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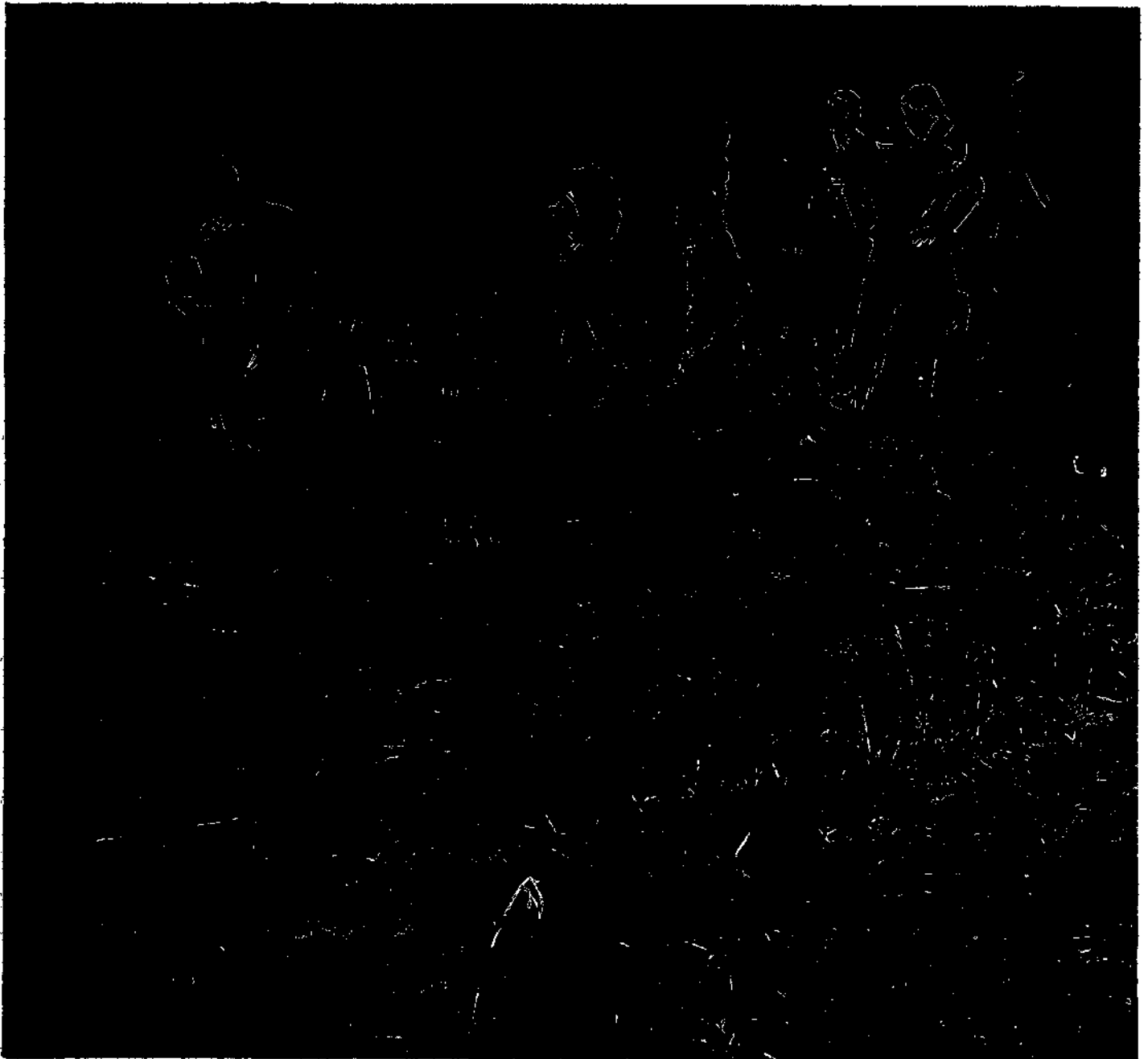
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Soldiers report UFO in Spain



LOCATION OF SIGHTING: NEAR QUINTANAORTUNO, SPAIN.

DATE OF ACTUAL SIGHTING: JANUARY 1, 1975.

NEWSPAPER OR MAGAZINE FROM WHICH THIS ARTICLE WAS TAKEN: "LA ACTUALIDAD ESPANOLA" OF JAN. 20, 1975.

SENT BY: PEDRO REDON, MUFON REPRESENTATIVE FOR SPAIN.

SUBMITTED BY: JOE BRILL, INTERNATIONAL COORDINATOR.

TRANSLATED BY: DR. WILLARD ARMSTRONG.

BACKGROUND

New Years Eve. The discotique Lotus, at Torrelavega, is in full swing. So great is the crowd of customers that the barman, Manolo Aguera, in spite of being in the military service, has turned up at the stroke of midnight to help. He is stationed at the Engineers Academy at Burgos, and is enjoying a short leave which is drawing to a close.

Shortly before 4 a.m. two companions of Manolo arrive at the discotique: Ricardo Igle-

sias and Felipe Sanchez. Both have passed New Years Eve at home and regret having to re-join the military life so soon.

Ricardo, a carpenter by profession, has drunk only one glass of cognac; Felipe, a sheet metal worker in civilian life, a bit of champagne. Before leaving, Manolo takes a Coca-Cola, Ricardo a glass of orangeade, and Felipe a tonic.

ON THE WAY

The Mini 850, white with a red roof, gets going. Its owner, the barman, is driving it; at his side the carpenter is seated. Behind, somewhat sleepy, rides the sheet metal worker. At 4:40 a.m. at the crossing with the highway that goes to the town of Ontaneda, they pick up Jose Laso, another companion, who has been waiting some time for them to arrive. Jose, somewhat younger than the other three since he is serving as a volunteer, gets in the back seat behind Manolo.

"LOOK, LOOK, LOOK"

At a moderate speed, the vehicle goes along the National 623 highway. They pass Puerto del Escudo, and about 15 kilometers later Manolo decides to stop a few moments. He and Ricardo get out of the car, clean the windshield, which is somewhat dirty, and stretch their legs a bit.

It is then when Manolo notices the presence of "a star which was shining more than the others and was vibrating slightly." Ricardo will remember that, although distant, it seemed lower than normal and that its flashes were "between bluish and rosy." Felipe and Jose are dozing on the back seat. Ricardo and Manolo wake them up. For a short time the four watch the star, then continue on their journey without giving it greater importance.

The soldiers are running short of time. At least, they believe that, since they think that reveille will be at 7 a.m. In reality, the first day of

the month being a holiday, it will be at 8 a.m.

It is 6:25 a.m. when Manolo suddenly lifts his hand from the steering wheel and exclaims: "Look, look, look. I just saw something fall from the sky," describing a parabola at a great velocity.

"What is that?" shouted Manolo, braking to a dead halt. Then the four look and see a strange light light up, a light which from its intensity Ricardo only will be capable of comparing to "that of the lamp tower at the football field at Sardinero."

ONE, TWO, THREE, FOUR LIGHTS

It is 6:25 a.m. on the first day of January, 1975. Four soldiers who are returning from enjoying a leave have stopped 14 kilometers from Burgos, startled by a strange phenomenon. They believe they are going to be late for reveille, but nevertheless can do nothing else but get down from the car. They cross to the other side of the highway and there watch for two minutes.

At about 400 meters (1200 feet) distance, relatively near the angle which National 632 forms with the highway that goes to Villarcayo, they contemplate a luminous body "with the form of a truncated cone." They estimate it at about two meters (6 feet) in height--"a man would fit in easily," will recall Manolo--by three meters (9 feet) in width.

The strange object emits a yellowish light which gradually becomes white on the lower part until it ends in luminous jets which are directed toward the ground on which it has not completely settled down.

The attitudes of the soldiers are in opposition. Ricardo and Felipe declare themselves in favor of going closer. Manolo and Jose want to continue back to their base at all costs.

Suddenly, the light goes out and, with hardly any lapse of time, another four light up

successively, exactly equally spaced with only a short distance of separation between each one. "Let's get back to the car," decides Manolo.

The Mini 850 advances about fifty meters very slowly and again stops. There is no fog, the sky is starry, and there the four luminous objects continue to shine. Through the rear view mirror they see that another car has stopped about 800 meters behind them. A third vehicle, perhaps closer than any of them to the phenomenon, is seen on the highway from Villarcayo.

The soldiers are afraid. "I never had seen a man so nervous," Ricardo recalls, referring to Manolo. Ricardo himself begins to weaken, and only Felipe insists timidly on investigating what was occurring.

"DON'T LET THEM GET IN FRONT OF US"

"Let's go, so that they don't get in front of the car," shouts Manolo and attempts to start it. But it doesn't start. On the second attempt the car gives a jerk and starts up at great velocity.

Through the windows, the soldiers continue observing the lights. Some trees interpose momentarily. They have not travelled even one kilometer when they get to the houses of the town of Quintanaortuno and they decide to stop for the third time.

Only two of the four lights remain. They get out of the car and they watch them for something more than three minutes. Finally, considerably excited, they resume their trip toward Burgos.

They recall the star which they saw before and they consider the possibility that some relation between the two phenomena exists. They quickly discard such a hypothesis because although they have continued seeing the star for a considerable time the latter

always seemed very distant.

"Let's see if it now happens that we will answer reveille on the moon," comments one of them in jest.

A LARGE BLACK STAIN

The Engineer's Academy is practically around the corner. A new problem confronts the companions: shall they or shall they not relate what they have seen when they arrive? Immediately, they decide not to do it. "They would only laugh at us" they think. "On a night like this and at an hour like this the normal thing is that people would believe that we were drunk."

But Manolo is confused; he always had thought that those who would say that they had seen UFO's were crazy. Now he has been personally involved in a strange experience. At the officer's bar he tells what happened to a friend who, like him, works as a waiter.

Manolo's friend speaks of it to an officer, and the latter communicates it to Major Llorente, assistant to the colonel, who is the director of the academy. Major Llorente speaks with Manolo and makes an appointment with the four companions for one o'clock that afternoon. Having as a background the climate of cordiality which prevails in the academy, speaking is easy and the soldiers feel much better after having told all.

An officer visits the zone of the incident, but he does not know the exact place and finds nothing. Simultaneously the academy gives a report of what had happened to the Captaincy General's Office. Days later, the Captaincy General will issue to the press an informative bulletin on the matter.

About four o'clock in the afternoon (January 1) Major Llorente and the four young men approach the exact spot where their vehicle stopped for the first time. From the highway

they point out the spot where they observed the lights, and immediately they begin to search the terrain.

In some areas the earth is very moist. None of them had set foot there previously. Little by little they gradually approached the key point. Suddenly, behind a line of bushes, they discover a large black spot (stain). The spot is in reality, a zone of burned grass. It is about thirty to forty meters long by four meters in width, with some clear spots in the interior, and has an aspect of having been burned very recently.

Not a single additional stain was found in the hundreds of meters surrounding this area. According to the farmers of the vicinity the most recent burning of stubble had been done in the month of October.

ANOTHER UFO?

The speculations in regard to what was seen by Manolo, Ricardo, Felipe and Jose had their complement in the news that at 11:30 p.m. on the night of the second day of January an officer and several soldiers saw another luminous object settle down on the firing range at Bardenas Reales located on the border between the provinces of Zaragoza and Navarra. (See February 1975 Skylook).

"The only thing that I can say," explains Major Llorente, "is that these four young men are completely trustworthy soldiers, and that they agree among themselves in all that they have related. In regard to what they saw...that is something that neither they nor I, nor perhaps anyone, knows."

INFO convention set

The 1975 International Fortean Organization (INFO) convention (Fortfest 75) will be Aug. 8, 9, and 10 at the Sheraton-Oakbrook in Chicago, Paul Willis has announced.

Pilot says compass affected

As a result of the NBC-TV NEWS UFO Documentary "UFO's Do You Believe?," Hugo W. Feugen, 53, the plant engineer for Conco, Inc. of Mendota, Ill., called the director of MUFON to report the following UFO experience.

On Nov. 28, 1974, while piloting his own Aeronca "Champ" aircraft from DeKalb to Mendota at 11:43 a.m. on a bright day with visibility limited to 6 or 7 miles due to haze, Feugen was flying at 2500 feet altitude with a compass bearing direction of 240 degrees to compensate for a cross wind.

As he passed over the small town of Shabbona, Ill., he was checking his position on the aeronautical map that he held in his lap to determine if he was still "on course" with visual navigation to his destination of Mendota.

When he looked up from his map, he noticed with amazement that the magnetic compass on the panel of his older model Aeronca Champ number N82198 was rotating counter-clockwise at a rate of four to five revolutions per minute. He immediately became concerned for the radical behaviour of his compass because this was one of the few instruments in the aircraft used for navigational purposes.

He looked to his right side and saw nothing but the town of Shabbona below him. When he turned to his left, he saw an object flying parallel to his aircraft at the same speed (ground speed 75 to 80 m.p.h.) and altitude, pacing him at 120 degrees at an estimated one quarter of a mile distance. He described the object as being shaped like a disc or an ellipse. If it was one-fourth mile away, he estimated the size as 120 feet long and 30 feet thick. It appeared to be a solid object, white or dull silver in color, without any

openings or protrusions. He said there may have been a depression on the top, but this angle was observed only for a brief second as it was departing.

After pacing him for eight to ten seconds, while the compass continued to spin, the object tipped slightly and he could observe that it was not an ellipse, but was round in shape.

As it tipped up on an angle, it accelerated to a fantastic speed toward the east and was out of sight in the "flick of the finger" (less than one second). Feugen did not have his aircraft radio turned on, so there is no report of interference with radio communications. He did not have a camera, thus no photographs were made.

Until this report was made to MUFON, it had been given only verbally to people at the Mendota Airport when he landed. Hugo has been a private pilot for 3½ years and was born in Holland. He speaks with a pleasant Dutch accent and appears to be a knowledgeable engineer. He has given his verbal permission to use this report in SKYLOOK.

This report is significant in that not only was an unusual aerial object observed that could accelerate from about 80 miles per hour to some fantastic speed in less than one second, but it displayed a force that influenced the magnetic compass on the light plane during its proximity to the aircraft (electro-magnetic effect).

We have not been successful in obtaining a radar confirmation of this report from Chicago, nor do we have any other pilot or ground report coinciding with this observation. Feugen is very anxious to secure the names of other witnesses, as is MUFON.

P.S.I. facility has modern equipment



The above photo (copyright 1975 by P.S.I.) shows the deployment pad and enclosure for project Starlight International's UFO/VECTOR system components located at a remote site near Austin, Texas.

Staff directors in the photo are, left to right, Robert Dunnam, facility director; Ray Stanford, project director; and Samuel H. Young, photo director.

Equipment pictured includes an 8-inch Schmidt-Cassegrain (catadioptric) telescope (right), which serves the multi-purpose role of light collection for (a) the UFO light pulse analysis and recording unit, (b) reception of

modulated light transmission from a UFO in case of intelligent response to UFO/VECTOR video-laser transmissions, and (c) UFO photography with great effective focal length.

Components on metal shelves include: UFO/VECTOR video recorder-playback unit for providing signal to intermediate frequency equipment in laser power source housing, which in turn provides drive to modulation device internal to laser transmission cell on the tripod (center); Precision Monitoring Systems model 100 recording magnetometer; video monitor; telescope astronomical mode drive controls; etc.

A video camera with built-in

microphone for live documentation of UFO visual images and simultaneous monitoring of verbal reactions by the witness is partially hidden behind Dunnam's right arm.

Other P.S.I. equipment, such as a video recorder-playback unit #2, a six-foot parabolic microphone for UFO sound studies, and cameras used at other P.S.I. research site stations (for triangulation studies) is not shown.

The UFO/VECTOR (Video Experiment Console for Transitional-Overt Response) is designed to transmit totally directional video to even very distant UFOs. The unit has a very fine aiming system which

provides 4X course sighting scope, plus a 20X to 60X zoom sighting scope for fine alignment of the laser beam toward UFOs.

P.S.I. has just purchased a second video system, and this one will be used for light-pulse studies and the recording portion of the UFO/VECTOR receiving system (video unit #1 is used in driving the laser modulator for transmissions to UFOs).

There is also a new UFO/VECTOR photomultiplier-video signal amplifier receiving unit, custom made for attaching quickly to the 8-inch diameter light-collecting telescope. Stanford says the unit is "so sensitive that it could even be used without the telescope."

P.S.I. is also adding a Columbia Research Labs linear servo accelerometer (Model SA-107) to provide additional monitored data input into the recording system of the P.M.S. magnetometer. Stanford explains, "If a UFO uses gravitic effects, the unit should respond with possible important and tell-tale results, especially if correlated with the recorded magnetic profile and/or the light pulse data."

The well-known 100-foot circle of signal lights at the P.S.I. facility is being modified with a solid-state sequencing system, which is expected to be superior to the presently-used electro-mechanical sequencer. Stanford says that by the end of the year the present 91 spotlights of 150 watts each will be replaced by a circle of 100 strobes of one million candlepower each.

"A flashing circle of 100 million total candlepower should surely be noticed by passing UFOs," Stanford notes.

There are numerous additional technical details and specifications which could, and perhaps should, be noted concerning the P.S.I. system for attracting UFOs and obtaining various types of information

from them. Readers desiring additional details are referred to P.S.I.'s soon-to-be-published PROJECT STARLIGHT JOURNAL (details are provided in a separate article in this issue of SKYLOOK). SKYLOOK will continue to keep readers posted on P.S.I. activities.

P.S.I. Journal publication plans announced

A new publication, the PROJECT INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL, will roll off the press in the near future, according to Ray Stanford, director of Project Starlight International, Austin, Texas.

Stanford says the new journal will specialize in "UFO hard-data monitoring and signaling technology, procedures, methodology, and theory, plus a few UFO cases, from time to time, that have special relevance to our research specialty."

The Journal will feature technical illustrations by an experienced technical illustrator who has gone to the PSI staff from the Data Control Corporation.

The contents, which will not be aimed at laymen, but at engineers and scientists, will also feature numerous photos.

"We have no desire to do-over the very adequate job that SKYLOOK, FLYING SAUCER REVIEW, etc. are doing in the UFO reporting field," says Stanford. "We just want to add something that we believe will contribute a new dimension in direct, active UFO hard-data and signaling research, etc. Scientists and engineers will be invited to contribute pertinent articles."

Membership in PSI, which includes subscription to the Journal, is \$8.00 per year from PSI, P.O. Box 5310, Austin, Texas, 78763.

Jim McCampbell visits in Quincy

Jim McCampbell, MUFON consultant in research planning and author of UFOLOGY--NEW INSIGHTS FROM SCIENCE AND COMMON SENSE, visited MUFON headquarters in Quincy the weekend of Feb. 1 to discuss additional work with the organization.

Enroute to Quincy from his home in Belmont, Calif., he visited with a MUFON group at the home of Ilabel Epperson in Los Angeles, attended UFO session of the AIAA meeting in Pasadena, stopped over in Oklahoma City, and met with members of the St. Louis group.

McCampbell is sending complimentary copies of his book to each MUFON consultant, and MUFON Director Walt Andrus explains that "it would be appreciated if each consultant would pay particular attention to portions of the book related to his specialty, and pass on to Jim any comments."

Andrus suggests that consultants "point out any suggested avenues of further investigation, if possible, and any specific experiments you would recommend. Don't hesitate to point out errors, misconceptions, faulty logic, out-moded data, and so forth."

McCampbell says he will consolidate the comments from consultants and furnish reports for distribution through the Consultants Newsletter.

UFO article printed

In the recent issue of SUNRISE, Vol. 3 No. 7 published by Bitter Carrot Publications, Inc. in Macomb, Ill. primarily for distribution to students at colleges and universities, Mike Mooney, member of the editorial board, has written a feature story titled "The Case for UFO's." Mooney and his photographer recently interviewed MUFON Director Walt Andrus.

GSW requests info exchange

GSW (Ground Saucer Watch) consultants associated with William H. Spaulding, MUFON state director for Arizona, have expressed an interest in exchanging UFO information with MUFON consultants and research specialists in many diversified areas.

GSW and MUFON are closely affiliated, with some personnel serving dual roles. Both organizations cooperate fully with the Center for UFO Studies.

The following gentlemen, listed by name, occupation, and UFO specialty, are interested in sharing information:

Dr. Lester Steward, Ph.D., specializing in Psychology, Biology (Occupants);

Robert Howard, logistic systems computer scientist, specializing in electromagnetic effects and computer pattern recognition;

Tony Marinello, electrical engineer, specializing as electromagnetic project leader;

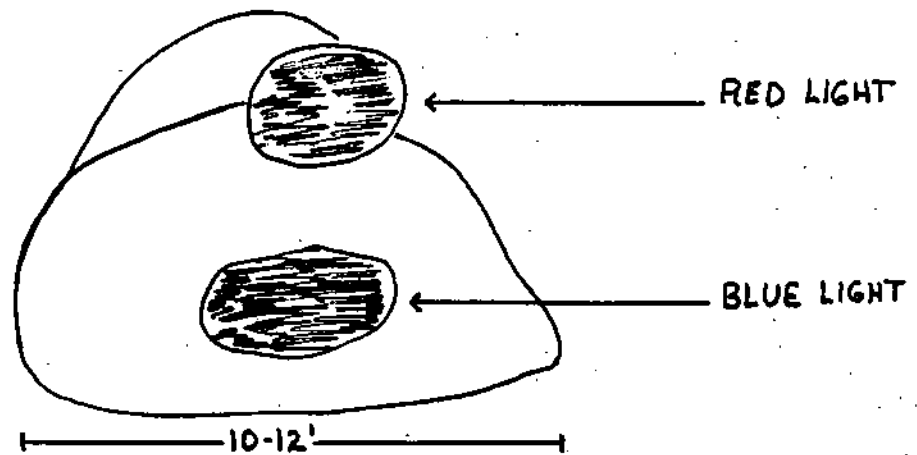
Dr. Keith Parizek, astronomy, specializing in astronomy and laser technology consultation;

Scott Reading, electronic engineer, specializing in advanced computer logistics and radar technology (Radar/Visual Pattern Study);

Fred Adrian, photographic consultant, specializing in advanced densitometry and spatial (spectrum) color enhancement.

As information is exchanged with these gentlemen, they will send their various white papers on EME, Ground/Markings, Occupants, and Radar/Visual secondary evidence.

All correspondence should be addressed to: GROUND SAUCER WATCH, 13238 N. 7th Drive, Phoenix, Arizona 85029, where it will be distributed to the appropriate consultant or specialist.



Students report close approach

LOCATION: PHILLIPS ACADEMY, ANDOVER, MASS.

DATE: FEB. 20, 1975

TIME: 9:00 p.m.

TWO MAIN WITNESSES: MISS NANCY ROSE AND MISS HOPE SAUNDERS

INVESTIGATED BY: JOHN GIAMBRONE

On the night of Feb. 20, 1975, at approx. 9 p.m., the two witnesses were sitting on a small stone wall, which is on campus. The two girls were just talking and stargazing when they noticed what at first appeared to be a plane about to crash. Their distance at this point was approx. 1200 ft.

The object was about a 20 degree angle off ground level. The object seen was going straight down in the western sky, in the direction of the far side of the campus soccer field.

At a point just above the tree top level it stopped and went straight up and stopped at an angle of approx. 40 degrees. It then moved very slowly (much slower than an airplane) toward the direction of the campus infirmary (north).

While this was happening the girls were hurrying across campus to the near side of the soccer field. At this point they were 200-250 ft. away from the object. They could only determine a blue light on "top"

and a multiple of red lights "below."

The two girls stopped beside a large oak tree (approx. 50 ft. high). At this point the object stopped its northward movement and came directly toward them, gradually reducing its altitude. The object stopped directly overhead so that the girls were looking straight up at it.

The object was estimated to be 10-12 ft. in diameter, with a dull grey surface and at a height half again as high as the oak tree, which places the object at approx. 75 ft. off the ground. The object remained at this position for 30-60 seconds.

The object emitted a very soft hum, much like that of a small electric motor, and during the time it remained overhead it exhibited a "rocking motion." Both girls said that the bottom of the object was round and convex in shape, although they could not see any sharp definite outline of its perimeter.

Miss Rose indicates that while the object was overhead she could see a blue light on top of the object which was of less intensity than the red light or lights that were on the lower section; she was not sure if the red light was one large light or a multiple of smaller lights. She did say

that the red light being emitted was much larger and brighter than the blue.

Miss Saunders indicates that when she saw the object across the soccer field she did see a blue as well as a red light, but when the object was directly overhead all she could see were multiple red lights.

The girls both said that they were terrified while the object was overhead. After the 30-60-second period was over, the object "backed up" (toward the west-N-west) about a distance of 20-25 ft. and then moved off to the left in a large semi-circular pattern (toward the south-southeast and east).

The object moved slowly toward the area of the bell tower (located on campus). Both girls said that the object passed below the top of the bell tower (estimated height of the tower 65 ft.), and then disappeared in the southern sky. The object appeared again about 10 minutes later, from the same general direction, but at a greater distance from when it was lost from view.

By this time the girls were able to contact other students who were elsewhere on campus grounds and they too were able to see the red and blue lights in the distant sky. The object kept appearing and disappearing for the next one and a half hours and was seen by a total of 15 students (most names on file). At 9:20 p.m. one of these other students, David Greef, reported the UFO to the Andover Police, who dispatched patrol car #3 to investigate, but the officers reported seeing no unusual activity in the sky that evening.

At approx. 9:45 that evening (½ hr. after reporting UFO to police) a helicopter appeared over the campus and was flying at rather low altitudes. A number of students saw this helicopter, but were unable to observe any markings on the craft.

On March 5th and 6th, calls were made by this investigator to the Andover Police, Coast Guard Headquarters in Boston, the Andover State Police barracks, State Police Headquarters in Boston, and the Norwood State Police Helicopter Base. On March 11th at 9:10 a.m. a call was placed to Fort Devens (Massachusetts), a NG Army Camp that has helicopters based there. This call was placed by Raymond Fowler (MUFON director of investigations). He also called (at 9:45 a.m. same date) WBZ a Boston-based radio station that has a traffic control helicopter which is based in Beverly, Mass. (a few miles from Andover).

All the above calls placed to these different agencies were answered in the negative. They all denied any knowledge of any helicopter activity in that area on the night in question. Efforts are still continuing to ascertain the origin of this helicopter.

On five subsequent nights (2/26-2/27-2/28-3/2-3/3, 1975) unusual lights performing erratic maneuvers were seen by at least two students.

One witness was able to take photographs of an unusual object over the campus during the period in question; however, due to an early spring vacation at Phillips Academy, the school has closed down until March 26th. As soon as the school reopens efforts will be made to obtain a more detailed account of the sightings of these two individuals, as well as any photographic evidence that they might have. Subsequent reports will follow.

Miss Rose and Miss Saunders appeared to this investigator to be two very level-headed 17-year-old girls. They appeared to be honest and sincere in their reports of the sighting. At no time did I get the impression that they exaggerated their story. I came away from the interview with the distinct feeling that the two girls had

seen something that was totally foreign to their concept of any known flying craft.

Comments by J. Santangelo, MUFON director for Massachusetts:

Although there are some discrepancies between witnesses' descriptions, this is a comprehensive report from Field Investigator Giambrone. This certainly can be classed as an Unknown Flying Object and a Close Encounter.

If the investigator is able to obtain the negatives of the pictures that were taken and they are of sufficiently good quality they will be forwarded subsequently.

When I spoke to the investigator over the phone he mentioned that the girls indicated the object was 10 to 12 feet in diameter and that the light source seemed to be about a foot and a half in diameter. Although this does not appear in his report, the size of the light source is unusual.

Any additional data will be submitted as an addendum to this case #MA-75-4.

A telephone call was made to the South Weymouth Naval Air Station and they confirmed that they did not have a helicopter up on the eve of Feb. 20, 1975.

Comments by Raymond E. Fowler, MUFON director of investigations.

I have reviewed the subject matter on March 14, 1975. In addition to other helicopter checks within the report, I phoned the Lawrence Municipal Airport. One helicopter operates there, but only on weekends. There is heavy traffic at night, 7 days a week, consisting of cargo/commercial aircraft.

In my estimation, the following UFO reports of "lights-in-the-sky" made after the initial UFO sighting probably can be attributed to such traffic. The initial sighting, if reported accurately, seems to be a legitimate "unknown."

MUFON reports in brief

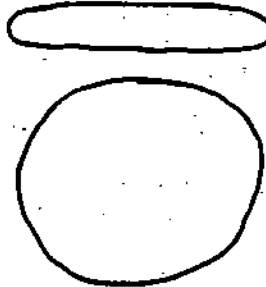
Kampsville, IL.; 6 p.m. November, 1974; investigated by Steve Erdmann; observed by Janice Ewen, 32, and son Gary; saw object through bedroom window, became brighter as it got closer, made "whirring sound something like a jet," white light changed to red, hovering when first sighted, self-luminous, sharp outline, size of plate at arm's length, all lights steady, passed over house, observed 45 minutes.

Keyesport/Tamalco, IL., 9:30 p.m., Jan. 1, 1975; investigated by Rosie Holmes; observed by Debbie Jannett 21; huge bright yellowish-orange light in eastern sky above some trees, seemed to follow auto, seemed to lower and hover, static on radio, witness reported she was frightened by experience.

White Oak, IL.; 9:15 p.m. Jan. 1, 1975; investigated by Steve Erdmann; observed by Frank M. Brown, 46, and Gary and Marsha Harms; noticed red and green light through car windshield about 500-600 feet over a field, "pinkish light directly about it," lights steady, no shape, no sound, observed 15 minutes.

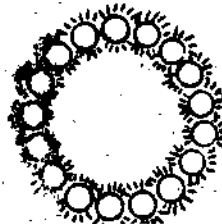
St. Jacob/Highland, Ill.; 8:20 p.m. Jan. 1, 1975; investigated by Rosie Holmes; observed by Charles Green, 42; witness driving when he observed "long and huge" white illuminated object moving in front of him about 1/4 mile--above trees--moving from north to south, estimated length of 40-50 feet, round at both ends, "looked like a fluorescent tube only very long and not thin," object traveling very fast, no sound. Observed for about 2 seconds.

Breckmeyer, IL.; 9:30 p.m., Jan. 3, 1975; investigated by Mae Jannett; observed by Olive Kohrs and daughters, plus unknown witnesses in two other autos; bright yellow light, oval shape in distance and



round when overhead, in view about 30 minutes. Mrs. Kohrs, 50, has BS degree and military experience. One previous sighting two years ago at Carlyle Lake, IL.

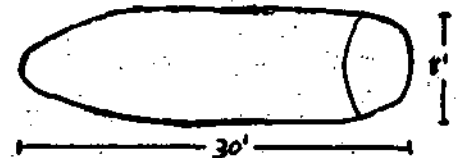
Durand, Wisc. (4 miles southwest); 10:15 p.m. Jan. 21, 1975; investigated by Richard A. Hetletvedt and Ronald M. Anderson; observed by Scott Fedie, 16, and Mitchell Doverspike, 16. In auto when object



observed hovering 150 yards away at altitude of 600 feet, spheroid shape, lights arranged in ring about 20 feet in diameter, intensity of auto headlights but without beams (or shafts) of light, could not see any body structure due to brightness of lights, noticed no EM effects, seen for 5-10 minutes. Object emitted "rumbling like a jet and slowly started moving, then accelerated quickly and moved out of sight almost immediately.

Durand, Wisc. (5 miles southeast); 6:40 p.m. Jan. 22, 1975; investigated by Richard A. Hetletvedt; observed by Mitchell Doverspike, 16, and Mrs. Marcella Doverspike; group of high intensity lights arranged in circle, similar to those observed previous evening, estimated 600 yards away.

Chippewa Falls, Wisc. (1 mile east); 9 p.m. Jan. 26, 1975; investigated by Richard A. Hetletvedt; observed by Kevin Guibord, 23; conical-shaped object



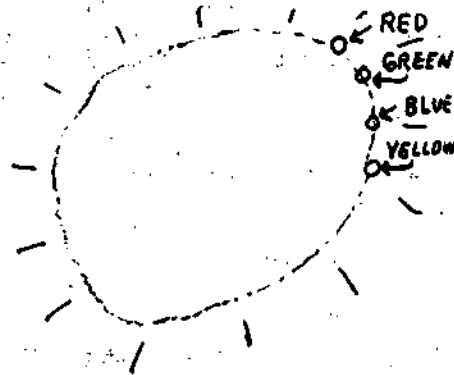
in sky, flying with blunt end forward, estimated length of 40 feet, moving about 35 m.p.h. and disappeared in horizontal altitude. Witness reports possible previous sighting in 1965.

Durand, Wisc.; 6:20 p.m. Jan. 29, 1975; investigated by Richard A. Hetletvedt; observed by Mrs. Al Gund, 66, Mrs. Gund's daughter, daughter's family, Dennis Buchholtz, Orland Olson, and Marcella Doverspike; white light in sky, appeared to be about 2,000 feet away, oblong shape, slowly moving, two possible photos by 14-year-old grandson (not processed yet). Observed for 20 minutes. Passed near cable TV tower (no EM effects reported), gained altitude slightly as it moved slowly south-southwest at 20 compass degrees per hour, later hovering again far away.

Durand, Wisc.; 6:30 p.m. Jan. 31, 1975; investigated by Richard A. Hetletvedt; observed by

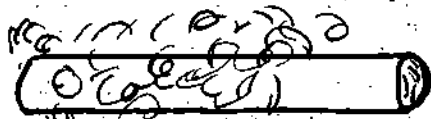
Mrs. Al Gund, 66; elongated object with blinking red light on one side and blinking blue light on other side, seen for three hours. Previous sighting on Jan. 29, 1975.

Mount Olive, N.C.; 8 p.m. Feb. 4, 1975; investigated by Frank R. Harrison; observed by Bessie Holmes and grown daughter Lois, plus six other witnesses; brilliant bright light



descended towards witnesses, then hovered 200 feet away over vacant house; four lights on right side, object was rotating, no sound, about 16-20 feet in diameter. Stayed in Mt. Olive area for two hours. Conclusion by investigator: UFO.

Los Altos, Calif.; 11 a.m. April 6, 1974; investigated by Paul Cerney; observed by Christine Ezell Johnson, 52, (husband in auto, but distracted by traffic); on highway 280, near Foothill College, spotty fog with open blue sky; metallic object 200-300 feet long, cigar shape, about 50 feet in di-



ameter, Sun's rays were sending "lightning-like reflections" from object "for some distance," object about 50 feet off ground and about 200 feet away, had "flat" or "blunt" front end which had a "fluorescent glow," object appeared to cause turbulence and "churning" of the fog, object darted forward a short distance as auto slowed; then object quiv-

ered, changed direction, went up at a very sharp angle, and vanished at "a fantastic speed." No details of wheels, windows, etc. observed. Object "may have" made a sound of wind as it moved.

Stanton Friedman schedules lectures

Noted UFO lecturer Stanton T. Friedman has released the following schedule of programs.

April 1, 11 a.m., Normandale Community College, Bloomington, Minn.; April 11, 8 p.m., Grays Harbor College, Aberdeen, Wash.; April 16, 8 p.m., College of Redwoods, Eureka, Calif.; April 25, 7:30 p.m., Santa Ana College, Santa Ana, Calif.;

May 3, 7:30 p.m., Santa Rosa Jr. College, Santa Rosa, Calif.; Oct. 7, 8 p.m., El Camino College, Torrance, Calif.

Friedman reminds SKYLOOK readers that his fee is "still under \$1,000" (special rates for "piggy-back" enroute lectures), and that he is usually able to spend all day on campus.

A veteran of lectures at 225 colleges in 40 states, the MUFON Symposium, and NBC's "UFOs: Do You Believe?," Friedman is often the source of favorable press coverage in connection with his lectures.

He may be contacted by writing to 2410 1/2 Graham Ave., Redondo Beach, Calif. 90278, or calling collect 213-371-9800.

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MUFUN, Center support UFO news network

Both MUFON and the Center for UFO Studies are lending support to the newly-organized News Information Network, which is designed to enable broadcast station newsmen to relay and exchange UFO information throughout the U.S. and Canada.

The idea was reportedly conceived by Lee Speigel, field investigator for MUFON, and coordinated with Gary McKenzie, news editor for WXLO-FM in New York City, and Mike Douglas, news director for WY00-AM/FM in Minneapolis-St. Paul. Dr. J. Allen Hynek is serving as a consultant for the network.

The U. S. and Canada are divided into more than 120 telephone area codes to form the basic segments of the network. More than 160 stations have reportedly joined the network thus far.

Corrections

Following is an errata list for the article, "Bloacher, Webb appreciate contributions on humanoids," in the February, 1975, SKYLOOK.

1. Everett Brazie, New York state section director, lives in Fayetteville, New York, not La Fayette.

2. Ray Fowler's report on the Feb. 14, 1973, Oklahoma sighting should be McAlester, Ok., not McAllister.

3. Richard Hall lives in Brentwood, Maryland, not Brentwood, Mo.

4. Cedric Leonard's report on the 1966 encounter in Oklahoma has been received; the exact date was April 22, 1966, and the precise site was 3 miles south of Thackerville, Oklahoma, along the Red River 6 miles north of Gainesville, Texas, on I-35.



UFO's Behind the Iron Curtain

By Joe Brill

Following are some of the reports received in relation to the Sept. 19, 1967, sighting of a crescent-shaped object near Donetsk in the Soviet Union. There are several reports on this sighting in addition to the following, but they are quite similar, for the most part, and are not being included because of space restrictions.

POGORELOV'S REPORT

"On Sept. 19, 1967, at 1920 hours (Moscow Time) I observed the flight of an unidentified crescent-shaped form of a luminous object, fifteen kilometers east of the center of Donetsk when it had already gotten dark and only five or ten minutes remained until the 'rising' of the full disc of the moon.

"I noticed the crescent-shaped object while in my room and then observed it while leaning out the window. The object flew from the south to the northeast at an altitude of fifty degrees and in a horizontal plane until it disappeared, first being transformed into a vertical band of light. The color of the luminescence of the crescent object could only be compared to the 'honey' color of the 'risen' moon as seen from within the boundaries of an industrial city.

"I did not manage to notice any shaded, that is, non-luminous parts, details or surfaces while observing the object. No sound could be heard which might have emanated from the object.

"I concluded that I observed the flight of a crescent-shaped object at the moment it executed a bank from the following:

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is another in a series of copyrighted articles which International Coordinator Joe Brill has prepared from the unpublished manuscript of Soviet UFO expert Felix Y. Zigel, assistant professor at the Moscow Aviation Institute.

first, I saw the moment when the external outline of the crescent object seemed to be the arc of a circle, and this would mean that the object was perpendicular to me (if we consider that the distance to the object was much greater than its dimensions). Otherwise, I would have seen the object not in the shape of a circular arc but in the shape of an arc of an ellipse.

"Secondly, as the object moved away, the luminous crescent surface was transformed into a vertical band of light which then disappeared.

"From all of this I assume that the unidentified flying object had a crescent-shaped form with a triangular cross section. Let me note several details:

"After my observation of the object's flight I could hear the rumble of the engines of a transport or passenger plane somewhere in the distant sky.

"The next day, that is on Sept. 20, a taxi driver (I have the number of the vehicle) told me that on the previous day (Sept. 19) he was near Zhdanov (formerly Mariupol) and at a time, as he put it, 'when it was already dark but the moon was not yet visible' he saw the flight of a round flying nucleus type object. In flying, the object sparkled strongly in the tail portion. The taxi driver stressed that the object was flying toward Donetsk. I assume that on Sept. 19 the taxi

driver saw a flying object entering the earth's atmosphere and I saw this same object or one of them (I admit the possibility of there having been more than one) already after it had extinguished its speed in order to perform the banking maneuver."

(Signed: V. I. Pogorelov, Donetsk-66, University St. 7, Apt. 64)

P'YANYKH'S REPORT

"On Sept. 19, 1967, I and a group of students of the Technical and Vocational School were working on the kolkhoz imeni Michurin of Svatovskiy rayon, Luganskaya oblast.

"In the evening, after dinner, we were standing and talking in the street. It was 1920 hours (Moscow Time) and the moon had already risen but was still very low on the horizon.

"It was at this moment I saw an unusual phenomenon. A luminous object moved rapidly in the southern portion of the sky parallel to the horizon. It was very similar to a crescent moon moving with its convexity forward, but only its concavity boundary was not the arc of a circle but rather the arc of a parabola.

"The angular dimensions of the object along the vertical were approximately the same as those of a full moon. Interestingly, somewhat above the luminous 'crescent' a flickering point was visible which moved together with it.

"The color of the crescent was orange, very similar to the color of the risen moon, but somewhat less bright, in which regard the brightness at the leading edge was a little greater than at the trailing

edge. It was difficult to determine the height above the horizon because we stood in a depression. It was approximately fifteen degrees and we determined the direction of flight was from southwest to northeast.

"As it moved away, the object became smaller, then seemed to land or settle in a cloud and ceased being visible. The entire phenomenon continued for ten to twelve seconds, but during this time the boys managed to say that they had also seen similar appearances before and even predicted accurately that, disappearing from view, the puzzling object would flare up again.

"This is exactly what happened. Four or five seconds after the luminous crescent disappeared, several luminous points different in brightness and seemingly falling or descending freely were visible in that part of the sky where this occurred.

"The circumstances that the other eyewitnesses had already had similar observations of this sort diminished the unusualness of the phenomenon for me. We then speculated that this was one of the artificial satellites which had burned up in re-entry into the earth's atmosphere.

"No sounds were heard although it was very quiet and the slightest noise would have been noticed."

(Signed: G. N. P'yanykh, Sverdlovsk, Luganskaya oblast, Doneckaya St., Bldg. 60, Apt. 22)

NAYSHKIN'S REPORT

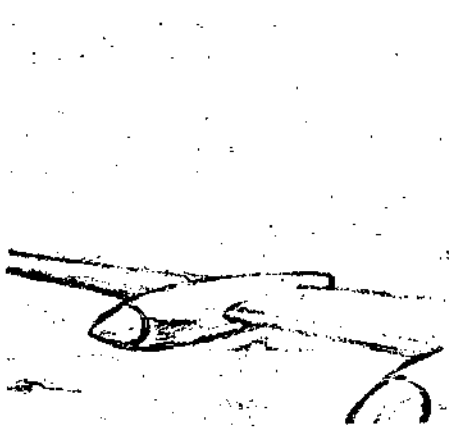
In September of 1967, I flew by airplane to the city of Zaporozh'ye to spend my vacation with my daughter.

"I returned from this vacation on Sept. 19. I flew from the city of Zaporozh'ye, taking off at 1700 hours (Moscow Time) with my destination being Volgograd. The airplane was an Il-



14 Aeroflot flight number 404. I had a window seat on this flight. Our airplane made a stop at Lugansk airport and then we again took off for Volgograd. We were flying at an altitude of between 1800 and 1850 meters and it was already dark.

"I was looking out of my window most of the time when



suddenly, at 1920 hours, I noticed that some kind of object in the shape of a crescent moon was suspended in the sky at a slightly higher altitude, approximately twenty kilometers from us.

"At first, I thought that this was the moon, but then I saw the real moon ahead. This second 'moon,' in the form of a crescent, began to quickly approach our aircraft and descended to our level of flight. When this object descended, the

outline of the half moon disappeared and the object assumed the form of a violet, elongated disc, thirty to forty meters long, and it flew on a parallel course for about one kilometer (10 to 12 seconds) changing its color as it flew.

"It flew at our speed, which was three hundred kilometers per hour (188 m.p.h.). Some sparks, like small red stars, began to appear behind it as if emitted from it. Then, the speed of the object increased; a strong flame appeared at its rear and the object quickly flew away in the direction of Volgograd, becoming only a small red dot which disappeared shortly. We continued to fly to Volgograd where we arrived at 2000 hours.

"The pilots and crew said that they had also observed this object for themselves, but that they had no explanation at all for what it might have been.

"I arrived home to my apartment in the city of Volzhskiy at 2200 hours and told my wife and son about the incident. My son informed me that at 1930 hours that same evening, he had observed a flying crescent-shaped object at a great altitude which, when it descended, became blue with a violet hue; some sort of small star-like emission was shot out from behind it, and then he said the object departed upward at a great velocity."

(Signed: Vladimir Ivanovich Nayshkin, technician, Volzhskiy, Engels St., Bldg. 11-A, Apt. 33.)



In Others' Words

By Lucius Farish

UFO sightings by celebrities have been featured in two recent issues of NATIONAL ENQUIRER. The Feb. 25 issue told of three UFOs seen and photographed by comedian Dick Gregory in 1967. In the March 4 issue, Buddy Greco recounted his experience with a UFO in 1962.

The Feb. 23 TATTLER reported Glenn Ford's UFO sighting, and the March 2 issue featured comedian Robert Klein's 1957 sighting.

NATIONAL STAR has also been printing various UFO items recently. Ray Stanford's research and opinions are found in the Feb. 22 issue, along with a two-page feature on W. Va.'s "Mothman." Australian UFO events are mentioned in the March 8 issue, plus a feature on UFOs and cattle mutilations. The March 15 issue has a short item on last year's landing case from Canada which involved 5 dome-shaped objects.

Mysterious disappearances of people and possible UFO involvement in such cases are discussed by B. Ann Slate in the April issue of SAGA.

A strictly-rehash article on the Bermuda Triangle can be found in the April issue of AIR CLASSICS. Another article of the same caliber can be found in the May issue of MALE. The May issue of ACTION FOR MEN has yet another Triangle article; this one mentions a mysterious "circle" off Cape Hatteras, N. C. which allegedly shows up on certain satellite photos. At the rate things are going, I may have to start a separate column for Triangle items!

Recent paperback reprints of various books include: Carl Sagan's THE COSMIC CONNECTION; Allen Louis Erskine's: WHY ARE THEY WATCHING US?; Jacques Vallee's ANATOMY OF A PHENOMENON (this is a direct reprint

of the original Regnery edition; the "revised edition" issued by Ace Books some years ago contains different material).

A new quarterly magazine, OFFICIAL UFO, is now available. The first issue is largely rehash and not very impressive, but it might develop into something worthwhile. The price is \$1.00 per issue.

I am informed that Ernest L. Moyer's THE DAY OF CELESTIAL VISITATION is available from Exposition Press for \$12.50. However, this is merely a reprint of Moyer's previous book, GOD, MAN, AND THE UFOs, with a title change and a price increase. This gives me mixed feelings, as the book is certainly well worth reading, but Exposition's tactics smack of "rip-off" to me.

George Fawcett's name is known to practically everyone who reads any Ufological literature. Since "flying saucers" hit the headlines in 1947, George has been busily researching the subject and collecting data on sightings. He has now compiled a booklet, QUARTER CENTURY STUDIES OF UFOs IN FLORIDA, NORTH CAROLINA & TENNESSEE. As the title suggests, George reviews the history of UFO reports in the states in which he has lived during the past quarter century. He also includes chapters on the 1973 UFO flap, American reports during 1974, and global reports in 1974. Lists of recommended books and periodicals are also to be found, along with photos, biographical information on the author, etc. APRO's Coral Lorenzen has provided a Foreword for the booklet. A very interesting example of one man's work with UFO data. The booklet is available for \$4.15 in the

U.S. (N.C. residents add 4% sales tax); the overseas rate (First Class) is \$4.87. Order from: Pioneer Printing Co. - P. O. Box 407 - Mt. Airy, N. C. 27030.

A lot of Ufologists seem to take the subject (and themselves) a bit too seriously at times. Not that the implications of UFOs aren't--or might not be--serious, but, as in all aspects of life, Ufologists need a sense of humor too. If you agree, then you're certain to like Dan Clements' book, HOW TO BE KIDNAPPED BY UFOLK (AND OTHER ESCAPES). And don't let that title mislead you; Clements isn't poking fun at either UFOs or the people who investigate them. For that matter, he has also been researching the subject for many years, so he knows whereof he speaks. As he says in his opening chapter: "The approach is lighthearted and perhaps lightheaded. The intent, however, is serious and the basic facts, though synthesized and dramatized, are not fictionalized." I got many a chuckle out of the book and I think you will also. It might even make you forget the time Cousin Henry got you up at three o'clock in the morning to watch Venus rising! Order the book from: Clemco - Box 1362 - Manhattan Beach, CA 90266. The price is \$3.95.

STRANGE PLANET (A Sourcebook of Unusual Geological Facts) is the latest entry in William R. Corliss' hopefully-never-ending line of "sourcebooks" on Fortean subjects. This one covers such topics as fossil clocks, mammoth graveyards, animals "entombed" in rocks, phantom lands and islands, The Deluge, magnetic anomalies and reversals, ringing rocks, moving rocks, singing sands and a host

of other unusual phenomena. Nothing about UFOs, per se, in this volume, but you will find a few references to the types of artifacts often cited in support of the "ancient astronaut" theory. The previous books in the series--Volumes 1 and 2 of STRANGE PHENOMENA and Volume 1 of STRANGE ARTIFACTS--are also still available from Mr. Corliss. His next offering will be Volume 1 of STRANGE UNIVERSE, dealing with astronomical mysteries. STRANGE PLANET is priced at \$7.95, from the author at: P.O. Box 107 - Glen Arm, MD 21057.

Rawlins, Wyoming case still open

Replying to questions by SKYLOOK concerning a follow-up on the alleged experience of Carl Higdon near Rawlins, Wyo. (reported in the December, 1974 SKYLOOK), Dr. Leo Sprinkle, who investigated the case, replied on Feb. 12 as follows:

"Thank you very much for your letter and for your good questions regarding the Carl Higdon UFO experience. I regret that further information is not yet available, since the investigation is continuing.

"The UFO Panel of the NATIONAL ENQUIRER will be meeting in March, and I hope to encourage other members of the Panel to consider further procedures, for example, polygraph examination, etc.

"There are many questions regarding the information which has come out, even though I continue to hold the view that Carl Higdon did experience the unusual event.

"As we learn more about the events which took place, I hope we can approach the questions you raise: The significance of this case in relation to other similar cases.

"Thank you for your questions; I will try to keep other researchers informed as soon as the investigation is concluded and a final report written."

FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin publicizes Center for UFO Studies

A five-page article by Dr. J. Allen Hynek has been printed in the February issue of the prestigious FBI LAW ENFORCEMENT BULLETIN, which has a circulation of 80,000.

The article explains the role which law enforcement officers can play in reporting UFO sightings to the Center via a special toll-free number. Dr. Hynek also presents a general picture of the UFO scene, emphasizing the increasing acceptance of UFOs as a suitable subject of study by scientists.

Discussing some misconceptions about the UFO phenomenon, Hynek dealt with the charge that reports are made by crackpots.

"The facts are quite otherwise," he pointed out. "Clearly, police officers, commercial and military pilots, air traffic controllers, scientists, and school teachers are not in this category. Experience definitely shows that the best reports, those with the greatest information content, come from technically trained, professional people, especially law enforcement personnel."

Dealing with the misconception that UFO witnesses have "overstimulated imaginations," Hynek stated, "The reports themselves argue strongly against this, for the reports do not range over a broad spectrum.

"There are virtually no reports of unidentified SAILING objects, or of UFOs with wings or wheels, and there are no reports of flying pink elephants (FPEs), or of the Empire State Building being seen upside down in Pittsburgh....Pure imagination should produce all sorts of things--but concerning UFOs, it does not....Our most puzzling reports come from reliable, often highly-trained, witness-

Discussing the misconception that "people see what they want to see." Dr. Hynek explained that "once again, experience denies this. Time and again, the witnesses try first to explain their sighting to themselves: 'At first I thought it was a balloon (or an aircraft, or an accident on the road, and so forth), but then we realized it just couldn't be' is a statement I have heard many, many times."

Such newspapers as THE WASHINGTON POST and the SANTA ANA, Calif., REGISTER have reported the appearance of Dr. Hynek's story in the FBI publication, providing additional favorable publicity for the Center.

During 1974 the Center for UFO Studies received 443 reports over its toll-free line from law enforcement agencies. A preliminary assessment indicates that about 71 percent were "nocturnal lights," 17 percent were listed as "close encounters" (within 500 feet), 8 percent were daylight discs, and 4 percent were uncategorized.

The Center has noted, however, that these preliminary designations often change after the reports are investigated. About 5,000 law enforcement agencies have access to the confidential hotline number.

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Traunstein, Austria, area

54 Objects, 29 Sightings reported

By Ernst Berger
MUFON Central European Section

The following is only a brief review of interesting cases from the Waldviertel Highlands in the vicinity of Traunstein, Austria, which have come to light in the course of additional investigations.

We soon had to realize the "snail feeler" sightings of October and November, 1973, were only one piece for the jig-saw--no isolated phenomena. A statistical breakdown with the deadline of March 2, 1975, i.e. after our 6th field trip for MUFON-C.E.S., indicates almost permanent activity since August, 1973, with 29 different sighting reports and 54 objects involved.

On 24 occasions shapes or structural details were observed, and two Type-1 sightings have been recorded. Details on the salient points of interest will be translated in May, so let's keep to the outlines here:

In August, 1973, on two successive evenings near Spielberg, a globe projecting beams of "solid light" was observed by the owner of a car service station. The same witness saw a ball travelling at supersonic speed in early September, and watched a pulsating object which released two "satellites" some days later. All objects showed vivid colors which changed in a clockwise pattern, apparently.

On December 28, 1973, the Pritz family at Traunstein noticed a fiery mass manoeuvring in the WSW sky at impossible speed. Gerhard Pritz reported a red egg with a red spotlight cone projecting downwards and illuminating trees in late January, 1974. In July and August, 1974, manoevers similar to the October, 1973,

ones, but always with three globes in operation and without "feelers" occurred in the Traunstein sky. Hans Pritz and Mr. L., local department store owner, were the main witnesses.

The Spielberg witness watched a pulsating globe following a spiral trajectory over the swamp region to the northwest in August. Nothing new until November, when a low-flying cigar or oblong object with a yellow-orange and red light crossed the road in front of the Pritz car in the evening of the 18th. Gerhart and Hans Pritz gave us an impressive account of this small low-flyer, which kept only 50 meters above ground level.

On Dec. 9, a disc flashing vivid colors was observed through binoculars by the L. family; 5 days later Mr. Pritz saw a fuzzy globe with a rotating beacon light and a red dot flying away from it on his way to Kaltenbach. Three days before Christmas Eve, 1974, three globes with "peaks" hovered near Traunstein, and a winging ball emitted sparks near a small town in Southern Waldviertel (possible Type-1).

A huge globe with multi-colored rays resembling "clock-hands" was seen from Mr. Pritz's uncle's near the Pritz house in January this year; Hans Pritz focused his binoculars onto a flickering object close to the ground three days later, and on Jan. 13 a bizarre shape shot down a fiery ray into the woods behind Mt. Wachtstein. A flyover of a cigar and three red discs was noticed on the 15th.

On Jan. 17 and 27, classical "dogfights" were watched closely by Hans Pritz and his uncle. On March 1, 1975, Ernst Berger and one of his investigators observed the clear sky together with the Pritz family and saw

nothing unusual. At 7:30 p.m. CET Hans Pritz left the group and drove to Zwettl together with three friends. It was not until March 2, 1975, that we learned the four persons had encountered a huge oval "burning, red" object "just over the treetops" on their way to Zwettl, near Grossweissenbach.

Also, three yellowish globes "composed of many parts, like a puzzle" were noticed near the cigar-shaped light source. The somewhat dramatic Type-1 had happened around 7:50 p.m. The case is still under investigation and will be published by Skylook together with a detailed report on the other Traunstein sightings.

I have to add that I deliberately did not follow Dr. Hynek's suggestion to exclude UFO reporters with a "repeater aspect" from my studies, but have taken the Pritz and Mr. L. reports at face value. In our statistical breakdown, the average number of observers per observation proved to be 2.2 and 40 minutes were the average observation time. There can be no doubt something very strange is going on over the lonely woods of Northern Austria.

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1975 symposium reservations being accepted

Advance reservations are now being received for MUFON's Sixth Annual UFO Symposium on Saturday and Sunday, July 5 and 6, 1975, at the downtown multi-story Holiday Inn in Des Moines, Iowa.

This annual event is hosted this year by the Mid-Iowa Ufologists and sponsored by the Mutual UFO Network, Inc. Dr. Desmond Bragg, department head of Drake University, is general chairman, and Forrest Lundberg, state-section director, will serve as the Symposium moderator and treasurer.

Speakers will be David M. Jacobs, Ph.D., APRO consultant in history and author, speaking on "The UFO Controversy in America"; R. Leo Sprinkle, Ph.D., APRO Consultant from the University of Wyoming, lecturing on "UFO Research: Game or Play?"; Sherman Larsen, president of the Center for UFO Studies; Ted Bloecher, MUFON state director for New York and co-chairman of the Humanoid Study Group; and James M. McCampbell, MUFON director of research and author of the fascinating book UFOLOGY--NEW INSIGHTS FROM SCIENCE AND COMMON SENSE, speaking on "Interpreting Reports of UFO Sightings."

Ted Phillips, MUFON specialization coordinator, will moderate a workshop session and submit a published paper on "Landing Trace Cases."

A feature of the published 1975 MUFON UFO proceedings will be a submitted paper by Dr. Jacques Vallee titled "UFO Research Proposals: What, Who and How Much." Dr. Vallee achieved recognition in the UFO field with his first two books ANATOMY OF A PHENOMENON and CHALLENGE TO SCIENCE.

Advance reservation prices are the same as the 1974 Symposium held in Akron, Ohio, ex-

Graber appointed staff artist

Gary Graber, 23, of Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, has been appointed SKYLOOK's first staff artist, according to an announcement by Editor-Publisher Dwight Connelly.

Graber's previous artistic contributions to SKYLOOK have included the sketch of Soviet UFO expert Dr. Felix Zigel on the January cover, a sketch which reportedly won praise from Dr. Zigel himself.

The new staff artist is currently working on special designs for regular columns in the magazine, as well as possible cover designs. One of his sketches also accompanies this month's "Behind the Iron Curtain" article.

A state-section director for Henry and Jefferson counties in Iowa, Graber says he has been interested in the implications of UFOs for many years. In addition to his strong interests in the visual aspects of the UFO phenomenon, he says he is also interested in the related areas of optical and radio astronomy, exobiology, communications theory, bio-cybernetics, advanced power systems, and state-of-the-art technology.

Graber says he is "an amateur artist still exploring techniques," while his main interest remains in free composition and technical illustration. He hopes to continue his

cept for the evening dinner. Individual sessions and dinner will total \$17.00; however, an advance reservation for the entire symposium is only \$15.00. Advance reservations may be made by making a check payable to "MID-IOWA UFOLOGISTS" and mailing to Forrest Lundberg, treasurer, 3215 Grand Ave., Apt. 2, Des Moines, Iowa 50312, indicating the number of names of the attendees.



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Director's Message

By Welt Andrus

We are extremely proud to announce that James M. McCampbell has accepted the appointment to the Board of Directors of MUFON with the title of director of Research.

In addition to coordinating the activities of our Advisory Board of Consultants, he will be responsible for guiding and overseeing research within the organization. He is the author of the stimulating book UFOLOGY --NEW INSIGHTS FROM SCIENCE AND COMMON SENSE, which challenges the scientific community in the many disciplines related to the UFO phenomenon.

Jim and his lovely wife, Carol, reside at 12 Bryce Court, Belmont, Calif. 94002; telephone: AC 415 593-8848. Jim's managerial expertise and familiarity with many diversified engineering and scientific fields will provide the leadership and motivation necessary to give maximum emphasis to resolving the UFO enigma.

Two new Consultants have volunteered their services to MUFON--Lester H. Steward, Ph. D., 515 W. Towley, Phoenix, Ariz. 85021 for biological-psychological cases, and Walter A. Mickle, M.D. in the field of electroencephalography.

Dr. Mickle has also accepted the position of state-section director for the parishes of Orleans, St. Tammany, St. John the Baptist, St. James, St. Charles, Terrebonne, Lafourche, Jefferson, Plaquemines, and St. Bernard encompassing southeast Louisiana. Walter resides at 5310 Cartier Ave., New Orleans, La. 70122; telephone: AC 504 282-7068. In addition to his medical profession, Walker is a private pilot and an amateur radio operator K5E0E.

Joining Dr. Mickle as new state-section directors this



James M. McCampbell

past month are the following gentlemen:

Frederick Kolbe, 125 Christie Hill Road, Darien, Conn. 06820; telephone: AC 203 327-0817 will be responsible for the counties of Fairfield, New Haven, and Litchfield. The appointment of Mr. Kolbe brings to forty (40) the number of states in which MUFON is organized. Even though MUFON has members or field investigators in all fifty states, we do not consider a state organized until state or state-section directors are established and functioning.

Nicholas White, 289 No. Sycamore St., Hinckley, Ill. 60520; telephone: AC 815 286-3692 has been selected to cover DeKalb and Lee counties in Illinois. Nick is an air traffic controller for the nation's busiest airport.

The possible UFO landing case near Ottawa, Ohio, was reported to MUFON by David W. Spencer, 1031 N. Locust St., Ottawa, Ohio 45875; telephone: AC 419 523-4873. Dave has volunteered to serve as state-section di-

rector for Putnam and Paulding counties. Dave has been the Putnam County Civil Defense director for four years and has a close relationship with public safety agencies.

Lou Masonick, state director for Minnesota, has appointed Raymond L. Warren, 911 22nd Ave. South, Minneapolis, Minn. 55404; telephone: AC 612 338-3357 as state-section director for Hennepin, Sherburne, Wright, Carver, and Scott counties.

Eugene T. Lundholm, 2202 Hughitt Ave., Superior, Wis. 54880; Telephone: AC 715 394-3765, a professor at the University of Wisconsin-Superior, has accepted the responsibility for the northern Wisconsin counties of Douglas, Bayfield, Burnett, Washburn, Sawyer, Ashland, and Iron. Gene is currently deeply involved in an apparent rash of UFO reports around Gordon and Ashland, Wis.

Western Wisconsin is being ably handled by Jack M. Bost-rack, Ph.D., 384 West Park Street, River Falls, Wis. 54002; telephone: AC 715 425-5730, the new state-section director for St. Croix, Pierce, Polk, Barron, Dunn, Pepin and Buffalo counties. Jack is presently chairman of the Department of Biology at the University of Wisconsin-River Falls.

Donald L. Worley, a veteran UFO investigator, 1051 Beech St., Connersville, Ind. 47331; telephone: AC 317 825-6865 has volunteered to serve as state-section director for the Indiana counties of Fayette, Union, Franklin, Rushville, Wayne, and Henry.

James E. Miller, an optometrist, Box 376, Exeter, Calif. 93221; telephone: AC 209 592-3108 has been appointed state-

section director for Tulare and Kings counties by Paul Cerny, state director for Northern California.

Raymond E. Fowler, director of investigations, is making fantastic progress in the editing and composing of MUFON's second edition of the "Field Investigators' Manual." Other specialists and consultants such as Adrian Vance, Ron Westrum, Ted Phillips, and several of Ray's close colleagues have submitted sections for the manual on their area of expertise. In order that the manual may be revised and kept current with ease, it will be printed on both sides of 8x11½" sheets of paper and be placed in a three-ring binder of the investigator's choice. Announcement of its availability, price, and means of distribution will be made known via a future issue of SKYLOOK.

Joe Brill, international coordinator, has approved the appointment of Jim Smyth, 5 Riversdale Rd., Prehew, Derry North Ireland as MUFON's foreign representative for Northern Ireland.

A revised MUFON "Introductory Resume" reflecting the new combination membership-SKYLOOK subscription dues rate and a general statement of MUFON's goals, objectives, and organization structure is now available for distribution. All new state or state-section directors have been receiving the revised version as an explanatory statement for the news media and as an aid when recruiting field investigators. All directors needing a fresh supply of this two-page form should write to the MUFON administrative office at 40 Christopher Court, Quincy, Ill. 62301.

Plans are rapidly firming-up for MUFON's Sixth Annual UFO Symposium to be held July 5 and 6, 1975, at the downtown Holiday Inn in Des Moines, Iowa. Please refer to a separate article in this issue of SKYLOOK

for the names of the speakers, their subjects, and information on advance reservations.

Each state, state-section director, and most consultants have received a letter from the Center for UFO Studies signed by J. Allen Hynek reiterating the cooperative investigative network arrangement that exists between the Center and MUFON.

Also enclosed was an introductory letter addressed to "Dear Chief," which explains the Center for UFO Studies and the toll free number which may be used by police agencies to report UFO sightings directly to the Center. Since state-section directors are responsible for several counties, they may have a large number of cities and villages, each having their own police departments, in addition to each county sheriff. It is recommended that the letter from the Center be reproduced in volume to meet your needs for each agency.

In addition to the letter from the Center, each director should compose a short concise letter describing the local MUFON organization, giving the names, addresses and telephone number to be called to report UFO sightings. These two letters will help to establish a rapport between the police agencies and the local MUFON representatives when they are delivered personally to the chief of police or sheriff. In communities where local MUFON groups or representatives are well organized, the police in some cities have indicated that they would prefer to refer the cases directly to MUFON people.

Wider distribution of the toll-free number to county sheriffs and police departments in areas where MUFON is not presently organized will ultimately bring UFO reports to the attention of the Center for UFO Studies that are now being unreported and thus not available for investigation and study.

This recommended local arrangement thus provides prompt

response to reports, which if telephoned to the Center, would be referred back to the nearest state or state-section director for investigation. The close cooperation between MUFON and the Center for UFO Studies is another fine example of the united effort being displayed to help resolve the UFO enigma.

1974 MUFON UFO SYMPOSIUM PROCEEDINGS

"UFO's—An Issue Whose Time Has Almost Come" By Ralph Blum

"Religion and UFO's: The Extrasensory Problem" by Barry H. Downing, Ph.D.

"UFO Trace-landing Cases" by Ted Phillips

"Journey Into the Hill Star Map" by Marjorie E. Fish

"Saucers, PSI and Psychiatry" by Berthold E. Schwarz, M.D.

"Flying Saucers and Physics" by Stanton T. Friedman

"UFO's, in Relation to Creature Sightings in Pennsylvania" by Stan Gordon

1973 MIDWEST UFO SYMPOSIUM PROCEEDINGS

"MUFON—A Dynamic Scientific Organization" presented by Walter H. Andrus, Jr.

"UFO Flight Characteristics" presented by John F. Schuessler

"Landing Traces, Physical Evidence for the UFO" presented by Ted Phillips

"Vision, Photography & UFOs" presented by Adrian Vance

"Ufology and the Search for Extraterrestrial Life" presented by Stanton T. Friedman

"The Embarrassment of Riches" presented by Dr. J. Allen Hynek

"Some Questions Concerning Dr. Menzel's Biblical Exegesis" submitted paper by Dr. Barry H. Downing

For the 1974 or 1973 MUTUAL UFO SYMPOSIUM PROCEEDINGS, send \$3.25 (\$4.00 outside the United States or Canada) by check or money order, to MUFON UFO NETWORK, INC., 40 Christopher Court, Quincy, Ill. 62301, U.S.A.

Recapping and commenting

By Richard Hall

(This column is directed towards articles appearing in the February, 1975, edition of SKY-LOOK).

Perhaps I should be awarded a set of horns for playing the Devil's advocate, but various aspects of the "Creature Inside Shield of Light" case (October 21, 1973) bother me as to its interpretation.

Only Len Stringfield's fine report makes it possible for me to second-guess, but I am sure Len would agree that persistent and critical questioning is necessary in "messy" cases of this type. I also know from experience that follow-up investigations can be difficult, and nagging questions frequently remain.

Len has established that various conventional visual stimuli were present in the general area that could have confused the issue of whether a UFO was there--3 fire engines and a ladder truck, a disabled vehicle whose occupants sought help to get it started, a second vehicle used to jump the battery of the first, and a police scout car.

In the midst of this "heavy traffic," we have one witness--Mrs. R.H., who was aware of the UFO wave then in progress--who reported an ape-like creature behaving like a robot within a bell-jar-like dome of light. (The son, Carl, reports only seeing the battery-jumping activity and a bright light beyond the parked car, not the creature. He seems so unimpressed that he goes back to bed).

It is entirely possible that Mrs. R.H. did observe something anomalous, and there are enough coincidental aspects such as the tripped fire alarm to leave

this an open question.

However, it is also noteworthy that there is no UFO behavior described in the report--no "craft" seen either landing or taking off. The report content is apparition-like rather than UFO-like. The following questions also remain.

Anyone who has ever tried to jump a battery at night and get the right cables on the right terminals must wonder how this could be done without light (page 5).

Does the Swallen warehouse have a guard, and if so where was he at the time? What was the boyfriend's occupation at the time, and could it have been related to the floor tile fragments? When the car backfired, could it have expelled carbon particles and exhaust wastes contributing to the debris found?

Analysis of the physical samples might shed light on the possibilities of exhaust wastes, corrosion scraped from battery terminals, and the presence of flares or fireworks (teenage highjinks?).

It might also help to have the occupants of the two cars describe step-by-step exactly what they did before and during the battery-jumping procedure, starting with their arrival at the parked car.

I have no idea what Mrs. R. H. saw, but a process of elimination might establish what she did not see.

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MUFON-C.E.S. is a welcome addition to the fold, and their reports to date have been impressive in quality. Some readers may have been puzzled, as I was, by the geological description of the Austrian-Bavarian border area as having a "Karst morphology." My dictionary de-

Astronomy Notes

By Mark Herbstritt

May Sky

Mercury--is at greatest eastern elongation on the 16th and this is a favorable elongation. During all of this month Mercury may be seen low in the southwest after sunset.

Venus--is magnitude -3.7. It is in the west at sunset and sets about 3 hours later.

Mars--is in the southwest before sunrise.

Jupiter--is in Pisces. It rises about an hour before the Sun.

Saturn--is in Gemini. It is well down in the west at sunset and sets about 3 hours later.

The Eta Aquarid meteor shower reaches maximum on May 5th.

There is an eclipse of the Moon visible in North America on the night of the 24th-25th.

finishes this as a "limestone region marked by sinks and interspersed with abrupt ridges, irregular protuberant rocks, caverns, and underground streams." This could describe a number of UFO hotspots in the U.S., including cavern areas of the Appalachians.

The first installment of the F. Y. Zigel manuscript looks highly promising, already providing grist for the "cover-up" mill. The test pilot reports strongly suggest early Soviet knowledge of the seriousness of UFO reports, but also suggest hostile actions toward military aircraft.

Apraskin's subsequent treatment also has parallels in U.S. cases, consistent either with a cover-up or a bull-headed denial by authorities that such bizarre events could possibly be really happening.