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The Editor and Staff of SKYLOOK extend our very best wishes to all of our readers for a very merry Christmas with all the good will of the holiday season running over into 1973 and lasting the whole year through.

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Know Your Magazine

SKYLOOK was first published in September 1967. Your editor also became the publisher in 1969 and SKYLOOK has been published monthly since that time.

In May 1969 the Midwest UFO Network was organized and SKYLOOK was proud to be named its official publication in July.

You do not have to be a member of MUFON to subscribe to SKYLOOK; but if you are a member, you'll find the best way to keep up with the organization's plans and progress is by reading Director Walter H. Andrus' "Message" in each issue along with the "Organization Notes."

SKYLOOK is staffed by and for adults. Our policy has always been to tell it as it is, and we make every effort to separate fact from fantasy. We invite UFO reports from our readers, as well as from our regular staff and MUFON members. We give credit for material used, but will not use your name if you prefer anonymity.

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Anyone interested in UFOs should add these books to their library. Highly recommended by your editor.

A Message From Your Director

Even though the name Midwest UFO Network, Inc. implies a geographical area of the United States, MUFON now operates in States from Maine to Florida, and from New York to California with State-Section Directors, State Directors or both. We have Field Investigators in numerous other States which are not counted in our tabulations for state organizations. With the appointment of Ivan T. Thomson, P. O. Box 396, Sioux Falls, S. Dakota, 57101 as State-Section Director for the South Dakota counties of Minnehaha, Moody, Luke, McCook, Turner, Clay, Union and Yankton, MUFON is actively conducting UFO research in twenty-six of our fifty states. We have thus passed the half-way point in about three and one half years of steady and solid growth.

Calvin R. Shanks, 1126 East Washington, Washington, Iowa 52353 has accepted the position of State-Section Director for Washington and Henry counties in the "Tall Corn State."

As a relatively young organization in the UFO field, MUFON has many accomplishments to point to with pride in which it has been the leader. As we prepare to publish the second edition of our Field Investigator's Manual (the original edition was published, copyrighted and distributed in 1971), a well known international UFO group has just started distributing copies of their manual this past month. Our Annual Midwest UFO Conferences, starting in 1970, have attracted worldwide attention for the caliber of speakers and the professional format of our published proceedings in book form. Plans are presently being formulated for the locations for the 1973 and 1974 Symposiums. The host city and date for the 1973 Midwest UFO Symposium will be announced in the very near future in SKYLOOK, our official publication.

We can be equally proud of Mrs. Norma E. Short, editor and publisher of SKYLOOK, and her very competent staff, as this monthly UFO publication has earned for itself one of the top rankings in the UFO field. As the year 1972 draws to a close, it is very appropriate that we acknowledge the outstanding work that has been done at the state, community and individual levels by the talented members of MUFON. To each of you, my wife Jeanne and I wish you and your family a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year for the Yuletide season. The officers of MUFON convey their best wishes and would like to thank you personally for your loyal support during the past year. We look forward to another interesting and intriguing year in UFO research together.

Walt and Jeanne Andrus, Director
John and Kathy Schuessler, Deputy Director
Ted and Ginger Phillips, Secretary
Fields and Ellie Freeman, Treasurer

Tri-State Study Group Elects Officers

The Tri-State UFO Study Group met Nov. 15, 1972 at the home of Mrs. Anita Lavery. Officers elected for the 1973 season are: Chairman, Robert R. Kewney; Vice Chairman, Lon D. Moeller; Secretary, Mrs. Fields Freeman; Treasurer, Mrs. Ann H. Viar. Committee Chairman are: Publicity, LaVerne Knipe; SKYLOOK reporter, Mrs. Martha Holtman; Meeting Notices, Mr. and Mrs. Berry Dimmitt; Program, Walt Andrus. Meetings will continue to be held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walt Andrus in Quincy, Ill. Public meetings, Feb. 21, May 16 and October 17 will be held with outstanding speakers in the UFO field presented.
Mrs. Ray Holtman.

Aerospace Photography With Infrared Film Reveals UFOs

Editor's Note: We have written the following from two long articles in "The Register," a daily newspaper of Santa Ana, California. The articles were written by Robert B. Klinn and David Branch in Los Angeles, and appeared in the Register on Oct. 25th and Nov 1st, 1972. They were sent to SKYLOOK by Prof. Emer. Charles G. Kahlert, of Seal Beach, Calif., and we feel this could be one of the most important reports of 1972.

Photographic engineer Norman F. Schulte revealed in Los Angeles on October 18, 1972, the only known infrared pictures of UFOs made by technically qualified personnel. The films were taken by Schulte and two co-workers, Bob Forrester and LaRue Stillwell while the three were employed in the photographic engineering department of North American Aviation's El Segundo facility.

On the morning of March 5, 1955, Schulte and Stillwell had decided to photograph, from Los Angeles, atmospheric atomic tests being conducted at Frenchman's Flat, Nevada. They felt that they could obtain better city-skyline pictures than those previously published and they set up two Speed Graphic 4 X5 cameras, with Ektar lenses, on a vacant lot in Baldwin Hills. Stillwell used standard Type B film. But Schulte used a red-sensitive Type C film, Tri-X. (Tri-X manufactured now is a different type of film from that made in 1955.) He also equipped his camera with a 25-A red filter, thinking a red-sensitive film might record the bomb blast more distinctly.

When Stillwell came out of the lab with two prints he had just processed, one his and one Schulte's, he jokingly remarked, "Hey, Norm, you've got a flying saucer on your picture."

There was a very clear, distinct little object in the middle of the picture. Under a magnifying loop it looked even more curious. Stillwell blew it up about 50 diameters and it looked even more unexplainable--and another unknown object was found, small and like the first, dome-shaped.

This decided the two to get into the infrared investigation of UFOs and Bob Forrester, also interested, joined them in a series of experiments.

The infrared part of the electromagnetic spectrum (the entire spectrum being all kinds of electromagnetic radiation) consists of invisible heat waves of varying frequencies. Invisible infrared is an extension of and is contiguous to the red end of the visible light spectrum.

The men knew that the human eye can perceive only a small fraction of the electromagnetic spectrum. If UFOs could operate in invisible areas of the spectrum, two puzzling aspects of many UFO reports would be clarified; sudden disappearances of the objects, often described as "like someone turning off a light bulb," and appearances on radar of apparently solid targets invisible to the naked eye.

"We were getting very strange images every night," Schulte says of the experiments. "And this happened for about 30 consecutive nights before we discontinued the project. Only one or two times did we draw a blank. In 28 or 29 of the shots we had one image or more; everything from crescents to boomerangs and ovals. There were cigar, domed, and elliptical-shaped objects--very distinct, very clear cut, very intense."

"We eliminated all possibilities of any kind of error or conventional explanation such as fogging, chemical defect or reflections," Schulte states.

"... We did as much analytical work as we could on the photographs. We determined that there was something in the skies over the airport that shouldn't be there. And these objects could not be seen with the naked eye. We were all convinced that we had photographed UFOs."

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An official of the Federal Aviation Administration in Los Angeles confirmed privately to the writers who interviewed Schulte that numerous visual sightings of UFOs, around the time of Schulte's experiments, had been made by Los Angeles airport tower operators.

Schulte's group discontinued its experiments, which were known to the 13 or 14 night-shift employees of the North American photographic engineering department. Schulte kept the infrared negatives at his home. About three weeks later, in early May, 1955, Schulte was contacted by an Air Force officer.

Schulte was drying prints one evening--in a classified department--and looked up to see the stranger sitting at his sorting table. Small talk led somehow to UFOs and the infrared pictures. The man asked if he could see the pictures. Schulte told him they were at home whereupon the man became very indignant and wondered why property of North American should be at Schulte's home.

Schulte told him the pictures were not the property of North American and the man demanded that he bring them in. "About that time, he brought out a military officer's identification card. It said 'Captain' somebody. I don't remember his name, but the surname 'Scott' comes to mind. He told me he was from the Air Material Command at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base and that he had heard about UFO pictures made at North American, and that it was his impression they were property of North American and that he was sent out here from Ohio to obtain the negatives for investigation and analysis," Schulte said.

"I said I'd be glad to lend them to him for analysis providing I got them back. He said he couldn't guarantee that I'd get them back. I said, 'Well, if you can't guarantee I'll get them back, you can't have them.' Then it got to the point where he was virtually demanding them and said he was going to confiscate them."

The hot words continued and the alleged officer threatened Schulte with the loss of his job "for security breaches." Schulte said he "virgually told him to go fly a kite. And I have the negatives in my possession ever since."

The Air Force has claimed for years that it has never attempted confiscation of UFO photographs or pressured in any way citizens who have taken such pictures.

"I have the highest regard for the government's security system, and all my clearances are still in effect to date," Schulte states. "No further pressure, to my knowledge, was ever brought to bear. My security clearances included Top Secret Military Information and an AEC "Q" clearance. To continue accusing me of security breaches would have seemed tantamount to admitting to the existence of information and an agency classified above Top Secret Military Information."

Does a UFO investigative agency classed above TOP SECRET exist?
/ So concludes the articles./

UFO Observed Near Greenridge, Mo.

Mrs. E. C., of Kansas City, Mo., wrote Ted Phillips after hearing him speak on a radio program that during the summer of 1948, she was living in Greenridge, Mo., with her parents. While playing in theyard, she looked up at the sound of plane. She saw the plane and also another object at high altitude. It appeared to be round and had a whitish-metallic glint in the bright sunlight. It traveled from west to east at a greater speed than that of planes at that time. "hen about directly overhead, it made a long curving turn to the south and finally disappeared from view. The girl called to her mother who also watched the object.

Troy Woman Reports Sighting to Study Group Director - Object Also Seen By Director's Wife, Kathy Schuessler, at O'Fallon, Mo.

Mrs. Erna Stiner, a hairdresser in Troy, Mo., was on her way to her home on Route 1, four miles from Troy, between 7:30 and 8:00 p.m. Oct. 17, 1972, when she saw a bright sky object which she was unable to identify.

Mrs. Stiner was driving south and east on Highway J and noticed the bright light shortly after crossing the railroad track at south Troy. After the first glimpse, the light was hidden behind trees and wasn't seen again for another mile when Mrs. Stiner turned east on Highway U. It was a misty night with no stars visible, and there had been rain earlier.

The bright light, remaining at the same elevation and apparently three miles distant was traveling to the northeast. It appeared to have three or four brilliant white lights with a soft glow about each. The weather conditions could have accounted for the "glow" Mrs. Stiner thought.

As her husband wasn't home at the time, Mrs. Stiner drove on past her home to her parents' home a short distance north; and she, with Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Buenemann, stood on the front porch, facing east, and watched the object for several minutes. During this time the lights went completely out and then came on again twice. Then the object suddenly took on speed and was out of sight in seconds. Because some farm machinery was in operation, no other sound could be detected.

Unexpected corroboration of the sighting came when Mrs. Stiner called John Schuessler, Director of the St. Louis Study Group of Greater St. Louis, at his home in O'Fallon, Mo., to report the incident.

Mrs. Schuessler was standing by the kitchen window at 7:30 that evening (being sure of the time because of a TV program just coming on) and saw an unusual light approaching from the west. It flew directly over the house at low altitude, but there was no sound of an aircraft or the usual vibration in the building when a plane flies over.

Mrs. Schuessler reports the object was large and moving slowly and she saw a row of four lights, all white.

Research Balloon Lands; Seen Over 4 States

A high-altitude research balloon that had been visible over a four-state area Sunday, Sunday, Oct. 1, 1972, plummeted to earth near Lebanon, Tenn. Monday as its 4700-pound payload parachuted into a wooded area near Interstate 40.

A nine-member recovery team from Raven Industries of Sioux Falls, S.D., was nearby to retrieve the package of scientific instruments with the aid of a rented crane.

The balloon was launched Sunday near Cape Girardeau, Mo., as part of "Skyhook," a joint Navy-National Aeronautics and Space Administration research program and was designed to measure cosmic ray activity in the upper atmosphere. The sun's reflection off the balloon's skin at a height of more than 130,000 feet brought hundreds of telephone calls about a bright object to various government agencies. (Source: "St. Louis Post-Dispatch," Oct. 3rd. Credit: Joe Gurney)

Michigan Sighting Reported

David Wazny, 29, a General Motors employee at the Saginaw, Michigan, foundry, was driving to work, west on Highway M-81, shortly after five o'clock EST, the morning of October 2, 1971, when he saw a bright light over the highway about one mile ahead. The area was rolling, sparsely populated farm land with no lakes or marshes in the vicinity. Stars were visible in the partly cloudy pre-dawn sky. There was little traffic-- only two cars were seen in an approximate 12-minute period.

Mr. Wazny was driving 55-60 mph and had just crested a hill at the intersection of Hinson and M-81 when he first saw the light which was making a sweeping motion across the road, traveling perhaps 300-600 yards each side of the highway. It maintained a level path with the exception of one dip when the witness was still traveling toward it. It dipped toward the ground on one of the swings north of the highway, but came back almost immediately to its original level.

As he drove toward the light, he expected to find a conventional explanation. At that time the light was described as bright and white, but did not hurt his eyes. As he came closer, the light seemed less brilliant and appeared to pulsate. When he reached the spot where the light was hovering over the road, he stopped his truck in the westbound lane and looked up at the light through the windshield. He then decided to step out and opened the truck door and glanced down as he stepped to the ground. On looking up again, he saw the object had swung around 110-130 degrees from almost directly overhead to a position about 1/3 of a mile away to the south southeast. As he stood watching for several minutes, a Chevy Camero passed his truck, slowly, but not stopping.

Wazny then decided to move his truck to the shoulder of the road and did so. Soon after an A&P delivery truck approached from the west. Wazny tried to flag down the truck, but the driver did not stop. The object continued to hover and he watched it a few more minutes, then got into his truck and proceeded west, driving slowly and watching the lights. After he had traveled for about a half mile, the light suddenly accelerated towards the south and was out of sight within a short time.

Wazny drove on for several miles and stopped and called the Tuscola County Sheriff's department. A car was sent to the scene but was unable to locate anything unusual. The following day Wazny returned to the Sheriff department to assure them he was not crazy and to find out if they had discovered anything.

When interviewed by Robert L. Stinson, Wazny said he was shook up by the sighting and would like to have some explanation for what he had seen. Having served in the Army three years, he was sure the object was not a helicopter or any conventional aircraft.

He described the object as diamond or kite-shaped with rounded points with a bright, pulsating white light about 2/3 of the way up from the hypothetical base, and centered. This light was framed by a V-shaped ridge of red-orange lights (estimated 10-20) which glowed or shimmered as if thru a haze. There was no noise, no contrail or smoke and no EM effects. His rough estimate set the object as 100-170 feet wide and probably two or three times as long.

Mr. Stinson, a State Section Director of MUFON, in reporting this investigation to Walter H. Andrus noted it was puzzling that two other drivers on the road apparently failed to observe the light and report it.

"No satisfactory natural explanation has yet emerged to explain this sighting," he said, "and it is fairly obvious that it was not a conventional aircraft."

UFOs Over Ohio Turnpike

Kenneth Ray, of 6214 Jackman Rd., and Steve Porter of 2603 Franklin Ave., Toledo, Ohio, said they spotted from one to five UFOs between 8 and 9 p.m. while driving on the Ohio Turnpike between the Indiana line and Toledo, Oct. 19, 1972.

"We weren't drinking either," Mr. Ray said, in describing the display of flashing red and white lights which moved in the skies.

Mr. Porter, who was driving, said he stopped the car twice and they watched the display--once near the Bryan interchange and again about 20 miles west of Toledo. There was a bright moon and the skies were clear.

"It started out with one white light, flashing off and on. Then red and white lights appeared to join them, then back off. They moved very fast and then very slow and at one point they were directly over the car," Ray said.

At one point, the lights turned from dark to light red, with a flashing strobe-type light in the middle. Once, the lights seemed to take on a tubular shape, but at another time, in the light of the moon, he could make out a round shape with a dome in the middle," Ray said.

Porter added, "They didn't make a sound but moved around pretty fast. They revolved in wide circles all around the sky and we watched them for about 30 minutes altogether."

Law enforcement agencies and highway patrol turnpike posts in northwestern Ohio said they had reports of no unusual sightings by their officers or the public.

Robert Beck, chief air traffic controller at Toledo Express Airport, said he had no reports of any UFOs in the area, but added, "Ever since that television show, "UFO," came on, we've been expecting something like this." Beck said high intensity red beacons and lights which blink in sequence on aircraft often are mistaken for something unusual.

Adolf Witt, associate professor of astronomy at the University of Toledo, said the atmosphere was extremely clear Thursday night, and the distance at which aircraft lights could be seen without hearing the sound of engines was unusually great.

A Williams County sheriff's deputy said his office usually doesn't take such reports seriously enough to put them in the log.

"We have a rule. If the saucers land and something gets out and shakes hands with our men, they're under orders to bring them into jail." he said.

Source: Toledo, Ohio, "The Blade," Oct. 20, 1972. Credit: Nils H. Paquette.

Editor's Comment: 'he mens' description of the lights, at one time directly above the car, doesn't sound like "distant aircraft" and we doubt that Ray and Porter accept that possible solution. As for the deputy's cute remark, it's typical of the closed-mind attitude of the ignorant toward anything they don't understand. There jist ain't no sich thang.

New Jersey Report

Patrick D. Clossey, of Paterson, New Jersey, was driving on the Garden State Parkway, at 8:20 a.m. Oct. 9, 1972, when he saw a disc-shaped object through the windshield. It was moving to the east on an upward slant of about 5 degrees. It was silver in color and seemed to be moving over a high tension line. The sky was clear, and there was no sound. The object was observed for about one minute.

Credit: Reported by John T. Clossey, brother of the witness, to Walt Andrus.

Investigation of a UFO Flight Over Santo Domingo

Santo Domingo, Oct. 21, 1972. - Dominican authorities, although somewhat skeptical, are investigating the testimony of a Navy (War) sergeant who claims to have witnessed the descent of an unidentified flying object (UFO) in the vicinity of Bani, 85 kilometers southwest of the Capitol.

Sgt. Luis Arcadio Lugo and his friend, Louis Ney Barias, an elementary school teacher, said that on Wednesday they saw the unknown object while it was slowly descending behind some bushes just a few meters away from them.

An elderly lady, about 70 years old, Encarnacion Lara, also claims to have seen the same object and that the object, which she described as very similar to a "saucer" landed in the vicinity of her backyard.

The object was apparently seen by dozens of people in the location of Fundo (at Bani), according to press information and police reports.

According to witnesses the object was sending out an intermittent green light. It flew around for about three minutes and then began a slow descent, changing then to a very intense red light. The whole operation lasted only a few minutes, then the object ascended, quickly getting lost in space, according to the witness' statements.

This sighting is reported to be the most concrete case of UFOs so far in this country which during the past few weeks, witnesses have reported hundreds of sightings of flying objects.

Translated by Gonzalo J. Jaramillo from the Spanish newspaper "Diario Las Americas," Miami, Florida. Credit: Frank H. Inderwiesen.

Radioactive "Foot Prints" Found in Norway

In the middle of June, this year, Mr. Ola Dahl from Bangsund discovered a number of strange prints in the ground round the island of Kjolsoya, where he and 4 others have week-end cottages. There are no other buildings on the island. The prints, being mostly triangular - a few being round, however - are approximately 2 meters large.

A laboratory examination has proved that the prints are radioactive, and the fact that they are weak - a fair distance beyond the noise limit - is due to the time passed from the prints were made, till they were measured.

A week before the prints were discovered, enormous disturbances occurred on the TV-casts to Bangsund, whereas the TV station at Namsos, placed farther away, did not notice anything.

The Norwegian press says that whatever made the prints did not come by land or sea, and the question is whether it came by air!

Source: "Jyllands-Posten" (Danish Newspaper) July 11, 1972 and quoted in "UFO Kontakt," published by IGAP Information Service, Tvaerhave 6, Molholm, 7100 Vejle, Denmark.

1969 Canadian Sighting Reported

Mrs. Monka Swanson, of Clive, Alberta, Canada, writes Ye Ed that she and her husband were staying 9 miles west of Millet, Alberta, in August of 1969. Between 10 and eleven o'clock on a cloudy night with light rain, Mrs. Swanson glanced out the window and saw a "bright glowing white light about the size of a very large yard light hanging above a wooded area to the south of the house." The light hovered for two or three minutes above the trees, a mile from the house, then suddenly vanished.

No one lives in the wooded area, and there are no power lines in the vicinity. The light was below the clouds, so could not have been a heavenly body.

Editor's Note: Thank you, Mrs. S for the compliment re SKYLOOK.

They Saw Them Then!

Some time ago we mentioned that Lou Farish suggested watching those yesteryear columns in your daily newspapers for old UFO reports.

From "Medford Mail Tribune," Medford Oregon, July 24, 1972: 50 YEARS AGO, July 24, 1922. Strange object in sky over downtown streets attracts big crowds. Speculation deepens mystery. Airplanes said not in area.

From "The Atkins Chronicle," Atkins, Ark., August 16, 1972: IN DAYS GONE BY, August 15, 1947. Corry Burnett vows that he and wife saw a flying saucer over Petit Jean in a southeasterly direction. It was a whirling bright object, some larger than a saucer, he said.

A curious reader wrote in to ask about the July 24, 1922 sighting, and the July 30, 1972 issue of the "Medford Mail Tribune" replied: "According to accounts of the event in the Mail Tribune, the object was never identified. It was first sighted apparently thousands of feet in the air over the southwest portion of the city. Observers thought it was a plane, but changed their opinion when it fell a few hundred feet and a broadside view was possible, also there were no reports of any plane in the area. Shortly afterwards it began to rise again and traveled out of sight still going to the southwest. Some thought it might be a sheet of paper, but others held that such was impossible as a sheet of paper as large as the object would have to be the size of a house."

If YOU find a UFO report in the yesteryear columns of your newspaper, why not visit the newspaper office and ask to see the original story. Old papers are always kept on file, and you'll have no difficulty in finding the issue you want. Then send your report to SKYLOOK.

The newspaper clips mentioned were furnished by Lou Farish.

Colorado Women Report UFO Followed Car

A woman, who asked not to be identified, and her friend whom she identified only as Donna, said a "flying saucer" appeared over their car as they were returning to Longmont, Colo., from Denver, early Sunday morning.

She said they spotted the object --"it was like a bright light with antennas on it"--about two miles south of Del Camino on I-25. It stayed above their car when they exited on Colorado 119 and followed them into Longmont, she said. When they arrived home in the northern part of the city, it was still above them.

The woman said they saw the object while they were both inside and outside of the car and that it was "about a mile or two" in the air. The young women became frightened by the presence of the object and went to the Longmont police station. Officers "poo-hooed" the sighting, she said, and offered the opinion that it was the North Star.

But the woman said she was convinced that it was not a star, that it moved and changed course in direction and speed. "I never saw anything like it before," she said. "It's really crazy."

Source: "Longmont Daily Times-Call," Nov. 5, 1972. Credit: Mrs. Carmen Welch.

It Happened in Arizona

In the October issue of SKYLOOK, we had an interesting report under the caption "Could This Be Another 'Snippy'?" from Mrs. Eric Bluhm, of Ft. Wayne, Indiana re a donkey with an exact strip cut from its neck. This was observed during a vacation trip through the Canyon de Chelly. Several of our readers wrote to ask what state is concerned, and we wrote Mrs. Bluhm .

She replied: " That is in Arizona, the upper northeast corner, not
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far from the famed 'Four Corners' monument. I had not realized the state wasn't mentioned. One can read and proof-read and still something will be wrong when an article comes out in print."

Editor's Note: You are so right! This happens to us all the time.

Illinois Man Reports Blue Lights in V-Formation

Richard H. Baldwin, 42, an employee of the Moorman Mfg. Co., in Quincy, Ill., observed a cluster of blue lights in a V-formation from his home at 12:50 a.m. CDST, Oct. 3, 1972 and reported the sighting to Walter H. Andrus, MUFON Director.

The night was clear with stars shining brightly. The cluster of lights came out of the north, passing directly over the observer, and disappearing in the south, all in less than 13 seconds. As the lights were overhead, two appeared to change formation and overlap a third. As they moved to the south, they returned to their original position, but two later broke away, one moving west and the other southwest.

There was no sound and the light blue lights did not change in color or intensity--each was larger than any star in the sky, Baldwin said. When the two appeared to overlap, the shape of the object could be distinguished as triangular.

A check indicated no aircraft were reported in the area at that time and the speed of the moving lights would eliminate the possibility of the "overlap" being Air Force fighters refueling.

An account of the incident appeared in the Oct. 8 issue of the Quincy "Herald-Whig."

Older UFO Report from Illinois

After seeing and hearing John Schuessler on the Bill Fields Show, St. Louis TV, Channel 11, Mrs. Lucy Hampton, of Mt. Vernon, Ill., wrote: "About ten years ago we lived in the country north of Mt. Vernon, Ill., and my children and I saw a trio of objects hanging silently in the air, too high to describe in detail, but we could see they were oval-shaped. We called our neighbors, and we all watched until finally, without any warning, they took off at an unbelievable speed to the west. We didn't report this, but have been more than interested in UFOs ever since."

Good View of UFO in Mississippi

A Middletown, Ohio, man (name withheld) reported: ". . . I spent two months vacation in Jackson, Mississippi. We had been seeing articles in the paper about the coming meteor shower, so I was outside that night / Aug. 8, 1972, at 10:30/. Just as I started to go back inside, I saw something coming out of the northeast. At first I thought it was a jet, but there wasn't any sound, and it kept getting closer and closer until it was about 1/2 or 1 mile from me, and I could see windows, everything, all kinds of lights. It scared the daylights out of me. It was going real slow--maybe 20-30 mph--just drifting around the south and then to the northwest. Then I heard a jet coming out of the north. When the jet got within maybe 2 miles of the object, the object suddenly took off like a shot and left that jet like it was standing still; it just accelerated and climbed very fast. . . The jet then went back the way it had come, to the north."

This report appeared in double-issue of "The Ohio UFO Reporter," edited by Bonita Roman, Route 3, Yankee Rd., Middletown, Ohio, 45042. A fine quarterly--\$3.00 per year. A single copy, 50¢. We give it top rating.

Astronomy Notes The December Sky Venus rises at 4:30 a.m. on Dec. 1st and at 7:30 a.m. on Jan. 1st. Mars rises at 4:45 a.m. Dec. 1st and at 4:30 a.m. Jan. 1st. Jupiter is poorly placed for observation, setting at 6:50 p.m. on Dec. 1st and at 5:20 p.m. Jan. 1st. Saturn may be seen during the evening hours as it rises at 5:20 p.m. Dec. 1st and sets at 5:30 a.m. Jan. 1st. By Ted Phillips.

The Constellations, Eridanus (The River) - In every ancient culture, the constellation of Eridanus has been identified with a river. The Egyptians called this group of stars the Nile. The Babylonians named it the Euphrates. The name Eridanus is the name of a real river in Turkey, known now as the Strong river.

Eridanus culminates at 9 p.m. on Dec. 25. In all the vast area of Eridanus there are only six stars brighter than fourth magnitude. Its brightest star Achernor (Alpha Eridani) lies far to the south and out of view of northern latitude observers, except for those in southern Florida and Texas. Achernor is a very hot and luminous blue giant star located at a distance of 120 light years. This star is estimated to be about 7 times the size of the sun. The name Achernor is a part of the Arabic name for the star and means "The end of the river." By Mark Herbstritt.

Can You Help?

One of our subscribers, Christiano R. Klein, is working on a UFO detector and needs "magnetized ferrite rods" which are not to be had in France. He would be very grateful if anyone can tell him where they be obtained in the United States. Be a good neighbor and lend a hand. Write him at Faculte Des Sciences, University Montpellier, Lab. M. Savelli, Place Eugene Bataillon, Montpellier, 34, France.

The World's Biggest Eye At Cambridge, England

The world's biggest eye into space, an array of radio-telescopes that can map galaxies millions of light-years away, was formally inaugurated Tuesday. The eight dish aerials, each 42-feet across, work together to produce the same effect as one giant telescope three miles across. It occupies an abandoned railroad track that used to run between Cambridge and Oxford, Britain's two major universities. Source: St. Louis "Globe Democrat," Oct. 28, 1972. Credit: L. R. Hanna.

Law Officer Keeps Eye on Sky

Jack Stolfus, assistant chief on the Oelwein, Iowa police force for 11 years before retiring, and now Hazleton, Ia., marshal, keeps an eye on the sky as well as on earth as he goes about his duties.

While investigating a prowler report about 11:30 p.m. on October 2nd, he saw a bright, round light in the sky. The light was about the size of a full moon and circled the town twice before disappearing.

On October 12 at about 11 p.m. he spotted a very bright, white light just south of Hazleton, heading north at great speed.

On October 17 Stolfus and a companion spotted a bright, white light about twice the size of Venus, in the southern sky at about 11 p.m.

On October 13 at 9 p.m. Justice of the Peace, James Hayden, of Tripoli, Ia. and others at a football stadium at Tripoli, saw a large, bright object in the sky over the stadium.

All reports were made to Ralph C. DeGraw, of Hazleton.

1971: A Review - 1971 was a very good year for physical trace reports with a total of 43 cases on file. May led in number of cases reported with 19%; January and September were second with 12%; March, June, August and November each had 9%; February and April, 7%; December 5 %; July, 2% and none in October.

30% of all cases reported were in the United States; Australia and France were second with 14% each; Finland, 9%; Canada and Spain, 7%; Brazil and England, 5%; Argentina, 3%; Austria, New Zealand, and Sweden, 2%.

In the United States two cases were reported in California and in Kansas and one each in the following states--Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, New Hampshire, North Carolina, and Oklahoma.

There were no witnesses in 34% of cases reported; a single witness in 33%; multiple witnesses in 33%--with from two to four witnesses. Occupants were reported in 9% of the cases. Effects (animal, human, mechanical) were reported in 23%.

Sites were reported with the following effects: burned, 9 cases; depressed, 5; dehydrated, 6; imprints, 5; stained area, 1.

The multiple witness reports are of the greatest interest. The following is a brief summary of the high quality cases.

Finland, Jan. 3, 1971. Three witnesses saw a bright light which took off after a short time. Electrical power was cut off in nearby houses. An impression 6 by 18 feet was found in the snow. Dark green material found in the center.

Anderson, Indiana, May 16, 1971. Four witnesses observed an object after electrical power failed in their home. High-pitched sound heard dogs reacted. Object passed around a sycamore tree and disappeared at a point near a creek. The sound could be heard for an additional 20 minutes, animals were quite frightened and the telephone was dead. A large tree, which it had passed and had budded in the normal manner in the spring, suddenly died after the sighting.

Argentine, Jan. 8, 1971. Two farmers observed a metallic disc as it landed. They could see two antenna and a whistling sound was heard. Object was 10 feet in diameter, 3.5 feet thick. Pasture was burned and a section of a lemon plantation was dried up.

Canada, Sept. 23, 1971. Three witnesses observed a square-shaped object, 12 feet wide and 10 feet high, metallic. Six oval marks found, 6 inches long, 30 inches apart, 1 inch deep.

Delphos, Kansas, Nov. 2, 1971. One witness saw object at close range, two others saw bright object in sky. Dried ring of soil 8 feet in diameter found.

Several See Lighted, Silent Object Over St. Louis

At 10:30 o'clock on the morning of July 25, 1972 Miss "Jones" (real name in file) was at 5000 Oleatha, St. Louis, Mo., when she noticed a number of people looking up into the clear sky. Looking in the same direction, she saw a triangular shaped object, with rounded corners, and a row of white lights. The object was blue-grey in color and 8-12 feet in width and 7 feet high at the "peak" of the triangle. It seemed to be surrounded "with a slight haze" which, at one point, seemed to be in motion as if from an exhaust. There was no sound. (Reported to John C. Preisack, MUFON investigator)

The following is a report of the sighting of a UFO over Sofia, Bulgaria on November 21, 1967. This report is made up of excerpts from "Trud" November 22nd, "Narodna Mladezh" November 24th and the November 23rd news release of the "Bulgarian Telegraph Agency."

PUZZLE IN THE SKY OVER SOFIA

Yesterday's nightfall (November 21st) brought something very unusual to the day to day living of our Capital's citizens.

The sun was just setting behind the Lyulin Mountain. Curious people had gathered in groups in the streets and squares watching an enormous luminous object high above the city, almost at the zenith. With the naked eye, it was easily seen, but its shape was difficult to define without the aid of binoculars or a telescope.

According to the eye-witnesses accounts, when it was first noticed it appeared as a luminous sphere much larger than the sun's disc and later appeared as a shape similar to a trapezoid. The general interest about this appearance was brought on by the fact that the object appeared to fly slowly in a definite predetermined direction. Despite this slowness, the observers could not easily describe its shape.

It remained stationary as if suspended above the city for some time and had the color of the flame of an oxygen welding torch.

Fifteen minutes later, through the eyepiece of the "Luneta" telescope which was at the disposal of the workers at the newspaper "Trud" (magnification 40X) this object had the appearance of an open parachute near the horizon of the darkening sky. Its upper section formed a complete, flat disc encircled by a large, clear band of light.

At the time of this observation the telescope read 25 to 30 degrees above the horizon.

In its upper section where was a dark disc around which a strange halo was formed, which gave off a bright green phosphorescent brightness and appeared to have glittering edges. One could see distinctly how this "parachute" suddenly began to shine with a silverish-blue light which quickly changed taking on an orange color. Before it completely disappeared from view it appeared as a small dark orange or red spot of light moving away to the southeast horizon.

The object in question was photographed at 5:10 p.m. by the reported-photographer for the "Trud" newspaper, Luben Donov. It was also photographed by another citizen of Sofia. An engineer by the name of Chirsto Tsankov. He took three photographs of it. The first was taken at 5:20 p.m. and the last at 5:35 p.m.

This would point out that this object was visible for at least twenty-five minutes over Sofia.

Immediately after this sighting the editors of "Trud" called the Institute of Hydrogology and Meteorology and talked with one of the researchers there. Mr. Dimiter Simetchiev, who observed this extraordinary phenomena himself, told them: The appearance of this bright flying object above Sofia is certainly extraordinary and interesting. I was observing this flying object with the naked eye and for that reason I can not give you any exhaustive information. At this moment, it is practically impossible to identify this object. However, we have established a very important point. This object, whatever it was, was flying completely against the wind current, which can have only one meaning. That is, it must have had its own power source. Our attention was equally attracted by a second peculiarity. During the time of flight, the object

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had absolutely no effect on our radar and caused no television or radio interference. Naturally all aspects of the appearance of this object will be examined according to what various services in our country observed it."

Another expert at the Academy of Science of Bulgaria was contacted. This was Professor Bogomil Kovatchev, Secretary of the Bulgarian Astronomical Society, who said: "This object was at an altitude of thirty kilometers (18 miles). Above all, I would like to emphasize that the UFO observed above our capital was absolutely not an artificial earth satellite. At times this mysterious object travelled much faster than a Sputnik and the light it emitted was much too bright for a satellite. Besides this, we know perfectly well all the satellites which orbit around our planet. We observe their orbits and we keep track of them at all times. It is a known fact that these artificial satellites are barely visible because they travel at such great altitudes and as I previously stated, this object observed over our capital was at an altitude of only thirty kilometers above the surface of the earth. The color changes of its radiance could possibly be explained by the effect of the setting sun."

Lastly, Dr. Felix Y. Zigel, a professor at the Moscow Aviation Institute was asked to comment on this appearance above Sofia. This was his comment to the BTA: "The object mentioned in the Bulgarian newspapers is a typical representative of what are called UFO's, that is, Unidentified Flying Objects. There are many such observations of this kind, even in our country. Observations of discs as well as other forms, in particular objects which have the appearance of crosses. There are many puzzling points about the behavior and the nature of these objects.

"Unfortunately, the observations of UFO's with the aid of telescopes and cameras do not occur too often. One could say that the case at hand, the Bulgarian specialist was very lucky. More than once, UFO's have been located by radar, but no one yet has succeeded in obtaining the spectrum of the UFO phenomena, which would beyond a doubt shed some light on their true origin."

On November 24th, 1967 the publication "Narodna Mladezh" in Sofia stated that this object observed on November 21st was "a balloon, most probably a meteorological balloon." How they arrived at this conclusion was not stated. It was simply stated that this is what it was. A simple statement for the simple minded, but I would guess that most of the people that witnessed this observation did not accept that conclusion and are probably still wondering to what they observed that November 21, 1967 over Sofia.

A balloon? Of course. What else could it have been?

WILHELM REICH, M. D., a scientist and UFO researcher, died in prison. His books were banned and burned. His discoveries hold the key to Planetary Survival and the UFO Invasion. Read "Orgone Energy," by Jerome Eden. Exposition Press, 50 Jericho Turnpike, Jericho, N. Y. 11753. Post-paid, \$6.30. --Adv.

Editor's Note: Mr. Eden's book was reviewed by Lucius Farish in the November issue of SKYLOOK.

WANTED: "Flying Saucer Review" - Vol. 12-No. 1, 2 and 4. Vol. 13-No. 1 2 and 4. Flying Saucer Review Case History, Supplement One. Write: Mark R. Herbstritt, 967 Theresia St., St. Marys, Pa. 15857.

UFO Notes From Barry Greenwood, of Somerville, Maine

Many sightings have come my way in the past few months. Again, some of these reports have come through indirect sources, and therefore are difficult to trace. However, I believe they are important enough to be recorded for possible future value.

July 9, 1967 - Woman living in Washington, D. C. reported a low flying UFO which nearly rammed her house. She said the object flew on a horizontal course, just barely missing her house and the chimney of her neighbor's house. The object then shot off into the distance. Time: Between sundown and midnight. Duration: less than a minute.

1969 - Three men saw a high flying UFO from a shopping center parking lot in the Fresh Pond section of Cambridge, Mass. They said that the object looked like a shiny shooting star but the UFO stopped, moved sideways, stopped again and then shot straight up and disappeared.

July or August 1957 - Dozens of witnesses in Chaumont, France, saw a triangular-shaped UFO flying high overhead. According to one of the original witnesses, Joseph Boucher, the object was observed sometime between 5:30 and 7:00 p.m. He said that the object brought attention to itself by a high whistling sound emitted as it was flying over. The UFO was at a very great altitude and flying very fast in a straight line. Although the object was at high altitude, the witnesses could discern the shape as that of a perfect equilateral triangle. Duration of the sighting was 20 to 25 seconds. Other witnesses included Mr. Boucher's father, a major in the Army at that time, mother, sister, brother, two friends, and many neighbors. Mr. Boucher also stressed the sudden disappearance of the object at exceptionally high speed which was unlike anything he had ever seen. There was no mention of a trail behind the object.

July 22, 1972 - Women reported a large, spherical UFO with red and white lights over Dorchester, Mass. She said that the UFO was traveling from west to east at approximately the speed of a jetliner. At one point the object was about 100 yards away and she compared the UFO to the moon, only twice as big. The red and white lights were located on the top and bottom of the object.

August 1972 - Two young girls in their early teens were at Roberts Field in Dorchester, Mass., one night during August. At about 9:30 p.m. they were startled by the appearance of a bright, white globe low over Dorchester High School. They watched for about 10 seconds as the UFO moved away from the school at about the speed of a small plane. The girls fled the scene due to fright and did not see the object disappear.

Oct. 9, 1972 - Crew of a freight train saw a round, orange UFO while traveling through Dover, New Hampshire.

Editor's Note: We are glad to receive reports from our readers --but please give source of your report. If a newspaper, give name and publication date; if another UFO magazine, be sure to give name and date so we can give proper credit if using report. If a friend sends you a newspaper clipping without naming the newspaper, please obtain this information from him before sending on the clipping. We grant anonymity to those not wishing their name used, but we must have some authority for the report in our private files.

SKYLOOK would make a good Christmas gift for a friend interested in UFOs--and we do the "wrapping" and pay postage. We'll even mail a pretty Christmas card, announcing your gift.

The NATIONAL ENQUIRER recently featured a three-part series of articles on South American UFO sightings. The first article was mentioned in last month's column; the others appeared in the Nov. 5 and 12 issues. Also, the Nov. 26 issue featured a report of a UFO having been tracked by radar in Florida, and the Dec. 3 issue reported on the rash of sightings in the Hays, Kansas area.

A quite interesting article on UFO photos appears in the Nov. 19 issue of the NATIONAL TATTLER. A photo of UFOs over the Capitol in Washington, U. C. is featured. This was allegedly taken during the famous 1952 flap.

November SAGA has a good article on a Mexican landing/occupant report. The description given of the "Ufonaut" tallies very closely with similar reports from other parts of the world.

No UFO articles in Dec. SAGA, but Joseph Goodavage contributes an article on the hypothetical "Planet X," on the outskirts of the solar system.

"Momo," the monster of Louisiana, Mo., is featured in an article by Richard Crowe in the Dec. issue of FATE. Crowe adds some details which have not been previously publicized (including more information on UFOs seen in the area) and comes up with a very interesting article. The results of a recent Gallup Poll concerning life on other planets is also contained in Dec. FATE. And, finally, the letters section of this issue of FATE includes a report of UFOs, their occupants and "creatures," which make very intriguing reading.

Speaking of FATE, I recently asked the editor, Mary Margaret Fuller, if she would be interested in seeing some articles I had in mind, all pertaining to some aspect of the UFO subject. She replied that, because of the lack of public interest in UFOs at present, FATE did not intend to carry much information on the subject. I feel this attitude is based on a totally false premise (i.e. the supposed "lack of public interest in UFOs") and I wonder if the SKYLOOK readers feel the same? FATE has long been an excellent source of UFO information. It was the first magazine to carry Kenneth Arnold's complete account of his 1947 "flying saucers" sighting. If you feel as I do, why not drop a line to FATE (500 Hyacinth Place - Highland Park, Ill. 60035) and let them know your thoughts on the matter.

What do you think of the many "contactee" stories? Are they just so much bunk or might there be some truth in them? One man, the late John W. Dean, certainly believed the contactee material was of value and spent many hours compiling and attempting to correlate it. The results of his labors may be found in FLYING SAUCERS CLOSEUP (Saucerian Publications, Box 2228, Clarksburg, WV 26301 - \$7.95). It seems to me the task Dean set for himself--trying to make all the contactee information "fit" was a hopeless one. However, no one can fail to appreciate his dedication to his work. The book is filled with photos, illustrations, charts, listings of planetary systems, supposed ET alphabets etc. It is truly a monumental work and, no matter what you may think of contactees in general (or Dean's conclusions regarding them), I think you will find the book of interest.

Editor's Note: We strongly recommend that each reader drop a postcard or letter to FATE. In addition to your own interest in UFOs, additional proof of public interest is the sell-out of Dr. Hynek's "UFO Experience," the heavy lecture schedules of all our well known speakers--Hynek, Friedman, Fawcett etc; the growth of our own MUFON with the outstanding work done by Walt Andrus, John Schuessler and Ted Phillips (just to name a few) in spreading the word; and the growing circulation of our best ufozines.

Organization Notes From Around The Network John Scheussler, Missouri state Director for MUFON, addressed a Bahai group in Green Bay, Wisconsin, in October. He spoke on UFOs at the invitation of Drs. Eduard and Jean Bonn. On October 18 he spoke to the American Society of Mechanical Engineers at the University of Missouri in Rolla, Mo. with good press coverage from the "Rolla Daily News" and the "Missouri Miner."

Ted Phillips, Missouri state section Director for MUFON, addressed the Beta Alpha preceptor chapter of Beta Sigma Phi at the home of Mrs. Ed Brummett in Sedalia, Mo., in October. He was featured in a two page article in the October issue of the "Missouri Highway News" - a magazine read by 9,000 Missourians. The article, written by Tom Sunde, from an interview with Phillips, included the Delphos, Kansas landing and gave MUFON publicity. At the invitation of L. I. Hockaday, Superintendent of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, Phillips will speak to the Jefferson City Rotary Club on February 5, 1973.

George D. Fawcett continues to lecture on UFOs. November speaking dates which we have at this writing are: Nov. 2nd--Blue Ridge Funeral Association at the Holiday Inn in Roanoke, Va.; Nov. 13--Annual Rotary Club at the Country Club in Florence, S. C.; Nov. 19--WTOB radio "Feedback Program," at Winston-Salem, N. C. Mr. Fawcett writes he has never found "an informed skeptic." Anyone who denies the existence of UFOs in 1972 is uninformed. Well put. We remind you again that you can obtain free information sheets by writing to Mr. Fawcett at 607 North Main St., Mount Airy, N. C. 27030. And don't forget to send a self-addressed long envelope stamped with 16¢.

Looking ahead to January 1973, we find Stanton T. Friedman is scheduled to lecture at the Mt. San Antonio College at Walnut, Calif., on the 17th and at 8 p.m. at Phoenix College in Phoenix, Arizona on the 26th. These dates are from his newsletter "UFO Review" (No. 6-7) and no doubt other lectures are now on the calendar. His Review, edited by Peter Guttilla, is published at P. O. Box 941, Lawndale, Calif., 90260.

The December meeting of the Tri-State UFO Study Group will be held at 7:30 p.m. on the 20th at the Walter H. Andrus home in Quincy, Ill.

The UFO Study Group of Greater St. Louis will meet December 10 at 2 p.m. at the Lemay Bank and Trust Co., 152 Lemay Ferry Road.

The MUFON Amateur Radio Net meets every Saturday morning at 8:00 a.m. CST on 3.975 MHz.

Editor's Note: Please send in your speaking dates--in advance whenever possible. Bear in mind our deadline for copy is always the 20th of this month for NEXT month's SKYLOOK. Copy for the January issue must reach us by December 20th.

Stan Gordon, who heads the Westmoreland County U.F.O. Study Group, Greensburg, Pa., writes his group has investigated 25 reports during October, most of which were easily explained. On the night of Oct. 8 numerous reports were received from about a 10 mile area of Greensburg reporting the sighting of a formation of 8 bright red and orange objects that maneuvered over the area for 45 minutes. A check with the Latrobe airport indicated that no choppers were in the area and the airport had received numerous reports of something unusual in the sky. On the nights of Oct. 18, 19 and 20, reports were received from Carbon, Penn, Jeanetta and Latrobe concerning sightings of bright white-orange spheres that would zig-zag across the sky and then disappear in a few minutes. Gordon says the reports don't fit hot air balloons.

Tell your friends you read it in SKYLOOK.

Short Notes

To set the record straight, the Cincinnati mentioned in the Indiana report (page 9, November SKYLOOK) is not in Indiana, but in Arkansas. . . . the Dec. 3rd issue of "National Enquirer" gave considerable space to "hundreds of eyewitnesses report UFOs over Kansas" but failed to mention the weather balloons which pranksters admitted sending up. It is hard to believe a magazine as large as the Enquirer and with their sources of information did not know about the weather balloons. Failure to mention them made their report more exciting--but failed to tell the whole story. In our old-fashioned views, this is a form of dishonesty. . . . We believe our readers approve of our policy of "telling it as it is." Mrs. Eric Bluhm writes: "I like SKYLOOK. It is factual and calm and straight reporting." . . . "e're still getting requests for sample copies from folks who saw and heard John Schuessler on St. Louis television, and we're filling these orders as fast as we can. Some have to wait for the next printing. One card was addressed to "Sky Lark" and, you know, that wouldn't be a bad name for a ufozine. . . . Here's something new in UFO's--an Utterly Fantastic Occurrence, which is the way Lawrence R. Hanna announced the arrival of a son, Christopher Troy, on October 25th. . . . We were pleased to receive "Sauceritis, No. 11" this month. Editor Brent Raynes is fulfilling his military obligation with two years active duty in the U. S. Navy, and this accounts for the long delay in printing. Until further notice, all correspondence should be directed to his assistant Jim Carey, Route 1, Windsor, Maine 04363. If you'll send a stamped, self-addressed envelope, you'll receive two free research data sheets. Good luck, Brent, and carry on, Mr. CareyWe have another Spanish translation by Carol and Dr. Armstrong and will use it next month if we can't work it in this issue. NOW we wish we had studied a foreign language or two in school. . . . Ron Schaulat, of Collinsville, Ill., writes, "I want to thank you for putting out a publication like SKYLOOK" and he adds that writers like Elliot Carson of the "Wall Street Journal" who asks where the UFO's have gone should pick up a copy of SKYLOOK and find out! Right on! we're getting a good response from our offer to send a free, sample copy of SKYLOOK to a friend if you, the subscriber, will send us the name and address along with an 8-cent stamp. Just ONE, please--but send another next month if you like. . . . The Hollow Earth theory keeps popping up. Mary Storey and Thomas LeVesque are publishing a newsletter "The Hollow Hassle" (P. O. Box 126, Beverly Hills, Calif. 90213) devoting considerable space to this idea. Marshall B. Gardner, author of the book "A Journey To the Earth's Interior" is quoted as stating the Northern Lights are caused by our central sun shining out through the opening at the North Pole. Gardner believes the earth is a hollow body with an immense opening at each polar axis and in the center of the earth is a sun which warms it and gives it light. Remember, GARDNER makes that claim, not this ufozine. . . . From the earth to the moon--in Morocco, peasants told Washington Post correspondent Henry Aubin they thought the Apollo landings were Hollywood fakes. There have now been five landings on the moon and the crew of Apollo 17 looks forward to the sixth. . . . last month we carried a story of an Illinois man hit by a meteorite, and Lou Farish tells us the first "official" record of a person being hit by one was in Sylacauga, Alabama in 1953. . . . we do enjoy the UFO cartoons and got a chuckle out of this one sent in by Capt. Dave Ozanne, clipped from the "Dallas Times Herald":-- Two little space men are looking at a gas station pump here on earth. One says: "He won't say a word. Just stands there with that thing in his ear." And we like this one: an airplane flies over a tribe of savages. Says one: "Swamp gas." Again, we sincerely thank every one who sends in the cartoons, newspaper clippings etc. We can't get them all in SKYLOOK, but each is appreciated by Ye Ed.

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