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SKYLOOK is staffed by and for adults. Our policy is to tell it as it is, and we make every effort to separate fact from fantasy in investigating and reporting.

Readers are invited to send UFO reports and news clips. Credit will be given for material used, but anonymity promised when you request it.

The deadline for copy for next month's issue is always the 20th of this month. Please send in material as early as possible as we hold open only two pages for the morning mail of the 20th.

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A Message From Your Director

By the action of the Board of Directors and rating MUFON members present at the Annual Corporate Meeting of MUFON on June 17, 1973, in Kansas City, Mo., the Midwest UFO Network, Inc., voted to revise the corporate name to Mutual UFO Network, eliminating the regional connotation. As suggested, we have retained the acronym "MUFON" and the organizational concept "UFO Network." The word MUTUAL best describes MUFON's dedication to sharing UFO information and research data. Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary defines "Mutual" as: "1. Entertained, proffered, or exerted by each with respect to the other of two, or each of the others of a group: reciprocally given and received." Roget's New Pocket Thesaurus sheds further light on similar words describing "mutual" as "shared, collective joint (co-operation); reciprocal, give-and-take, correlative (exchange); dependent, interdependent (relationship)." MUFON's international expansion further necessitated a more appropriate name.

It is a pleasure to announce that Henry H. McKay, 40 Beacham Crescent, Agincourt, Ontario, Canada, has accepted the position of Provincial Director for Ontario. Hank's enthusiasm in UFO research is reflected in the fine cooperation he has provided over the past few years on "landing case traces" with Ted Phillips. He is very cognizant of both MUFON personnel and policies, since he has attended the last three MUFON Symposiums.

MUFON International Coordinator, Joe M. Brill, is pleased to announce the appointment and acceptance of the following people as foreign liaison representatives to MUFON:

BELGIUM--Jacques Bonabot, Director of "Groupement Etude Sciences Avant-Garde Gesag," whose address is Leopold 1, Laan, 141; B-8000 Bruges, Belgium. He was recommended very highly by our Swiss Representative Dominique A. Fremond during meetings with MUFON personnel in the U.S.A.
JAPAN--Jun-Ichi Takanashi, Chairman of "Modern Space Flight Association" and UFO NEWSLETTER. His address is C.P.O. Box 910, Osaka, Japan.
SKYLOOK has been publishing material from his UFO NEWSLETTER occasionally on an exchange basis. He is probably the most active of the English-speaking Japanese researchers in Japan today.
RHODESIA and MOZAMBIQUE--Mrs. Cynthia Hind, P. O. Box 2844, Salisbury, Rhodesia, is a journalist and writer, having investigated UFOs all over the African continent. She has been a tremendous aid to Joe Brill already when investigating some commercial airline pilots' reports that were published in various newspapers.

Reverend Joseph Ferkulj, Assistant Pastor of St. Boniface Catholic Church in Quincy, Ill., has volunteered to serve as a Yugoslavian translator.

Elmer A. Kral, State Director for Nebraska, continues to locate competent and interested men to fill State-Section Director positions. He has made the following new appointments: 1. Raymond F. Evers, Plattsmouth, Nebraska 68048, Telephone AC 402 296-7290, for Cass and Otoe Counties. Ray is an amateur astronomer and superintendent of the Nebraska Masonic Home. 2. Don Thompson, Flats Star Route, Sutherland, Nebraska 69165, Telephone AC 308 764-2329, for McPherson, Arthur and Grant counties. Don has both amateur radio equipment, call letters WAØAES, and citizen band radio for his ranching business. 3. Phillip K. Gardner, R. F. D. #2, Broken Bow, Nebraska, 68822, Telephone AC 308 872-5209, for Custer County. As an amateur astronomer, Phil has two telescopes always available. 4. Samuel A. Gailey, 333 Westridge Drive, Ord, Nebraska, 68862, Telephone AC 308 728-5874. Sam has a B.S. with further training in agricultural education.

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Federal Aviation Administration Recognizes UFOs

With the closing of Project Blue Book the Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration, revised their "Facilities Management Handbook" No. 7210.3A for Flight Service Stations in the following manner:

"Paragraph 468 Handling UFO Reports

When a report is received from an observer of unidentified flying objects, refer the individual to the nearest scientific establishment or institution of higher learning if a scientific interest is expressed. If concern is expressed that life or property might be endangered, refer the individual to the local police department."

It is gratifying that one of our government agencies has the foresight to give positive direction to their personnel in such matters so that a scientific study may be continued. The Flight Service Station personnel at Baldwin Field, Quincy, Illinois must be commended for their outstanding cooperation with representatives of MUFON (Mutual UFO Network) since they automatically refer all calls to the Director and provide other flight service information essential to the investigation of reports. Reported by Walter H. Andrus.

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UFO Seen At Hannibal, Mo.

Transcript From KHMO Radio Station, June 29, 1973 News Broadcast: Some members of the Hannibal police department, those who were on duty at about 3:20 this morning, have become believers in UFOs. Sightings were reported not only over Hannibal early this morning, but also over St. Louis and southeast Missouri.

Hannibal police described the object as larger than an airplane with two bright white beacons on opposite sides and also bearing red and blue lights. Observers said there was no sound as it passed over Hannibal.

Police saw the object moving west-northwest at about 3:20 a.m. and observed it for 2 to 3 minutes. They contacted Monroe City police, who also saw the object, and said it appeared to be over Shelbina. Then Monroe City police reported the object had changed direction and was heading northeast, shortly after which Hannibal police saw the object again, heading toward Quincy, Ill., but turning due east. The second observation lasted for 5 minutes or more. It was said to have appeared the same both times and was visible as far as the horizon.

In an article in the "Herald-Whig," Quincy, out of Hannibal, Police Detective Kenneth Caldwell said he observed a large-slow moving object with a line of lights on it and a blue light at the end. Although he couldn't make out the shape of the object in the dark, he said it appeared to be above the clouds and larger than an aircraft.

The sighting is being investigated by Joe Brill and Barry Dimmitt.

UFO Sighted in Israel

Tel Aviv.--Scientists are unable to explain an unidentified flying object claimed to have been seen in the skies over Israel. It was described as "glowing like a bright star" and was said to have moved in a circular direction with four or five small shining satellites at its sides. It was observed at about 8 p.m. and was visible for only a few seconds. A spokesman at the Mitzpe Ramon observatory in the Negev said the object definitely was not the orbiting SKYLAB launched from Cape Kennedy. Source: St. Louis Press, Credit - Joe Brill.

Fourth Annual MUFON Symposium Held in Kansas City, June 16, A Success

"Facts, not theory--a scientific approach to the UFO Phenomenon" was the theme of the MUFON symposium held at the Plaza Inn, Kansas City, Mo., June 16. The program, beginning at 8 a.m. with registration continued through the day and closed with a question and answer period following the final lecture at 9:30 p.m.

The welcome address was given by Thomas H. Nicholl, of Kansas City, who, with Ted Phillips, of Sedalia, Mo., was co-chairman. Both are to be complimented for the arrangements made for publicity with all the news media and for the smoothly running program which ran from one presentation to the next without a flaw.

The Regency ballroom at the Plaza Inn provided comfortable seating for the hundreds in attendance, and many also attended the dinner in the Regency Room East that evening. Space was also provided for various exhibits and UFO literature, with a great deal of interest shown in all. Sales of the book "MUFON Symposium 1973" passed all optimistic expectations as did the number of subscriptions to SKYLOOK received.

The program, as given in earlier issues of SKYLOOK, proceeded as scheduled, with an attentive audience for each speaker. Walter H. Andrus, Director of MUFON, addressed the conference briefly; and the lectures made by John F. Schuessler, Ted Phillips, Adrian Vance, Stanton T. Friedman and Dr. J. Allen Hynek were so ably presented and enthusiastically received that MUFON now asks, "What are we going to do next year to top this one?"

The 90-minute UFO documentary film shown was equally well received, and the question and answer session with a panel made of symposium speakers indicated the great interest in the UFO phenomenon as the questions ran over the scheduled time period and finally had to be closed because of the lateness of the hour.

Press coverage was good, with the Kansas City "Times" and "Star" devoting considerable space in favorable comment and being quoted in Associated Press releases over the United States.

Advance publicity was wide spread and MUFON is grateful to the co-chairmen and all others, both in and out of the organization, who helped advertise this annual event which grows in importance each year. We do not overlook some of the UFO publications which also cooperated in informing their readers of the symposium and sent representatives to attend and report the proceedings.

Your SKYLOOK editor adds a personal word of appreciation to Rosetta Holmes, who was in charge of the SKYLOOK table, and assistants Carol Armstrong and Lucius Farish.

MUFON, which has long outgrown its "Midwest" identification, will be known in the future as the Mutual UFO Network--keeping the initials MUFON and recognizing the "mutual" spirit of fine cooperation at the same time it covers our expanding global spread. While it may be some time before all refer to us by our new name, our members know that whether it is "Midwest" or "Mutual", we are the same in our interests and goals and the letters MUFON covers it all.

In closing, we are very pleased to report that Walt Andrus will continue to serve as Director of MUFON. We have the best!

Because we came out early last month, we could not include this report in the July issue. As our deadline for copy is always the 20th, the report of the Carlyle Lake Picnic, July 21-22, cannot be given in this issue but will be given next month. --Ye Ed

Captain of Boeing 737 Jet Gives Personal Account of UFO Sighting
UFO Follows Mozambique Deta Airlines Plane - Joe Brill Gets Story

On Feb. 10, 1973, the "Rhodesian Herald" carried a brief report of a Mozambique Deta Airlines jet being followed by an unidentified flying object on a night flight from Beira to Lourenco Marques. The story was released through the Herald Africa News Service. Joe Brill, of our staff and International Coordinator for MUFON, wrote to the pilot, Captain Gilberto N. da Costa, and obtained this report from him in a personal letter of May 20th. We quote:

"I have been with Deta Airlines since 1948 and have accomplished a total of 21,000 hours of flying experience accident free. I took my initial jet training at Western Airlines in Los Angeles in 1971.

"On the 8th of January, this year, due to technical orders our flight was delayed from Nampula to Lourenco Marques with a stop at Beira. The aircraft, a Boeing 737, was registered CR-BAC with Deta. Besides myself, the crew consisted of First Officer Nasi Pereira, Second Officer Teixeira and four hostesses.

"We were airborne from Beira at 02:45 a.m. and had reached an altitude of 28,000 feet on a heading of 211 degrees magnetic. About twenty minutes out of Beira, I noticed a light source at more or less ground level, flashing strongly green, red and white. I called by First Officer's and my Second Officer's attention to this light. It was something I had never seen before on my hundreds of previous flights.

"Suddenly, the light gained altitude, increased its speed, flashing continuously towards our aircraft. Astonished by its speed and its brightness, I reported the sighting to the Beira Flight Information Center and was informed that there was no known air traffic in our area.

"I called one of the hostesses to the cockpit, so as to corroborate the sighting and we all followed the object until it stood quite close to us and maintained itself parallel to our track and altered its speed to ours. It continued to flash red, green and white lights intermittently and appeared to have a diameter of a soccer ball. I switched off the aircrafts' position lights and all other lights so as to avoid this object. To my astonishment the object increased its speed enormously and appeared on our starboard side, increasing and decreasing its speed frequently, circled in front of us and followed our aircraft, at a distance difficult to calculate, for about ten to fifteen minutes, finally changing its course towards the sea and disappeared.

"A complete and most factual report of what we observed was transmitted on the radio to the Beira Aeronautical Center and, I believe, a tape recording of this was sent to the Military Authorities.

"A report of this sighting was not submitted to the airline's administration department once there was no danger to the aircraft or the people on board. It was a real surprise to read of this sighting about a month afterwards in the local newspaper. How it got to the press, no one seems to know as we kept this strictly to ourselves, so as to avoid sensationalism or publicity.

"This is the factual, and to the best of my knowledge, the description of what was observed on the flight that night. Please do use this information if you feel that it may be of interest in helping to solve the UFO phenomenon, considered and believed, by many learned men to be a serious scientific mystery."

The letter was signed "Most sincerely yours, Captain Gilberto N. da Costa, DETA Airlines (Mozambique), Lourenco Marques."

Your editor and all of the SKYLOOK staff extend a warm welcome to the many new subscribers who will begin reading SKYLOOK with this issue. We invite your comments and your UFO reports.

Queenstown, South Africa, Couple Think UFO Landed On Their Lawn

The following is from the "Sunday Tribune," Queenstown, South Africa, May 6, 1973 edition:

A flying saucer landed on Mr. and Mrs. Derk Kruger's front lawn at their Queenstown home this week.

This is the latest of the UFO incidents that have had the town talking during the past six months.

Mr. Kruger--down to earth and not given to flights of fancy--said this week no one had actually seen the UFO, but a strange droning in the night and mysterious "pad marks" on his lawn prove his theory.

The police were called in, and the District Commandant, Lieut-Col. L. K. Knox, admits he is baffled.

Mr. Kruger, who has never taken flying saucers seriously before, said, "Between 3:30 and 4 am. on Monday my wife and I were woken by a strange droning sound.

"It was the most eerie experience I have ever had. We could hear the thing--and a dull light was shining into our bedroom.

"It lasted a little while and then disappeared. In all my years I have never had such a weird experience. There's something unnatural about it; something you can't explain."

Mr. Kruger said he did not look out of the window "because the last thing we expected was a UFO on our front lawn."

After the noise and light disappeared they were not unduly worried.

"The only thing is we could not get back to sleep. Eventually I got up and made some coffee."

Mr. Kruger went to work as usual and nothing more was said about the incident.

His wife discovered the marks on Monday evening while watering the garden.

"There we saw the four pad marks, or whatever they are. I got such a fright when I looked at them that the hair on my arms stood on end."

The marks, coupled with the events the previous night, convinced the Krugers they had been visited by a UFO.

"Something definitely landed there," Mr. Kruger said.

"There are four oval marks, 23cm long and 15cm broad, clearly visible as the grass is dying and turning yellow.

Inside each oval the grass is still green. The marks form an area three metres long and 1 1/3 metres wide. (End of Article)

On May 12, another article appeared in the Press, and this one reported that Bill Dyke, and G. D. Whitehead, interested in UFOs and believing they have seen some, visited the Kruger home. Gerber took his UFO detector, a machine imported from Switzerland, and placed it over one of the pad marks. The machine recorded a negative magnetic field result. But the test for gamma rays proved positive--the first time the machine had given a positive result.

The two and Mr. Kruger also found a scorch mark on a black brick porch pillar close to where the UFO landed. This was seen as further proof of a landing. Credit: Lucius Ferish

Team of Scientists Say UFOs Are For Real

In the June issue of SKYLOOK, we reported on the UFOs in the Piedmont, Mo., area and mentioned that a University team of scientists were in Piedmont to study the lights. The June 16-17 (Saturday and Sunday edition) St. Louis Globe-Democrat carried a full page report on the scientists work and conclusions, and it is interesting to note the investigation was financed by that newspaper.

The team headed by Dr. Harley D. Rutledge, chairman of the South-east Missouri University's physics department, used sophisticated electronic equipment, powerful reflector telescopes, cameras loaded with infra red film and Geiger counters in their quest for more information about the mysterious lights. Other investigators taking part in the study included Prof. Milton W. Ueleke and Dr. Sidney E. Hodges, both of the university's physics department, and Dr. James Sage, of the industrial and technical education department.

Following a two week investigation during which the team watched and photographed the weird orange balls of lights on several occasions as they darted across the sky at great speed, the scientists are yet unable to give an explanation, but "concluded the lights are real, vary in intensity and at times appear to exhibit almost intelligent control as they glide silently across the sky."

Though not discounting any possibility, Rutledge said he does not believe the lights are conventional aircraft, satellites, weather balloons, marsh gas or plasma balls (balls of electrical energy) as theorized by some other scientists who have studied the phenomena.

The team has seen the lights, now they must analyze the data and look for possible answers to the puzzling Piedmont UFOs.

"I felt damned foolish when I first sat on a mountain all night and didn't see anything. But I don't anymore," Rutledge said.

Editor's Note: We've had no recent reports from the Piedmont area and hope our subscribers there will write us if more UFOs are seen.
Credit: John Schuessler and Carol Armstrong

Intelligent Signals From Space

In the May 21, 1973 issue of TIME, Mrs. Matilde Millo Di Suvero, of Mill Valley, Calif., wrote to the editor referring to an article "Message from a Star" which had appeared in the April 9 edition, and she added: "I would like D. A. Lunan to know that in 1920 Guglielmo Marconi told my father, Admiral Count Millo, that he was sure he had intercepted intelligent signals from out of space on the radio station of his yacht 'Electra,'--at that time there were no other radio stations on earth, except the ones Marconi had started in England and North America and the one on his yacht."

Credit: Lucius Farish.

Possible Meteorite Lands in Yard

There was a sonic boom, then the earth shook and the house rattled. A celestial body had fallen out of the blue onto the Curtis Conley lawn at 1747 Sherrick Road, S. E., Canton Ohio. From all indications the 10½ pound, molten, sinister-looking harder-than-any-rock material was a meteorite. The object came in at a shallow angle of 10 degrees and dug a hole 17-18 inches long; 6-7 inches wide, and 5 in. in depth.

Another report says the object actually fell into the yard of Mrs. McLinden. The story in a Canton newspaper shows a picture of Conley holding the object and he claims possession.

Credit: Amerigo E. Candusso, 748 Alameda Ave., Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, 44221. Editor's Note: Mr. Candusso asks the readers to note the new address of F.S.I.C. as given here. While that excellent ufozine F.S.I.C. BULLETIN is no longer being published, Mr. Candusso remains a UFO investigator and continues to correspond with F.S.I.C. contributors.

Brilliant Cone-Shaped Object Seen Over Stover, Mo. At 1:30 AM on July

1st, Mr. and Mrs. "X", of Stover, Mo., watched a cone-shaped object approach from the north east, turn at sharp angles, hover for ten minutes, then depart at great speed and disappear in seconds. Mr. "X" saw the object approaching from the northeast and called his wife. The object, seen head on as it approached, had the appearance of a metallic brown-gray, round object completely surrounded by a brilliant red light. As the object turned at a sharp angle to the south east, it was seen to be cone-shaped with a blindingly white light erupting from the red and tapering off into as brilliant a blue which seemed to terminate in a sparkling "spray." There was no contrail and no sound. The sky was clear with stars shining brightly.

The object made an abrupt turn from southeast to southwest and then hovered in the sky at a 2 o'clock position for ten minutes during which the Stover couple watched the awesome sight with binoculars. Mr. "X" compared its size to that of a grain elevator; however, it was cone-shaped. The object left its hovering position at great speed and disappeared in a few seconds.

Editor's Note: We know the couple and vouch for their integrity.

Oelwein, Iowa, Family Watch Orange Objects Mrs. Fred Alessio and her daughter were standing on the front porch of the Alessio home in Oelwein, Iowa, about 10 o'clock the night of May 25, 1973, when Mrs. Alessio saw a bright light suddenly appear above the tree tops. She said, "What do you suppose is wrong with that plane?" Then both realized there was no sound, as the bright light hovered overhead.

One of the women went indoors for the binoculars, and hurried back to view the object which was in sight for about 20 minutes. During this period, they became alarmed and called Mr. Alessio to come and watch the strange happenings.

The object, which had come out of the north, moved to the south and then hovered about 30 degrees above the horizon. At this time a shaft of light, orange-white in color, shot down from the object and was followed by "a lighted cord" after which "a lighted object popped out, descending a short distance, then another like the first." Other lighted objects continued to drop from the object, and Mrs. Alessio reported they were too excited then to count them.

Then "all of a sudden all of the lights went out" and nothing more was observed.

The Quario family, living next door, also witnessed the sighting. Credit: Le Roy R. Latham, Fayette County UFO Research Group.

UFOs Turn Out To Be Balloons Trotwood, Ohio, residents, including the mayor, police chief and other members of the police department reported seeing "mysterious unidentified flying things" during a two week period preceding June 13, 1973, and Police Chief Jon Schweigert called the Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in an attempt to track down the objects. He reported receiving the gracious reply, "Who in the hell are you trying to kid?"

A week later a high school student called the police department and admitted to launching plastic balloons containing lighted candles. Source: "Dayton Daily News," Dayton, Ohio, June 13 and 19, 1973. Credit: George Pellizari, Jr.

Editor's Note: We are always pleased when our readers send us a follow-up report, as well as the original UFO report, and never regard "identification" as spoiling a good story. Our goal is not to mystify--but to identify--when possible. Thank you, Mr. P.

Iowa Men Report June UFOs - Roger Duncan and his friend, Vernon Johnson, were sitting in the yard at the home of the former, Salem, Ia., about 9:30 PM, June 6, 1973, when they saw a bright, orange light in the northeast. They thought it was a star until it started to move at a rapid rate of speed to the south. It gained altitude and was lost to view in about 20 seconds. It was a bright yellow-orange, glowing with an unblinking, steady light. The size was estimated to be that of a dime held at arms length. The sky was clear. There was no sound from the object.

The men reported the sighting to Donald Campbell, MUFON Field Investigator.

On the night of June 9, at 9:45 o'clock, Mr. Campbell was at his home, 308 W. Saunders St., Mt. Pleasant Ia., and was enjoying the view of the clear, star lit sky. Out of the corner of his eye he suddenly became aware of a bright, orange light to the north and rushed around the corner of the house for a better view. The bright, round object which was about 250 feet high and two blocks distant, was about the size of the moon, and moved in less than 15 seconds to disappear over the Skunk River, 6 miles distant.

Mr. Campbell got into his car and drove to Oakland Mills on the river, to ask some friends if they had seen the object. No one had.

During the sighting, there was no sound from the object which did not change in color or pulsate. It appeared to be a large, "very bright, orange globe."

Credit: Donald Campbell.

1969 Sighting Reported - On Oct. 29, 1969, Charles Shanks, 29, a music teacher residing in Keokuk, Ia., was driving from Hamilton, Ill., to Quincy on Highway 96. The sky was clear, and it was about dusk when he reached a flat stretch of road with open fields on each side. Suddenly he noticed what he believed to be a helicopter hovering above the field to the right. As he came closer, he saw two saucer-shaped objects silhouetted against the western sky, each with a red light directly on top. The shape of each was compared to that of the bell on the check-in desk at a hotel.

Shanks stopped his car to watch the objects, which were side by side and gave off no light other than the light on top. It was difficult to judge their size or distance from the road, he said. "If one were to hold clenched fists out at arms length, this is approximately how large they appeared," he stated.

Several cars stopped along the highway, but Mr. Shanks did not speak to any of the drivers and after watching the motionless objects for ten minutes, went on his way. He was making a visit to his father, who had a heart attack later that night. The UFO sighting seemed very unimportant then and was almost forgotten. Shanks reported the incident in June of this year to Larry Martin, MUFON State-Section Director for Iowa.

Un-Cola Firm Regrets Un-identified Object - Florissant (St. Louis area) Mo. police were deluged with telephone calls from frightened residents who saw a brightly lit, green, object hovering almost motionless in the sky for an hour the night of June 19th.

The mystery was solved when a St. Louis County police helicopter was dispatched to track down the UFO. The copter circled the strange craft, shining its bright spotlight on the object. The UFO then turned on powerful lights on the helicopter, appearing to "incinerate," one witness said. The police copter sped off at high speed, causing some spectators on the ground to begin praying, a witness said.

The pilot of the helicopter radioed back to headquarters that the "UFO" was an advertising aircraft towing a huge inflated 7-Up (the Un-Cola) soda bottle lit with bright green fluorescent lights. A spokesman for 7-Up said the bottle was "unsolicited, unpaid and unsponsored" by the company.

The flying bottle was a trial balloon financed by an advertising promoter who hoped to sell his idea to 7-Up.

On the positive side--this UFO was not un-solved.

Source: "St. Louis Globe-Democrat." Credits: Carol Armstrong, John F. Schuessler.

St. Charles, Mo. Residents Watch Fast Moving Objects - Robert Baumbach, a postal clerk, St. Charles, Mo., and his wife were guests at the Barry Gettings home, 2401 Charann Street, Tuesday night, June 12, 1973, when four objects "brightly glowing balls of whitish light" appeared out of the north sky, moving southward. It was 9:30 p.m. The objects were careening through cloud banks and maneuvering at high speeds. They first appeared to be the size of headlights, or a street light, then gradually diminished as they moved to the east and became small points of light.

Neighbors were called to watch the objects, but no one wanted to notify the police at first for fear of ridicule. Baumbach finally summoned Patrolman Ruben Abbington about 10 p.m. when the lights were still large. Abbington called the station and soon five more police cars, a motorcycle patrolman and several off-duty policemen rolled up to watch the spectacle.

Detective Darrell Tullock received a call reporting the objects at 11:25 and confirmed the sighting. "They were the weirdest things I've seen," Tullock said. He described them as veering off at high speeds, hovering and making "incredible turns." At one point one of the lights began following an airplane that had apparently just taken off from Lambert Field, accelerating until it matched the plane's speed, then flowing along above it until finally shooting upward.

Baumbach, who had been a radar operator in the Air Force and had had several pilots report UFOs, said he was concerned by the lights, especially when they appeared to be growing closer, flying low over the rooftops.

"All I know is that there is no aircraft in this country which will accelerate as fast as those things were going," he said.

Baumbach said that the airport had been notified when the plane was being escorted by the light, but that attempts to track it with radar had been futile.

Source: "St. Louis Post-Dispatch." Credits: Rosetta Holmes, Carol Armstrong and John F. Schuessler.

UFO Sighted Near Hermitage, Mo. - A light sighted by several area residents Saturday night, July 14, near Hermitage, Mo. remains an unsolved mystery. Witnesses described the object as an extremely bright light that changed to pink, red, green and blue. Sheriff W. V. Kennedy said he received calls about the light about 10 p.m. and he watched it from his home until it disappeared about an hour later. It appeared to be round and moved at varying speeds. It made no sound and was bright enough to light up the ground around the witnesses' homes. Reported by Ted Phillips.

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"Cloudbuster" Draws UFOs Over Idaho Lake - Thirteen UFOs were counted by three members of a family residing at Bayview, Idaho, June 29, 1973. Mr. and Mrs. Everett Clough and their daughter reported the 13 "steady white lights" as they moved in all directions over Lake Pend Oreille. Mrs. Clough described one as "big as the bottom of a tea kettle" and reported, "Our dogs and all the dogs in the neighborhood were making an awful racket." She said the objects moved swiftly but silently.

Coincident to this sighting is the fact that Jerome Eden had set up his Reich Cloudbuster on the shore of Lake Pend Oreille at 7:45 P.M. Friday. Eden had told the Cloughs "to keep an eye out for UFOs," because the Reich Cloudbuster draws upon the Cosmic Orgone energy which UFOs use as their propulsive power. Eden is currently attempting to break the drought in northern Idaho with the Reich Cloudbuster. His weather-modification activities are being duly reported to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) of the Department of Commerce, under newly instituted federal regulations.

"I am sure the UFOs are alerted each time I use the Reich Cloudbuster," Eden said. "This has happened in the past; but this is the first time that so many UFOs were spotted in our area in one evening."

The Cloughs said they watched the alien craft from about 10:30 p.m. on Friday evening to around 11:30 p. m.

Editor's Comment: The above article was sent to SKYLOOK by Jerome Eden, author of "Orgone Energy," and we point out that the statement that UFOs use Cosmic Orgone energy for their propulsive power is Mr. Eden's and not our own. Just for the record. As we have not read his book, we do not wish to seem to either support nor reject his theory. Write him at Box 34, Careywood, Idaho, 83808, for a free pamphlet. We would like to hear more about the appearances of UFOs in connection with his Cloudbuster experiments and invite Mr. Eden to keep us informed. More details re the UFOs would be sincerely welcome. Okay?

Corn Rows Mysteriously Cut Down on Iowa Farm - We are indebted to Gary Lowenberg, of Donnellson, Iowa, for a news clipping from the "Des Moines Register" (from the week preceding July 2nd). We quote: Duane Woodruff, who farms in Warren County east of Ackworth, Wednesday examines two rows of corn that were mysteriously cut down. Woodruff said he discovered the damaged corn about 9 a.m. when he went to cultivate the field. He said the corn appeared to be "chopped off."

"I thought at first someone had been in the field with a corn knife," he said. "But the ground was soft and if someone had been walking they would have left tracks. There were no tracks of any kind. The chopped-off rows continued down into a waterway, turned left and disappeared."

The photo shows the farmer kneeling by the rows of cut corn, with the row curving off into the distance. It can be seen the stalks were cut cleanly, each an equal distance from the ground. The fallen stalks fell to the center, filling the space between the two rows.

We'd certainly like to get more on this one.

And we did! Word to Director Walt Andrus brought results. He interviewed the Woodruffs and learned the cut corn was discovered on June 27. Some stalks were cut at an angle, and some straight across, three to four inches above the ground. The stalks were green and crisp when found at 9 a.m. Roger Woodruff, age 22, took off his shoes and walked through the area to determine if he left tracks. He did, and they were the only tracks on the dry soil (there had been no rain for several days). The cutting action went down two rows, then jumped (skipped)

two rows and continued.

Marvin Smart, the Warren County Extension Director, investigated the area and could find no tracks and was unable to offer any explanation for the incident.

The farm is 5 miles east of Indianola, Iowa, on State Highway 92. The Shady Oaks Golf Course is directly across the highway from the corn field. Neighbors in the area reported seeing nothing unusual and the happening remains a mystery.

It was learned there were some hot air balloon races out of Indianola, July 25-29, but there appears to be no relation between them and the cut corn, and we mention them only because someone may have seen a balloon in the area and thought it was a UFO. Again, we point out the cut stalks were crisp and green--there were no "burned areas" as have been associated with possible UFO landings.

Were Bright Objects "Space Junk"? We had an interesting letter from Frank Hudson, of Elkins, Ark., who quotes an article from the May 17, 1973 issue of "The Silver City Enterprise," Silver City, New Mexico.

Stuart O'Byrne and his wife live on a mountain top near Silver City, and with other amateur astronomers, often hold "star parties" with interested star-gazers assembling to study the sky.

To quote now directly from the article: "O'Byrne determined Skylab would pass over the Lordsburg-Animas area and would be visible in Silver City at 9:15 p.m. Monday, appearing at about eight degrees above the horizon in the northwest. Skylab would be entering its sixth orbit.

"But four minutes earlier than planned, a very bright object appeared in the proper path. And then more bright objects appeared. No sooner than there were four or five bright objects, and any one of which could have been the space station, there appeared more bright tumbling objects.

"The group followed all the objects as they approached the moon and disappeared as they entered the earth's shadow.

"It seems Skylab had a lot more debris and surplus hardware orbiting with it than had been expected."

Mr. Hudson comments: "Will be interesting to learn from others that might have viewed Skylab in its early orbits to find out if they also saw this display of satellites going over in a bunch. One can speculate that Skylab might have had some 'visitors' looking it over closely, and then departed for parts unknown. I have observed Skylab twice, but it was alone up there at the time."

We invite our readers to comment.

Military Aircraft or UFO? Military and civilian police took a flurry of telephone calls early the morning of June 19, 1973 reporting sightings of an unidentified flying object.

"The Lompoc Record" (Lompoc, Calif.) said the craft was described by witnesses as a pulsating light that moved at a variety of speeds, hovered, darted behind local hills and emerged again, and reportedly landed in Pine Canyon. A team of air police investigated, but found nothing irregular.

According to spokesmen at Vandenberg Air Force Base, there were no military helicopters airborne over Vandenberg at the time of the sightings and no knowledge of civilian craft aloft.

On June 20 the "Lompoc Record" reported that an EC-131 aircraft out of Edwards Air Force Base was the probable origin of the UFO sightings. The aircraft, on a periodic missile tracking radar test mission, was over the Vandenberg area from 9:15 p.m. Monday night until 1:15 a.m. Tuesday morning and carried a bright white tracking light, base spokesmen said.

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Atmospheric distortion of the white beacon, carried by the craft at an altitude of 17,000 feet, could have accounted for the reports of a pulsating light and of red and green lights, base spokesmen said, as could the twin propeller engine aircraft's normal port and starboard running lights.

But at least four of six observers who watched what they described as "a very unusual light" for about two hours Tuesday morning from a crest in Mission Hills still don't believe what they saw could have been an aircraft.

Two former Air Force wives, who said they've resided near airbases for 12 and 13 years, related seeing a single light that was a brilliant white and the size of a dime at arm's length when it moved but hovered as a red spot that went out reappeared as a red pin point and then flashed as brilliantly as a missile staging.

The women, who refused to be identified, said that a green light joined the red one only after an hour or so. They doubt that what they saw was an aircraft, they said, because both lights appeared to hover for periods up to 15 minutes, because only the white-red light made sharp zig zag maneuvers, because both appeared to move very fast and because none of the six observers could hear any engine sounds whatsoever.

"I don't know if what we saw was a UFO," one of the women said. "But what I saw was a very unusual light which I know was not an airplane. We would sure like to know what it was."

Credit: Mrs. Idabel Epperson, MUFON Director for Southern California.

Missouri Farmer and Wife See Large UFO - A UFO sighting was reported by Terry Stice on his farm east of Emden, Mo., at 3:30 a.m. Friday, July 13. Stice said he and his wife, Linda, were awakened by the barking of their dog. When Stice went outside to see what was wrong, he saw an oblong object about the size of a car, moving in a northwest direction about 100 feet from the ground. He said it gave off a reddish-orange glow and stayed in the sky about ten minutes before disappearing in the west. He then heard the neighbors' dogs barking down the road. He reported the incident to FAA officials at Baldwin Field near Quincy.

After reading the report in the Quincy "Herald-Whig", Joe Brill of the SKYLOOK staff went to the Emden home to interview the couple and learned they left Friday for California. He will see them on their return, and we hope to have more details on this sighting in a later issue of SKYLOOK.

Is Mo Mo Still Around? --Our readers who are interested in "monster" stories will recall that Mo Mo made the headlines about this time last year, being seen near Louisiana, Mo., and elsewhere in the state. The July 13, 1973 issue of "The Salem News" (Salem, Mo.--Ye Ed's old home town) reports "One tall and skinny beast has been reported to be scavenging for food in a brush covered area near Wayne-Dale Trailer Court. Eunice Sutton, who lives on Roosevelt Street, reported that she was talking with her mother and a friend in their front yard about 11:30 Wednesday evening when they noticed a movement in a nearby field. It appeared to Miss Sutton's mother to be an unusually thin bear. Miss Sutton estimated the height of the animal to be around six feet, and it was covered with hair. A steak was placed in the field where the animal was sighted and Miss Sutton reported the steak was gone the next morning."

The account goes on to say the animal had been sighted by other residents of the Trailer Court located near a field with an abundance of blackberry vines. One stated the monster had slept in one of the trailers one night.

Three recent issues of NATIONAL TATTLER have featured UFO articles of varying lengths. The June 24 issue told of sightings over the north-west side of Chicago during May of this year. A small article in the July 1 issue dealt with Prof. Eugene Lundholm, librarian at the University of Wisconsin, who plans to search for UFOs throughout the summer. His interest was sparked by the experiences of a young Wisconsin couple who have apparently been the subjects of an intensive study by UFOs. The Aurora, Texas "crashed airship" story is featured in the July 9 issue. This is largely re-hash of newspaper stories.

The August issue of FATE contains an article telling of a 1947 UFO sighting in the Florida swamps. An apparent inconsistency in the story suggests that the date should perhaps be 1957, instead of 1947; but at any rate, the report is interesting.

Aside from John Keel's monthly column, the August issue of SAGA contains no UFO material. I doubt, however, that this indicates a change of the thinking of SAGA's editors. Their UFO articles have drawn a great deal of attention and I feel sure they will continue.

Whenever books as controversial as Erich von Daniken's come along, they are bound to provoke detractors. This is not to say that the von Daniken books are perfect and beyond criticism--far from it. However, some of the counter arguments put forward by von Daniken's critics leave a great deal to be desired. Such is the case with a recent book by Dr. Clifford Wilson, CRASH GO THE CHARIOTS. As will be obvious from the title, Dr. Wilson hopes to "crash" the ongoing popularity of CHARIOTS OF THE GODS? and GODS FROM OUTER SPACE with his refutations. Dr. Wilson, a Biblical scholar and archaeologist, seems most upset with von Daniken's "interpretations" of Biblical events, although he also lashes out at a number of other things. Unfortunately, rather than being a reasoned and well-balanced alternative to the theories set forth by von Daniken, this is merely another example of the "it-isn't-true-because-it-can't-be-true" sort of thinking. One is tempted to say that Dr. Wilson's rebuttal is also headed for a "crash", but actually it can't--it never got off the ground! His book is available from Lancer Books, Inc., 1560 Broadway, N. Y., N. Y. 10036 for \$1.25.

Certainly one of the better volumes to come along in quite some time is FLYING SAUCER REPORT: UFOs UNIDENTIFIED UNDENIABLE by Roger H. Stanway & Anthony R. Pace. Basically, it is an in-depth analysis of the Autumn 1967 UFO flap in England. The book is crammed full of reports, maps, drawings, photos, charts and other pertinent data. The edition now available has been revised slightly to include various Appendices containing correspondence between the authors and the Ministry of Defense relating to some of the UFO reports. The book is available from Newchapel Observatory, Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire, England for \$4.00. Checks should be made payable to "Newchapel Observatory UFO Report." Highly recommended.

Many readers may not know that Aime Michel's excellent book FLYING SAUCERS AND THE STRAIGHT-LINE MYSTERY is still available in hardcover. Michel's introduction of "orthoteny" into UFO research was certainly a milestone even though the concept seems to have been discounted to a certain extent today. Dr. David Saunders' American studies of orthotenic lines are perhaps the best known of the current projects. The Michel book also contains one of the best summaries of the European flap of 1954, as well as an Appendix by CSI of N. Y., giving a round-up of the November 1957 U. S. flap. Available from S. G. Phillips, Inc., 305 West 86th St., N. Y., N. Y. 10024. Price \$5.95.

The following article was published in the May 23, 1968, issue of the Romanian magazine "Cutezatorii" with the title "UFO OVER BUCHAREST." It completes the series "More Flying Saucers Seen Over Romania" by Ion Hobana.

The following was related to us by Comrade Paul Adina. She is a professional psychologist: "It took place at 7:30 a.m. on the morning of Sunday and the date was December 10, 1967. I live in the 23rd ward of Bucharest and I was returning home from work. It was a rainy morning and there was a layer of clouds at a very high altitude and another at a lower altitude which were moving across the sky very rapidly. Walking across the street from the "Republica" works I sighted directly above the factory (about 45 degrees above the horizon) an object with a blue-greenish color. The color was that of the color of the spark on the power lines of a street car. The curious part was that it had some very shiny thorns, in length about half of the entire object's length, and very pointed at the tips-but much thicker at their base. It looked like a hedge-hog."

Q. Were these beams emitted by the object?

A. No, I don't believe so. The thorns had a very clear outline.

Q. At what height was this object?

A. I can not say precisely. I can only say that it was between the upper layer of clouds on which it was projecting and the lower layer of clouds that it hid behind for a few moments.

Q. Could it have been a simple celestial body such as a star?

A. No. The sun was not yet up. Even if I was mistaken about the time within a few minutes, the sun would not have been at such a height at that time in the horizon. The moon was not in that location. There were no stars visible. The sky, as I told you, was covered with clouds, and besides, no star could have been of such great size as that object. I followed the object for about 15 minutes as I was walking. As I made a turn onto my street I lost it from sight.

Q. Did the object move in any direction?

A. I had the impression it was moving towards me.

Q. Wasn't there anyone else on the street at this hour?

A. Oh yes, there were housewives that were going shopping. It is very probable that more people saw it, but I didn't talk with anyone, nor did I stop.

Q. Are you sure that you did not have an illusion of some sort?

A. My specialization is psychology and I know the meaning and what an optical illusion is. I know it was no optical illusion. I have never had such an experience and I believe it would be very difficult that one could have an optical illusion for some 15 minutes and see only this one object very distinctly. No, I am very certain it was no optical illusion.

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The Constellations - Aquila (The Eagle) - In the roughly triangular outline of Aquila, the ancients imagined an eagle with outstretched wings. Aquila is on the meridian at 9 PM on August 25. The brightest star in this is Alpha Aquilae (Altair). Altair is the 12th brightest star in the sky and it is sixteen light years distant. The most remarkable feature is its rapid rotation. Altair completes one rotation in 6½ hours. In comparison, the rotation period of our sun is 25.4 days.

Aquila has been the locale of several novae. The most brilliant nova recorded during the last 300 years was Nova Aquilae 1918. This nova was first noticed on June 8, 1918 as 1st magnitude. At discovery it was brighter than Altair. It attained peak brilliance of magnitude -1.4 on June 9, 1918. The distance of Nova Aquilae is about 1200 light years, implying that the explosion witnessed in 1918 had actually occurred about 700 A.D.

The star clouds of Aquila are remarkable for the great profusion and complexity of nebulous matter. The long belt of interstellar dust clouds known as the "Great Rift" is most conspicuous in this constellation. --Mark Herbstritt.

The August Sky - Venus is seen in the western sky just after sunset, setting at 8:45 p.m. Central Standard Time on August 1st and at 8:10 p.m. Sept. 1st. Mars may be seen as a rather bright object in the southern sky, rising at 10:35 p.m. on August 1st and at 9:30 p.m. Sept. 1st. Jupiter is seen during the entire evening as it sets at 5:00 a.m. on August 1st and at 2:30 a.m. on September 1st. Saturn is a late evening object rising at 2:00 a.m. on August 1st and at 12:30 a.m. Sept. 1st. --Ted Phillips.

Short Notes "UFO Symposium - 1973" is a beautiful book and editors
Walter H. Andrus and Joe Gurney deserve a lot of credit
for their fine work as they have turned out a book which
should be in every ufologist's library. The penned signatures of MUFON members on Ye Ed's copy give it a personal touch which we like. If you don't have your copy yet, see Page 1 for the price and address for ordering by mail. . . we are also pleased with the many personal messages relayed to us by Rosetta Holmes after people at the symposium stopped to chat with Rosie, Carol and Lou at the SKYLOOK table. . Mrs. Louis Menke, of Fenton, Mo., sent us the article from the July 1st issue of the "National Enquirer" in which Astronaut Gordon Cooper states he believes intelligent life from outer space has visited earth and goes along pretty well with Erich von Daniken's theory ("Chariots of the Gods?"). Cooper believes we need to find new worlds "because eventually we are going to run out of land here." "People have seen flying saucers at close hand," he says. "And in many cases they have been verified by radar. It is ridiculous for anyone to say they're all completely unreal." It's an interesting article and Cooper lays it on the line. Thank you, Mrs. M. . . . We learn that Laura Mundo's "Emergency Press" ends with the June 1973 edition. Established in 1954, it had a long run and was published free of charge. She often had good UFO reports and we read these with interest. Have to admit we couldn't follow her in other fields she covered; nevertheless, we'll miss E. P. Laura will concentrate on writing books now. . . "The Hollow Hassle," edited by Mary Story and Thomas LeVesque has temporarily suspended publication. Miss Story became Mrs. Le Vesque July 8, and the couple are moving from California to Tennessee. We wish them well. . . Don K., of Traverse City, Michigan, writes: "Skylook has to be one of the best monthly magazines on UFOs I have ever seen."

With Our MUFON Members Around the Network

The Carlyle Lake Picnic, July 21-22 will take the place of a July meeting of the St. Louis Study Group of Greater St. Louis, and there will be no regular meeting in August. A date for the September meeting will be announced later.

The Tri-State UFO Study Group met July 18 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brill in Quincy, Ill. and the August 15th meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. Martha Holtman at 7:30 p.m., on south 24th street in Quincy. The September 19th meeting is scheduled for the home of Walt and Jeanne Andrus at 40 Christopher Court in Quincy. A special meeting to which the public is invited, with speakers and a good program is planned for October 17. Further details later.

Stanton T. Friedman, Mrs. Idabel Epperson and Mrs. Ann Druffel, of California, were featured in the Sunday magazine section of the June 10th issue of the "Los Angeles Herald-Examiner" and the fine article appeared in other Hearst publications.

Stan Gordon, Director of the Westmoreland County UFO Study Group and MUFON's Director for the state of Pennsylvania, writes: "There seems to be an un-ending interest in UFOs around this area from the numerous requests for lectures and information we receive. On June 20, Arch Mason and I appeared on a 2-hour UFO special on WTAE Am-FM radio in Pittsburgh and with us was Dr. Allen Hynek on the long distance phone line. Preparations are being made for completion of a nuclear radiation analysis laboratory that is being built at the Westmoreland County UFO Study Group Headquarters. The "gear" is being donated to the study group by a large research corporation. Since our group is working closely with official agencies upon completion of the lab, all agencies such as the state police crime lab, Civil Defense units and fire departments will be notified that our facilities and personnel are available 24 hours a day in an emergency situation. The main purpose of the instrumentation, of course, is so that field investigators who respond to an alleged landing area or physical trace case can have an immediate idea if their samples are significant or not."

Harold H. Fulton, our MUFON Director for New Zealand, is also Vice President of the Manawatu Branch of the Air Force Association (for ex-Air Force Personnel) and gave an illustrated address on "The UFO Phenomena" to that group July 11. Mr. Fulton says nice things about SKYLOOK (which we certainly appreciate) and he is appointing field investigators to represent MUFON. We have more UFO reports from New Zealand and will get them in SKYLOOK as soon as we can. We'll try to make it the September issue.

"More People Serious About UFOs" is the title of a recent article featuring John F. Schuessler in an interview with an Associated Press reporter. Mr. Schuessler outlined the work of MUFON and mentioned that SKYLOOK is its monthly publication. This article has appeared in newspapers all over the United States and as a result of this fine publicity, SKYLOOK is still receiving letters from folks who want to subscribe and we're mailing out sample copies and subscription blanks every day--glad to report the follow-up subscriptions are coming in as a result.

Ted Phillips, of Sedalia, Mo., will speak on UFOs at the Sedalia Rotary Club, August 27, 1973 and in Jefferson City, Nov. 19th, when he will address the Society of Professional Engineers.

We don't have a new lecture schedule from Stanton Friedman as yet; but the old one lists speaking dates at Utah State U., Logan Utah, July 11; Santa Ana College, Santa Ana, Calif., Friday, Sept. 21 at 7:30 PM; and Canton, N. Y. at SUNY at 8 PM, Nov. 26 at Wilkes College at Wilkes Barre, Pa., at 8 PM.

Calling George Fawcett - we don't have your current schedule.

Message From Your Director, Continued from Page 2

Jerrold R. Johnson, 4558 Avenue A. Apt. #205, Austin, Texas, 78751, Telephone AC 512 454-0812, has been appointed Amateur Radio State Director for Texas. His personal call letters are WA5RON, but he may also be heard checking into the MUFON Amateur Radio Net using the call letters W5EHM. He is a graduate student studying Computer Programming at the University of Texas. "Ron," as he prefers to be called on ham radio, is the former DATA-NET Assistant Director since 1968.

Ronald M. Anderson, State Director for Wisconsin, has appointed Lee Mechiz, 3273 South 3rd St., Milwaukee, Wis., 53207, as State-Section Director for Milwaukee and Waukesha counties. Lee is a former Field Investigator and has attended the past two MUFON Symposiums.

MUFON is deeply indebted to the members of the UFO Study Group of Greater St. Louis for accepting the responsibility of assembling the pages of the 1973 MUFON Symposium Proceedings. We also want to commend Joe Gurney as Co-Editor, Larry and Dennis Hanna for their illustrations and art work, and Sharon Park for typing assistance, making this our finest proceedings to date.

An over-all report of the June 16th MUFON Symposium in Kansas City for those unable to be present appears in this issue of SKYLOOK and should be utilized with the printed proceedings. Each of the speakers expressed their opinion to your Director that this was the finest UFO symposium that each had ever had the opportunity to participate in when all facets were considered. The elaborate planning for arrangements, facilities, meals, visual aids, local advertising, and the news media coverage in Kansas City can be attributed to Tom and Grace Nicholl, representing the host group. Ted Phillips, Co-Chairman with Tom, was responsible for much of the advanced publicity on radio and television that was so essential to the success of the symposium, when 450 people attended the opening session. A truckload of red roses to Tom and Grace Nicholl and their dedicated committee for helping to make this MUFON's finest symposium to date.

Anyone reading the symposium proceedings will recognize that five of the leading UFO researchers, investigators and lecturers in the United States presented papers that would be difficult to equal anywhere in the world. The speakers' enthusiasm and material presented left no doubt in the minds of the attendees and news media that this was truly a scientific UFO symposium conducted in a most professional manner.

Each year our UFO symposiums get bigger and better. It will be a tremendous challenge to the host group and the MUFON symposium committee for 1974 to surpass the "all-star" speakers and fabulous facilities of this year's affair.

To all those responsible for conducting the symposium-speakers, committees, and those attending, making this such a successful event-- I can only say, "You are the greatest."

MUFON is extremely proud to announce that Ken Steinmetz has accepted the position of State Director for Colorado. Ken and his lovely wife, Phyllis, reside at 1608 W. Hoyer Place, Denver, Colorado 80223, Telephone AC 303 935-4804. Ken has a long list of credentials in the field of Astronomy and Ufology, but is probably best known nationally as the Chairman of National Amateur Astronomers, Inc.

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