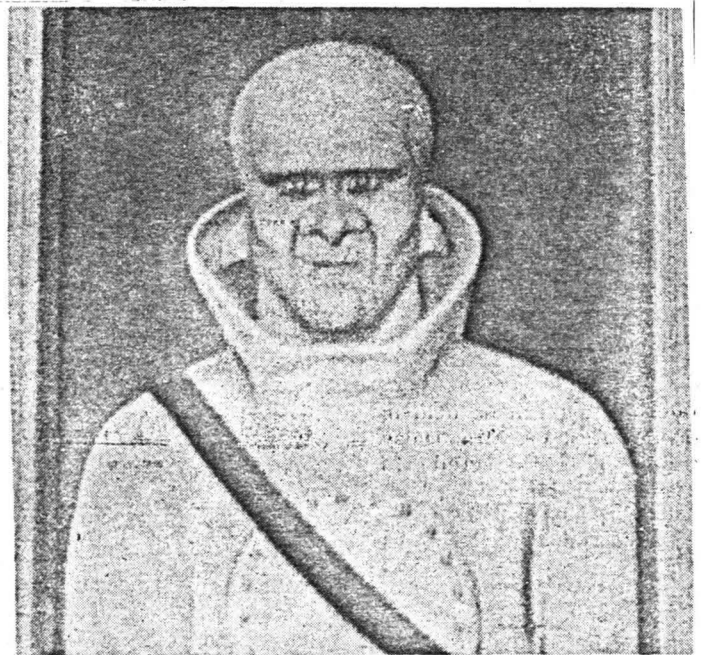
He concluded his message with a warning quoted by Sands, "We are going to stop it one way or another."

Sands says he responded, "Why are you telling me? People aren't even going to believe this meeting ever happened!"

There was no immediate reply, according to Sands, and then one of the two said, "They'll believe you and, in a year, if we can't get this message through, we'll have to make another appearance."

Sands says that he was also told that they would know where he would be at all times and that they would see him again.

The two humanoids that Sands says he talked with disappeared a moment later, vanished just as a beam of bright yellow-white light engulfed them. He says that it emanated from the low set of mountains behind which he had seen the air ship disappear.



A PAINTING which Johnny Sands says is a rough representation of one of the two "beings" he encountered in January.

Johnny Sands tells this story, in detail, with a serious air. He seems to be aware that the experiences he describes are not about to be believed by most people right away.

In fact, throughout his monologue, interrupted occasionally by a listener's incredulous queries, Sands doesn't try to insist that he holds any special power or is privy to any miraculous insight. His tone is that of a person who has accidentally stumbled into a bizarre and awesome situation and is doing the best he can to figure it all out.

That desire led him to report the incident to the Air Force, to contact a man named John Romero of the Las Vegas-based Aerial Phenomena Research Organization (APRO), and finally to co-found (with Romero) U.F.O. Investigators, Inc., a group which looks into such sightings and confrontations to check their validity and keep records on those reports.

Sands was given polygraph examinations in February by R.L. Nolen and Associates, a Las Vegas-based polygraph and voice analysis testing firm.

According to their records, Sands responses were "not consistent with deception

criteria," or, in other words, he may well have been telling the truth. At least Sands' story did not reveal indications which normally show that a story is being fabricated. A similar voice analysis test revealed the same results.

The story ran first in a Las Vegas newspaper, then at the end of March in the National Star. In early April, Sands was a guest on two Pittsburgh radio talkshows, one on WEEP and the other on KDKA.

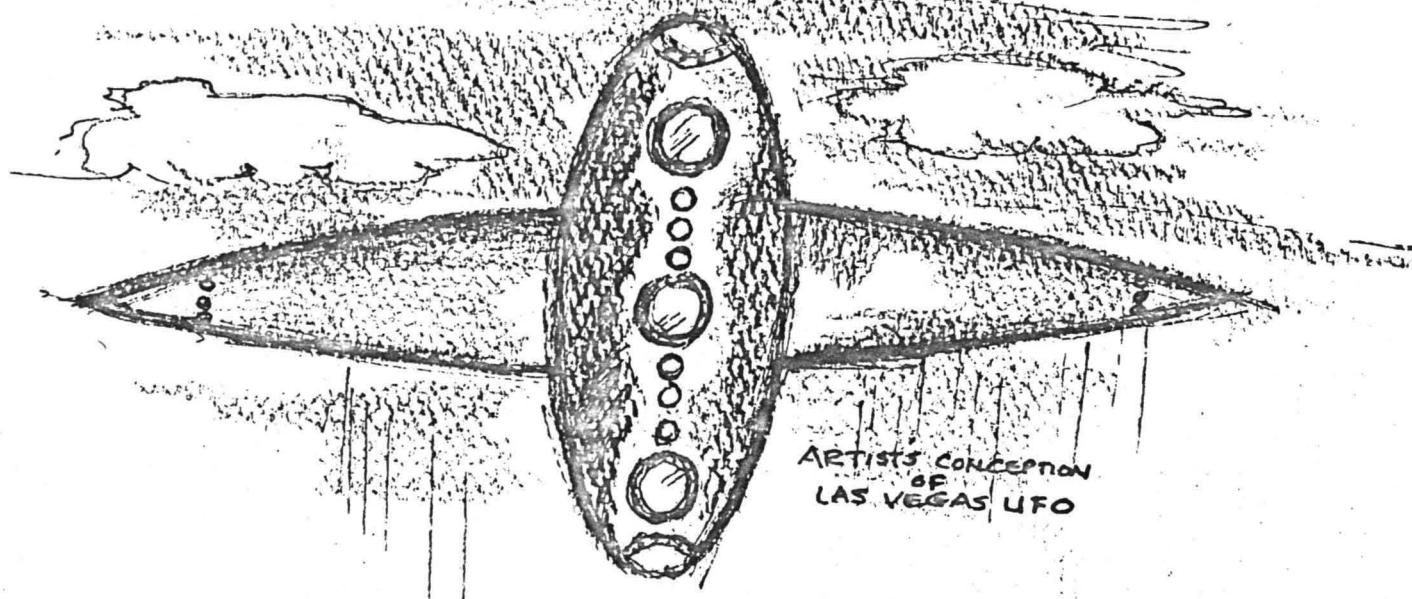
Sands who is now living in Southern Rockingham County, is pushing for additional research in the area as well as publicity for his own U.F.O. Investigators, Inc.

He will appear on WFMY-TV's "Good Morning Show" this week, he says, as well as WGHP-TV's "Southern Exposure."

On Wednesday, he will be the guest on local radio station WREV for the Moon Mullins' show, "What's On Your Mind."

All of this is for a purpose.

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CIRCULAR PORTHOLES AND SMALLER BLINKING LIGHTS encircled one section of the UFO Johnny Sands claims to have seen on January 29 near Las Vegas, Nevada.

"We are being interviewed by newspapers, radio, television, and even have made a documentary motion picture," Sands says. "To put on the market enough evidence to let people know of the organizations we've gotten together in order to fight the government and get information released."

Sands and his group believe that the government is actively suppressing information on UFO sightings and encounters so as not to alarm the public.

"I'm not in this to make money," Sands says. "I'm doing this on my own time. I want to promote this for one reason. Before being confronted with a UFO, I never believed in them, never gave it any thought at all. But, after seeing this and the powers exhibited, I believe our country could be in great danger."

Sands hopes that someday soon a museum and research center can be built somewhere in the piedmont area, so that the public can learn of the hundreds and hundreds of incidents and sightings in the field.

In the meantime, Sands plans to work hard to promote this research, because, after all, "they" said they would be back in a year. //

Motorists see it too

Children spot UFO in Morton

MORTON—Eight children claim to have spotted a whirling, circular object hovering in the sky over the home, 108 W. Sylvan Ave., Friday night.

Youngsters at the Michael G. Strolli residence said they heard a noise that sounded like a helicopter and went out in their backyard to investigate.

They said they saw a bright object that looked like "two domes pressed together" and about "three car-lengths long."

Steve Strolli, 13, who was the first to spot the object said it had white running lights and a red flashing light on top.

Steve, his brother, two sisters and two older cousins said they saw the object hover, sway, spin and start to descend. The lights seemed to then be extinguished and the object disappeared after about five minutes.

A woman motorist also reported to police that she and several other drivers had stopped their cars on Baltimore Pike after spotting a similar object.

Steve Strolli said the object "came over the trees." He told his

brother, Vincent, 11, and sisters, Michelle, 10, and Susan, 7, to run into the house.

Kurt Weng, 17, and his sister, Linda, cousins of the Strolli children, reported similar sightings.

A Ridley Township police dispatcher said that at about the same time he got a call from a woman motorist who said she saw a similar object in the sky over Baltimore pike.

She said she was among other motorists who stopped their cars to look at it. The dispatcher, who apparently didn't take the report very seriously, neglected to find out where the motorists were when they saw the object.

Steve Strolli said that when the object "came over the 8 trees" he told his younger brother, Vincent, 11, and sisters, Michelle, 10, and Susan, 7, to get into the house.

"We were scared," he said. "It was big!"

His cousins, Kurt Weng, 17, and his sister, Linda, 16, confirmed Steve's description of the craft.

Steve said it appeared to hover in the air and he could hear only a "whirring" sound. After about 5 minutes, it flew off and disappeared, he said.

Whirring Object Seen In Sky Over Morton

By JOHN F. MORRISON
Of The Bulletin Staff

A strange circular object in the sky frightened children in Morton, Delaware County, last night and caused motorists on Baltimore pike to stop their cars and gawk.

Steve Strolli, 13, described the object as looking like "two domes

pressed together." It was circular, he said, with white running lights that flashed on and off and a flashing red light on top.

Steve said he and his brother and two sisters and two older cousins were in the back yard of the Strolli home at 108 W. Sylvan ave., Morton, when the object appeared shortly before 8 P.M.

UFO Seen in Area

NEILLSVILLE — Several sightings of an unidentified flying object southwest of here have been reported to the Clark County Sheriff's Department in the past week.

The object, described as 15 feet high with yellow lights running horizontally across it, has been spotted in fields and roads and in the air by "several up-standing citizens," according to the report, which was received at midnight. A spot of the object is reported to have been seen on approaching vehicles, according to the witnesses.

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7 months later, Auburn UFO sighting reported

By Al Cross

Several residents of Auburn say they saw an unidentified flying object near their town one night last summer, and they all tell similar stories about the incident.

Sam Cunigan, operator of Auburn Electric Inc., was prompted to tell this newspaper about it when he read an article in another paper about another UFO sighting.

Cunigan says he spotted the UFO around 11 p.m. July 30 about a mile and a half west of Auburn. After seeing it, he went home and made notes about the strange occurrence that he has now released to the public. He writes:

"I was returning from visiting at the Logan County Hospital, listening to radio station WAKQ, when suddenly there was radio silence. About 10 to 15 seconds later, there appeared a bright red light to my left less than a quarter mile away and about 300 feet in altitude."

Cunigan is a licensed pilot and a member of the Logan County Airport Board, indicating that he is experienced in judging the speed, distance, altitude and size of flying objects.

"This light appeared to be about three feet or better in size and was traveling east at a speed of about 80-100 m.p.h., losing altitude at about a 10-degree angle. At first I thought of a low-flying helicopter, soon realizing that there was no sound or noise of any kind.

"Said light was too large to be a marker light on a plane or a rotary

wing craft. Then I thought of an emergency flare, probably from a plane or an aircraft of some kind."

As he watched the light fly behind trees on highways and yards, Cunigan knew that if it was a flare it could cause a fire when it reached the ground. (He has been on the Auburn fire department for 22 years.) He then drove through Auburn, toward the apparent destination of the light.

"I drove to the cemetery and turned, got out of my car, seeing and hearing nothing. I drove back to my house deciding to say nothing about this to anyone. Later, while drinking a cup of coffee with my oldest daughter, Judy Woodward, we decided that maybe I should look again out North 103 or in that direction for something burning.

"As I got in my pickup, the CB radio was on, and a good three-party conversation was going on. I knew in a moment that the object had been seen by others."

Cunigan contacted Auburn policeman Larry Brewer, 21, and Howlett Chevrolet serviceman Garry Coles, 20, by CB, and met them at a gas station in town.

He says Brewer told him that he was in the police car on the town square when a light appeared on the water tank. Seconds later it appeared to explode, made a left turn and started north with what appeared to be a small cloud of light-orange exhaust around it.

Cunigan quotes Coles as saying he first saw the light from the Hall and Blythe parking lot. "He estimated the size to be about five feet or

better," Cunigan says, "and he also verified the fact that he also saw smoke, exhaust or a cloud of light."

Brewer, thinking the object might be a helicopter in trouble, headed for a rendezvous with it. About three miles north of Auburn on Ky. 103, he saw the light moving across the ground. It then cut in front of him, knocking his car onto the shoulder.

Brewer said the object didn't appear to be solid, and he thought he had run into a tornado. He turned around and headed back to town.

Cunigan says four other people saw the UFO at the same time.

Roy (Pinky) Thompson, 36, was in his yard on Wilson Avenue talking with Jerry Thomas, 26, when they saw what they thought was a large flare falling to the ground.

Maxie Rittenberry, 35, thought it was a transformer shorted out and on fire, "but after it moved he knew it must be something else," says Cunigan. Rittenberry was about two miles south of Auburn when he saw the light.

Special Deputy George Earl Lockhart, 28, saw the object through a window while he was watching TV at his home.

Cunigan also says that Lillian Lee, 40, told him she was awakened sometime that night by the wind blowing hard against a fan in her home on Cemetery Road. "But just for a short time," he writes.

Cunigan checked with the flight service at the Bowling Green airport a couple of days later to see if any aircraft reported trouble in the area the night of July 30. None had.

Why haven't Cunigan and the others said anything before about their UFO sightings?

"There is always someone who will say that I was drunk or crazy," he says. "I don't drink, and I don't think that I am crazy. If I had been the only one to see this light, I would have never said anything about it. But there were six other people who saw it, and three of them, as well as myself, noticed a radio silence."

Cunigan admits there are many questions that could be asked about the five minutes on July 30 that he and the others describe. "I don't mean this as a hoax, nor do I want to scare anyone," he says. "But I know for a fact that I saw something, and so did the six other people."

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YOUR CLIPPINGS of newspaper items are very welcome. We apologize here for being generally unable to acknowledge these items as the pressure of work on our tiny staff and on our postage resources is too great. However, please do not be deterred by this seeming lack of courtesy. We really do appreciate anything you care to send.

Light In Sky Poses Question

Bremerton, Wa. SUN
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By Seabury Blair Jr.
Sun Staff Writer

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Andrews, 5515 Erland Point Road, saw something last night that they can't explain.

They were driving east on Highway 104, about one mile west of Hood Canal Bridge, when Andrews saw a bright white light which appeared to be hovering above the water near Shine, opposite Lofall.

"He said, 'I wonder what that is,'" said Mrs. Andrews, and he pointed to this light. From my point of vision, it looked like it was just above the trees over the water."

Mrs. Andrews said she first thought it might have been a radio tower beacon, although it shone with a steady, bright white light.

But then it began to move.

It was 10:44 p.m. Mrs. Andrews explained that they have a digital clock in their car and she happened to note the exact time they first saw the light.

"It moved up into the air and then changed course abruptly. It began to move north and then it moved up again. It was moving very fast, faster than any satellite or plane I've ever seen," she said.

Her husband pulled the car off the road at one point to watch, but the couple never left their car. They watched the light for about a minute.

"When it moved, Ed said it looked to him as if it began to glow with a reddish light. But to me, it looked as if the red light were added, as if a red light was on the other side of the white light and was just becoming visible," said Mrs. Andrews.

They continued towards the bridge, watching the light which Mrs. Andrews said would move north, then stop and appear to hover, then move north again. She said that at last, it darted north and began to gain altitude so rapidly that eventually neither could distinguish between the light and surrounding stars. It was a clear night, with unlimited visibility. There were no low clouds or fog around the bridge, she said.

She said that when the light changed direction, "it seemed to make very sharp turn. It would stop, then move. When it went up, it went straight up at a 90-degree angle. We've both seen planes at night before and we saw some last night. This was nothing like the lights of a plane."

Neither Andrews or his wife was able to distinguish any structural detail behind the

light, nor did the glow from the light illuminate any of the trees or water which both felt the light was near when they first saw it.

"It was really hard to tell exactly where it was. It seemed as if it was very close to the water at first and when we lost sight of it, it must have been very, very high," said Mrs. Andrews.

The couple were returning from a trip to Neah Bay last night. Mrs. Andrews said she didn't notice whether other motorists on the highway stopped to observe the light.

But when they reached the toll booth at Hood Canal Bridge, they told Clara Lee Urdall, a toll taker, what they had seen.

"She yelled across to another worker something like, 'Here's someone else who saw it, too,'" said Mrs. Andrews. Ms. Urdall works the 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. shift at the bridge and resides in Jefferson County. She was not available for comment this morning.

But bridge workers said this morning Ms. Urdall told fellow employees last night she saw a light similar to what the Andrews' reported while driving to work.

"I wish someone could explain it," said Mrs. Andrews. "It wasn't an airplane or a balloon or a meteorite or anything like that. I've never seen anything like it before."

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2 Local Women See UFO

By KEN PLUMMER

A Goldsboro woman and her daughter reported sighting an unidentified flying object as they drove down a Raleigh street last Thursday night.

Their experience became even more unusual when they returned home to learn that a friend had sighted a similar UFO in the sky over Goldsboro last fall.

Mrs. Edith Jackson and her daughter, Dianne Taylor, reported seeing a large, brilliantly lit and spinning object in the sky as they drove down Hillsborough St. in Raleigh around 8 p.m. Thursday.

Mrs. Jackson said when she told co-worker Charlene Grady about the sighting Friday morning she learned that Miss Grady had sighted a similar object in the sky over Goldsboro last November as she drove down the U.S. 70 bypass near its intersection with Berkeley Blvd.

The sighting by Mrs. Jackson and her daughter was the first to be publicly reported in some months in this area which at times produces a flurry of UFO activity.

Last year a rash of sightings, some of them dramatic and creating considerable state and national concern and interest, were reported in Wayne, Cumberland, Sampson, and

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Local Women See UFO Over Raleigh

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Robeson counties.

From one of those incidents a bag of ashes which witnesses said were left behind in a field by five low-flying saucer-shaped objects was collected and sent to the Center for UFO Studies at Evanston, Ill.

In the latest reported sighting, Mrs. Jackson said her attention was first called to the UFO above Raleigh by her daughter as they drove down Hillsborough St. in the area of the State College campus.

"She interrupted my conversation and asked me what 'that bright light' was that we could see through the car windshield," Mrs. Jackson related. "I first thought it was a reflection from a diamond ring I was wearing but it wasn't."

Her daughter said she first thought it was a time and temperature sign of the kind utilized by savings and loan institutions which was flashing words, but which were unintelligible.

Both women described the object they saw as fairly large, although it was difficult to judge it in relation to the distance, brilliantly lit and spinning rapidly at the base or rim. It had a red blinking light in what appeared to be the middle, which they observed as the object tilted.

Mrs. Jackson said it appeared stationary but tilted at an angle as she drove for a distance of about eight blocks. She said, "We decided to stop and call someone else's attention to it. As I started to pull over to the curb the object started to move and moved very rapidly away."

"It was out of sight in a few seconds."

Mrs. Jackson said she and her daughter were "very much

impressed with what we saw. For some reason I wasn't alarmed, which is strange. My daughter was shaken, though."

Mrs. Jackson said they began discussing what they had read and heard about UFOs. "I have no doubt about what I saw," she said. "My husband was in the Air Force for 22 years and I'm no stranger to aircraft."

Ms. Taylor said that as she and her mother observed the object in the sky at Raleigh, "Neither of us was saying anything. It had a red light in what appeared to be the middle, and a ring of white, or circle of lights separated by spaces of darkness at the base, revolving very fast."

"It finally looked like it was landing at treetop level but mother, said it was actually moving away."

"The thought of it being a UFO hadn't entered my mind until then. But then we started talking about it."

Miss Grady said she sighted a similar object as she drove down the U.S. 70 bypass at Goldsboro last November around 11:20 one night. She said she first saw two objects, larger than stars, high in the sky. As she drove on, she said, one of the objects descended and finally hovered above the trees by Edgehill Apartments.

She said as another car pulled over the object "shot straight up so quickly it was astounding." She said it then appeared to rejoin the other object.

She described the object she saw as brightly lit with "a weird kind of light soft of dancing around the edge, spinning, with a red light on top."

Miss Grady, who was shaken by the sighting, said she experienced "an eerie feeling all over."

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'Strange Lights' Sighted

Streator police department received many telephone calls inquiring about strange lights in the sky last night. The inquiries were made both last night and again this morning.

The strange lights were reportedly sighted in the northeast part of the sky. According to the department, many of the people calling asked if the department had received any reports of unidentified flying objects (UFOs) in the sky between 8 and 10 p.m. Sunday.

Police department report was filled out on the inquiries at 9:50 p.m. Sunday after several of the calls had been received. Reportedly, many of the individuals contacting the police station wouldn't say if they thought it was UFOs as they didn't want to seem foolish, according to the department spokesman.

up. We went out to the balcony to take a better look, and she said, 'Honey, that's a UFO.'"

McArthur said they looked at the peculiar object through a pair of binoculars. "It changed from being pencil-shaped to oblong, and it was bright red," he said.

Mrs. McArthur, an actress who appears in Venice Little Theatre productions under the name of Elinor Hudson, added,

"When Don McArthur woke up around 4:30 Thursday morning to get a glass of water, he saw something that really started his adrenalin flowing. 'I went out to the kitchen to get the water, and then turned out the lights. Then I saw something in the sky. It was a slender, red, pencil-shaped object.'"

"I woke my wife up — and 4:30 is a nasty time to wake her

"It was bright, bright red, the color of the sun when it sets. It was oblong-shaped and very, very large. It was stationary — it didn't move. We watched it for about five minutes, and suddenly it disappeared. We were very excited."

THE McARTHURS live in beachfront Venice Sands condominium, and saw the UFO hovering over the gulf. "There were no clouds for the object to

hide behind — it simply disappeared. It was a bright night with a lot of stars."

Mrs. McArthur said that this was not her first experience with UFOs. "I saw one once in California, several years ago," McArthur added that he had also seen one, "Years ago in Pennsylvania. I didn't report it then, because at the time people would have said I was nuts."

McArthur, a former pilot, said that he used to do a great deal of flying, "and the objects I saw were not jets or planes."

He also related another incident that happened last summer, and had nothing to do with Martians or spaceships.

My wife and I had taken off from the Sebastian Inlet, near Hollywood, Fla., and were flying 360 degrees due north. "I like snuff and reached over to get some. When I turned back to my instrument panel, the compass had deviated 180 degrees. I told my wife, Honey, I think something is wrong with the steering mechanism, and she said, 'No. We're over the Devil's Triangle.'"

McArthur said he did not take pictures of his latest UFO sighting, but added, "I'll carry my camera with me everywhere now."

UFO 'Seen at 12 Elmwood Again

The night of April 22, Village Police Officer Geo. Wheeler of Elmwood reported seeing a UFO near Elmwood.

Officer Wheeler, was hospitalized after the incident, suffering from evident shock.

Reportedly, when he saw the UFO, some outside source shut off his police radio, so he could not call out. The object rose off the ground and went out of sight after which his radio came on again. He called the County Sheriff's Dept. which dispatched cars to the scene. They were unable to discover anything, however.

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What's red, oblong and disappears?

UFO makes pre-down visit

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Area Has Rash of UFO Reports

Strange lights moving over Alliance Tuesday evening caused a rash of UFO reports to the Tri-County UFO Study Group's Investigators.

At approximately 8:50 p.m. a total of eight known witnesses in five different areas spotted a strange formation of five bright lights described as "headlights" moving due west in a straight line formation then changing to a "V" formation, but not holding a true formation. All witnesses reported no sound and estimates ran between a height of 200 to 10,000 Feet. Cletus Nezbeth of Alliance received two calls involving five persons: One approximately one mile South of Alliance on Rt. 183, the other on Reeder Rd. Mr. Nezbeth upon checking with Akron-Canton Airport learned of a report they received

from the Louisville area of a person who was a pilot. The airport reported nothing stranger in the area and no known unusual aircraft in the area.

Paul Rozich of Alliance received a call from two persons in the Haines Ave. vicinity. James Rastetter, of Sebring received a call from the Beloit area. One witness described a beam of light projecting out from it — another — a reddish-orange glow on one object. It was believed to be different objects or one very large object.

Rastetter stated the object must be classified as an unidentified flying object, but by no means rules out a possible logical answer or that it was an alien space craft. The group would like to hear from others who might have witnessed the strange sighting.

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Spring Sightings

As spring springs upon us and people begin spending more time outside, it is perhaps not surprising that the season for sighting unidentified flying objects is also here. One of the first sightings of a "flying saucer" was reported early today, but police could find nothing to support the report. Capt. Paul Accera, night duty officer, said police received a call about 2 a.m. from a resident in the 4800 block of Walnut Grove, who insisted he was "stone sober" and saw a large "kite-like" object in the sky which made a strange sound. The man said he got his binoculars and watched the "UFO" for some time. Police went to the area in squad cars and a helicopter, but saw nothing unusual.

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UFO over Brunswick

By BILL CAULEY
News-Post Correspondent

For the past few days, the conversations over the airways of the Citizen's Band radio channels have not been dealing with the topics of smokies, front doors, and flip-flops. Instead, the topic has concerned reported sightings

of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs).

According to various members of the Smoketown CB Club, an organization located in the Brunswick area, reports have been coming in about these alleged sightings ever since Monday night.

"At first, I didn't believe it," said Mrs.

Diane Jacobs, a member of the Smoketown CB Club. "We were listening on our CB set here at home and then one of our members from Lovettsville, Va. called in and said he noticed a bright object in the sky."

Mrs. Jacobs went on to say that the report from Lovettsville, Va. had the UFO heading toward Brunswick, and shortly thereafter, more reports began to pour in over the CB airways. "Some even came over the emergency channel 9 frequency," Jacobs said. "When I went outside, shortly after the majority of reports started coming in, I saw it too. It was a glowing white light."

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Are UFOs visiting Brunswick?

By BILL CAULEY
Brunswick Correspondent

BRUNSWICK — Recently, the topic of conversation over the Citizen's Band radio and channels in the Brunswick area have not necessarily been the usual transmissions. Instead, they have concerned sightings of an Unidentified Flying Object (UFO).

Then, according to CB reports, about 14 people gathered in an area near the Potomac River in Brunswick where the object came close to the ground. The alleged group got to within 200 yards of the object when a loud noise occurred.

The sound, which reportedly came from the hovering object, lasted a few seconds, and then the object took off, and moving on down the river, CB reports said.

"At first, I thought that was the end of it," Mrs. Jacobs said. "But a few minutes later, we heard a CB report from Point of Rocks saying that an object was sighted down there and was heading toward Sugarloaf Mountain."

The CB club from that respected area reported that the object hovered near Sugarloaf Mountain for about 15 minutes and then headed back up the river toward Brunswick. "When it came back to Brunswick," Robert Jacobs said, "it stopped over the river and was visible until about 3 a.m. Tuesday morning. Then, it just disappeared, and nobody has seen it since."

"We still don't know what it was," Jacobs said. "But we would like to find out. It sure caused a lot of excitement among the CB'ers."

During the Monday night event, it was also learned that a group from Lucketts, Va. also saw the object and that a preacher from the Lucketts, Va. area took several photographs of the object. Efforts are being made by the CB club to secure these pictures.

These reported sightings have prompted an investigation by the National Investigating Committee for Aerial Phenomenon (NICAP). The organization, which is non-profit and is not in any way associated with the federal government, has already conducted one investigation in the Brunswick area, with another slated for this weekend.

The first reported sighting occurred on Monday, March 15 at approximately 9:30 p.m. when Robert Jackson, of Lovettsville, Va., sighted the bright object heading toward Brunswick. Jackson, who is a member of the Smoketown CB Club, a Citizen's Band radio club in the Brunswick area, then went to the home of John Jacobs of Brunswick where the two observed the UFO together. Jacobs is also a member of the CB club.

"When I first saw it," Jacobs said, "it was coming south from Lovettsville headed in a northeasterly direction toward Brunswick." Jacobs continued by saying that the object came over

Investigation of UFO Sightings Continue

James Rastetter, chairman of the Tri-County UFO Study Group, reported today that over 100 calls were received from persons who saw an unidentified flying object Monday and again Tuesday evening.

Rastetter, along with Cletus Nezbeth, saw the object Tuesday evening at 8:47 p.m., and everything was as previously reported — in view for approximately four minutes and again no report from Akron-Canton Airport on a sighting.

Many of the calls have brought to light old UFO reports that were never reported, Rastetter said, so many new reports must also

now be investigated.

According to Rastetter, "Only one person has some kind of a possible answer, and this is being checked out. If the object goes over again this evening at approximately 8:45 p.m., I believe I can come up with the answer."

"This is what bothered me the most. The fact it was so close to the same time. But if the one answer is right, it accounts for the absence of an object on radar," Rastetter concluded.

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toward the Potomac River in Brunswick and stopped.

"Mr. Jackson and I watched it for about five minutes," Jacobs continued. "It just stayed in that spot, and then all of a sudden, it was gone. It was just as if somebody turned off a light."

Nothing more was heard concerning the UFO until 12:30 a.m. Tuesday morning when a CB'er from Point of Rocks spotted the object over the river in that area. The object, reportedly played around that area until shortly after 1 a.m. when it headed back up the river toward Brunswick.

In the meantime, various other CB'ers reported seeing the object over the river. Jacobs, who was still monitoring the reports over his CB unit, went up to the Brunswick Mill where he observed the object again at about 1:30 a.m.

"I was with another club member, known as the 'Smoketown Kid,' when I saw it again," Jacobs said. "This time, it appeared to be coming directly at us. But it was moving more slowly than when we saw it earlier in the evening."

Jacobs then said that the bright object got to within about 500 feet of him when it disappeared again as it did on the first sighting. The UFO has not been seen since.

According to Dr. Wallace Garthright, Regional Investigator for NICAP, these descriptions have been recorded and are being investigated. Garthright also described NICAP's purpose.

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"NICAP is a group of private citizens investigating these sightings," Garthright said. "The organization was formed in 1956 because we feel these UFO reports are a serious problem worthy of investigation."

Since its inception, NICAP has spread and grown into a worldwide organization with over 20,000 cases in its files.

"We have 4,000 members all over the world," Garthright said. "And our national headquarters is located in Washington, D.C. but remember we are not a government agency."

Garthright further stated that NICAP has many scientists, along with some congressmen and astronomers working with the organization on these UFO investigations. "We also have a Board of Governors that help in our operations," Garthright said. "In fact, one of our Board of Governors is Senator Barry Goldwater of Arizona."

Membership in NICAP is \$10 per year, and members get access to NICAP functions. They also receive newsletters, and get discounts on some of the best UFO publications.

Dr. Garthright wishes to stress that if anyone in the area wishes to volunteer any information concerning what they might have seen on Monday, March 15, between 9:30 p.m. and 1:30 a.m., in the way of strange lights on unusual crafts, may call him at his Rockville office at 443-3240 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. After 4:30 p.m. he can be reached at his home in Gaithersburg at 869-2718.

All information will be fed into the NICAP computer and recorded.

"We want all leads concerning these sightings," Garthright concluded.

Flash of light reported in sky

A bright flash of light followed by an explosion was reported about 10:30 p.m. Tuesday by several people driving cars in northern Dane County and Columbia County.

Police could not explain the source of the light flash.

One eyewitness in the DeForest area said he had turned north on Highway 51 off of Highways 12 and 18 when he saw the light "almost overhead going from east to west and very low. Then it exploded and disappeared or whatever they do."

Jim Barger, a Columbia County dispatcher on his way to work in Portage also spotted "a big white flash" that "lighted up the sky" to his east.

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Students sight UFO

Several youngsters playing at Glenwood Elementary School, Easton, early Tuesday evening, Feb. 24, reported seeing what they believe is an unidentified flying object (UFO).

Among the children who called to report the sighting

were David Mooney, Sharleen Copper, Billy Caldwell, Traci Copper, Simone Pitts and Aaron Blake.

Aaron said that at first he thought he was seeing was a plane, but the longer he watched the more certain he

was that it could not be a plane.

The youngsters said the object hovered over trees in the area and seemed to pause in mid-air.

Then were several other UFO sightings in Talbot County in the month of January.

Red, white, blue Patriotic UFOs over city

By

PAUL DOUGHTERTY

Hundreds of residents and police officer in Clovis, N.M., are claiming the first Bicentennial tribute — by UFO.

As many as 30 cigar-shaped flying objects were reported over the town — some flashing lights in the red, white and blue colors of the American flag.

Police telephone lines were jammed from sundown to midnight on the night the objects appeared, said Miss Diana Kenemore, police dispatcher in Clovis (pop. 24,000).

Several police officer also reported seeing the UFOs.

The Marshal Willie Ronquillo of nearby Texaco said he saw objects — this flashing green, yellow and blue lights.

State police cars chased one cigar-shaped object for several minutes. Marshal Ronquillo reported.

It did not appear to be a commercial or military aircraft of any known type, and officials were unable to identify it, he said.

The Clovis sighting has attracted attention from a growing band of UFO investigators who reject the traditional interpretation that UFOs are spaceships from other worlds.

The new breed of UFOlogists believe UFO may be subjective phenomena — projections of our own imagination or some mental mechanism not yet identified.

UFO investigator Allen Greenfield in a new Book Saucers And Saucerers (PANP Press, P.O. Box 98214, Briarcliff Branch, Atlanta, Ga.) traces a link between UFOs and ancient magic.

"There are UFO enthusiasts who explain old myths and religions in terms of early UFO visitations," Greenfield said.

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"But it may be the UFOs in modern times are just the form in which these primal archetypes are now manifesting themselves.

"In other words, people see what they expect to see. In the old days they saw the

devil. Now they see spaceships."

Greenfield said he personally had an open mind on the origin of UFOs, but the "subjective theory" was getting increasing support.



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PIPE CREEK — At first she thought it a large, bright star. It was really a beautiful unidentified flying object, Mrs. Delle Dennis is convinced.

The former non-believer of UFOs was converted early this morning. She watched one for half an hour.

The hovering craft was in the sky north of Medina Lake where Mrs. Dennis lives in a home on a bluff where Medina River swells into Medina Lake.

Mrs. Dennis said she awoke shortly before 3 a.m. "I looked out the window and saw what I first thought was the largest star I ever saw," she told The News. She added:

"There was a great big ball. There was a smaller one underneath. It was just hanging there in the sky, immobile.

"Lights were flashing from the larger ball and there was a steady beam from the smaller one to the larger one. It was a beautiful sight.

"I looked at my watch and it was 3 a.m. It hung there about 15 minutes then it started moving. It didn't sway. It didn't swoop. It didn't jet away. It moved smoothly.

"There was no noise, and I had the windows open. There was not a sound. It moved from a

northwest direction to a northeast direction in a level, straight line and hovered.

"I watched it for maybe another 15 minutes and it just hung there and I went back to sleep."

Mrs. Dennis said the flying object was maybe three miles away and at cloud level.

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U.F.O. Reported

NEILLSVILLE — The subject of reported seeing strange objects in the sky, some of them quite low to the ground. "U.F.O.s" (unidentified flying objects) has been the topic of discussion here within the past few days. The Sheriff's Department has received a few calls from persons who

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Some doubt UFO visit, but cows believe

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"I know what I seen," said Ernie Pacheco. "I don't care what anybody thinks.

"Whatever it was, I don't know. I just hope it don't come back."

What Pacheco says he saw was a huge, rectangular-shaped Unidentified Flying Object, hovering early Sunday morning over the Benton County dairy farm where he works.

Pacheco, 45, who came to the farm about a year ago, was nervous as he talked about the experience Tuesday afternoon. He chain-smoked cigarettes as he sat at the kitchen table of the home he, his wife and three of their children occupy on the Horning Dairy farm, 3½ miles north of Monroe on Highway 99W.

"I have no idea what it was," Ernie said, "no idea at all. It was just strange, that's all — and scary. I guess most people wouldn't be scared, but I was."

It all started about midnight Saturday, Ernie said, when the family's dogs started barking and the 146 Holstein dairy cattle started "stampedin' around" in the loafing shed — a slope-roofed building about 75 yards from the house. Ernie went out to check, found nothing, and returned to the house for a cup of coffee before starting his pre-dawn milking routine.

"My guess is that whatever it was, the cow's seen it," he said. "And the dogs were raising all kinds of heck — they were all shook up."

After his coffee, Ernie went back out to herd the cows into the milking parlor. "They were in an uproar," he said. "I can usually bring 146 cows into the wash stalls without using a push gate, but I had to use it that night.

"About 3:30, I guess it was, all the lights went out in the parlor. When I opened the door, I seen this big high thing . . . I would say about three stories high.

"It looked like a hotel more than anything. It looked like it had three layers of windows, like compartments.

"Why, it hoo-vered like this (Ernie moved his hand up and down over the table). I couldn't see nothin' inside — I couldn't see anybody walkin' in there. It was lit up really bright."

Ernie was a little vague on dimensions — when you're watching a UFO over your barn in the middle of the night, it's difficult to concentrate on measurements — but he guessed that the rectangular object was perhaps 60 to 65 feet long and hovering not very high above the loafing shed.

"It was about 10 minutes that it lasted," he said. "I just stood there gazing — I was goin' to run to the house, but I was too scared to move, to be honest. I'm the nervous type anyhow . . .

"Then the damn thing just raised up in the air. When it raised, that sonofagun started slow and then all of a sudden, she went . . .

"As soon as that thing raised, the barn lights came on. But the lights in the holding pen wouldn't come on. And when Cliff came the next day, he had to reset the (circuit) breakers."

Ernie described the object as dark — but "more like an aluminum color."

"And there was no motor a-tall on it. It was quiet too. When it took off to raise, there was no wind or dust or nothin', and the higher it went, the faster it went."

As the object went up and eventually disappeared, Ernie said, the driver of a tractor-trailer rig coming down Highway 99 saw it, stopped, and pulled into the farm's driveway. "He was from Yakima, Wash., but I didn't get his name," Ernie said. "He just couldn't believe it."

Ernie said he went back to milking the cows then, but it took him about two hours longer than usual because the animals were so spooked. And milk production that morning was down 350 pounds from the normal 7,000 pounds, he said.

"We're treatin' nine cows for bruised udders they got stampedin' around," he said. "One cow had a bad leg anyhow, and they must of knocked her down. She'll be off the line for a week."

Ernie's wife and sons were asleep when all this happened and heard nothing — although Ernie said his wife

heard the earlier commotion with the dogs and cows. Neither the farm's herder nor his wife, who live in a nearby trailer, heard anything.

And several nearby neighbors said they neither heard nor saw anything unusual that night. "Course, most people aren't up at 3:30 in the morning," said one.

The truck driver Ernie mentioned didn't report the incident, and Oregon State Police say they had no other reports besides Ernie's.

There are a few inconsistencies in Ernie's story. His estimate of a 3:30 a.m. arrival is apparently off because state police said he called them to report it at 2:35 a.m. He also told police that the craft made a noise like an airplane, while now saying it was silent. And he didn't mention the truck driver to police.

Ernie has been known to take a drink. But he swears he wasn't drinking that night. His employer, George Horning, says he has no reason to doubt Ernie's story of the sighting.

And Ernie himself says he's sure of what he saw. "I'd take a lie detector test — you betcha," he said.

At the Monroe Cafe down the road, cook Mary Lou Lancaster said there's been considerable conversation about Ernie's sighting.

"No one really says they believe it," she said. "Yet they don't say he's a damn liar, either."

Farmer 'spots' UFO

MONROE — Strange things can happen to you when it's 3:30 a.m. and you're out in the barn milking your cows.

Just ask Monroe farmer Ernie Pacheco. He told Oregon State Police Sunday that he was milking the cows during the wee hours when the barn lights went out.

Pacheco told officers he got a flashlight, went outside and saw a glowing, saucer-shaped object hovering over his barn. He described the object as 80 feet long, 30 feet high, noiseless and covered with lots of small windows in rows — "like a hotel."

He reported that he watched the object until it suddenly shot straight up and "merged with the stars."

There were no other reports of UFOs in the area Sunday, police said.

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'20 to 30 lighted, noiseless' UFO's spotted in RC

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Redwood City police last night recorded reports of sightings of "20 to 30 lighted, noiseless" unidentified flying objects above the vicinity of Canyon Road, Highland Avenue and Brewster Avenue.

An Atherton police unit reported seeing the lights at 9:40 p.m., according to the Redwood City police log.

A few minutes later, the log continues, Redwood City Officer Clay Stringer saw a hot air plastic balloon with a candle attached under it floating near the police department at Jefferson Avenue and Middlefield Road. No connection between the sightings or explanation for them was established.

UFO here?

Manteca, Calif. BULLETIN
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Chris Morgan, 12, of 415 Jason Street, Manteca claimed that he and five other youngsters, along with six adults, saw a reddish-orange cigar-shaped object in the evening sky here Wednesday night.

The seventh-grade student at Lincoln School said that the unidentified flying object appeared just before 7 p.m. and again a half hour later.

Chris said that in both cases the object approached from the northwest, passed directly overhead and disappeared in the southwest. It was visible for two to three minutes, flying at about 1,000 feet.

The youngster also said that the object did not make any noise.

UFO sighting baffles residents of Goodridge

By Darrel Koehler, Herald Staff Writer

"It had bright, flashing yellow lights and it seemed to come towards us. When we turned off the car's lights, the object sped away," said Scott Pahlen, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Pahlen, Plummer, Minn., in describing the latest in a series of possible Unidentified Flying Objects (UFO's) which have been reported in the Goodridge area.

Pahlen and his date, Carolyn Dahlen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Erling Dahlen, rural Goodridge, say they spotted the strange object at the intersection of Highway 1 and 59.

A week later near Plummer they say they spotted another object. This one had red and white flashing lights and they said they were able to follow it for several miles. However, Pahlen said the Plummer object could have been a helicopter or aircraft.

"It just didn't have the same characteristics as the first sighting. The lights just weren't as bright," he said.

Miss Dahlen said they were awed by the first sighting. She said Pahlen first spotted it near the horizon and it first appeared to be two lights which then blended together.

"We weren't scared. But it really is something that I won't forget for a long time," she said.

Among the other recently reported sightings were these:

* Gerald Sjulestad, who farms southeast of Goodridge, and his wife say they were awakened by their dogs whining. When Sjulestad got up and looked out, he said he spotted a bright light which he described as looking like a moon and which quickly sped off.

* Erling Dahlen, father of Carolyn, was awakened when his dogs became excited. When he looked out, he said he saw a strange red and white object which traveled at a terrific speed and which was capable of making quick turns.

* Three Goodridge girls, Gilda Manderud, 19, her sister, Lori, 16, and Tammy Johnsrud, 15, were returning from a basketball tourney last fall when they say they spotted a bright light near the junction of Highway 1 and 219 south of Goodridge.

The object was described as being orange in color and saucer shaped. It glowed brightly and as it hovered over the roadway, there were several flashing lights in the middle, the girls said.

The car's engine stalled and the headlights dimmed and went out, they said. The trio said they watched the object, about 30 feet in front of the car, for five minutes before another car approached and the object sped off.

Richard Faflak, who is with the Center for Unusual Phenomena at the University of North Dakota, said letters seeking additional information concerning the sightings have been sent to Goodridge residents, but haven't been answered.

Faflak said such sightings are more common in the spring, summer and fall, rather than winter.

"Winter is normally a low point for such sightings. It might have something to do with snow cover," he said.

Faflak added that UFO sightings appear to be on the rise and he said reports are coming in from other areas in both Minnesota and North Dakota. None have been explained.

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Couple Say It's a UFO

By ELEANOR LILLESAND
Press Staff Writer

MARGATE — First they saw it, then they didn't.

Although Mr. and Mrs. Michael Soble say they can't positively identify what they saw, "We know we saw it," they agreed Thursday night.

They said they're pretty sure they saw their first unidentified flying object.

The couple said they were returning to their home here from Linwood and were driving on the Margate toll bridge road shortly after 9 p.m. when they both spotted an oblong shaped, pulsating light moving in the sky, headed toward their car.

"We both leaned forward to look at it through the windshield and it moved very fast over the car roof," Mrs. Soble told.

She said they called NAFEC when they arrived home, to check if any aircraft had been in that vicinity at 9:23 p.m. Thursday.

Officials at the federal installation said only one light plane was in the area at the time.

"But that was no airplane," Mrs. Soble said emphatically.

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Area Troopers Chase UFO

An unidentified flying object flashing "blue, green, red and white lights" was sighted and chased by sheriff's deputies and Florida Highway Patrol troopers late Tuesday, February 10, in south-central Columbia County, the sheriff's department reported.

"I wouldn't have believed it if I hadn't seen it with my own eyes," said one deputy who declined to be identified.

The sheriff's office said a woman living south of Lake City called about 11:00 P.M. and reported seeing "a flying saucer."

Deputies who were dispatched to investigate the call said they saw an unidentified object hovering about 500 or 600 feet in the air, flashing "all different colors" from what looked like a glass dome on the bottom.

Florida Highway Patrol troopers who were also called to investigate also reported sighting the object, the sheriff's office said.

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A 'UBO' Sighting Reported On Red Oak-Nashville Hwy.

A "UBO" has been sighted between Nashville and Red Oak. A UBO is an Unidentified Bouncing Object that bounced across SR 1003 (the Nashville-Red Oak Road) last Thursday night in front of a car containing Mrs. Lou Fisher of Red Oak and Mrs. Annie Mae Ross.

Mrs. Fisher reported that she and Mrs. Ross, who resides in Raleigh, were traveling between Nashville and Red Oak when a strange object the approximate shape of an automobile bounced across the

road in front of her car.

According to Mrs. Fisher, she and Mrs. Ross could see the shape of some wheels, but could not see the wheels. It had big red lights on the rear, and may have had a light on the front.

Mrs. Fisher reported that the object was grayish in color, and had a long, silver-colored rod down the side, which protruded past the rear end of the object for about 12 inches.

It apparently made no sound that could be heard by the two ladies.

"It just suddenly bounced across the road in front of our car, went into a field and disappeared," reported Mrs. Fisher.

The sudden appearance of the strange object bouncing across the road just in front of their car left the two ladies shaken and frightened. They don't know what it was, and so far there has been no explanation for what happened.

Now if anyone knows what the Unidentified Bouncing Object was, please let it be known.

Flashing lights, again

Miami Beach Councilman Philip Sahl today will ask city lawmakers to consider amending the zoning code to allow businesses to install flashing night lights.

Under the present code, flashing lights are prohibited in the city and Sahl insists a change is needed to improve the city's tourist image.

He claims Miami Beach is the only resort city in the world that does not allow its tourist oriented businesses to have flashing signs.

Lawmakers once already have considered the request and turned it down, but Sahl explains that he did not attend the meeting.

He wants to explain his request for the change and to counter arguments by some community groups that it will degrade the city's image.

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This UFO Even Has Brand Name

By DAVE NICHOLAS

The North Pocono area was thrown into an uproar for over 20 hours Monday when what was believed to be a glowing UFO splashed into a small pond about one-half mile off Rt. 307 in Roaring Brook Twp.

Early this morning, Ed Bailey, section director for the Mutual UFO Network reluctantly conceded to an apparent hoax after a Tribune "investigating" team found writing on a glowing cylinder pulled out of the pond.

The container, which contained an iridescent liquid com-

plete with crystals, was faintly marked with the word "Cyalume" probably identifying it as a commercial product of some sort.

At about 5 a.m. Monday John Angerson, 313 Field St., Dunmore, a chief at a nearby restaurant was emptying garbage when the "ground shook" and an object flew over and fell into the pond.

Residents never called police but Bailey somehow learned of what had transpired and arrived there about 5:30 p.m. He pulled

the object from the murky waters several hours later.

With an equipment-laden vehicle, Bailey first checked the container for radioactivity but found none and then wrestled it away from another object which apparently anchored it to the bottom of the two feet deep pond.

The object was still in the lake early this morning but it has been theorized that the most "extra-terrestrial" thing it could be is an equipment pack from a balloon or perhaps something even more simple.

Apparently a prankster, after

learning of the "UFO" somehow marked a grassy area near the restaurant to make it look as if a rocket had taken off.

It was reported that a firm in New Jersey manufactures the cylinders for marking fire trails.

The incident is similar to one which occurred in Carbondale in October of 1974.

Mystery and suspense struck area residents in that upper valley community when a night watchman at a recreational project spotted a glowing object

plummet into a silt pond near an abandoned coal breaker.

For three days and nights, residents and people from surrounding communities converged on the scene to see the strange glow coming from the murky mine waters.

Specialists from all over the country flew into Carbondale as world-wide media focused attention to the pond.

Finally, on the third day, acting Police Chief Francis X. Dottle ordered the pond drained. However, skindivers offered their services and on the second dive, found a railroad lantern which was giving off a faint light.

Once Dottle showed onlookers the lantern, they left, but the chief asked for one more dive, which proved fruitless.

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Scranton, Pa.

UFO probe continues

By BILL CAULEY
Brunswick Correspondent

Investigation into the reported sightings of an unidentified flying object over the Brunswick area on March 15 is continuing, according to Dr. Wallace Garthright, regional investigator for the National Investigating Committee on Aerial Phenomenon (NICAP).

Dr. Garthright said a report concerning these reported sightings is currently being compiled, and that more data is being gathered, but no new sightings of a UFO have been confirmed. A complete report on the March 15 sightings is expected to be released sometime in mid-April.

"The people in the Brunswick area have been very cooperative with us," Dr. Garthright said in a recent interview. "I am really pleased with the way things are going on this report."

The overall investigation stems from various CB's in the Brunswick area who reported seeing "a bright object in the sky" somewhere in the vicinity of the Potomac River. The UFO reportedly made two other appearances in the Brunswick area before disappearing early Tuesday morning.

Dr. Garthright came to Brunswick last weekend and conducted some interviews with people who were reported to have seen the object Monday night. During his stay, he interviewed people from Brunswick, Point of Rocks, Lovettsville, Va., and Luckettts, Va., and obtained their testimony.

"The people I talked to gave me some good accurate descriptions," Dr. Garthright continued. "They are good observers."

During the past week, another report

was received concerning an alleged sighting in the vicinity of Short Hill Mountain in Loudoun County, Va., but that, along with a report of a possible landing site for the first UFO report, has been classified as an "unconfirmed rumor," according to Garthright.

"If indeed, such a landing site does exist," Garthright said, "I would like to test that area, but I have not found anyone who knows where it is," Garthright added that if anyone knows of a reported landing site for the UFO, and its location, to contact him at 433-3240 or 809-2718.

With regard to the sightings in Brunswick compared to sightings elsewhere in the area, Dr. Garthright said, "none of the reports we have received have been so dramatic as the ones from the Brunswick area."

Currently, Garthright is making further inquiries with the Federal Aviation Agency concerning these sightings, but no information has been released.

He requested that anyone seeing something in the line of a bright object or craft on the night of March 15 to contact him. "We are still checking all leads on these reports," Garthright concluded.

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'Red Ball' UFO stirs 'buzz'

By DICK FRAZIER
Staff Writer

To the crew in the Lansing police helicopter, it was an "aircraft" which suddenly plummeted earthward — and out of sight — behind the State Capitol.

To Amaeo Abrigo Jr. of 724 Princeton, it was a "large red light" which skimmed over treetops near his home after flying over St. Lawrence Hospital. It had "three box-like objects" rotating around it, Abrigo said, and it seemed to land southeast of him — in the downtown area.

ANOTHER WITNESS described it as "the size of a car, with three or four dish-type antennae on it."

But everyone who saw the unidentified flying object Monday night over Lansing agreed that it was red, that it hovered at first and then dropped, and that all this took place about 9:30.

Gerald Boda of the police

helicopter crew said his craft was over the Michigan-Cedar intersection when he first spotted the red light in the sky.

"IT LOOKED to be at about 2,500 feet altitude," Boda reported, and was somewhere in the area between Willow and Saginaw and — according to his estimates — over Logan Street."

At first the red light on the "thing" appeared to be the running light of an aircraft making "slow movement" over the city, Boda said.

"Then it started toward the ground in a southeasterly direction (directly toward the hovering helicopter) at an angle of about 60 degrees," Boda continued. "As it fell, it seemed to accelerate to a high rate of speed and was last seen just prior to impact somewhere in the downtown area just west of the Capitol."

BODA SAID the police hel-

icopter crew didn't see any impact and that an aerial search of the area produced negative results.

During the sighting, officers in the District 5 patrol car asked the dispatcher if the helicopter had reported seeing "a red ball of fire" fall on the west side of the city. It was not immediately known what the police car's position was at the time of the sighting.

Police immediately asked the control tower at Capital City Airport if there had been any radar sightings. There hadn't. But police headquarters recorded the names of at least three residents about the same time who reported seeing a flying object with red lights.

THE SIGHTERS lived on Cawood (west of St. Lawrence Hospital), at 813 N. Logan (two blocks north of the hospital) and in the 900 block of W. Englewood (a block to

the east). All said the object disappeared toward the downtown area.

Abrigo gave perhaps the best description of the object from his sighting at his home on Princeton, about two blocks east of St. Lawrence.

He said he first saw a bright red light come from the west past St. Lawrence Hospital and fly overhead. He took two pictures of the object when it was approaching him and then his wife took another picture as it left. They sighted the object at exactly 9:30.

HE DESCRIBED it as "the size of a weather balloon."

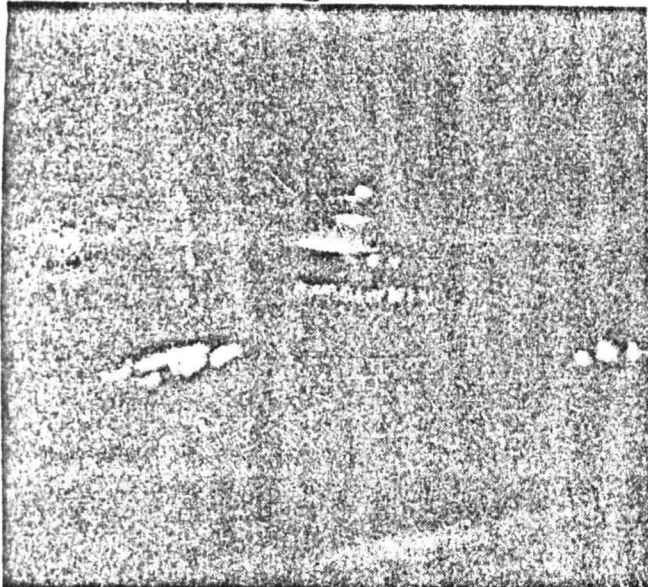
The "thing" made absolutely no sound, Abrigo told police, even though it was just above treetop level. He was certain it went down in the downtown area.

Police obtained the film from Abrigo Tuesday morning but sent it out of town to be processed.

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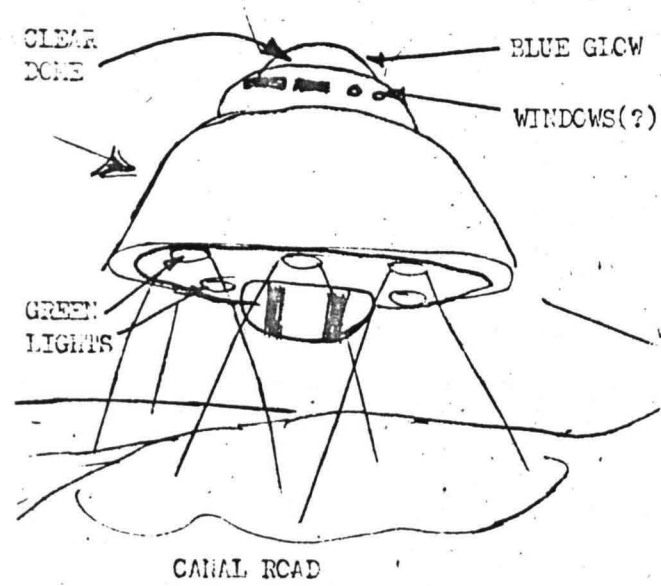
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'There's something around our canals that doesn't belong there'



UFO NEAR YUMA?

The Polaroid photo above is detailed in a drawing below by an anonymous Kofa High student. He said the lights in the foreground are headlights from his friend's vehicle, and that the photo was taken from about 325 feet at 9:15 p.m. Feb. 28.



Editor's note—The following is shared with our readers without any particular endorsement. It makes interesting reading whether or not it is true. This report is anonymous, but we stress that we are more apt to consider a story from someone who gives us his name but requests it not be made public. This letter was signed "Dean Bell."

Upon reading your article of Feb. 27 concerning another Kofa High School student (whom you identified only by the name of "Sam") who reportedly sighted and photographed a UFO, I and one of my friends decided to drive down the canal between Avenue A and B during the early evening hours of Friday and Saturday (Feb. 27 and 28) in hopes of sighting (and photographing) a UFO ourselves.

Well, we doubtless achieved success, or you would not now be reading this letter. At approximately 9:15 p.m. Saturday night, we were driving south down the east side of the canal road when the radio of my friend's Bronco began to fade out and crackle (as when trying to pull in a faraway station through a bad case of "static"). The radio was a factory AM radio tuned to K-BLU, so we were of course puzzled by the "fuzziness" in the sound. (At the time the incident occurred, we were only about two miles south of the civic-convention center.)

While I was busy attempting to clarify K-BLU's signal, I noticed a sudden increase in the intensity of the light coming in through the rear window of the Bronco. This light was bright

green which began as a soft, almost unnoticeable light-source and rapidly grew in intensity until I could read the lens setting on the Polaroid camera I had reached down and grabbed.

The reason I grabbed the camera was because Lloyd had begun yelling: "It's right there! It's right behind us!" When I turned around to see what "it" was, I saw the object in the accompanying drawing and photograph.

It moved across the canal at an altitude of about eight feet, slowly proceeded to move uphill towards the Avenue A extension, and hovered there, slowly wobbling around its axis in a way which reminded me of the octopus ride at the fair.

Meanwhile, my friend was trying to get the car turned around to point the headlights at it, but the car just died. We did, however, get the car around about 90 degrees before it stopped moving. Although the engine had stopped, the headlights remained in operation, being a little dimmer than usual.

When this happened, I popped out with the camera, a Polaroid square-shooter, and began to move away from the car and up the hill towards the object. As I circled around, away from

the Bronco, I could see that it had about six very bright green lights up underneath, which were reflected off some type of shiny protuberance on the center of the bottom.

The UFO was about 25-30 feet around at the widest (bottom) part, and was about 10 or 11 feet high. The top section was about 12 feet around and had a very small (2½ feet) dome structure on

top which was emitting a faint blue light from down inside. My measurements are only estimates since I'm not

too good at judging distance and I suppose I was about 100 yards away when I took the picture.

Unfortunately, I forgot to remove the flash-cube from the camera, so when I took the picture and the flash went off, the UFO disappeared almost instantly in the opposite direction. I say "disappeared" because it was gone so quick that I wasn't really sure that it was there until Lloyd said, "Did you see THAT?!"

This is about all we saw. It really didn't scare us at the time, but I did notice that my legs were shaking when it happened. Lloyd (my friend) said he was not going to tell anybody because everybody wouldn't believe us, but the picture *did* come out (which was surprising), and after I

saw that "Sam's" picture didn't work, I had to get mine put in the paper to show that there is something out there buzzing around our canals that doesn't belong there.

I wanted to tell you who we are, but my friend said that if

I had to tell, just to tell what we had been witness to and nothing else. Therefore, in order to protect my friend (who's name really isn't Lloyd), I'm going to have to sign this letter with a false name.

Yuma, Arizona SUN & SENTINEL
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Things looking up Cops join search for UFOs

BY THOMAS O'KEEFE

Don't tell anyone—it's strictly under the hat—but if you see a Jersey City cop staring skyward these days, it's probably because he's looking for an unidentified flying object.

Honest. They're only obeying orders. It's been pretty hush-hush up to now, but in addition to keeping an eye out for crime and traffic violators, the men in blue have also been asked to keep an eye on the sky. It's those UFOs, you know.

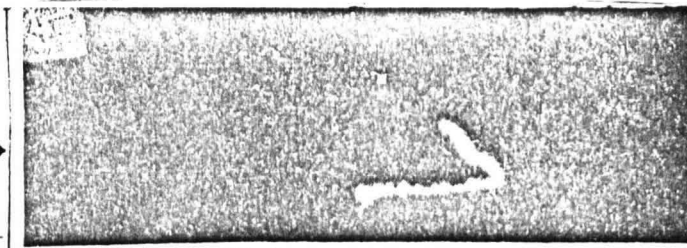
According to Special Order 5-76, the Jersey City department is being asked to cooperate with Dr. J. Allen Hynek, director of astronomy at Northwestern University. Dr. Hynek heads the Center for UFO Studies at Northfield, Ill. It's part of a nationwide program to have local police departments report their findings of UFOs so the

information can be studied and evaluated by scientists.

Here's the way it works: If a police officer on duty spots a strange object in the sky, or if one is reported to him, he is asked to get the following information: The time; whether it was a light or an object; how close it came; how many there were; how long it was in view; how many witnesses there were; were there any effects because of it and did the "thing" actually land.

Since the UFO center in Illinois operates around the clock, the officer is asked to telephone the information to the local radio dispatch center. There, a toll free number is kept and the information will be relayed to the UFO Center.

In his order, Chief Patrick McGee told his men that police organizations can play a vital role in helping scientists who are studying the UFO phenomenon. He expects all of his men to cooperate, he said.



RECENT SIGHTING—In a recent sighting of a UFO off the shoreline at Navarre, Florida Highway Patrolman S.R. Bevis took this photo that shows the path of the object. Bevis took the picture with a 200 millimeter lens mounted on a tripod and exposed the film for a minute. The object, described as a white light, changing to bluish green and with a redish aura, hovered over the Gulf for over an hour just before dawn Thursday.

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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)

NOTE: We are now initiating a new system for reporting UFO calls to the CENTER FOR UFO STUDIES. We will be listing only Close Encounter (CE) and Daylight Disk (DD) cases. A short description of the sighting(s) will be included if possible. EDITORS.

DAY	TIME	# WITNESSES	CITY/TOWN/STATE	TYPE
<u>February 1976:</u>				
9	08:45 AM	-	Seattle, WA.	DD
10	06:45 PM	2	Ayden, N.C.	CE
13	05:15 PM	-	Steubenville, OH.	DD
16	12:15 AM	2	Woodbury, N.Y.	CE 1
24	09:00 PM	-	Torrington, Conn.	CE
25	07:15 PM	1	Covington, IL.	CE

OTHER: 24 Nocturnal Lite cases phoned in to the CENTER during Feb. 1976.

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March 1976:

5	12:50 AM	-	Chattanooga, TENN.	CE
7	07:00 PM	2	Streeter, IL.	DD
10	12:30 AM	-	Burlington, VT.	CE
14	08:30 PM	-	Miami, Florida	CE
14	08:57 PM	2	Miami, Florida	CE
19	10:10 PM	1	Montgomery, ALA.	CE
23	07:45 PM	1	Beecker, N.Y.	CE
27	12:00 AM	1	Medford, Oregon	CE
28	01:25 PM	1	Pasadena, CA	DD

OTHER: 36 Nocturnal Lite cases phoned in to the CENTER during March 1976.

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April 1976:

2	09:23 PM	3	Ripon, CA	CE
5	01:00 PM	1	Montville, NJ	DD

OTHER: 13 Nocturnal Lite cases phoned in to the CENTER during April 1976.

What Was It They Saw From LO?

Three Sutter County residents, including a sheriff's deputy, are scratching their heads today over four unidentified flying objects they said they saw in the night sky.

John Danisan of 5298 Clark Road, Live Oak, called sheriff's deputies about 7 p.m. yesterday, saying that he and his sister, Jo Anne, had been watching four UFO's in the sky southwest of their home for about 15 minutes.

Deputy Gerald Teplansky said he went to the Danisan home and watched the objects himself for about five minutes before they disappeared.

The deputy said he saw "three red-orange, glowing objects hovering in a triangular formation" in the sky.

After a few minutes, he said, he noticed "another same-colored object streak northward across the sky" and then all four objects disappeared.

A spokesman for Vandenburg Air Force Base in Santa Barbara County reported that Strategic Air Command officials launched a missile over the Pacific Test Range last night but that launch was at 7:20 p.m., several minutes after the UFO's had disappeared.

"And from Marysville it would have appeared as only a pinpoint of light with a blue - grey tail," the spokesman said.

A spokesman at Beale Air Force Base said the area base "has nothing that would fit into the category described" and that base officials "know of nothing" that might have been mistaken for a UFO.

The Sutter County sightings were the only reported, authorities said.

Marysville, Calif. APPEAL-DEMOCRAT
February 20, 1976

NOTE: The following translations of UFO clippings from South America is courtesy of Ms. Jane Thomas of Buenos Aires. We thank Ms. Thomas for continuing to send translated South American UFO reports.

Please note that the numbers next to each translation corresponds to those of the accompanying South American UFO clips. — The Editors —

① Costa Bonita, "apeadero" de los platos voladores

Hace tiempo venimos oyendo hablar de platos voladores. Sin embargo, no habíamos tenido oportunidad de conversar con alguien que hubiera estado en directo contacto con esos "objetos no identificados" cuya mención está prohibida a nivel militar. Desde luego que la presencia de los "extraterrestres" está admitida en muchos y muy serios niveles. La información que damos es, realmente la consecuencia de una experiencia que nada tiene de ciencia ficción.

NECOCHEA (C). — "¿No tuvo tiempo, usted de hacer un croquis de lo que veía?

— ¡Cómo quiere que lo haga! Cuando me avisaron que un plato volador se estaba acercando yo estaba durmiendo. Tenga en cuenta que estábamos en una hostería, no en un campamento. Me vestí lo más aprisa que pude y corrí a la playa. Estaba allí, ante nuestros ojos. Inmovilizado lo mismo que si lo hubieran asentado sobre una pista. Ni más ni menos.

— Pero, usted pudo verlo.

— Ya lo creo que sí. Permaneció largos minutos frente a nosotros...

— Usted, ¿y quién...?

— Yo; uno de mis hijos, el mayor y un amigo...

— ¿Quiere decirnos qué vio?

— Vi un objeto luminoso, de forma redonda, como si el sol se hubiera "acostado" sobre el firmamento.

— ¿No sería una estrella...?

— ¿De ese tamaño? ¿Y tan próximo a nosotros? Estamos acostumbrados a ver las estrellas. ¿No es así? Y una cosa es el efecto visual de una estrella, que a la distancia aparece de un color plateado y titilante, y otra cosa era "ésto" que estábamos viendo. Además...

— Además, ¿qué...?

Todo este diálogo lo sostuvo el corresponsal de MAYORIA con un conocido suyo que pasaba por Necochea de regreso a Buenos Aires. Por atendible razón, es del caso silenciar su nombre, como así el de la hostería frente a la cual se detuvo un plato volador.

— Usted iba a agregar algún otro detalle, según creo. El lugar de la aparición, quizá...

— Habíamos elegido, para nuestras vacaciones, un lugar llamado Costa Bonita.

— En el camino a Mar del Plata...

— Así es. Está a unos 6 kilómetros

de Necochea, siguiendo el camino costero, frente al mar. Allí, junto a la hostería —insisto en reservarme el nombre— hay un pequeño espigón de cemento desde el cual se puede pescar.

— ¿Qué tiene que ver el espigón con todo esto...?

— A eso voy: En ese lugar se encontraban pescando mi hijo mayor y un amigo de él. Hace de esto unos diez días, más o menos. Eran en ese momento las tres y media de la madrugada cuando, de pronto, los muchachos vieron en el horizonte, casi como si emergiera de las aguas, un objeto luminoso que avanzaba hacia ellos, dejando detrás de sí chorros de luz.

— Sería tal vez una máquina a reacción...

— No, sin duda alguna. Los aviones a reacción dejan una estela blanca. "Esto", en cambio, arrojaba trazos de luz azul, de un naranja rojizo y de un blanco vivísimo. Ver ésto, olvidar las cañas y salir a la disparada fue todo uno.

— El miedo, es claro...

— Nada de eso. Mi muchacho, que ya tiene 16 años y está cursando estudios secundarios, no cree en aparecidos ni cosas por el estilo. Llegó corriendo hacia donde estábamos para que nosotros también pudiéramos presenciar un espectáculo que a ellos les pareció maravilloso. No habían visto, nunca antes, un plato volador. En Buenos Aires no se los ve nunca...

— ¿Y luego?

— Allí fue donde intervine yo, que me sumé al grupo, junto con otros turistas a los que despertó la algarrabía de los muchachos. Fue así como pude verlo yo también. El OVNI se había detenido ante el grupo que formábamos frente a la playa y allí estuvo detenido fácilmente unos cinco minutos...

— ¿Nadie atinó a fotografiarlo?

— Nadie, lamentablemente. Debo confesar que la sorpresa nos había paralizado. Al cabo, el plato comenzó a despedir nuevos chorros de luz y en contados segundos se perdió a la distancia... Aunque, reservadamente, tengo que confiarle algo más: Ya de día, cuando comentábamos el suceso con el propietario de la hostería de Costa Bonita, no pareció mostrarse asombrado. Es que, ciertamente, no lo estaba. "Esto —nos dijo— es muy común aquí. Vez pasada, vino uno de estos aparatos y se detuvo encima mismo de nuestra casa. Allí estuvo largo rato y después se fue... Siempre vienen por estos lugares. Aparecen y desaparecen repentinamente".

— ¿Y por qué no quiere el dueño de la hostería que demos su nombre?

— Por dos razones: Una, que no vayan a tomarlo por loco. Otra, que bien puede ocurrir que lo acosen con preguntas, o que crean que su propósito es buscar publicidad para su hostería...

— No estaría mal, después de todo...

— Sí. Pero en el caso que la noticia cayera bien. De lo contrario, más de un huésped podría buscar otros lugares donde pasar sus vacaciones...

— ¿De modo que usted nos pide que no demos nombres...?

— Le agradeceré que no lo haga. Usted me conoce y sabe que no voy a decir nunca una cosa por otra. Tal vez si algún otro huésped quiere hablar del caso...

Hasta aquí nuestro diálogo. Lo hemos reconstruido palabras más, palabras menos. Pero este corresponsal da fe de lo informado. Costa Bonita, como gran parte de nuestras playas del Atlántico Sur, se ha convertido, de un tiempo a esta parte, en "apeadero" de los platos voladores. ¿Testimonios? Ya trataremos de conseguir alguno más.

② Gente seria asegura en Caracas que los OVNIS andan merodeando

CARACAS (LPA). — Dos objetos voladores no identificados (OVNI en el lenguaje espacial), fueron "detectados" por el radar del aeropuerto Simón Bolívar, de Caracas.

Según el periódico, los OVNI detectados "causaron conmoción en el centro de control de vuelos de esa terminal aéreo".

Añade la información que los técnicos de control exigieron a los OVNI su identificación "orden que no fue obedecida, y segundos después, ambos objetos desaparecieron a velocidad supersónica, en dirección noroeste, sobre el Caribe".

El periódico dice a sus lectores que la "espectacular revelación" fue confirmada por fuentes autorizadas del aeropuerto y que se ha levantado un informe "extraoficial" para ser elevado a la Dirección de Aeronáutica Civil del Ministerio de Comunicacio-

nes, y posiblemente al ministerio de la Defensa "a fin de analizar la situación creada por la aparición de extrañas naves".

La información agrega que los OVNI hicieron su aparición en las pantallas de radar a las 10.14 de la noche 2.14 hs. GMT, el lunes, llamando la atención de los operadores del radar "que no tenían reporte de aproximación de ningún aparato para ese momento, y por la extraordinaria velocidad que desarrollaban ambos objetos".

"Inmediatamente se les dio la orden de identificarse lo que no fue obedecido y en vez de ello los aparatos enfilaron hacia el área de las pistas, sobre las cuales pasaron a una velocidad supersónica estimada en más de cinco mil kilómetros por hora, que de acuerdo con expertos, no puede desarrollar ninguna nave aérea

construida por el hombre en la actualidad". Al menos de las que las grandes potencias reconocen tener.

El corresponsal del diario "El Nacional", que firma la nota, es conocido en los medios periodísticos locales como una persona seria que "jamás se prestaría a una invención de ninguna naturaleza".

Plato volador 024

FORTALEZA (Ceara, noreste del Brasil), (ANSA). — Un niño de la localidad de Refrigerio (250 kilómetros al oeste de Fortaleza), que estuvo dos días desaparecido y fuera hallado con quemaduras diversas por el cuerpo y ceguera momentánea, dice haber sido quemado por la luz de un "disco volador". Los habitantes de las localidades vecinas, que están en pánico, confirman haber visto en las últimas noches un objeto no identificado surcando el cielo y emitiendo rayos.

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- 1) City and Country of incident: Necochea, Buenos Aires Province, ARGENTINA
- 2) Date of incident: not given - approx. Feb. 16, 1976
- 3) Name of paper and date of clip: Mayoría - February 26, 1976
- 4) City and Country of paper: Buenos Aires, ARGENTINA

COSTA BONITA, "ALIGHTING PLACE" OF THE FLYING SAUCERS

We have been hearing talk about flying saucers for a long time. However, we had not had an opportunity of talking with someone who had been in direct contact with those "not identified objects" whose mention is forbidden at a military level. Of course the present of the "extra-terrestrials" is admitted at many and very serious levels. The information we give is, really, the consequence of an experience which has nothing of science fiction.

NECOCHEA (C) - "Did you have no time to make a sketch of what you were seeing?

"How could I! When I was advised that a flying saucer was approaching I was sleeping. You have to consider that we were staying at a motel, not in a tent. I dressed as quickly as I could and ran to the beach. It was there, before our eyes. Motionless, the same as if they had placed it on a track.

"But you could see it.

"I should say I could. It remained long minutes before us...

"You, and who else...?

"Me; uno of my sons, the eldest and a friend...

"Would you like to tell us what you saw?

"I saw a luminous object, round as if the sun had "stretched" in the sky.

"Couldn't it have been a star?

"That size? and so near to us? We are used to see the stars, isn't it so? And one thing is the visual effect of a star, which at the distance looks silvery and blinking, and another was "this" we were seeing. Besides...

"Besides, what..."

The above conversation was held between the correspondent of MAYORIA with an acquaintance who was passing through Necochea on his way back to Buenos Aires. Due to a reasonable cause his name will be omitted as well as that of the motel where the saucer has stopped.

"You were going to add another detail, I believe. The place of the apparition, maybe.,,

"We had chosen for our vacation a place called Costa Bonita (Pretty Coast - JT)

"On the way to Mar del Plata...

"Yes. It lies some 6 km from Necochea following the coastal road, in front of the sea. There, by the motel -I insist in keeping the name- is a small pier for fishing.

"What has the pier to do with all this?

"I'm coming to that: my eldest son and a friend of his were fishing there. Some ten days ago, more or less. It was approx. 3.30 in the morning when suddenly the boys saw in the horizon, almost as if it were emerging from the water, a luminous object that was coming towards them, leaving behind it jets of light.

"Maybe it was a jet...

"Undoubtedly not. Jets leave a white wake. "This" instead, threw streaks of blue light, of a reddish orange and a very vivid white. Seeing this, forgetting the rods and rushing away was all one.

"Fear, of course...

"Not at all. My boy, who is already 16 and is at secondary school, does not believe in ghosts or things like that. He came running to where we were so that we could also witness a sight that they thought marvelous. They have never before seen a flying saucer. They are never seen in Buenos Aires...

"And then?

"Then I joined the group together with other tourists that awoke up with the noise made by the boys. So I could see it also. The UFO had stopped in front of the group we formed by the beach, and there it stood for almost five minutes...

"No one thought of taking its photo?

"Nobody, unfortunately. I must confess that the surprise had paralyzed us. Finally, the saucer started to emit new streaks of light and was lost in the distance in a few seconds... Although, confidentially, I have to tell you something else: When it was already light, and we commented the occurrence with the owner of the motel- he did not seem surprised- He certainly wasn't. "This -he said- is very common here. Last time one of those machines came and stopped right over our house.

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There it was for a long time and then went away... They always come to this area. They appear and disappear suddenly".

"And why does the owner of the motel not want his name to be published? For two reasons: One, that he should not be taken as mad. Another, that it could well happen that he is accosted with questions, or that they believe he intends to seek publicity for his motel...

"That wouldn't be too bad, after all...

"Yes. But provided the news were well taken. Otherwise, more than one guest could look for other places to spend his vacation...

"So you ask us not to give names?

"I will appreciate it if you wouldn't. You know me and know I would never say one thing for another. Maybe if some other guest wants to talk about it...

Up to here our dialogue. We have reconstructed it as best we could. But this correspondent attests for the above information. Costa Bonita; as a large part of our beaches on the Atlantic (South) have turned since some time into an "alighting place" of the flying saucers. Testimonies? We will try to obtain some more.

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- 1) City and Country of incident: Caracas, Venezuela
- 2) Date of incident: March 15, 1976
- 3) Name of paper and date of clip: Mayoría, Buenos Aires- March 17, 1976
- 4) City and country of paper: Buenos Aires, ARGENTINA

SERIOUS PEOPLE DECLARED THAT UFOS ARE PROWLING IN CARACAS

CARACAS (DPA) - Two UFOs were "detected" by the radar of the Simón Bolívar airport at Caracas.

According to the newspaper, the UFOs detected "caused commotion in the control center of that aerial terminal".

The information adds that the technicians of the tower demanded from the UFOs their identification "an order which was not obeyed, and seconds afterwards, both objects disappeared at supersonic speed, in a NW direction over the Caribbean".

The newspaper tells its readers that the "spectacular revelation" was confirmed by authorized sources of the airport and that a "top secret" report has been prepared to be presented to the Direction of Civil Aeronautics of the Ministry of Communications, and possibly the Ministry of Defence "in order to analyze the situation created by the appearance of the strange craft.

The information adds that the UFO first appeared on the radar screens at 10.14 the night (2.14 GMT) of Monday, calling the attention of the radar operators "who had no approximation report of any machine up to that moment, and by the extraordinary speed both objects were flying at".

"They were immediately ordered to identify themselves which was not obeyed and instead, the machines made for the area of the landing strips, over which they passed at supersonic speed estimated at more than five thousand kilometers per hour, which according to experts, no aerial machine is capable of developing at the present time, built by man." At least of those the large countries have acknowledged they have.

The correspondent of the "El Nacional" newspaper, who signs the article, is known in the local journalistic media as a serious person who would "never lend himself to an invention of any kind".

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- 1) City and Country of incident: Refrigerio - Brazil
- 2) Date of incident: unknown
- 3) Name of paper and date of clip: La Nación - March 7, 1976
- 4) City and country of paper: Buenos Aires, ARGENTINA

FLYING SAUCER

FORTALEZA (Ceara, Northeast of Brazil), (ANSA) - A boy from the city of Refrigerio (250 km west of Fortaleza) who had disappeared for two days and was found with several burns on the body and temporary blindness, claims to have been burned by the light of a "flying disc". The residents of the neighboring cities, who are in a state of panic, confirm having seen in the previous nights an unidentified object crossing the sky and emitting rays.

Three U.F.O.s hovered over the lake

By PAUL TAPP

Early last year five Fingal boys reported watching two U.F.O.s land on the banks of the South Esk River.

An East Coast woman reported her car being pulled across the road by a U.F.O. as she travelled a lonely road in Southern Tasmania.

Two fishermen said they watched three U.F.O.s hovering over Lake Sorell — one object switched on a strong beam and systematically searched a swamp near the lake.

And from the Poatina hills comes a report by two hunters of an 8ft black man who runs at super-human speeds.

The first reaction is to laugh when reports like these come rolling in.

If you laugh loudly, you may convince your level-headed, feet-on-the-ground mates, that you don't really believe in flying saucers, or mountain giants, or the like.

But laughing it off doesn't stop the reports from rolling in.

From all over Tasmania, from people from all walks of life — mothers, tanker drivers, train drivers, forestry superintendents, kids, policemen, fishermen and hunters — come reports of things that go hum in the night, of distinct shaped objects that follow people, of things that frighten people.

Report

During 1975 the Tasmanian U.F.O. Investigation Centre (T.U.F.O.I.C.) checked out 140 reports of phenomena that left hundreds of people throughout the State really wondering.

Of these 32 sightings have been classified as unidentified flying objects, and are the subject of T.U.F.O.I.C.'s tenth annual report, just released, and on sale in a very limited edition.

The roneed booklet, which is unfortunately poorly presented, because of lack of funds, makes for fascinating reading for those who have an open mind about U.F.O.s.

Here are some of the reported sightings?

The centre's northern investigator, John Dean,

checked out five lads who saw "two big lights coming down fairly fast out of the sky" and land on the banks of the South Esk River, two kilometres north of Fingal.

For 45 minutes the boys watched the visitors emitting humming noises and red and green flashes.

The boys fled, but returned an hour later to recover a puppy they (the boys) had left behind. The flashing objects were still there.

John Dean went to the area. He found a section of trees in the reported landing area which had been clipped neatly off less than a metre from the ground.

About five weeks later at Lake Sorell in the Central Highlands, two fishermen watched three bright objects descend on Robinsons Swamp, a section of the lake.

Search

"... the object turned a beam of light on the lake. The beam from the U.F.O. swung back and forth over the swamp. It seemed like a careful search... I have no doubt that the beam was intelligently controlled."

When the object finished its apparent search of the lake, it re-joined its two companion craft and "departed in a flash — like watching a trace bullet going away from you."

This sighting lasted an hour.

An East Coast woman, questioned by the centre's investigators, reluctantly related this experience on condition her name was not used.

She, with her daughter, about 7 p.m. on July 26, 1974, was driving her car between Bridgewater and Brighton, through lonely back roads, when she first sighted a bright object coming out of the sky towards her car.

The object paced the car and at times was only 25-50 m from the road and less than 30 m high.

They stopped to check it and it too stopped, silently hovering above them.

They described it as an opaque triangular shape craft 15 m wide and 10 m high.

Panic

A bright light shone from the centre of the craft and a red glow emanated from the front.

The woman wound the windows tight, locked the doors and drove off in admitted panic.

She said her car was then pulled to the opposite side of the road as

she sped towards her brother's home at Sorell and her arms ached from trying to pull it back to the correct side.

These are some of the extracts in the booklet. Others are too numerous to mention in detail, but are well worth 30 cents — the booklet is available from the Central Newsagency, the Quadrant, Launceston.

Another report that did not make the pages in time for publication an incredible tale about a Tasmanian highlands giant that would give sceptics something to laugh about for years.

And if alleged sightings of the creature described as "about 8ft tall and big and black and hairy" are legitimate, then anthropologists ever-searching for lost races and such would receive a thrill to eclipse that when the Oregon ape-man was reportedly sighted a few years ago.

Strangely enough the Oregon ape-man, or Big Foot, as the terrified Indians of the American highlands know him, has a similarity to Tasmanian's creature.

Shooting

John Dean checked out two hunters who saw the "thing" in bushland near Poatina almost 12 months ago.

The time lapse is explained by the witnesses obvious reluctance to report the sighting "of a man-like figure that raced before us down a hill at a super-human speed" as the men approached it, while on a shooting trip.

The men told Dean they saw the figure in a clearing towards dusk.

It apparently took fright at the sight of them and headed for the cover of bushland.

The men didn't wait around for a personal interview with the shy stranger — they abandoned their trip and headed for home.

The T.U.F.O.I.C. is based in Hobart, with an office in Launceston, and has world-wide contacts with organisations and people who investigate all unexplained phenomena.

The organisation is increasing in credibility, and attracts reported sightings from people who witness incredible happenings and who would normally keep mum about their experience.

And while T.U.F.O.I.C. keeps publicising its strange observations, surely even the most hardened sceptics must at times search the skies with a little old-fashioned and healthy open-minded curiosity

FLYING OBJECT CAUSES NEAR-CRASH FOR OFFICER

TERRACE — What did Constable Bill Toffan really see when he was patrolling Highway 16 west of Terrace Wednesday night?

Toffan, an RCMP officer here, said he saw a vehicle with its lights flashing ahead of him. However, when he drew closer, he discovered it was not on the road, but was flying.

Toffan said as he drew abreast of the airborne object there was a blinding flash. He said he was so startled he nearly lost control of his car. He stopped and investigated the area on foot but found nothing.

Immediately after the sighting, Toffan dropped out of sight — on four days' pre-arranged leave, according to his superiors, who refused to comment on the incident.

A rescue co-ordination centre spokesman in Victoria said no aircraft were reported overdue in the area, about 60 miles east of Prince Rupert.

Vancouver (B.C.) SUN April 23, 1976 CANADA

Dubbe LIBERAL (Australia) March 10, 1976 AUSTRIA

Credit: Jim Auburn
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Evening News, London

ENGLAND

18 FEB 1976

Mystery

light that

followed

girls home

WHAT was the strange flickering blue light at rooftop level that followed Jane Lindon and Anita Rice home along a dark Bexleyheath street late one night?

It left the girls breathless and panic-stricken. The teenagers are convinced it

was a UFO—an unidentified flying object.

Jane, aged 18, lives in Ennerdale Road and Anita, 17, in Heversham Road, both in Bexleyheath. Neither is over-imaginative and they do not read science fiction.

Jane is studying for "A" levels at Dartford Grammar School and Anita is a dental nurse.

First, they thought a flickering street light had caught their eye. Then they stopped walking and heard a faint humming noise. Anita said: "It is a space ship" and they hurried off home.

Faster

As they walked faster the light seemed to keep up with them on the other side of the road. The noise became high-pitched and the light moved higher.

A spokesman for the British Unidentified Flying Object Research Association said: "Sightings are often aircraft. Pilots forget to switch off their landing lights and in dense layers of cloud this has a ray effect."

Biggin Hill is the nearest airfield but there was no flight there after 5.15 that night. A spokesman said visibility was poor and there was low cloud.

Another theory came from a neighbour who said: "It was a frosty night. When the nearby railway lines are iced up, trains make an almost continuous blue flash, and of course, it moves with the trains."

ENGLAND

24 APR 1976

WHAT WAS IT?

READING your paper recently, I noticed the two articles about UFOs — especially noting the piece that implies that anyone who sees a saucerman ought to speak up, in an attempt to convert the sceptical County Press.

In the hope that my writing in might encourage a few more embarrassed saucer-spotters to make open confessions, I hereby respond. On the evening of October 20, 1970, at about 8 pm, on the way from Brading to St. Helens, I saw a complete circle of crystal-clear red lights which were hovering and dipping over Culver Downs.

Whatever this was (and it was no aeroplane or helicopter) dimmed most of its lights and followed me along for several miles. At one time I thought it intended to land.

This is not the oddest thing, by far. During an afternoon in May, 1973, my daughter — who was seven years old at the time — was attracted by a strange wailing noise, which led her and her friend towards a patch of marshland near the unused Sandown airport. They encountered a weird creature, who stood nearly 7ft tall.

A metallic hut stood nearby. He spoke to them through a microphone that amplified the sound, so that, however far away they were the voice seemed right next to them.

Careful questioning of my daughter brought out more facts. The creature had no clearly-defined neck, his head being wedged straight on to his shoulders.

He wore a yellow, pointed hat with antennae attached. The hat interlocked with the red collar of his green tunic. His face was paper white and featureless, except for triangular markings for eyes. He had flat nostrils and motionless yellow lips.

He talked to them for some time, first by writing on a pad and then by talking — the voice coming from deep within his odd throat. He was friendly and expressed a fear of people.

The thing that really convinced my daughter that this "ghost" was something unusual was that it had only three fingers on its blue-gloved hands

and only three toes on its bare feet.

I don't expect many people to believe these strange facts. No doubt the County Press will still be unconvinced on the subject of weirdies from other worlds and their gadgets; the point being, that nobody can really be convinced until they see the inexplicable for themselves.

But my daughter still insists that it was a true occurrence. So what was it?

A BAFFLED AND
EMBARRASSED ISLANDER.
(Name and address supplied).
Winford.

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The centre will be operated as a branch of the privately-owned Toronto Society for Physical Research.

Hynek says at least one person in 40 has had "a UFO experience" and about 20 per cent of such incidents "can't be explained away."

"I'm not a believer in little green men from outer space but there certainly is some sort of intelligence programming these objects," he adds.

TORONTO UFO CENTRE OPENS

Vancouver, B.C. SUN
March 1, 1976

From: Joe Brill

FLYING SAUCERS

SO. AFRICA

Nothing to fear, say the French

Cape Town, South Africa

"Cape Argus"
April 10, 1976

Weekend Argus Correspondent

PARIS. — Those who fear French flying saucers may be reassured by an official report that claims nobody has been traumatised or had his physical balance disturbed by the objects.

After 25 years of study, the French Air Force has concluded that flying saucers may be real, but present no known threat to France.

The origin of the phenomenon remains apparently unsolved: flying saucers (if they exist) could come from other planets, or from 'foreign powers' on earth.

Those who prefer definitive answers will have to wait.

The report in the Defence Ministry's journal on the findings of a special research unit set up in 1951 admits that it can 'only state the present inability of science to decide one

way or another. The problem remains.'

None of the 'sightings,' however, included evidence of 'aggressive acts in the defence sphere,' or any 'modification in the geophysical balance.'

Even animals had been frightened in only 5.46 percent of the cases.

Almost all the sightings were made 'in good faith' by more than one witness, usually at local police stations where reports were made.

The air force found 80 percent of the sightings to be 'definitely due to known aerospace phenomena' such as optical illusions created by cloud or light conditions.

It is among the other 20 percent that the doubt remains.

Among photographs published in the report, only one is still unexplained — an object seen over Trinidad Island on January 16 1958.

Cape Town, South Africa CAPE ARGUS
April 10, 1976 Cr. Joe Brill

A Gosport woman who saw something mysterious in the night sky is wondering if any other News readers saw a glowing UFO moving west over the Isle of Wight.

Mrs. Laura Hill was returning to bed in the early hours of Tuesday morning, after attending to her daughter, who has a broken leg.

She told a News reporter: "I live at 34, Briar Close, Fort Gomer, and my bedroom faces south. It must have been about a quarter to one in the morning, and I was returning to bed when something shot across my line of vision."

The something Mrs. Hill described "was oval, large — it filled about a foot of window space — and a solid disc of light ringed in a glow. It moved west

Portsmouth News, Hants.

ENGLAND

- 6 FEB 1976

Gosport woman saw glowing disc in sky

over the Island and in a straight line. A meteor would have been dropping. It, made a terrific whooshing noise, just like a firework going up."

A puzzled Mrs. Hill told her husband after his return from a business trip and now she wonders if hers was a lone

sighting and what was the mystery object.

A national newspaper reports that the Ministry of Defence is investigating a UFO sighting by eight people, including a Trinity House watchkeeper and a meteorologist. "Do you think they saw what I saw?" asks Mrs. Hill.

A MYSTERIOUS flying object reported over the Radcliffe-on-Trent and Bingham areas on Saturday night is baffling the RAF and the police.

A motorist travelling along the A52 towards Bingham told police that he had seen a rocket in the sky behind the RSPCA kennels at Radcliffe-on-Trent. He said he thought

it might have been a distress flare fired from the River Trent. An immediate police search revealed nothing.

A spokesman at RAF Newton said that they were investigating the object and it may take several days before they resolve their findings. But he confirmed that no aircraft were landing or taking off at the time of the sighting at about midnight.

Puzzles

Mrs Lillian Mann, of Burton Lane, Wharton, said: "It was like an orange-red light moving slowly downwards in a controlled manner. We watched it for about four minutes. It was cylindrical and like nothing I have ever seen before."

Mrs Mann said she did not believe in flying saucers before this sighting but this object puzzled her as there seemed to be no logical explanation for it.

Extract from
The Newark Advertiser, Notts.
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ENGLAND

Extract from
Northampton Chronicle & Echo
ENGLAND
28 APR 1976
More see the light

The mysterious light in the sky reported by a Kingshorpe woman on Sunday was also seen by other local people.

Among them were Kathleen and Roy Ward, of 36, Edinburgh Road, Kingshorpe, who were watching television when they saw a brilliant light through the blinds at their window.

"We rushed to look," said Mrs. Ward, "and we could see a bright pink light moving through the sky. It looked like a ball of fire, and there seemed to be smoke around it. I've never seen anything like it. It certainly wasn't a shooting star."

Mrs. and Mrs. Ward saw the light at about 11 pm.

Midnight sightings of UFO battles

Mysterious lights seen over PE

By ROBIN PARKER

IS there any connection between two green lights seen over Port Elizabeth last week and the UFO sighted over Grahamstown?

This question was raised by Mr Claude Reddan, of Mackay Street, Port Elizabeth, who said he saw two green objects over the Russell Road area of Port Elizabeth at 4am, while he was in his back garden.

He saw a bright green light enter the atmosphere in the direction of Schoenmakerskop, but instead of disintegrating it settled over the central city area.

It then seemed to break up and another light appeared above the large guava tree in Mr Reddan's backyard.

At no stage were the two lights burning at the same time, he said.

Awakened

"It could have been a remote control camera from a submarine testing along our coast," he suggested.

"RHODESIA *
HERALD"

March 24, 1976

From:

Joe Brill

SO. AFRICA

Mystery of bright orange light

Herald Reporter
A RETIRED professional meteorologist, who spent 38 years forecasting from signs in the sky, is baffled by a brilliant orange light that hovered over Salisbury on Monday evening.

Mr Jack Hattle saw the object that lit up his house and garden in Hillside Road, Hillside, between 10 and 11 p.m. on Monday.

"I don't believe in UFOs," he said yesterday. "I have been watching things in the sky for many years, but this was unusual."

Mr Hattle said he was woken by a sudden "whoosh" overhead.

HEADLIGHTS

"It made me sit up, and I noticed that the bedroom windows were lit up. I thought it was the headlights of a car parked in my drive or in the road outside.

(Cont. above)

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"I drew the curtains and saw a brilliant orange light in the north-east, at about 45 degrees.

"I don't know how big it was, but it appeared to be over Churchill School. It was so bright you could see the lawn and trees — like a full moon.

"I watched it for about half-a-minute and could not understand why it was stationary.

FRAGMENTS

"Then it gradually drifted away towards the south-east, and a couple of bright fragments dropped off. It disappeared behind the overhang of the roof so I did not see what happened to it."

"It gave me the impression it was something burning. There was no shape — it was just a bright light."

Mr Hattle said he thought it could have been a Very light or rocket. "But I can't understand who would fire off a Very pistol or rocket at that time of night."

"As far as I am concerned, it is still unidentified. And I wondered if anyone else saw it."

Girl sees light in sky

A young woman from Windsor, Miss Sue Gray, was most distressed on Sunday night when she arrived at the Oberon Police Station.

It was about 8.20 p.m. and she had just travelled 30 miles along the Burra to Oberon with an unidentified flying object following her.

She described the object as a reddish color which gave off a golden glow about two or five miles away from her on the right of her car.

The light kept flashing on and off, and when she was about two miles out of Oberon it moved over to the left of her car, now having a goldish color and giving off a red light.

Just before she reached Oberon the light disappeared.

Miss Gray was very upset about the experience, although the police received no other reports of UFO sightings.

Lithgow, South Africa
MERCURY
March 11, 1976
SO. AFRICA

Woodrows wonder if they saw UFO

When one is perfectly normal with no interest in things astral other than Dr Patrick Moore's "The Southern Sky" television programme, and one sees what one suspects to be an unidentified flying object, one can start to suspect that there is something wrong with one's eyes or state of mind.

But Mrs Olive Woodrow of Breaunanda cannot run away from facts. Last Tuesday night just after the late news on TV she went outside to bring in her washing.

"I noticed an orange glow. It was diagonally opposite me and came at me in a straight line. It seemed to grow bigger. At first I thought it was a harvest moon, but then I realised that there were no clouds," she said.

So cautious was Mrs Woodrow of what she saw that she was at first reluctant to approach the West Rand Times "in case people

phoned me and told me I was a lunatic".

However, no-one else seemed to have seen this strange apparition. Mrs Woodrow and her husband, Michael, were wondering if what they saw was real.

SQUARE

A point which struck Mrs Woodrow about the strange object was that it was not round or oval but rather square. Mr Woodrow, whom Mrs Woodrow called to have a look at the unusual object, said it looked more triangular to him.

"By the time Michael came out, though, the glow was considerably smaller than when it was near me," said Mrs Woodrow.

The colour of the — if we may call it that — UFO reminded Mrs Woodrow of the glow given off by the Iscor works.

The Woodrows, who did not know what to think, said the object was visible to them for some five to eight minutes.

Does anyone have any natural explanation for what the Woodrows saw?

SO. AFRICA

April 16, 1976

West Rand Times

From: Joe Brill

South Africa

UFO seen over New Norfolk

A senior attendant at the Australian Newsprint Mills, New Norfolk, sighted a UFO on Thursday night.

Mr Pat Brown, who works in the chlorine plant, saw a "cup-shaped object, with blue flashing lights all around," at 10.50 pm.

The object had a tail of 300 to 400 ft which was orange and white. The object passed very quickly across the moon. It was visible for 30 seconds.

A spokesman for the Tasmanian UFO Investigation Centre said the New Norfolk sighting was probably a piece of rocket turning over in orbit, or burning on re-entry to the earth's atmosphere.

The investigation centre is interested in all UFO sightings, particularly information on a recent report from Maydena. The centre can be contacted through the president, Mrs J. Bigwood, phone 72 7479, or the secretary, Mr Keith Roberts, phone 23 6009.

"MERCURY"
(Hobart, Tas.)
Feb. 21, 1976

AUSTRALIA

UFO at Underberg

Staff Reporter
FIVE people at Underberg claim to have seen an unidentified flying object hovering over the Drakensberg in the past year.

The first person to allegedly see the UFO, Mrs M. Saunders, said she saw a circular object giving off a yellow light "bigger than any star I've ever seen" from her house at about 11.30 pm. early last year. She rushed to get her husband, a supermarket manager, in the village, who was still in his office. When he got home 15 minutes later, the object was still visible.

"My son and I saw it moving around from left to right and changed in colour from bright blue to red. It was at night at various intervals since then," Mrs Saunders added.

Mr V. E. Venter, who is looking for something, Mr Venter's wife said she then stop as though it were employed at the same super-market as Mr Saunders, said yesterday that he saw the also saw it

NATAL WITNESS (South Africa)
April 9, 1976 Cr. Jim Auburn
SO. AFRICA

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AUSTRALIA

Hobart, Tas.

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UFO's...it's official!

MYSTERY lights seen over Maydena, often in formation, have now been officially logged as UFOs.

The secretary of the Tasmanian UFO Investigation Centre, Mr K. Roberts, said this yesterday.

He said two lights had been seen over the town on seven different nights. The lights usually flew in formation, approaching the town from the east, and travelling in a westerly direction.

More than 100 people had seen the lights.

He said the lights had sometimes followed a steady course or changed course. On two occasions, one of the lights appeared to drop to ground level.

All possible explanations such as weather phenomena, aircraft, or satellites, had been ruled out.

"They were unidentified flying objects," he said.

He said the lights were seen on a number of occasions before residents developed their own early warning system — the church bell — which was rung when the lights next made their fly-past.

The information gleaned by investigators, who spent a weekend interviewing Maydena residents, will be sent to the Australian clearing house for UFO reports, and then forwarded to the USA.

The annual report of the Tasmanian UFO Investigation Centre will be on sale in newsagents in the next week or two.

The report contains information on the year's sightings of UFOs in Tasmania.

These range from inexplicable lights to low-flying UFOs which have paced tankers, and cars, throughout the State.

One report deals with a car which was paced in the Brighton area. The driver reported that the car's steering was affected by the UFO: "My arms ached from keeping the car on course," the driver said. The car functioned normally after the UFO flew off.

Other reports include one sighting made by an ex-RAAF air crew member at Lake Sorell. The UFO was said to be 200ft in diameter. It hovered while it apparently inspected the lake with a beam of light which was as intense as a welding torch.

While the UFO was in the area, radio sets were unable to pick up normal transmissions.

The report also deals with the case of Travis Walton, 22, a forestry worker in Arizona, USA. Walton, who was on his way home with six other foresters, got out of their truck to look at a UFO which was hovering over a clearing.

THE JAPAN TIMES

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UFO Study Center Opens in Toronto

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"MERCURY"

Hobart, Tas.

25 FEB 1976

AUSTRALIA

UFO followed us, say two truck drivers

Two truck drivers yesterday claimed they were followed by a white, dome-shaped light from Tarraleah to Berriedale last week.

Mr Phil Fazackerley, of Nubeena, and Mr Ron Wilson, of Midway Pt, said they were taking a load of abalone from Strahan to a canning factory at Dunally.

They first noticed the light at Tarraleah about 3 am, and it followed them to Berriedale, then disappeared when daylight broke.

Mr Fazackerley said there was an orange light below the bright light.

A spokesman for the Tasmanian UFO Investigation Centre said there was no immediate explanation for the phenomenon, but the matter would be investigated.

From

"MERCURY"

Hobart, Tas.

AUSTRALIA

24 FEB 1976

Crowd sees UFOs fly over Maydena

Two mysterious lights which flew from east to west, were watched by about 15 people in Maydena on Saturday night.

Five of the people watched the lights for about 25 minutes.

A group of men in Maydena first noticed the orange-red lights as they passed over Abbots Lookout, a hill region which has a television relay station and aerials for two-way radio systems.

The lights were described as being as twice the size of stars.

One flew off towards the south-west, and the other drifted slowly to the west.

Inquiries by the Tasmanian UFO Investigation Centre showed there were no satellites or aircraft in the area.

"TELEGRAPH"

Sydney, N.S.W.

AUSTRALIA

5 DEC 1975

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STRANGE FLYING OBJECTS ALARM TOWNSHIP

NOWRA — The small township of Broulee, on the far south coast, is worried about things that go bright in the night.

Residents have watched numerous unidentified flying objects light up the sky during the past 18 months.

The sightings range from cigar-shaped objects to others that resemble shooting stars but travel on a horizontal trajectory.

Yesterday, one resident who declined to be named for fear of ridicule, said he and his wife had seen the shooting star object three nights in succession.

"It was absolutely weird," he said.

Sky lit

"We were walking along the beach when the sky was lit up by a bright flash.

"It appeared from nowhere and travelled very fast from the sea heading inland.

"It travelled in a straight line and disappeared as if someone had turned out the lights."

Recently, one resident got such a shock when he saw a stationary object in the sky he contacted police at Moruya.

But it disappeared before the police car arrived.

A navy spokesman said exercises are often held off the coast near Broulee but the UFO sightings do not coincide with exercises.

(LATE CUP)



"Die Vaterland" Johannesburg, South Africa - April 1, 1976 From: Joe Brill
The above photo was taken at 6:00 a.m. between Aucklandpark and Milnerpark suburbs of Johannesburg. Accompanying article being translated from Afrikaans.

SO. AFRICA

UFO SIGHTED TODAY AT HONEYKOP HALT

A blindingly bright unidentified flying object hovered for more than half-an-hour over "Honeykop Halt", a farm some 27 kilometres from Grahamstown on the East London road, in the early hours of this morning.

Mr Christopher Halse, son of the owner of the farm, described the sighting in exact detail this morning.

"It happened at about 3.15 this morning. I was fast asleep, and I suddenly woke up, I don't know why. I saw this glare in the sky and I went out, because all the dogs were barking.

"I saw a huge oblong thing, it was at least 10 or 11 metres long, very big, in a white glare, you could see it was a dazzle, all over.

BUZZING

"It was hovering about 10 feet above my parents' house, making a funny buzzing sound. When I called my parents, it shot off towards King William's Town.

Mr Halse sighted the huge U.F.O. at about 3.15, and by the time he alerted his parents, about 20 minutes later, it had moved off to the end of the farm's small valley.

"The thing went at a terrific speed, much faster than a plane," Mr Halse confirmed. "From a hovering position it just shot off over the mountains like a bullet."

Mr Halse and his parents, Mr and Mrs Stewart Halse, sat outside watching the object for fully half an hour before it moved off some two kilometres in a south-westerly direction, and hovered over the Fraser's Camp hills till about five this morning.

ROTATING

None of the party could see any detail, except the approximate shape and size of the object, because of its brilliance, which Mr Halse junior described as lighting up the farmhouse as if it were day. However, he did notice that it appeared to be rotating slowly.

He described the experience as "fantastic". His reaction was just interest

and curiosity, and he felt no fear of it. Mr Halse makes a study of U.F.O.'s, and was delighted to see one.

"I was actually wishing the thing would stop and come and talk to me or something," he said. "I would just describe it as a U.F.O. though, I wouldn't say definitely a space-ship."

African kitchen-staff on the farm confirmed this morning that they had also seen the object. One of Mr Halse's terrified dogs was not found until this morning.

The sighting comes just about three week after a similar reported sighting of a huge ball of light hovering noiselessly some 150 metres above the Greenhills radio masts a few kilometres away. The first U.F.O. was spotted by Mr R. Roberts, a farmer near Governor's Kop, and his family.

UFO SIGHTINGS IN SWEDEN THE MONTH OF MARCH 1976:

City and country of incident: Tranås - SWEDEN

Date of incident: February 27-28, 1976

Name of paper and date of clip: Tranås-Posten, March 1, 1976

City and country of newspaper: Tranås, Sweden

WAS THIS A "FLYING SAUCER"?

- I saw a heavy light, blinding white that with a high speed passed on the night sky. The light shifted to blue-green - "like a bengalic fire" (a typ of firework) - and then to orange before it disappeared. Curt Ringqvist living in Tranås tells about the meeting with a strange light phenomena. He was travelling by car from Kisa to Tranås together with Göte Andersson. It was in the middle of the night before the weekend. Göte also saw that light and the same did a truckdriver at Kinda Skogsprodukt AB.

- First I thought it was a pair of headlights and thought that it was a car coming from a sideroad. But then I saw that the light was too high up, Göte Andersson tells.

The persons from Tranås don't know what passed. Some strange object, Ringqvist means. But it was not an airplane. It was no projectile, rocket or "tracklight". I have seen plenty of such things in my life. The intensive light shone from dark oval object (on distance with the length of a match).

- I don't know if it can be called a UFO, flying saucer or something like that, Ringqvist says. Anyhow i really was strange.

Grocott's Daily Mail (South Africa)

Friday- March 5, 1976

From: Joe M. Brill

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Date of Sighting: Saturday - March 20, 1976

Location: General Sampaio (State of Ceara) Brazil

Newspaper: "La Razon" of Buenos Aires, Argentina (March 25, 1976)

From: JOE BRILL

Fortaleza (Brazil) - March 25 - (ANSA) - A laborer, with second degree burns was hospitalized, stating he was the victim of a "a beam of light projected from a flying saucer". The event took place on Saturday in General Sampaio, two hundred kilometers to the west of Fortaleza. The victim, Arlindo Ferreira stated that he recognized the saucer from photographs shown in magazines and television.

(Clipping for above not included)

Var detta ett "flygande tefat"?

— Jag fick se ett kraftigt sken, bländande vitt som snabbt drog förbi mot natthimlen. Ljuset övergick i blågrönt — "som en bengalisk eld" och lite ljusorange innan det försvann. Om detta möte med ett främmande ljusfenomen berättar tranåsbon Curt

— Jag tyckte först det var ett par bilstrålkastare och trodde att en bil dök upp från en sidoväg. Men sedan såg jag att skenet låg högre, berättar Göte Andersson.

De två tranåsborna vet inte vad som passerade. Något underligt föremål var det, menar Ringqvist. Det var absolut inte ett flygplan. Det var ingen projektil, raket eller spår-ljus. Sánt har jag sett mycket av i mitt liv. Det skarpa skenet strålade ut

från ett skugglikt avlångt föremål (på långt håll med en längd som en fändsticksask).

— Jag vet inte om det kan betecknas som ett UFO — flygande tefat eller något sådant, säger Ringqvist. Hur som helst. Något ovanligt var det.

På söndagen kontakta-des Tranås UFO-klubb (UFO = oidentifierade fly-gande föremål). Åke Gus-tavsson besökte Curt Ring-qvist och noterade alla

Ringqvist. Han färdades i bil tillsammans med Göte Andersson från Kisa på väg mot Tranås. Det var mitt i natten före veckohelgen. Göte såg också skenet och bromsade häftigt in.

hans iakttagelser.

— Jag håller det inte för otroligt att Ringqvist och Andersson sett ett UFO-ob-jekt, säger Gustavsson. Jag ska skicka rapporten

vidare till vår organisa-tion.

Det kan tilläggas att ljus-skenet också observerades av en lastbilsförare vid Kinda Skogsprodukter AB.

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CLIPPINGS FROM SWEDEN

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UFO ÖVER GÅRDSJÖ IGEN

Runt föremål passerade ljudlöst på 30 meters höjd

Aterigen har egendomliga föremål observerats på himlen över Gårdsjö. På onsdagsmorgonen såg Lilly Gustafson ett runt föremål som med hög fart passerade förbi hennes köksfönster. Föremålet rörde sig ljudlöst på högst 30 meters höjd.

— Jag blev så rädd att jag tappade kaffekoppen, säger hon. Det har varit så mycket egendomliga saker i luften häruppe att

man börjar undra vad det är.

För cirka en månad sedan såg Olle Ehnlund, förare p på tåget Lidköping — Gårdsjö två starka strålkastare som lyste rakt ner i marken. Inte heller det fenomenet har kunnat för-klaras.

SIDAN 7

Vad är det för flygande föremål över Gårdsjö?

Tefat 12
Klockan fem över sex på onsdagsmorgonen satt Lilly Gustafsson i Gårdsjö och hennes man Olle vid köksbordet och drack morgonkaffe. När Lilly tittade ut genom fönstret såg hon en syn som fick henne att tappa kaffekoppen i golvet. Ett klotrunt föremål for med hög fart över el-ledningarna, passerade strax över ladugårdstaket och försvann in i skogen.

— Jag blev rädd, erkänner hon. Det har varit så mycket egendomliga saker i luften här-
uppe att man börjar undra vad det är. Och bor man så pass

ensligt i skogen som vi gör så kan det inte hjälpas att man blir lite orolig.

TATA RAPPORTER

Rapporterna om egendomliga fenomen över Gårdsjö har kom-mitt tätt den senaste månaden. Några av rapporterna kunde militären på K 3 i Skövde förklara, den gången rörde det sig om övning med lysraketer. Svårare att förklara är däremot de starka ljus som Olle Ehn-lund, förare på tåget Lid-köping—Gårdsjö såg.

— Det var två starka strål-kastare som lyste rakt ner i marken och stod alldeles stilla, berättade han.

— Min son Anders såg samma ljus, berättar Lilly Gustafsson. Han var på väg hem med sin moped och trodde att det var en

bil som kom. Men ljuset var för starkt för att komma från en bil, och kom heller aldrig närmare.

Det föremål som Lilly såg på onsdagsmorgonen kan knappast vara en lysraket. Inte heller kan

det vara kometen West som den senaste tiden har syns på morgonhimlen.

LJUDLÖST

— Föremålet var runt och rullade fram, precis som en

tallrik, säger Lilly. Det var rött, precis samma färg som solen har på kvällen. Det kan inte ha varit mer än högst 30 meter upp i luften och rörde sig helt ljudlöst.

Ljusfenomenet på Alvaret

Tefat 12 G
Ett ännu oförklarat ljusfenomen dök upp över alvaret på södra Öland häromkvällen.

Det var ett rött blinkande klot som sågs på vägen mellan Degerhamn och Torngård. Makarna Ragnar och Ingeborg Malmqvist i Segerstad såg det tydligt när de var på hemväg vid 22.30-tiden på lördagskvällen.

Först trodde man att det var något på vägen framför som blinkade, nå-got fordon eller liknande, men sena-re visade det sig hålla till högt uppe i luften drivande i nordostlig riktning.

De båda ögonvittnena utesluter att det kan ha varit något flygplan. Lju-set var rätt stort.

På F12 i Kalmar kan man inte för-klara fenomenet utan vidare.

Flygplanet Lansen har rött blinkande ljus på sin högra sida vid mörkerflygningar, men det lär knap-past ha förekommit någon flygning vid detta tillfälle på denna plats.

Flygplan som bogserar skjutmål har också röd signal, men inte heller detta kan ha varit aktuellt så sent på kvällen.

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2 Name of paper and date of clip: Mariestads-Tidningen, March 12, 1976

City and country of newspaper: Mariestad, Sweden

UFO OVER GÅRDSJÖ AGAIN. ROUND OBJECT PASSED SOUNDLESS ON 100 FEET HEIGHT. WAS IS IT FOR FLYING OBJECT OVER GÅRDSJÖ?

At 6.05 Wednesday morney Lilly Gustafsson and her husband sat at the kitchen table drinkin' coffee. When Lilly looked out through the window she saw something that made her drop the cup of coffee on the floor. A ballround object flew with high speed over the powerlines, passed right over the cow-house roof and disappeared in the forest.

- I got scared, she admits. It has been so many strange things in skies up here that you begin to wonder. If you live by yourself in the forest like we do you can't help feeling uneasy.

Reports of strange phenomena over Gårdsjö has come quite often the last month. Some of the sightings the military at K8 in Skövde could explain, that time it was a military exercise with light rockets.

But the object that Lilly saw Wednesday morning could hardly have been a light rocket. Nor could it have been the comet West which have been seen in the morning sky the last weeks.

- The object was round and rolled forward like a plate, Lilly says. It was red, the same color as the evening sun. It couldn't have been more than 100 feet up in the air and it moved without any sound.

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3 City and country of incident: Alvaret - SWEDEN

Date of incident: March 20, 1976

Name of paper and date of clip: Östra Småland, March 24, 1976

City and country of newspaper: Kalmar, Sweden

LIGHT PHENOMENA OVER ALVARET

Another unexplained light phenomena popped up over Alvaret on south Öland the other night.

A red blinking ball was seen on the road between Degerhamn and Torngård. It was Ragnar and Ingeborg Malmqvist in Segerstad that saw about 22.30 Saturday night when they were on their way home.

First they thought it was anything on the road that blinked, some car or anything else, but later they found out that it was drifting high up in the sky towards northeast.

The both eyewitnesses says it couldn't have been an airplane. The light was too large.

At F12 in Kalmar they can't explain it just like that.

The airplane Lansen has red blinking light on the right side during dark flights, but no flights were made at this time and place.

Airplanes that tow firing aims use red signal, but no such thing happened that night.

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4 City and country of incident: Gyttrorp (the lake Vikern) - SWEDEN

Date of incident: January 21, 1976

Name of paper and date of clip: Karlskoga-Kuriren, March 16, 1976

City and country of newspaper: Karlskoga, Sweden.

WHAT WAS IT THAT LANDED ON THE SNOWY ICE OF VIKERN? ICE CRYSTALS SHOWS A UFO!

- I thought I saw wrong when I spotted the object on the ice. Round like a cheese and a weak yellow-white light was seen from it. I tried to figure out all kinds of solutions that were natural like glowing animal eyes, but it was there almost the whole night and I stood a long while looking at it...

Allan Jansson in Pershyttan outside Nora, doesn't really know if he should believe what he saw the evening January 21 this year. He ain't superstitious and has never believed in flying saucers.

But yet today, two months later, he can't find a natural explanation to what he saw on the ice of Vikern when he was working night shift.

And now has the UFO organisation, that deal with what's popularly called flying saucers, found out that it might have been a UFO that Allan Jansson saw.

- We have no proof, but we have one person who saw the object and we have the traces in the ice if Vikern that are much interesting and can't be explained, Thorvald Berthelsen, chairman in UFO-Köping, says. (The group was investigated the case)

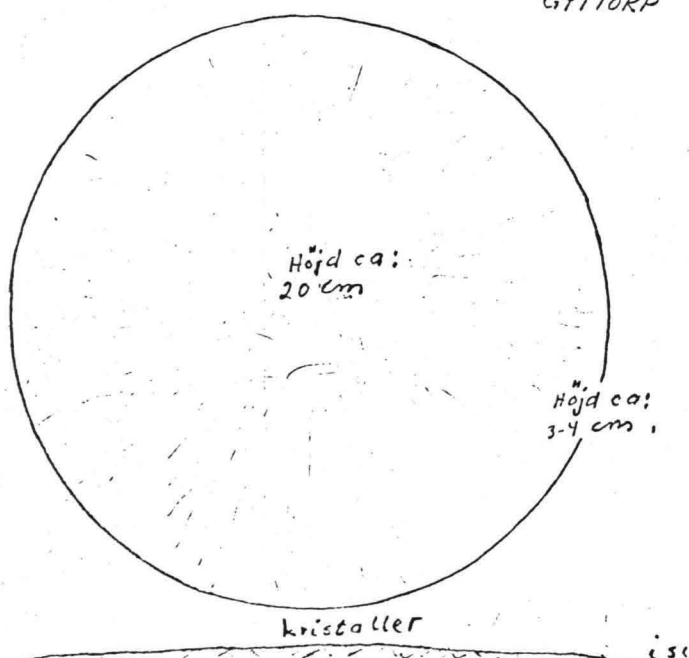
It took three days before Allan Jansson told his working partners about the incident.

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Vad var det som landade på Vikerns snöiga is?

Iskristaller röjer ett UFO

ISKRISTALLBILDNING PÅ SJÖN VIKERN
GYTTORP



NORA. —Jag trodde jag såg fel när jag fick syn på det där föremålet på isen. Rund som en ost var det och svagt gul-vitt ljus syntes från det. Jag försökte tänka ut alla möjliga naturliga förklaringar som att det var djur med ögon som lyste, men det stod kvar där nästan hela natten och jag stod länge och spanade ut mot det...

Allan Jansson i Pershyttan utanför Nora, vet inte själv riktigt vad han ska tro om det han såg sent på kvällen den 21 januari i år. Vidskeplig är det minsta han är och flygande tefat har han aldrig trott på.

Men ännu idag, två månader efter, kan han inte komma på en naturlig förklaring till det han såg på Vikerns is i Gyt-torp medan han jobbade natt-skift.

Och nu har UFO:s riksorga-nisation, den förening som sysslar med vad man populärt brukar kalla flygande tefat, kommit fram till att det Allan Jansson såg, mycket väl har kunnat vara en UFO (oidentifierat flygobjekt).

INGA BEVIS

— Vi har inga bevis, men vi har en person som såg föremålet och vi har spåren i Vikerns is som är mycket intressanta och inte kan avfärdas med naturliga förklaringar, säger Thorvald Berthelsen, ordförande i UFO-föreningen i Köping som varit i Gyt-torp och undersökt fallet.

Det tog ett par tre dagar innan Allan Jansson berättade om vad han sett för sina job-barkompisar.

— Man vet ju inte vad folk ska tro om man kommer och berättar om sånt här, säger han.

FÖRSVANN

Vid tretiden på natten hade föremålet försvunnit igen och då tänkte Allan att det var lika bra att glömma det hela. Men när han skulle gå på eftermid-dagsskiftet några dagar senare såg han ut över isen och upptäckte just där han sett föremålet en rund ring på isen.

— Helst vill jag tro att det finns en naturlig förklaring till det jag såg, men jag gick i alla fall till ett par förmän och berättade om det jag sett.

Snart nog kopplades UFO-

föreningen in och Allan Jansson fick vara med om en väldig uppståndelse och berätta allt vad han visste och vad han sett.

— Jag såg föremålet på ungefär hundra meters håll så det är lite svårt att få de rätta måtten på det. Men jag skulle gissa att det var drygt en meter högt och ungefär 35 meter i diameter. Det avtecknade sig väldigt väl ifrån isen och det syntes också stadigt ljus från det, men inget ljus reflekterades från isen.

EXPERTER

UFO-föreningen har under-sökt isen i den ring som syntes på sjön och låtit kristalliseringsexperter titta på den.

— Alla naturliga orsaker har kunnat elimineras och det gör Gyt-torpsfallet väldigt intres-sant, säger Thorvald Berthelsen.

— 50 procent av alla iakttagelser vi får reda på kan skalas bort på en gång. Efter ytterligare granskning faller 20 procent, men det som hänt i Gyt-torp finns kvar i de återstående 30 procenten av oförklarliga fall. Mer kan vi idag inte göra. Det har vi inte resurser till. På försvarsstaben i Stockholm dit man får in alla iakttagelser som gjorts på radar av främmande föremål, finns det ingen anteckning om något föremål vid den här tiden. Vilket dock inte utesluter att det inte kan ha funnits där.

— Jag vet inte själv vad jag ska tro, säger Allan Jansson.

— Man börjar tvivla på sig själv till slut. Jag kan inte säga något om vad det egentligen var, bara berätta vad jag såg...



Det är de här ca 20 cm höga kristallerna som gör att UFO-organisationen i Sverige anser iakttagelserna i Gyt-torp särskilt intressanta. Det finns ingen naturlig förklaring till att de bildats, säger man.

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— You never know what people might believe if you come and tell such things, he says.

At 3.00 in the night the object had gone again and than Allan thought he just could forget about it. But when he was on his way to work a couple of days later he looked out on the ice and discovered a round ring on the ice where he had seen the object.

— I should prefer a natural explanaiton to what I saw, but I went to some foremen and told them what I've seem

Soon the UFO-organisation was contacted and Allan Jansson experienced a great excitement and had to tell all I knew and had seen.

— I saw the object at about 300 feet distance so it's hard to give the right measures. But I should guess it was about 4 feet hight and 100 feet i diameter. It was easy seen against the ice and it came a steady light from it although no light was reflected from the ice.

The UFO-organisation has investigated the ring on the ice and let experts look at the crystals. In the middle of the ring the building of crystals are about 0,7 feet high and at the edge about 0,1 feet high. There is no natural explanation to how this ice crystals have been made, they say. The diameter of the ring measures 133 feet.

MYSTISKA ÖVERFLYGNING ÄR I ODENSÅKER FLYGANDE "CIGARR" SEDD ANDRA GÅNGEN

City and country of incident: Odensåker - SWEDEN

Date of incident: March 2, 1976

Name of paper and date of clip: Skövde Nyheter, March 4, 1976

City and country of newspaper: Skövde, Sweden

Ungfär så här såg den 'flygande cigarren' ut. Möjligen satt fönsteröppningarna något lägre än på bilden. Ljuset från fönstren var svagt och avskärfönsteröppningarna var rundade uppåt ungefär som kyrkfönster.

MYSTERIOUS FLIGHTS OVER ODENSÅKER - FLYING "CIGAR" SPOTTED SECOND TIME.

What strange flights have been made over Odensåker? Tuesday night an unidentified flying craft was sighted by Sten Olof Andersson in Odensåker. It went from north-east to southwest in a half circled path and disappeared over Timmersdala. The craft was soundless.

- It's the second time I saw the strange craft, Sten-Olof Andersson says. Last year I also saw it and in the same path. But I'm sure that it was no flying saucer. But what it really was nobody knows...

- I was in the cow-house looking after one cow, Sten Olof Andersson, a calm steady farmer with no gift for imagination tells. When I came out from the cow-house I spotted the object north over Östem. It didn't went particularly fast. The height was just above the treetops.

Sten Olof looked at the "plane" as it continued against Binneberg (a large hill), turned and followed the slope of Billingen to Stolan where it disappeared out of sight towards Lerdala.

- It had no wings or propellers, Sten Olof Andersson says. The shape was like a cigar, blunt at the back. I saw six windows with weak lightning. The windows were oval at the top and long and narrow. One thing was strange - no engine sound - the "plane" was completely soundless! It was 19.27 when I first saw it, and it took three to five minutes before it disappeared over Timmersdala.

Men vad det var det vet ingen...

Tidigare har mystiska fenomen observerats på västsidan av Billingen. Olika teorier har framförts - från flygande tefat till knarkflygningar av samma mystiska slag som över Värmland. Men någon rationell förklaring har inte det hela fått...

- Jag var ute i lagården och såg till en kviga, berättar Sten Olof Andersson, en lugn, stadig jordbrukare utan fallenhet för fantasier. När jag kom ut från lagården fick jag se föremålet norrut över Östen. Det gick inte speciellt fort. Höjden var lite över trädtopphöjd.

INGA VINGAR

Sten Olof följde 'planet' på dess färd bort mot Binneberg där det yek av och följde Billingslutningen fram till Stolan där det försvann utom synhåll åt lerdalahållet till.

- Det hade inga vingar och inga propellrar, säger Sten Olof Andersson. Till formen liknade det en cigarr, tvärare baktill. Jag såg sex fönster med avskärmad belysning. Fönstrens form var långsmala ovala upptill. Det konstiga var att det hördes inget motorljud - planet var helt ljudlöst! Klockan var 19.27 när jag såg det, tre till fem minuter tog det innan det försvann över Timmersdala.

- Det är svårt att säga vad det var för något. Jag tror inte på flygande tefat. Men det här har jag sett, alltså är det något men ingen vet vad. (CONT. NEXT PAGE)

Vad är det för mystiska överflygningar som gjorts i Odensåker?

På tisdagskvällen observerades en flygfarkost av icke identifierbart utseende av Sten Olof Andersson i Odensåker. Det gick i en nordöstlig-sydvästlig halvcirkelformad bana och försvann över Timmersdala. Planet gick ljudlöst.

- Det var andra gången jag såg den mystiska farkosten, säger Sten-Olof Andersson. Förra året såg jag den också och då gick den i samma bana. En sak är jag säker på och det är att det inte var ett flygande tefat.

FÖRRA GANGEN

Förra gången Sten Olof Andersson såg 'planet' var 11/2 i fjol. Då tillsammans med två andra vittnen, Bo Eliasson Igelstorp och Gunnar Larsson Skövde.

— Den gången försökte vi jaga i fatt det, säger Sten Olof. Bosse körde mot Skövde i bil, men maskinen tog ju en annan väg.

— Gunnar, grabben min, och jag tog vår bil och jagade iväg mot Timmersdala där det försvunnit. Vi kom fram till festplatsen intill Sjöhaga ung-

inget. När jag började backa och vända för att fara hem igen, såg de andra hur maskinen steg från någonstans på andra sidan åsen mot Berg till.

— Den hade landat där, det måste den ha gjort. Sedan fortsatte den över sjön bortåt götenehället till.

Vad är det för skrämt som härjar i luftrummet över Timmersdala? Är det en parallell till de mystiska 'knarkflygnin-garna' i Värmland? Eller är det de flygande tefaten som härjar? Om det senare går

det inte att övertyga Sten Olof Andersson.

Förra våren stod ett 60-tal personer på Kinnekulle och såg det mystiska lysande föremålet som troddes vara Good Years luftskepp som då fanns i Sverige. Hela felet var att luftskeppet befann sig i en helt annan landsända. Några militära flygningar av ovan beskriven typ har inte gjorts. Sten Olof Andersson gör ett ytterst trovärdigt intryck, han är den lugna, jordnära männi-skan som står tryggt med bå-

da fötterna på jorden och inte låter fantasin skena i väg. Samma med de andra vittnena som såg överflygningen den 11 februari i fjol.

(END of Swedish UFO clips)

- 1) City and country of incident: Malargüe - Mendoza-ARGENTINA
- 2) Date of incident: unknown (some Monday in March)
- 3) Name of paper and date of clip: Mendoza - April 6, 1976
- 4) City and country of paper: Mendoza - Argentina (TRANSLATOR: JANE Thomas.)

UFO SIGHTED OVER MALARGUE AREA

Caption below photograph: Juan Prieto and Isidro Burzaco are inter-viewed with regard to the flying saucer that was sighted at Malargüe

Different comments are made about the flying object that was sighted in the area of Payén, and to that end we interviewed Messrs. Juan Prieto and Isidro Burzaco, who had the opportunity of observing it almost at a distance of 200 meters. They work as miners in the region of Sierra de Reyes and stated that upon returning to the villa of Malargüe by the road that through the locality of Upuca joins the road that issues from the San Romeleo mine, turns East to join the Chachahuén, Matansilla highways and the coast of the Colorado river, they could see the strange object at a distance which, oscillating, descended almost over the highway they were transiting. They lost it from sight for a moment, but almost where the two highways join, at a very short distance they could see it with the lights on. At first they thought they had encountered a truck, but as those lights came nearer, they oscillated. When they were 200 meters away, without any noise, some four windows or doors were seen, square or better rectangular-shaped, which emitted a red-greyish light. Some potent searchlights were turned on towards the nearby hills, in front and in the back of the craft, which they calculated had some 30 meters length, without being able to ascertain the shape because the night was very dark. They neither saw movement of people inside the machine.

"Such a situation panicked us and we continued our journey, since we calculated it was approx. 11 pm that Monday; we did not see its taking off either, but saw it again near a place called Agua de los Relinchos, and already near the junction with National Highway 40, at Río Grande, in the region of El Zampa. It could be seen how the object flew low some 300 meters towards the South, to the province of Neuquén", they state.

Workman Salustro Sánchez, who lives nearby, has been questioned about this phenomenon, but he was very reluctant to comment on it, maybe in fear.

Now, a researcher of these phenomena, engineer Corvella who works at the Grassi factory, traveled to the region to try to locate the place where the machine had landed, without success, but he will try to make the trip again with the witnesses in order to pinpoint the place as accurately as possible since according to experts, a strange phenomenon takes place, grass and plants growing noticeably in places where UFOs have landed.

MALARGÜE (C).—Dife-rentes comentarios se formu-lan sobre el objeto: volador que fue avistado en la zona del Payén y con tal motivo entrevistamos a los señores Juan Prieto e Isidro Burzaco, que tuvieron oportunidad de observarlo casi a una distan-cia de 200 metros. Estos tra-bajan en minería en la zona de la Sierra de Reyes y dije-ron que cuando retornaban a la villa de Malargüe, por el camino que atravesando los barriales de Upuca se junta con el que sale de la mina San Romeleo, se interna al este para empalmar con las rutas de Chachahuén, Matan-silla y costa del río Colorado, le fue dable observar a distan-cia el extraño objeto, que, oscilando, descendía casi so-

bre la ruta que ellos transita-ban. Por un momento deja-ron de avistarlo, pero casi al juntarse las dos rutas, a muy poca distancia, lo observaron con las luces encendidas. En principio creyeron encontrar-se con un camión, pero a medida que se acercaban di-chas luces oscilaban en vaivén. Ya cuando estaban a 200 metros, sin ningún ruido, fueron avistadas unas cuatro ventanas o puertas en forma cuadrada o más bien rectan-gular, que expedían una luz roja grisácea. Se encendieron unos potentes focos que fue-ron enfocados para las serra-nas cercanas, en la parte delantera y atrás del vehicu-lo, que ellos calcularon en unos treinta metros de largo, sin poder asegurar la forma

ya que la noche era muy oscura. Tampoco observaron movimiento de personas den-tro del vehículo.

"Tal situación nos generó un poco de pánico y conti-nuamos nuestra marcha, ya que calculamos serían las 23 horas de ese lunes; tampoco observamos el despegue que efectuó, para después volver a avistarlo en las cercanías del paraje denominado Agua

de los Relinchos, y ya cerca del empalme con la ruta na-cional 40, en río Gran-de, zona El Zampal. Fue da-ble observar cómo tal objeto se desplazaba en forma baja unos 300 metros para el sur, provincia de Neuquén", seña-lan.

En las cercanías vive el puestero Salustro Sánchez, a

quien se le ha interrogado sobre este fenómeno, mani-festándose muy reticente a co-mentar tal hecho, tal vez por un poco de temor.

Ahora bien, un estudioso de estos fenómenos, el inge-niero Corvella, que trabaja en la fábrica Grassi, viajó a la zona, para tratar de ubicar el lugar donde estuvo asentado, sin poder lograrlo, estimando poder viajar otra vez con las personas que lo observaron, para constatar con el máximo de exactitud el lugar, ya que según los entendidos se pro-duce un extraño fenómeno, tomando un mayor creci-miento los pastos y arbustos donde estuvo asentado.

(More South American Clips)

Strange Footprints Draw

Crowds

THE DAILY CORINTHIAN
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Credit: Tom Adams

By Paul Sims
Editor

More mysterious giant footprints are popping up in thinly populated areas of the Hatchie River hillsides and are drawing everything from laughter to "what if it is a real animal."

The distinct impressions started popping up along the Smith Bridge road north of U.S. 72 Monday and now more have been sited around two churches on the southside of 72.

The sightings are 4 to 5 miles apart.

MOST NEARBY residents are having fun watching scores of people flood into the area to get a look at the footprints.

"I'm not worried about it right now," said Mrs. Martha Crum who operates a store at the bottom of the hill from the Mount Pleasant Methodist Church where some of the most pronounced prints have been found.

"I GUESS I'LL get scared if I ever see anything. Three of us women went up to the cemetery this morning alone, and I told them I hadn't run in a long time, but I'd put 'm down if he comes this way," she smiled.

Most of the footprints were spotted Sunday by children playing around church but no one paid much attention.

"**MONDAY I CAME** back to the church and took a look," remembered Floyd Crum,

a longtime member of Hatchie Chapel Church.

Crum said when he first saw the tracks there were no other visible tracks around them. Now many of the original prints have been destroyed by children playing around them.

"**IT LOOKS LIKE** whatever it was came up a bank in back of the church, walked down through this open area and back onto the road," one man gestured.

Many of the prints east of the church are still very visible with definite outlines and toe markings. Some of the prints have 3 toe markings with a faint fourth toe imprint, and others have only 3 toe marks visible.

A STEADY STREAM of curiosity seekers have gone into the area to get a first hand look at the prints since they were reported Monday.

The longest set of footprints leads through the Mount Pleasant cemetery. The prints are scattered throughout the cemetery with two deep impression on one gravesite.

MOST OF THE tracks go around the actual graves and lead off north alongside a sandy dirt road that leads into the thick woody area.

The tracks stop suddenly with no indication that a giant animal veered off into the woods.



Footprint In The Sand

Mysterious Footprints Studied

Alcorn County had its own mysterious "big foot" yarn being spun here today after a trail of tracks with footprints 15 inches long were trailed into a woods near the Theo Community.

But to some of the nearby residents it wasn't funny. They are taking it seriously.

THE FOOTPRINTS were first found Sunday night along the Smith Bridge Road just north of U.S. 72.

Two Corinth men, Joe McKewen and Gene Calvary, tracked the footprints about 200 yards into the woods and related that another man had tracked it about one-quarter of a mile into the woods into a valley where the prints disappeared.

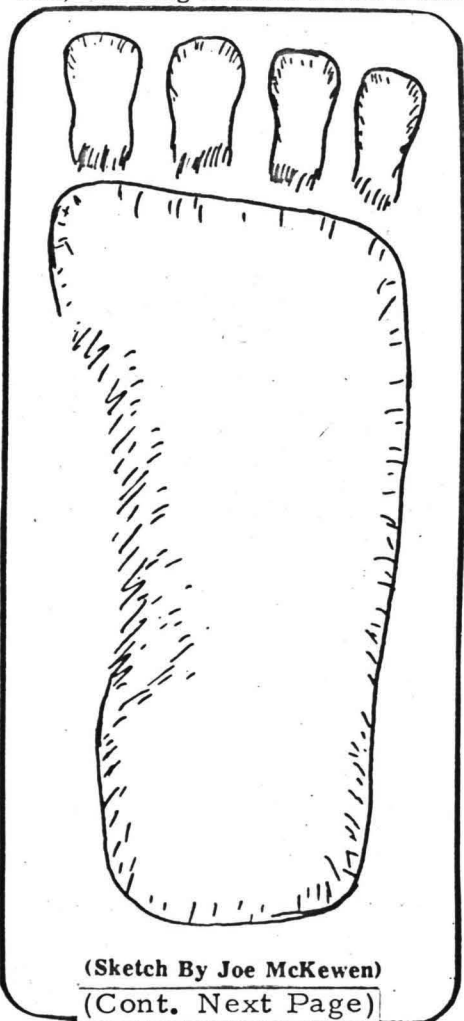
"**IT HAD 4** toes and some of the prettiest prints you have ever seen," Calvary said. "If someone is doing it for a prank they are sure doing a good job. If it is for real, I can only say it has real big feet."

McKewen, a photographer and local naturalist, said the depth of the print indicated that "it was a whole lot heavier than 200 pounds."

STORIES OF BIG animals roaming the woods mysteriously has grown in recent years with stories and films of the great "big foot" monster.

Many residents in the area were reportedly upset over the tracks and were locking windows and bolting doors at night with special care.

WELDON BROOKS, who lives near the place where the tracks were spotted said, "It's a big track but it's not a bear



(Sketch By Joe McKewen)
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track. It looks too much like a man's footprint."

WHATEVER IT WAS, McKewen explained, it went up the bank just like a person by taking short steps, and making toe imprints first. The two middle toes would dig into the bank and on level ground the heel mark would be made first.

McKewen planned to make a plaster cast of the imprint today for more study.

"There is no animal I know of that makes a print like this one," McKewen explained.

"What do you think it is, Joe?" "I don't know," he answers in a soft voice.

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Eerie Screams

Marin Mystery-- A Night Creature

By Peter Stack

There was talk in Mill Valley yesterday that an "animal-like figure" that screeched horribly during an encounter with two policemen was the legendary hairy Bigfoot of Mount Tamalpais.

"It was a weird thing all right, but I never said anything about Bigfoot — somebody must have made that up," said Patrolman Dan Murphy.

Murphy and his partner, Edward Johnson, were dispatched at 1:16 a.m. last Friday to investigate a report by a frightened woman that something was "screaming and screeching and growling" in a ravine below her hillside home.

The woman, Caroline Morris of 26 Hillcrest drive, near Boyle Park, said she couldn't discern whether the sounds were human or animal.

For years there have been rumors of periodic sightings of a large, hairy humanoid prowling hills and valleys of Marin's Mount Tam region. The existence of the omnivorous nomad, sometimes known as Sasquatch, has never been confirmed, but there have been frequent reports of him throughout the Pacific Northwest.

Murphy said he and Johnson answered Morris' call like any routine assignment.

"When we got there, we heard the sounds too. They were strange, high-pitched sounds like something was screaming or howling viciously," Murphy said yesterday.

The two officers nervously hiked down the wooded slopes while training their flashlight beams through the underbrush. It was pitch dark and windy.

"I heard this heavy breathing ahead of us," Murphy said, adding that there were "crackling and rustling noises as if something was approaching through the brush."

According to official reports, Officer Johnson warned Murphy that he heard something coming

from off to one side of them as well as from dead ahead.

The two policemen drew their service revolvers and slowly retreated uphill. But as they withdrew, Murphy caught a glimpse in the beam of his flashlight of a "large, dark-colored THING."

"It was walking on its hind legs," Murphy said. "I saw it climb an eight-foot retaining wall and disappear into the brush."

Later that morning, the two officers returned to the woody setting under the first glimmer of dawn. Once there, they found a thick trail of blood, which they followed through the heavy brush.

Suddenly looming before them was the disemboweled and badly mangled carcass of an adult deer. The animal's neck had been ripped and its belly torn open.

"There were no tracks or anything around," said Murphy.

The deer's carcass was removed by the Marin Humane Society, but no autopsy was made, so only speculation remained as to what killed the animal.

The humane society guessed the attack was probably by a mountain lion.

Loch Ness Expedition Planned

New York (UPI) — Scientists who claim to have photographed the Loch Ness monster will return to Scotland this summer for another try at

finding the legendary creature.

Charles W. Wyckoff, photographer who worked with scientists last summer at Scotland's famous lake, said in New York Wednesday the date of the return visit was uncertain but would be "sometime from the middle to the end of June. We'll have someone there more or less all summer."

The scientists submerged special cameras and

sonar equipment in the murky waters and came up with two color photos showing blurred, incomplete images of what they believe is the fabled animal.

The photographs supposedly show a horned head and cylindrical body of a creature some 18 feet long. But the pictures leave much room for debate, so the return trip is planned.

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Nessie Lives! Scientists Now Take 'Monster' Seriously

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St. Louis GLOBE-DEMOCRAT

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Credit: Joe Brill

Policemen spot fins in Loch Ness

By Associated Press

FORT AUGUSTUS, SCOTLAND — Two police officers reported seeing two dark-colored fins about 20 feet apart moving rapidly in tandem through the waters of Loch Ness.

"I don't believe in the Loch Ness monster," said Sgt. Donald Nicholson, 42, "but there's something down there."

His companion, Constable Hamish Gray, 22, is convinced there is a monster. "Relatives of mine have seen it," he said.

THE OFFICERS LOGGED their sighting Wednesday as "an unidentified object in Loch Ness."

The policemen said they spotted the fins as they drove along the road running around the lake in northern Scotland.

"At first we thought it was a boat in difficulties," said Nicholson. "We rushed to the lochside and then

realized it wasn't a boat.

"The water in between the fins gave the impression of being almost boiling. The fins submerged completely, then resurfaced, then submerged again. Then a terrific wave came off toward the shore."

Gray flagged down a bus to get someone to verify what he and Nicholson had seen. But by the time the driver and the passengers reached the shore, nothing but still water could be seen.

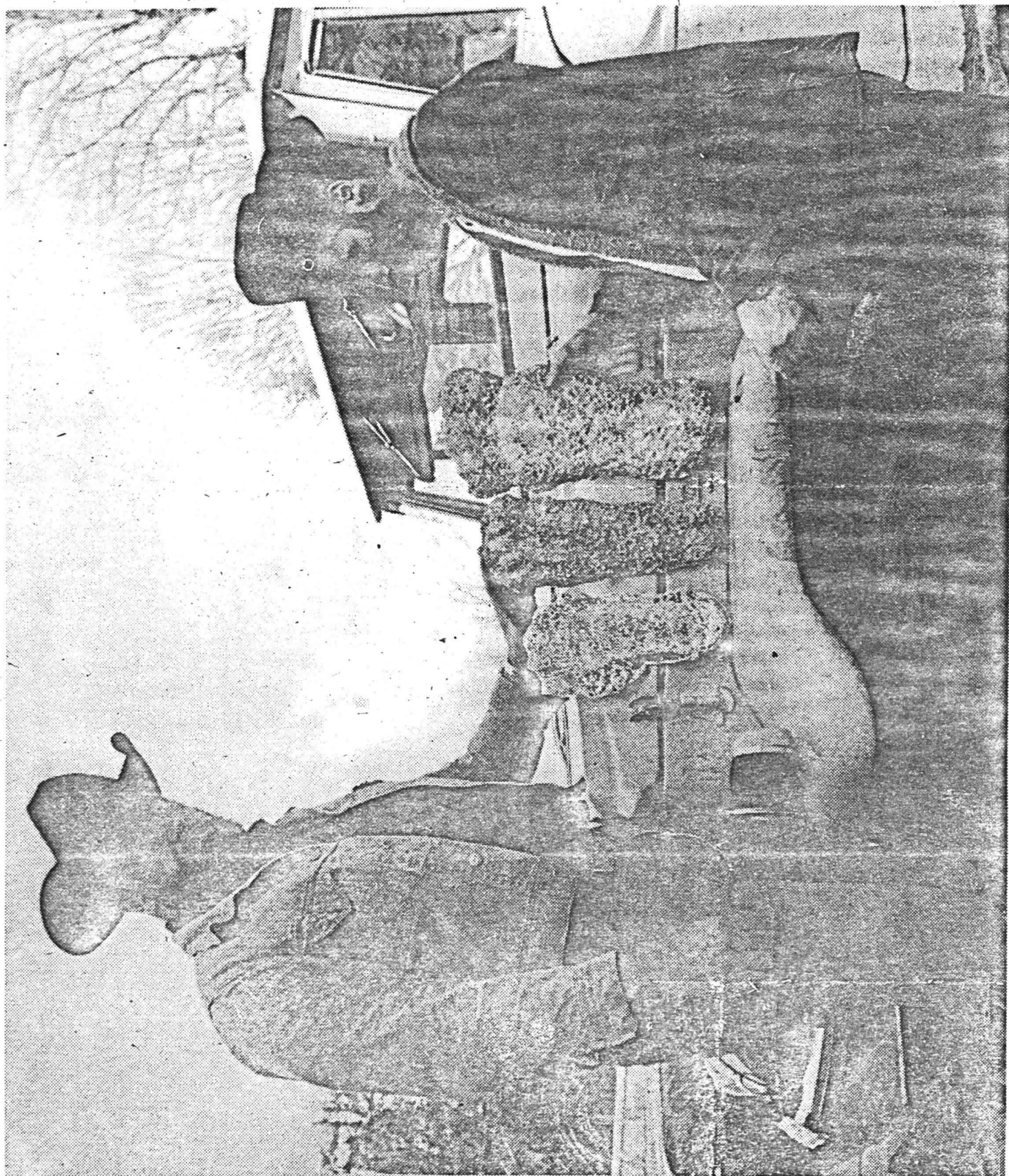
THE MONSTER, KNOWN in Britain as Nessie, was first reported sighted in 546 by St. Columba.

The controversy over whether Nessie exists was stirred up again last year when an American expedition led by Dr. Robert Rines of the Academy of Applied Science in Boston claimed to have taken color photographs of a monster with special underwater cameras.

Experts at Britain's Museum of Natural History asserted that the photographs prove nothing.

Bigfoot researcher spends time in Butte Falls studying latest prints

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(MT photo by Allen Hallmark)
BIGFOOT PRINTS — Jerry Jardstrom, left, and Roy Lack display three plaster cast molds made of Bigfoot or Sasquatch prints at various times. The smallest is the one found April 13 near Butte Falls. It is 12 inches long with a 7-inch toe spread and 5 inches wide at the ball of foot. The biggest one, 18 inches long and 8½ inches at the ball of the foot, was found near Ellensburg, Wash., in 1970.

By ALLEN HALLMARK
Mail Tribune Staff Writer

More mysterious footprints were found in the Butte Falls area recently, leading a researcher who makes his living searching for the legendary "Sasquatch" to take up temporary residence there.

Roy Lack, the only full-time employe of the North American Wildlife Research company, made a plaster cast of one of six tracks found by three women out picking wildflowers and mushrooms on Tuesday, April 13.

Lack is staying in the home of Jerry Jardstrom, police marshal of Butte Falls, who said he is planning to give up law enforcement to join

Lack's company and devote fulltime to searching for the Bigfoot creatures.

There have been at least four confirmed sightings of footprints of the creatures near Butte Falls since February this year, according to Lack. However, no one has reported seeing the creature itself.

"There have definitely been two creatures in the area," Lack said. "We feel the creatures passed through here around the last part of February and the first part of March." He said most of the tracks have lead from north to south.

The footprint cast by Lack on April 15 is 12 inches long. It

has large bulbous appearing toes and is straight and wide compared to a human foot, but it has no claws like a bear track.

The site where the prints were found is about 100 yards off a gravel road. One print was still visible, despite the fact that a number of curious observers had been in the area.

The indentation into the soil of about half an inch leads Lack to calculate the creature that made the print weighed between 500 to 600 pounds.

The creature who left this print is the smaller of two Lack thinks were recently in the area. He said he was shown tracks by two Medford

men on separate occasions that were 19 inches long. Lack estimated the weight of the bigger creature at more than 1,000 pounds.

The woman who found the tracks said she has been interested in the Bigfoot legend and has read much of the literature on the subject. She said she preferred not to be identified to avoid harassment. She said this was the second time she had seen Bigfoot tracks.

"I won't be afraid because I could see the tracks hadn't been made just that day," the lady said. "If I had been alone,

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I might have been afraid, but all the articles I've read say they won't hurt you until you go and bother them."

Stan Moore who spotted tracks in the snow on March 22 when he and Frank Villas were checking out a Forest Service section lines (both are forestry technicians for the Rogue River National Forest) still says those tracks could not have been made by human or bear.

Moore said he found a trail of tracks in fresh snow with a distance between steps of about 4½ to 5 feet. He said the nearest road was about six miles away and there were no other kinds of footprints in the snow.

"No man could run that fast through the snow in that country," Moore scoffed, "and a man couldn't run and leave a smooth print like that."

The distance between prints on the most recent find were also 50 to 60 inches, Lack said, and the prints were the same length, so Lack has concluded they were both made by the same creature.

Two sightings of prints have been made in the Clark Creek drainage where Moore found his prints and the other two were found within a quarter of a mile of each other in the woods near Butte Falls. Clark Creek is about six miles over two rugged ridges almost due north of the location of the newest prints.

Some people in Butte Falls have reported hearing noises of strange creatures. The lady who found the prints said one of her neighbors reported hearing a sound "close by" about two days before the prints were found. She said the sound closely resembled the sound of the creature as simulated on a tape being circulated in Butte Falls. The simulation was made from the descriptions of what they heard by people claiming to have heard Bigfoot's cries in the past, Lack said.

Lack speculates that the creatures are extremely shy, nocturnal animals who are nomads that build no homes but sleep under logs or in caves. He said the Indians of

the northwest know much about the creatures but since they worship Sasquatch as one of their deities, they feel protective of him and will not divulge information on Bigfoot.

Lack said he is planning to go to British Columbia next to research there for about a year. There have been more sightings of the creatures there than anywhere else, he said.

The purpose of the North American Wildlife Research effort is "to prove beyond a shadow of a doubt that the creature exists." Lack has been working full time only since March, he said, but he has pursued the creatures as a hobby for seven years. He has a tranquilizer gun, but said he doubts he'll ever get within the necessary 70 yards of the animal to be able to use it.

Lack in all his years of hunting on his own and following up tips has never seen the creature, though he believes he has been close a number of

times. He said he'd be willing to take a lie detector test "any time" to prove he is telling the truth and is not responsible for making the tracks himself.

John Schlotter, Butte Falls district ranger for the Rogue forest, is skeptical about the possibility of the creature being real. "I'll believe it when I see it," he said.

"I've heard rumors of people hoaxing the kids around here before these so-called tried and true things showed up (the recent findings)," Schlotter said.

He said he thought it peculiar that with 5,000 people employed by the Forest Service just in Region 6 (Washington and Oregon) and many of them in the field much of the time that there had never been a confirmed sighting of the creature.

He said he had no reason not to believe that Stan Moore (who works under Schlotter) was not telling the truth. "Stan has taken quite a bit of ridicule since this thing happened," Schlotter said.

So the mystery of Bigfoot or Sasquatch or Omah or the

Giant Hairy Ape goes on giving the people of sleepy little Butte Falls something to think about as they listen to the wind blow through the forest at night.

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Loch Ness Monster: A Serious View

By WALTER SULLIVAN

After years of ridicule directed against reports of a Loch Ness "monster," scientist have begun to take seriously the possibility that such a creature does indeed inhabit the depths of the Scottish lake.

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Aquarium in Boston.

In a statement of their unanimous views, five zoologists and paleontologists at the Natural History Museum in London are more cautious.

They agree that the 1972 photographs, when enhanced by

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computer processing and analysis, show a "flipper-like object." They are not, however, convinced that the 1975 photographs show a plump body and small head, linked by an elongated neck, as the search team believed. Since, much of

the hypothetical neck does not appear, they suggest that two objects are involved. These, they add, may have been swarms of phantom midge larvae whose air sacs could have produced the images.

Extraordinary Size

Nevertheless, authors of the report on the search in the March-April issue of Technology Review argue that sonar echoes from the rapidly moving object or objects, which seemingly show in some photographs, are those of a creature 10 to 50 times larger than fish observed with the same photographic system. The sonars used were of the side-scan type widely employed in searching for sunken ships and in offshore oil-drilling operations. One model was produced by Raytheon and another by Klein Associates whose president, Martin Klein, an M.I.T. alumnus, was a co-author of the report. The sonar echoes were interpreted by several outside specialists.

Another co-author was Dr. Harold E. Edgerton, a pioneer in underwater photography and the use of strobe light flashes for high-speed photographs. He is an emeritus professor at M.I.T.

Dr. Edgerton's camera systems were used in the project. In the 1975 search, the camera was timed to begin operation only when a target at least 4 feet wide came within 40 feet.

Color Pictures

The camera then began taking pictures every 15 seconds. This system, set on the lake bottom, was blinded when silt was thrown out it.

"We know the silt was stirred up by an animal," says the report, "because divers confirmed that the camera was clean after it was put on the bottom."

Dr. Edgerton's camera and strobe system in the 1972 search was suspended from a boat as backup to one on the lake bottom, and it was this system that obtained color

photographs presented as the 1975 evidence.

Probably the chief impediment to determining the nature of what was observed is the murkiness of the water, caused by suspended peat particles. The maximum photographic range or the system used in 1972 was about 10 feet. This was increased to 30 feet in 1975, but pictures taken at that distance were so dark they had to be processed by computer to bring any images into prominence.

Such a method was used by the Jet Propulsion Laboratory of the California Institute of Technology to enhance faint images in pictures transmitted from near Mars by Mariner spacecraft.

Surgeon's 1933 Photo

The Loch Ness photographs were processed by Alan Gillespie of that laboratory. He reports in Technology Review that "one animal may have had a 16 foot body."

The most impressive photograph of the "Loch Ness Monster," taken in 1933 by a surgeon, shows a tall, arched neck supporting a small head above

a largely submerged body. The article in Technology Review says there is no evidence of tampering with the photograph.

In assessing what sort of creature might inhabit the lake, Dr. Roy P. Mackal, formerly an associate professor of biochemistry at the University of Chicago, describes as a "likely candidate" the pleisosaur, a prehistoric suborder of reptiles that roamed the seas 100 million years ago. They were long-necked, ate fish and sometimes ventured into estuaries.

Dr. Mackal was a director of the Loch Ness Investigation Bureau, which was active until 1972. In an excerpt from his new book "The Monsters of Loch Ness," published in Technology Review, he argues that millions of salmon pass through the loch to spawn up-river or to get to the sea as juveniles, providing ample food for large carnivores.

Dr. Zug believes the "monsters" are fish. His reasoning is that they are rarely seen on the surface, whereas an airbreathing animal, such as

a reptile, would have to surface regularly.

Yesterday at the Biltmore Hotel here Robert H. Rines dean at the Franklin Pierce Law Center in Concord, N.H. and head of the Academy of Applied Science, which that is conducting the search, and others described plans for a more ambitious effort next summer.

They hope improved photographic and sonar systems will finally reveal the true nature of the creature, widely known as "Nessie."

The Academy of Applied Science was formed in 1961 to support "unusual areas of research." The fact that it was little known contributed to the suspicion with which early reports of the Loch Ness project were received. Its advisory board of governors, however, includes a number of prominent M.I.T. professors.

Those familiar with the evidence, but not involved in the search, when reached yesterday seemed convinced that a large animal probably inhabits the loch, but were not sure whether it is of a type unknown to science.

Hair-covered creature's tracks make a very big impression

By THOMAS BEAM
Tribune Staff Writer

The Cascade County Sheriff's office has obtained a cast of a large footprint found near a Helena Valley residence April 4 by a Helena high school student who reported seeing two humanoid creatures near his home that day.

Sheriff Capt. Keith Wolverton, who has been investigating similar sightings in this county for the last five months, said Friday the footprint "appears to be authentic and we are considering this a legitimate sighting."

The footprint, one of three found by Bob Lea near his residence about four miles northeast of Helena, measures 17½ inches long and seven inches wide at its widest point. A plaster cast taken of the best print by Lea shows three distinct toes, according to Wolverton.

Wolverton, who questioned Lea about the sighting Thursday, said Friday, "I was impressed by his honesty and I'm sure he is telling the truth."

According to Wolverton, Lea woke up about 5 a.m. April 4 and when he looked out the window of his second-floor bedroom, he saw a large, hair-covered

creature moving across the pasture adjacent to the house.

"Lea's description of the creature as being of a large size in height and width, covered almost entirely with dark brown to black hair and having little or no neck, matches that given by five other persons who have seen similar creatures in Cascade County between December, 1975 and now," Wolverton said.

"He also added other details which have not been publicized but which also were reported by other residents of this county."

According to Lea, he watched the creature walk across the field to a haystack about 250 feet from his house where it joined a second creature which was somewhat shorter than the first.

Wolverton said Lea told him that when the larger of the two started to walk toward his house he was able to estimate its height of approximately eight feet as it strode by a fence post about 100 feet from the residence.

"It was at this point that Lea went downstairs to wake up his father and when the two returned to his room several minutes later the creatures had left the field," Wolverton said.

Lea told Wolverton he contacted the

Lewis and Clark County Sheriff's office but deputies who arrived at the house were unable to find anything.

"Lea said that later in the day his sister found several tracks in the pasture and he made a plaster cast of the best one," Wolverton said.

Wolverton said when he got word of the sighting earlier this week he drove to the youth's home where he interviewed Lea and made a plaster cast of Lea's cast.

"I talked with Lea all day and I'm sure in my mind he's telling the truth," Wolverton said.

"There are too many similarities between this sighting and sightings by two girls near Vaughn Dec. 26, by two boys near Ulm Feb. 21 and by a man near Interstate 15 south of Great Falls Feb. 22, to think otherwise."

Wolverton said he has received about 14 telephone calls from persons who reportedly have seen creatures since the sheriff's office first appealed for information in February.

"But most of the callers refused to leave their names or if they did, the names turned out to be fictitious," Wolverton said. "About all we can do is continue to try to convince people that we are serious about our investigation."

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Great Falls, Montana TRIBUNE

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'SLAPS AT FOUR-YEAR-OLD BOY'

'Monster' Sightings Upset Some Near Flintville

He's not saying what it is, but Melvin Robertson says next time the huge hairy thing with claws and a scream "like a hysterical woman" comes around his house he won't hesitate to shoot it.

The "thing" came up to the back door of his house near Flintville Monday night and slapped at his four-year-old stepson, Gary Presley, Mr. Robertson said.

He and his neighbor, Houston Smith, say the "thing" — which they describe as nearly seven feet tall and weighing between 200 and 300 pounds — has been seen several times within the last month.

Mr. Robertson said he has seen the creature four times — once at twilight, about 200 feet from where he was cutting wood.

Most of the time, the "thing" is seen later at night, he and Mr. Smith said.

Mrs. James Simmons, who lives on Shady Grove Road about a quarter of a mile from the Robertsons, said, "three years ago my son-in-law shot at this thing when it came around the house. We never knew if he hit it or not. We haven't seen it since then."

Neither the Lincoln County sheriff's office nor the Fayetteville police has received a report of the mysterious creature.

But Mr. Robertson came to THE TIMES' office this week to tell about it.

"If it is a prank," he said, "I wish they'd quit it."

Mr. Smith said sometimes the creature makes a noise that sounds like a person with a bad case of asthma. Other times, he and Mr. Robertson said, it sounds like a "hysterical woman screaming."

He and Mr. Robertson said Mrs. Robertson and Gary saw the "thing" about 9:30 Monday night.

"They were standing in the back door," Mr. Smith said, "and the thing reached out and slapped at Gary,

Mysterious 'Thing' Takes Slap at Boy

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then ran away.

Mrs. Robertson jerked her son inside and slammed the door. Her husband ran to get Mr. Smith.

"Gary told me it had long shaggy hair and long toenails," said Mr. Smith. "He said it looked like a dog. I asked him if it was a dog and he said, 'No, it was too tall for a dog.'"

Mr. Smith said he couldn't find any tracks in the yard that night or the next morning. He said Mrs. Robertson was "real nervous" after the incident.

Mr. Robertson said he believes the "thing" — unless it is a person wearing a costume — may live in a cave in the hills between his house and Elk River.

The Robertsons and Smiths live in the southeastern section of Lincoln County about four miles north of Highway 64 East.

If it is a person, Mr. Robertson warned, it is a dangerous prank because he says the next time his family is threatened, "I won't hesitate to shoot it."

He said the "thing" has black and brown hair over a foot long.

"People just don't believe me when I tell them about it," Mr. Robertson said.

"I don't drink, either," he added.

NEW YORK TIMES 11 April 1976 p.29

Cattle Mutilations

Stockmen and lawmen alike were reported mystified in October 1975 by the apparent mutilation of cattle in 11 states. Nearly 200 animals had been found in Colorado alone in six months with udders, eyes, ears, sex organs and tongues removed, seemingly by a sharp instrument.

One theory was that the killings were being done by satanic cultists who used the animal organs in black-magic rites.

The evidence suggests most of the wounds were inflicted by other animals, Carl White, the agent in charge of the Colorado Bureau of Investigation, reports. He says he showed photos of the slain cattle to specialists in the United States Interior Department's Wildlife Research Center.

"The wounds and incisions on these animals were consistent with what they had seen predators do in the past," Mr. White says. "There have never been any human suspects identified or any arrests effected."

CR. MARK HALL

The Elk Valley Times (Fayetteville, Tenn.) April 15, 1976

CREDIT: Robert Gribble (Phenomena Research)

Two Cowboys in Monkey Suits?

By ANNETTE TAYLOR
Missoulian Staff Writer

Chris Tobias of Clinton felt a bit creepy as he neared within 400 yards of the top of St. Mary's peak, seven miles west of Stevensville, during a hiking and camping trip in the summer of 1974.

Maybe it was the windblown, scrubby and rocky mountain top before him as he hiked above the tree line. Maybe it was a premonition of what he was about to see.

His friends, Dick Broadway and Bob Cramer, were about 100 yards ahead of him, and Diane Stringen and Kathy Mudd were about the same distance behind.

"It was almost dusk. I looked back and I saw two figures out of the corner of my eye," Tobias said. "I thought it was Diane and Kathy. I stopped for a few minutes because it was really steep and I was just recovering from a knee operation.

"I saw the figures again, still below me down the ridge to my right, but now past this clearing. The first thing I thought of was that it amazed me how far they had gotten in such a short time.

"Then I noticed they were good size," he said. "I couldn't see any facial features because it was dark. They



Chris Tobias

kept walking toward me, really gracefully. They didn't have the up and down bob like man. They sort of floated or glided along.

"They were big, larger than a man. They were hairy all over and didn't seem to have a neck, just a squatty head on broad shoulders. They kept walking toward me until they were within about 150 yards. Then they must have winded me or noticed me and just dropped off the side of the ridge."

Tobias said he went quickly up the hill and didn't say anything to Dick or Bob who were already on the top. When the women reached them they told the men how they had "just seen the weirdest thing."

"They told us they saw these two big black things walking above them," Tobias said. "They saw the same thing I did at the same time. At first the girls thought they (the creatures) were Bob and Dick because, from the back, they looked squared off — they couldn't see the heads — which the girls thought were the back packs.

"We spent an uncomfortable night, and the wind at about 70 miles per hour didn't help. We talked it all out, and it was then that we thought we might have seen Bigfoot."

The next day, Tobias checked the ridge the creatures disappeared behind. It was an almost straight drop off into a box canyon, he said, impossible for a man to descend without ropes. They looked for tracks, but because of the rocky terrain, there weren't any.

"I don't go around telling the story to everybody, because I was skeptical too before I saw something," Tobias said. "I won't automatically claim I saw Bigfoot. I just saw what I saw. I don't know what they were. They could've been two cowboys in monkey suits.

"But what would two cowboys in monkey suits be doing walking around a mountain top?" he asked.

SOURCE: The MISSOULIAN (Montana) April 4, 1976
CREDIT: Tim Church

BIGFOOT

Residents say 'monster' still in area

By JOE OSTERMEIER
News-Democrat Staff Writer

MILLSTADT — County officials say a "large animal" still is on the loose in the Millstadt area, and the state of Illinois and the St. Louis Zoo refuse to help catch it.

The animal, which has been sighted in the area bounded by Imbs Station Road, Triple Lakes Road, and Wagner Road, is being sought by employees of the St. Clair County animal control office.

Assistant animal control supervisor Maureen Lawrence says the department has sought the help of the state Department of Conservation and the St. Louis Zoo.

The animal, dubbed "Bigfoot" by some area residents, was first sighted about three weeks ago in the Imbs Station Road area.

Mrs. Lawrence says, despite the name, the animal apparently is no relation to the animals dubbed "Bigfoot" or "Yeti" or the "Abominable Snowman." She says the big animal in Millstadt walks on four legs, not two.

Efforts to catch the elusive animal have been unsuccessful, Mrs. Lawrence says. To top it off, county workers aren't sure what they're looking for.

"All we know is that it is very large," Mrs. Lawrence told members of

the finance committee Monday. She appeared before the committee to discuss a minor transfer of funds into her department but stayed to discuss the "large animal."

She said the conservation officials and zoo employees have refused to help find the animal because its identification has not been confirmed.

"They said they won't spend the hours until they know for sure there is such an animal," Mrs. Lawrence said.

Spokesmen for the St. Louis Zoo and the conservation department confirmed they will not help in the search.

Mrs. Lawrence said the animal is thought to have killed a Dachshund and a calf in the area. It has killed a large St. Bernard dog, she said.

Tracks indicate the animal weighs between 125 and 165 pounds, Mrs. Lawrence said.

She said several persons have sighted the animal, "but were so frightened they couldn't say what it was."

She told the committee the sheriff's department has aided in the search but refused to describe the search.

The animal control department has advised residents in the area to keep their animals near the house and their children inside if possible.

Residents who have sighted the animal should call the animal control office at 235-0585.

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A persistent

Scottish rite

It's getting to be a regular Scottish rite. Sighting the famous Loch Ness monster, that is. This time, two policemen got all flustered when they saw what looked like a boat in distress out there in the lake.

But they screamed to a halt and looked closer. The police report, which said nothing about the "subject" or the "suspect" read: "There was this great commotion, like a pot of boiling water. We saw two fins like the sails of a boat, about 25 feet apart, with a wake behind them. Whatever caused it must have been mighty large."

Stories about that UFO under water have become legendary. Unfortunately the two officers couldn't get the cuffs on the monster, so we are left with the continuing mystery.

What is beginning to bother us, though, is the question about how old that thing must be. What is the life expectancy of a monster like that? He, or she, has been around a long time. But it's fun.

'Radar Boy' Spots U.S. Air Attacks

TOKYO (AP) — North Vietnam has reported it has an 11-year-old boy who has warned of U.S. air and sea attacks so effectively in the last three years that he has been dubbed "The Radar Boy."

The Vietnam news agency said Ta Quang Ty is able to pick up the sound of planes even above the "howl of the sea wind" on rainy nights.

It said he was partly responsible for the low casualties suffered in 600 air and naval attacks on his village in Nghe An Province, 120 miles southwest of Hanoi.

Ta's warning system consists of an unexploded bomb case which he strikes with a hammer whenever he spots incoming planes.

"Ta has used up five hammers striking at the bomb shell which itself has caved in on one side," said the Communist agency.

Burlington, Vermont FREE PRESS
October 30, 1968

Account of creature sighting similar to previous report

The Cascade County Sheriff's office, which recently learned two Ulm youths reportedly saw a large, humanoid creature in the brush beside the Missouri River near Ulm the day before a Helena man reported sighting a similar creature near Interstate 15 just south of Great Falls Feb. 22, is actively investigating both incidents, according to Sheriff Capt. Keith Wolverton.

Wolverton said the youths, ages 12 and 13, stated they were riding their bicycles near the

river shortly before noon Feb. 21 when they heard an object moving through the thick brush adjacent to the Missouri breaking off tree branches.

One boy told Wolverton he saw a hair-covered arm extending through some brush and the other youth, who was riding ahead of his companion, reported seeing a "large, wide creature" standing upright in the brush at a distance of approximately 75 feet. Both youths said the creature appeared to be covered with brownish-black hair.

Wolverton said both boys

were frightened by the incident and ran home after leaving their bicycles at the scene.

Wolverton, who was not notified of the sighting until earlier this week, examined the area which is south of Ulm Tuesday and said he found numerous broken branches in the brush. "We did not find any footprints or strands of hair caught in the brush but it was unlikely we would since there was a 16-day time lag between the sighting and the report to our office," he said.

Wolverton said both youths have volunteered to take a polygraph examination which will be run next week.

The sighting occurred on the same side of the river where a 29-year-old East Helena man driving home from Conrad with his wife and two children said he spotted a creature about 10 a.m. Feb. 22.

In a story published the following day in the Tribune, the man said he got out of his car and chased the creature but retreated when his quarry stopped walking and turned to face him at a distance of about 700 feet.

The description of the creature was similar to that given by the two youths.

"We have heard of other recent sightings," Wolverton said, "but the information has come to us second or third-hand and not from the people involved. Apparently we're still having a hard time convincing people we are not going to laugh at them or ridicule them for reporting any unusual activity to our office."

"We are trying to gather all the information we can concerning the creatures and the sightings of airborne objects at night but we need the assistance of citizens."

SOURCE: Great Falls (Montana) TRIBUNE
March 11, 1976
Credit: Mark Hall

SCHOLAR TRACES AFRICAN CLUES

Did Mermaid Beings Once Visit Earth?

From Reuters

LONDON—It sounds like the ultimate in fishermen's tales, but a new theory maintains that earth was visited by a race of mermaid-like creatures from outer space 5,000 years ago.

And traces of this superintelligent

civilization have been handed down from generation to generation among a remote African tribe living, in all places, near Timbuktu, West Africa.

This extraordinary hypothesis is the result of eight years' research by a young American Orientalist and astronomer, Robert Semple. His findings are in a scholarly book, "The Sirius Mystery," just out.

The amphibious creatures, half-human and half-fish, traveled here from a planet near Sirius, the brightest star in the sky and 10 light-years

from the earth, the author suggests. Their objective was simply to study

primitive civilization.

Central to this belief is the discovery that some early civilizations here possessed knowledge of astrophysics that could not have been picked up without modern telescopes. This is where Timbuktu comes in.

In the republic of Mali live a tribe called the Dogon and their life revolves around the worship of Sirius, the dog star. The object of their veneration is not Sirius itself but a tiny star orbiting around it.

High priests of the tribe have told French anthropologists details of the star's orbit, which turned out to be correct in the smallest detail.

What makes this uncanny is that the companion star is invisible without the most powerful telescopes. Yet the information has been in this primitive tribe for generations, according to Semple.

The Dogon people also believe that the star is immensely heavy.

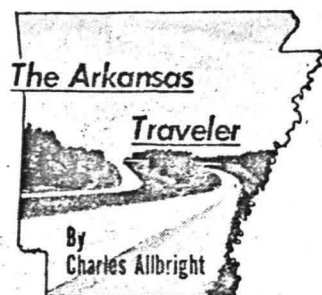
Modern astronomy has established that Sirius' companion star, known as Sirius B, is a "white dwarf." This is a star in the early stages of collapse; it is very dense and a matchbox of it would weigh about 50 tons.

"How could they know this?" Semple asked.

The answer he comes up with is that they learned it from the extraterrestrial visitors. He finds clues to the visit threaded throughout the culture of the Dogon, as well as three neighboring tribes.

Weird fish-like creatures and depictions of the flight path of Sirius B crop up again and again in their traditional wood carvings, paintings, even woven into their cloth.

Semple does not believe that the amphibians visited the tribe in its present location. The Dogon, he says, are the descendants of ancient Mediterranean civilizations such as the Egyptians and Babylonians who migrated west.



THE REASON THAT EERIE unexplained light isn't available for scaring people off the railroad tracks at Crossett every night is that The Light is off scaring people somewhere else.

We have it on good authority from some fifth graders that The Light takes turns scaring people at Cabot, but it doesn't scare the fifth graders.

It doesn't scare Mike Hinshaw, either: Hinshaw is sports editor of the Jacksonville Daily News. The Light doesn't scare him because as far as Hinshaw is concerned it's ghosting around out in Texas:

"You drive to one end of the long, almost perfectly straight dirt road and wait under the ceiling of the Big Thicket's forest."

Hinshaw made that drive, preparing to put the official pooh-pooh to a picture of Ghost Light that appeared in the National Geographic. "It has to be the setting sun," he told himself with a newsman's keen detachment.

When Hinshaw got there and parked it dawned on him, in fact it struck him, that the road was facing smack to the south. So much for pooh-poohing and parking.

"The story of the Ghost Light," Hinshaw says, "is a Mexican who was helping build the nearby railroad was beheaded in an accident. He of course continues to search for his head, or cabeza, if you will."

ANOTHER PERSON The Light doesn't scare is Mrs. Edward Baltz of Pochahontas, even though one night years ago it chased one of her aunts and a beau up Mill Creek. The aunt had slipped out of the house.

"My mother is 86 and was born and raised on the edge of the Mingo swamp near Wappapello, Mo. She has seen it many times and says it is a glowing bubble of gas which bobs along in the breeze and really does look scary if you don't know what it is."

Mrs. Baltz identifies The Light as fox fire, a perfectly natural phenomenon, which is a luminescence given off by fungi on rotting wood.

Another reader advises us that the answer is St. Elmo's fire:

"This occurs under a combination of conditions involving

electricity and humidity. The phenomenon reacts to the human body, which is why you hear stories about someone's walking up to The Light only to have it zoom around behind him."

He defined St. Elmo's fire, for the patron saint of sailors, thusly:

"A flamelike appearance sometimes seen in stormy weather at prominent points on ships, particularly at the masthead and the yardarms, and also on land, as at the tops of trees and steeples. It is of the nature of a brush discharge of electricity, reddish when positive, bluish when negative."

We asked this helpful reader if he were positive. He said that on the whole he was more positive than negative.

The Arkansas GAZETTE
March 19, 1976
Credit: Lou Farish

The Light Works Overtime

Ghost Light Of Oviedo Shrouded In Mystery

By BRUCE DUDLEY
Sentinel Star Staff

It's out there.

They call it "the Oviedo ghost light" and on damp or stormy nights it comes from nowhere and races down a desolate stretch of State Road 13 that the state says doesn't exist toward a bridge that spans the marshy, green-slime-covered Little Econlockhatchee River west of Puzzle Lake.

SOME SAY the strange light is the spirit of a person who died at the bridge. The legends of such deaths abound, although only one can be documented.

Others say the light, often described as a glowing blue, is nothing more than swamp gas easing out of the cypress wilderness east of the small Seminole County community of Oviedo, where many residents consider the light a curse.

Nobody is sure.

ATTEMPTS to photograph the mystery light and pinpoint its origin have failed.

It isn't known when the ghost or ghosts first started to haunt the 6-mile stretch of roadway north of Chuluota, but Orlando attorney D. Arthur Yervey Jr. remembers going "to watch the lights" when he was a student at Orlando High School in the early 1940s.

"I thought it was swamp gas, or at least that's how it was explained to me," said the former Orange County juvenile court judge.

THAT explanation, however, couldn't be substantiated by the Florida Technological University physics department when it researched the light in 1969 and issued a statement saying "there was insufficient information on which to base a concrete scientific opinion."

Asked about the ghost study by students at the university, which is about 10 miles south of the mystery light's home, Dr. John J. Brennan of the university's physics department said, "I wouldn't call it a real effort. It was just inconclusive."

So the mystery light is still unexplained.

"I FIRST heard the light was the ghost of a desperado who was killed in the Oviedo area around the turn of the century," said Ben F. Ward Jr., a real estate agent and former Oviedo city councilman.

But Ward, who has not seen the light but has traveled the road himself in search of the ghost "when I just happen to be in the area at night," said the legends surrounding both the source and effects of the light are many.

Some of those unsubstantiated ghostly tales include:

- A young girl was chased by the blinding light as she was driving down the dark highway, crashed into a tree and was killed.

- A Cub Scout disappeared carrying a lantern while camping in the nearby woods and now returns in a spirit image to wave his lantern and warn away others.

- A young couple was found parked at the bridge one morning. The girl was unconscious in the car; her boy friend's head had been burned off and was mounted on the auto like a hood ornament.

- A girl's boyfriend went to get gas when their car stopped along the road. He disappeared, only to reappear on the car's roof the next morning, clawed to death.

- A girl confronted the light on the bridge with three other people and was burned on her legs and back.

SEVERAL people repeat this last tale and swear it is true and that the girl was treated at Orange Memorial Hospital in Orlando for burns. But hospital officials say they can't check out such a report without the girl's name, which nobody can seem to remember.

The only documented death on the ghost bridge is that of Norbert Georg Hyman, 17, of Chuluota, who was killed on the bridge at 10:30 p.m. July 16, 1963, when he was struck by a car that didn't have its headlights on, according to accident reports on file in Tallahassee.

(Continued On Page 6-A, Col. 1)

Voodoo? Hex, no! But girls keep fainting

MT. PLEASANT, Miss. [AP]—In the last week, 15 teen-age girls have fallen to the ground at a public school, writhing, and kicking before passing out.

The principal says it's not voodoo, narcotics agents say it's not drugs, but parents are keeping nearly a third of the school's students at home.

"My head was hurting bad," said Shirley Benton, 14, one of the girls who fainted. "It wasn't like a headache. It felt like something was sticking in it. . . .

I couldn't get enough air. Then I fell out—fainted."

A STATE NARCOTICS officer on Friday visited the 900-student Sand Flat High School in this rural town 50 miles southeast of Memphis.

"Our investigation indicates there is no evidence of drugs," said Cindy Carr, spokesman for the Mississippi Bureau of Narcotics. "The agent . . . said he believes it's hysteria, but he can't back it up."

Ghost Light Of Oviedo Shrouded In Mystery

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Seminole County Sheriff's Capt. Roy Rice said he remembers an accident on the haunted bridge involving two cars jammed with teenagers. The driver of one car, which was on the wrong side of the road, was killed. Rice said the youths "were playing chicken," but no report of this accident could be located.

BUT REVIVALS of the death stories have led to renewed interest in the light.

To keep the curious away from the bridge, where many have chiseled their initials to prove they dared venture to the site, the sheriff's department has erected a sign warning: "Pedestrians Prohibited At All Times."

The ghost searchers, however, are still lured to the road, which is identified as State Road 13 on the accident report of Hyman's death and on some maps although the state says there is no State Road 13.

JOHNNY DAVIS, accident and research analysis engineer with the State Department of Transportation, said the road is marked as "proposed secondary road 13" in state files but is maintained by the county and is not a state road.

Ghost researchers, however, have no problem finding the curious stretch of road that now joins State Road 426 northeast of Oviedo but dead-ends into a winding gravel road to the south before reaching Chuluota near Second Street. But none has found the answer.

Carole E. Caruso, a New York free-lance writer and member of the Society for the Investigation of the Unknown, who has tracked down 46 spook lights worldwide, failed to pinpoint the Oviedo light.

A **PURPORTED** photograph of the light printed in the Florida Technological University student newspaper in 1969 turned out to be a hoax.

George D. Fawcett, founder of the Florida Unidentified Flying Objects Study Group, has also researched spook lights and says he thinks the Oviedo ghost light might be a fireball that he describes as "some type of energy or projection of energy which we know nothing about."

The truth, however, is that nobody is sure what causes that strange glowing light to appear on dark and stormy nights in the shadows of the tall cypress trees south of the small village of Snow Hill and come swooping down the road marked 13 toward the bridge where at least one person has lost his life in strange circumstances.

BUT THEY all agree on one thing:
It's out there.

Orlando, Florida SENTINEL STAR
March 22, 1976
Credit: Mr. F.W. Inderwiesen

Teachers and students who have seen the spells said the girls suddenly fall to the ground, kicking and shouting, "Don't let it get me!" or "Get it off!" before passing out. The attacks last from a few minutes to as long as 15 minutes.

SOME PUPILS contend that one girl has been putting voodoo hexes on her classmates as the result of an argument over a boy.

Homer Byers, the principal, rejected the voodoo theory, blaming the spells on hysteria and excitement.

"Some of the students have told me if I got rid of this girl, all the trouble would stop," Byers said. "Of course, I've talked to her. She says she doesn't believe in voodoo."

Byers and Marshall County Sheriff Kenneth Smith said some of the girls have histories of fainting spells. They theorized that the girls became hysterical when they saw their classmates collapsing.

AT THE END of the school week, there was still no explanation and several hundred parents had taken nearly a third of the school's pupils out of class.

"I think they should close the school until they find out what's going on," said Minerva Benton, whose daughters, Shirley and Minnie, 17, were among those staying home.

SOURCE: CHICAGO (Illinois) TRIBUNE
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Date 30 JAN 1976

Nessie goes on tape

Electronic equipment has detected the presence of "a large amphibious mammal" in Loch Ness, it was claimed today, by a London electronics firm.

A tape recording of sound waves bouncing back from an object moving at 13 m.p.h. beneath the loch's surface

was played at a Press conference at Brighton (Sussex).

A spokesman for the firm Videomaster which provided equipment which has been probing the loch since September, said the "mammal" was at a depth of 400ft. moving in a north-easterly direction.

SEE BEE NEWS (Memphis, Tenn.)
April 15, 1976
Credit: Lou Farish



'Big Foot Hunters' in Shelby Forest believe that a monster lives in the abandoned munitions plant near Millington, Tenn.

'Big Foot' Tracked in Shelby Forrest

There have been reports that the alleged monster has come into the yards of some of the residents of the forest.

According to Stevens the monster has been shot several times by the group that goes searching for it almost every night, but it doesn't seem affected by the deer slugs he says it has been shot with.

The searchers claimed that the way to tell when the monster is near is to smell the air for a stench of rotten eggs and dead fish.

SEE BEE NEWS investigated the reports and found inconclusive evidence to uphold some of the claims.

We did, however, smell the rotten egg stench just before hearing an eerie scream from what seemed to be about 20 yards from the road into the woods. We are working with the news staff of radio station WLYX, FM 89 in investigating these reports. A follow-up story will be in the next issue of SEE BEE NEWS.

CB'ers in Shelby Forest north of Memphis, Tenn. have been tracking what appears to be some sort of "monster" which resembles the famous "Big Foot."

James Stevens, the self-proclaimed "King of the Big Foot Hunters" lives in the forest and has been tracking the monster part time for three years. According to Stevens the monster is about 8 feet tall, weighs 300 to 500 pounds, and has black hair completely covering its body. Stevens said that the monster has chased his truck down a gravel road sometimes reaching speeds of 40 miles per hour. His story is upheld by the others involved in the search.

Both the Shelby and Tipton County Sheriff's Departments have received reports of a "monster" in the area.

The "monster" has not been credited with any deaths or damage to property with the exception of a few isolated complaints of the unusual slaughter of cattle in Shelby Forest.

Policemen log 'Nessie' sighting

TWO POLICEMEN have reported seeing an "unidentified object" in Loch Ness and so reopened the great Nessie mystery. Sgt. Donald Nicolson, 42, and P.-c. Hamish Gray, 22, were driving south to Fort Augustus when they saw the object at Invermoriston. "We thought it was a boat in difficulties," said Sgt. Nicolson. "We stopped the patrol car and rushed down to the Loch side. "We saw two dark-coloured fins in the water, 20-25 feet apart, going quite fast through the water, leaving quite a wake. The water in between the fins gave the impression of being almost boiling. "The fins submerged completely, then resurfaced, then submerged again. Then a terrific wake came off towards the shore." P.-c. Gray flagged down a bus to get someone to verify what they had seen — but by the time the driver and passengers reached the Loch side there was nothing to be seen. "I'm a Nessie non-believer. But there's something in there, some object," said the sergeant.

Leicester Mercury
ENGLAND

30 JAN 1976

'NESSIE' DOES 13 mph - NEW EVIDENCE

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A tape recording of sound waves bouncing back from an object moving at 13 miles an hour beneath the loch's surface was played at a press conference in Brighton, Sussex.

Videomaster, a London electronics firm which provided equipment which has been probing the Loch since September, is exhibiting toys at the British international toy fair in Brighton.

Mr. David Gordon, a spokesman for the firm, said: "We have now analysed data recorded in a sweep of the loch on January 12.

"The results lead us to believe there is some sort of amphibious mammal moving at speed. It was at a depth of 400 feet, moving in a north-easterly direction at 13 miles an hour."

The tape he played to reporters sounded like high-speed bleeps and burps.

"It is quite different from that recorded from fish and other objects," he said.

Extract from
Ipswich Evening Star, Ipswich

ENGLAND
17 APR 1976

Uphill moves by water, cars mystify experts

Times-Post News Service
(Agence-France Presse)

JERUSALEM — A curious phenomenon is puzzling Israeli scientists: What makes cars, water and footballs roll uphill?

Recently motorists travelling down towards Jerusalem from the tiny village of Djabal Moukaber found that their cars would stop at one point on the road and start rolling backwards uphill if the gears were in "neutral."

An Israeli television report on the phenomenon also showed experiments involving a football and a liquid. Both stupefied bystanders by rolling up the slope instead of down.

No logical explanation has yet been found.

Credit: Lou Farish

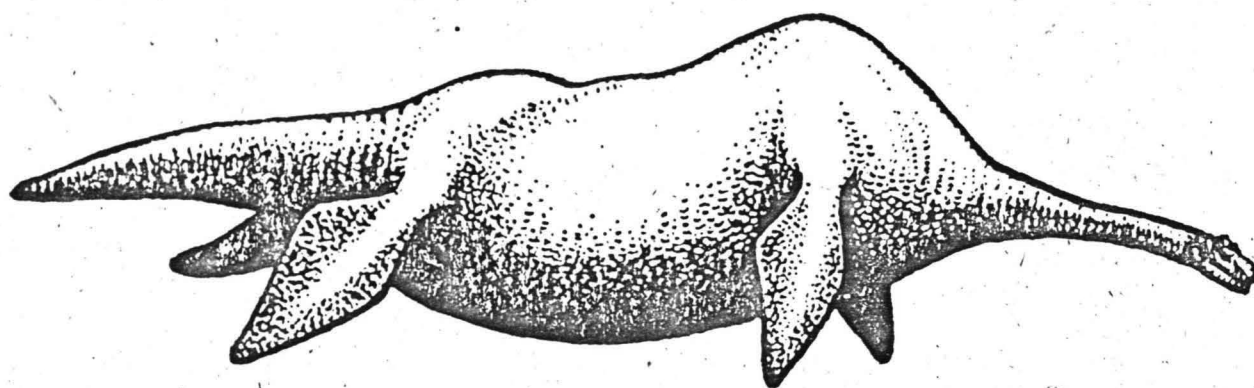
Bigfoot-type track found in BF area

A plaster cast of a large footprint has been made by a member of North American Wildlife Research, a Eugene-based group that is searching for the legendary Bigfoot.

Roy Lack said Saturday the plaster cast he made measures 12-inches long and seven-inches wide at the ball. He said the prints were 56-inches apart. He added that the prints were typical of other Bigfoot prints because there was no arch.

Lack said the footprints were found near Butte Falls. He said the footprints were found Tuesday by women who were picking flowers. Lack said he covered the prints with brush and logs and returned Saturday when fewer people were around to make the plaster cast.

Medford, Oregon MAIL
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April 20, 1976



Sketch from Nature Magazine

An impression of the possible appearance of the Loch Ness monster from photos and eyewitness accounts.

Scientists to Return to Loch Ness

Newly Published Photos Said to Prove Existence of Monster

By Thomas O'Toole
Washington Post Staff Writer

Scientists who this week published photographs they say prove the existence of the Loch Ness monster are going back to Scotland this summer in an attempt to get more convincing pictures of the prehistoric beast.

"It took five years to get these lousy pictures we have now," said Dr. Harold E. Edgerton, director of the scientific photographic laboratory at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. "What we have to do now is go back to Loch Ness with better equipment and a better plan to get pictures, which is just what we're going to do."

Edgerton designed the strobe lights and underwater cameras that took two pictures last summer that show blurred images of what could be a sea serpent, one of the monster's upper torso, neck and head and the other of its head.

The scientists say the picture of the head was taken when the monster was only five feet from the camera, which was a backup camera positioned in the water 40 feet below the surface and 40 feet from the loch bottom. The picture shows what the scientists say are a pair of horns protruding from the head, flaring nostrils and wide, open mouth.

Edgerton says he is less convinced of the monster's existence by the pictures than he is of the fact that it was moving and twice knocked into the camera, move violently upward and forcing it both times to take pictures of the bottom of the boat to which the camera was secured.

"It had to be moving because it moved the camera," Edgerton said. "That animal wasn't scared of the camera either, which itself is unusual."

A third time, the scientists say, the beast moved along the loch bottom near enough to a second camera positioned on the bottom to stir up enough of the bottom silt to cover the camera's lens.

"We know the silt was stirred up by the animal," the four scientists said in an article in *Technology Review*, a magazine published by the MIT Alumni Association with MIT financial aid but without its official backing, "because divers confirmed that the camera was clean after it was put on the bottom."

Besides Edgerton, the scientific team was made up of Robert H. Rines, a lawyer-engineer and president of Boston's Academy of Applied Sciences, Charles W. Wyckoff, an underwater photographer, and Martin

Klein, a designer of sonar equipment for underwater use.

The sonar was placed on the loch bottom to track any kind of marine life that came along. It was also timed to trigger the strobe lights and open the two cameras' shutters whenever a large object moved into the field of view.

The cameras took more than 2,000 pictures last summer, but only seven had anything like an image of a monster. The two that came out best led the scientists to describe a monster about 18 feet long with a neck almost as long as a giraffe's. Its body was described as dappled, almost cow-like in color.

"Although we make no claim to being expert zoologists," the four men wrote in *Technology Review*, "we can find no combination of phenomena that accounts for these data as well as the simple explanation that a large creature inhabits the loch."

In a book he just wrote for the Swallow Press, University of Chicago biochemist Roy P. Mackal speculates that the monster could be a large eel or a plesiosaur, a prehistoric amphibian that lived on fish and became extinct 2 or 3 million years ago.

Technology Review solicited

the views of 12 zoologists who either saw the article or the photographs before they were published. Most of them supported the conclusions of the four scientists, but five from London's Natural History Museum warned that the picture of the head could be nothing more than a swarm of gas bubbles found in the air sacs of microscopic marine life.

Openly skeptical was the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution's Dr. Richard H. Backus, who said the scientists need more convincing photographs or even the bones of monsters long since dead.

"These people have shown me their evidence over the years and I've always been skeptical," Backus said by telephone from Woods Hole, Mass. "I watch all this with great interest, but I haven't seen anything convincing as yet."

Edgerton said the team will return to Loch Ness in June with more powerful strobe lights, lenses corrected for the underwater conditions of the loch and an underwater television camera to serve as a viewfinder.

Hairy, 8-Foot 'Thing' Stalks Countryside

FAYETTEVILLE, Tenn. — A hairy creature that stands eight feet tall, weighs more than 300 pounds and screams like an hysterical woman is stalking the Lincoln County countryside — at least that's what some

residents of the Flintville community near here say.

Melvin Robertson, who says he has seen the beast four times in the past month, claims it came to his back porch Monday night about 9:30, extended its arms and tried to grab his young stepson, Gary Presley, 4. Then it vanished, without a trace.

"PEOPLE JUST don't want to believe me when I tell them about it," Robertson said. "I don't drink either."

The Thing, described by the boy as having "long,

shaggy hair and long toenails," resembles a gorilla, according to Robertson.

Another witness to the Monday incident, Houston Smith, a neighbor, said he and Robertson chased the creature into the rugged hills near the Elk River but found no tracks.

"GARY SAID IT looked like a dog. I asked him if he thought it was, and he said 'no, it's too tall,'" Smith said. "It looks like it's got black and brown hair all over about a foot long."

However, Lincoln County deputies and

Fayetteville police say they have had no reports of the beast, whatever — or whoever — it is.

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