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RADIO NET COULD TRAP UFO'S

Wayne Green, publisher of "73 Magazine" (Peterborough, N.H.) has kindly given us permission to quote from his articles "Can Amateur Radio Help Solve the UFO Problem?" and "The UFO Net" in the April and May issues.

Mr. Green Writes, "If the UFO's are, as many believe, space craft visiting our planet, can you think of a more important event of our times?" He points out that government investigation of sightings "has been for the purpose of proving them non-existant" and there is a great need for an investigative system wherein trained scientists can be rushed to the area of a sighting with the idea of taking pictures of the UFO's while they are still there and checking for radiation, magnetic variations, electrostatic fields, etc.

"The obvious problem here is to set up a network which will enable scientific teams to know immediately where a UFO has been protted and where it is headed", Mr. Green continues. "Frankly I can't think of anything other than amateur radio that could fill the bill. You need something that is ubiquitous, reaching into every community*** thousands of amateurs can all listen on one frequency and hear any station transmitting. And any one of the stations can alert all of the others when something is spotted."

"If we were to establish a net frequency on 80, 40 and 20 meters for UFO reporting we could arrange for a single tone to be transmitted when an alert came along which would turn on all of the loudspeakers of participating stations. Thus all of us could have a receiver set up on a net channel all of the time, running silently. Amateurs in every community in the country could ask their local police, CD, etc., to call them immediately if any sightings were reported."

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UFO'S OR HOAX?

Residents of Kitsap County, Washington, and Seattle, 15 miles across Puget Sound from Bremerton had front-row seats for an unscheduled Fourth of July finale which had Seattle law enforcement and airport switchboards jammed by hundreds of calls from persons anxious to know what was happening.

Two Port Orchard (near Bremerton) girls who were sleeping out under the stars watched an unidentified flying object for about 15 minutes. Lisa Leurquin, 15, told THE BREMERTON SUN that she and her friend, Debbie Ingles, 13, saw the object about 11:30 pm. "It was like a really bright star, but bigger," Lisa said. It appeared to be more of a white light than "of any particular shape." she reported. Lisa's Mother, Mrs. Robert R. Leurqin, of 1013 Sequoi St. (P.O.) also watched the object.

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UFO GROUP TO HAVE INFORMAL MEET

JohnSchuessler, who heads the UFO Study Group of Greater St. Louis, and who is one of our best reporters, has invited us to have a pathuck dinner to be held on the lawn of the Schuessler home the afternoon and evening of August 25th. "It is for all of our UFOish friends and their families,"

John writes. "Everybody to bring a couple of dishes and we'll put it all together and have a real feed, along with friendly meeting of those we all work with and never see."

John lives at 0'Fallon, Mo., at 808
Primrose Court. He sent us a detailed map
which space does not permit us to reproduce-but if you're on the Illinois side of the
river, cross at the Chain of Rocks bridge
on I-270 and drive west through St. Charles
on I-70 to 0'Fallon. Check your road map
and you can't miss.

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With the Editor

We are pleased to report that editors of other UFO publications, members of UFO study groups, etal, have written us to express agreement with our views re the upcoming Condon report.

David Schroth, secretary of the UFO Study Group of Greater St. Louis, writes "I agree with your editorial in the May issue regarding the apparent whitewash efforts of Condon and Low. I presume you have read NICAP's account of this affair in the current UFO INVESTIGATOR; particularly revealing was the portion on Low's memo of August 9, 1966, that was omitted from Fuller's article in LOOK, that is, the portion in which Low states that it is not respectable to give serious consideration to the possibility that UFOs are real, and that believers who admit such a possibility remain outcasts! Such a statement obviously proves beyond a doubt that the scientific community is extremely reluctant to study UFO reports."

Mr. Schroth continues, "In view of the evidently negative report to be released by Condon in a few months, let us hope that the vigorous efforts of Professor McDonald, Hynek, Zigel, Salisbury and authors, Vallee, Michel, and Keyhoe, can successfully defeat the mach-

inery of the scientific establishment."

Finchesed with his letter was an editorial from the Denver POST, of May 2, 1968. Beginning by commenting on the article in LOOK magazine, Dr. Edward U. Condon, the physicist direct the Colorado project, is quoted as saying the Look article contains "many falsehoods and misrepresentations." His staff has finished the field work, and Condon claims his critics are trying to force him to make a premature release of his findings.

Quoting from the editorial: "We believe Dr. Condon's response must be accepted at face value at this stage of the investigation * * * we hope the report will be sufficiently thorough and authentic to answer the charge that the research team had no intention of making an objective study."

"So we assume Dr. Condon is skepti-But scientific skepticism does not proclude scientific study. It may indeed, add a desirable dimension. We would not have wanted the CU study to be made by men who were certain before they started that green men from Mars were landing on the nearest hill * * * yet we are not satisfied with some of the negative reports made by the Air Force and other official agencies about UFOs in the past. We can understand that the ordinary man or woman who sees a highly unusual cloud pattern or a very peculiar light in the sky might imagine quite as sure it is a space ship. But we are not quite as sure about the unexplained sightings made by more experienced highly trained observers. A recent Soviet magazine article describes several of these 'reliable' observations, including one made by three Latvian astronomers using binoculars and a telescope,

The editorial concludes, "We do not know yet whether CU's study of UFOs is a boondoggle, a boon or something inbetween. The project will have to stand or fall on its accomplishments. We do regret that Dr. Condon is unable or unwilling now to answer LOOK's charge in detail. But we suggest everyone wait for the project report before passing judgement.

We are waiting.

Robert T. Hays, of 7431 Hazebreast, Hazel-wood, Mo., and two other occupants of a C-118 on a training mission out of Stockton, Calif., saw a UFO the night of April 2nd, this year. Mr. Hays, then the plane Commander and now an engineer at the McDonnell Douglas Corp. in St. Louis, made the report to the UFO Study Group of Greater St. Louis. It was a clear night with a few broken clouds and no moon. The object appeared as a source of bright, white light about 60 miles out of Stockton and was judged to be about 20 miles distant. It appeared to rise and fall twice after complete stops, then disappeared after a rapid descent

on a 30 degree angle.

CDR Hayes, LCDR H. O. Engh and L.P. Rudolph ADRC Engineer all observed the object, their attention being drawn to it because of its excessive speed as compared to observed aircraft velocities over years of flying experience.

PUBLIC FEARS OUTER SPACE LIFE

Arthur C. Clarke, author of many books related to space travel says the search for extraterrestial life "is what the exploration of space is really all about and this is why so many people are afraid of it."

"It may be just as well that there are no contemporary higher civilizations in our immediate vincinity," Clarke states. "The cultural shock of direct contact might be too great for us to survive it." (KANSAS CITY TIMES, June 29).

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The time is from 2 pm, until dusk, and the meal will be at 3 o'clock. Paper plates cups and knives, forks, and spoons will be furnished.

Walt Andrus, of Quicny, Ill., and cochairman of the Illinois Section, will give an informal talk, including his corn personal UFO experience. Others will be invited to tell of a personal viewing.

John says, "It's for the whole family, so come on out and let's have some fun."

He would like some idea of how many to expect, so drop him a line at P.O. Box 9, 0'Fallon, Mo.,63366.

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"When something is reported anywhere the local amateur station would call in on the net and the net control would send the tome to alert the entire area. Once the area of the contact was established amateurs in the are toward which the UFO was headed could

alert their police and any others interested If scientific teams are ever available they would have a warning and might be able to intercept the UFO's."

As Mr. Green points out, "One single amateur, provding leadership at this time, might do more for the human race than a president or a king."

In the May issue of 73 MAGAZINE, Mr. Green reports in his article "The UFO Net" that a great deal of interest has been reported, and he would like to hear from radio operators situated around the middle of the country who have very good signals and who have the interest and time available to help establish nets on the three major bands. He suggests "we get together at 6000GMT and discuss organization and plans."

He reports the UFO net has been discussed with the University of Colorado UFO investigation project of the Air Force and mutual cooperation has been assured. NICAP is also interested in the project and promises cooperation. The net is also tied in with the 24-hour a day reporting system set up by Franklin Pierce College in Rindge, N.H.

Mr. Green is kept busy at 73 but promises to call in from W2NSD/1 as often as possible You may write him at 73 MAGAZINE.

SKYLOOK would like very much to get further reports on this project and will be glad to copperate in providing any helpful publicity. We are grateful to John Schuessler of O'Fallon, for calling these articles to our attention.

TULSA GROUP HEARS OF NEW BOOK

The Oklahoma Chapter of APRO met June 12 at the Central Library in Tulsa with about 30 members present.

Robert Loftin was the speaker for the evening and reviewed his new book "Identified Flying Saucers" which, he says, is a complete survey of the flying saucer sightings in the US and abroad that have been recorded since 1860 to the present."

THAI OFFICER SEES STRANGE LIGHT The ARKANSAS GAZETTE May 30th ca

The ARKANSAS GAZETTE, May 30th, carried a story out of Bangkok, Thailand, Navy Lt. Kriangvud Ratanavarin, back from training aruise in the Gulf of Thailand, reported seeing a strange light in the Gulf. He said in a letter to the Bangkok POST that the light was a quivering, luminous form 20 feet from his vessel and disappeared after five minutes.

UFO MAGAZINI

Rick and Janie Hilborg, of Cleveland, Ohio, edit UFO MAGAZINE, a quarterly publication of UFO sightings editorial comment, and advertising. One of the staff writes an article in the ufology field and the editor's "Around and About the Saucer World" reviews some of the most interesting sightings of the quarter. The price is \$2.00 for the four issues, and you may write to the Hilbergs at P.O. Box 2708 Cleveland, Ohio 44111.

NEWS STAND REVIEW

SEARCH MAGAZINE--July--"Saucers from the Earth" by Ray Palmer. (Interesting concept, but Mr. Palmer hasn't looked at the photographs of our earth which were taken by various spacecraft. -- John Schuessler) ...

SCIENCE & MECHANICS -- August -- PartII "Ithaca's Terrifying Flying Saucer Epidemic" by Lloyd Mallan.

POLICE GAZETTE--August--"Found: Flying Saucer Base in Outer Space" by Harvey Wilson. (A lot of speculation based on very little fact .-- John Schuessler).

THE ALLENDE LETTERS -- Award special by Brad Steiger and Joan Whritenour, price \$1.00. Articles, pictures and photographs re UFO's by twelve writers.

NATIONAL ENQUIRER -- July 14-- "Flying Saucer Freezes Pond Near Seattle" More details on story SKYLOOK ran in April issue. July 21 -- "Pittsburgh Scientists Set Up Saucer Alert."

UFOs OVER AMERICA -- Signet paperback by the Lorenzens. Price 75ϕ .

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ASTRONAUTICS & AERONAUTICS--JULY--"Pass Me another UFO, Please!" letter by S. Fred Singer of the U.S. Dept. of Interior.

SAGA--August--"Saucers Panic Major Airlines" by Brad Steiger and Joan Whritenour.

LIFE ON MARS?

Last month we ran a story on the possibility of life on Mars, and here's an interesting note from SAUCER SCOOP (6464 34th Ave. N. St. Petersburg, Fla.) "The Russains are predicting that the first man to land on Mars will probabaly land on a cactus plant!! DA! They compared 'spectrophotometric analysis' of cactus growing the cold areas of earth and

compared it with dark areas of Mars. They concluded that these dark areas are covered ith cactus-like vegetation."

CAPRO

The Canadian Aerial Phenomena Research Organization invites all those interested in a serious approach to the UFO phenomenon to join Canada's larges civilian UFO study group. CAPRO is the Canadian affiliate of APRO, Tucson, Ariz. and concentrates primarily on Canadian sightings. Membership fee of \$4.00 per annum provides a years subscription to the CAPRO bulletin, our monthly publication. Write - CAPRO, P.O. Box 1316, Winnipeg , Manitoba, Canada.

UFO ORGANIZATION AT ITS BEST

Those interested in the study and investigation of unidentified flying objects and sishing to join or organize a group of serious investigators would do well to read Engineer Involvement in UFO Investigations." in the May issue of AMERICAN ENGINEER.

Space does not permit the reprint of the entire article in SKYLOOK but we are glad to inform our readers that reprints of the article are available from the AMERICAN ENGINEER office, 2029 K. St., N.W. Washington D.C. 20006. Price 50¢.

Raymond E. Fowler, Project Administrative Engineer at the Sylvania Minuteman Program Office, author of the article, is chairman of the NICAP Massachusetts Investigating Committee and just a few of the technical titles or fields represented by other members are:chief lecturer in astronomy; logistics coordinator, Minuteman Ground Electrical System Repair and Recycle Program; Engineering design specialist; aeronautical engineer; training director, missile tracking; project administration, Satellite Communications Program; and others.

Their primary function "is that of data gathering by local investigation unit comprised of people with scientific, technical or special training who are willing to use their time and talents in conducting field investigations of UFO sightings * * * obtaining of firsthand signed reports from witnesses through the use of specially prepared UFO report questionnaires based upon government forms; obtaining character evaluations; checking possible natural or man-made explanations and preliminary evaluation of physical or photographic evidence obtained. After an investigation, a complete typewritten report is prepared and submitted with (Continued on Page Five)

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Signed questionnaires, maps, skecthes, etc.. to NICAP, the USAF, and the government sponsered University of Colorado UFO Project for research purposes."

Details on organization and investigation proceedures follow and could serve as a model for any like group.

Results of their work have contributed a great deal in the field of ufology. Their report on the classical Exeter, N.H. UFO sighting was voted into the Congressional Record by the House Armed Services Committee during the first open congressional hearing on UFO's on April 5, 1966. This is just one example.

Mr. Fowler is now conducting a complete statistical analysis of the NICAP subcommittee UFO reports on file from 1964 onwards in a search for consistent characteristics and patterns. An analysis for 1967 recently completed has 84 pages of charts, graphs, maps and overlays which reflect statistics on UFO configurations; behaviors; side effects; sighting locale; weather conditions; sighting proximity to power lines; power stations, and areas of technical interest and report evaluations.

This group has a purpose and a plan and SKYLOOK humbly offers a respectful salute.

"RED HOT POKER" OVER ENGLAND!!!!!!!

Lucius Farish, of Plummerville, Ark., sends an interesting clipping from an English newspaper, "THE EVENING NEWS & CHRONICLE", August 28, 1967.

Wartime anti-aircraft gunner and trained aircraft spotter Mr. Larry Goldstone, age 57, of Wilton Road, Crumpsall, Manchester, never saw or hearch an "aircraft" like this one before.

"I heard a sound like an electric train just after 3 am yesterday," he said, "and I looked through the window."

"There was what looked like a fluorescent light six foot long about 800 feet up almost over my home. Part of it was like a red poker. It disappeared after about 10 sece onds."

One of a team of people investigating unidentified flying objects in the area said today; "There have been reports of objects like red hot pokers from other parts of the country."

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BCBO I BOWS OUT TO ZOND 4

THE KANSAS CITY TIMES, July 4, 1968. About 8:45 pm (Kansas City time) March 3 a woman in indiana looked out a window in time to see a procession of fiery objects fly past in the sky.

"Two or three minutes later, "she reported to the United States Air Force the next day, "My cousin, my aunt and my uncle came running into the house and yelling and trying to tell me about the UFO they saw."

"It was about tree-top level and was "seer very, very clearly and was just a few yards away. All of the observers saw a long jetairplane-looking vehicle without any wings. It was on fire both in front and behind. Al observers also saw many windows in the UFO."

A woman reported seeing a craft with square windows and a seemingly riveted metal fuselage. The total absence of sound terrified her because she believed the vehicle to be only 1,000 feet overhead.

What she and other witnesses actually saw appears to have been the re-entry into the atmosphere of the booster rocket or other launching components, of Zond \$, a space probe launched from the Soviet Union the day before. A study of Air Force files in Ohio has shown it to be one of the most thoroughly documented -- and revealing -- UFO episodes t date. End of Quote.

Editor's comment: At the time these and other sightings were reported during March and April, they were said to be Edho I's reentry. See article "It wasn't Echo I" in June Skylook. With Echo I still in orbit the Air Force has come up with Zond 4. Should further investigation prove Zond 4 to still be in orbit, no doubt the Air Force has another answer ready.

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UFO NEAR GREEN BAY

This is an older report, but of unusual interest. Ed Batz of Green Bay, Wisc. gave a good description of a UFO he say the night of Dec. 21, 1967.

Mr. Batz was outside his home and facing north when he saw the object which he judged to be about 100 ft. above the ground and moving toward the northeast. He described it as being disc-shaped and about 10 or 12 feet in diameter with three solid white tubes or streams out of the top. He judged the tubes to be about 12 inches wide and 8 or 10 feet in length.

It was a clear night with strong whods out gf the northwest about 20 miles per hour. The time was 8:40. There was no sound from the object which was yellow or orange in color and remained in view about 25 to 35 seconds.

Mr. Batz telephoned the police and radio stations, and his was the only report made as far as he could determine. Two weeks later he heard of another witness to the sighting-a woman decorating a Christmas tree at her living room window.

The report was made to John Schuessler.

RECTANGULAR UFO

An object seen over Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, the evening of April 24th, this year, was described as being rectangular in shape, about 25 to 30 feet long. It appeared over the Hudson's Bay retail store in downtown Winnipeg between 6 and 6:30 pm, was in sight for about one minute, then moved south with the apparent speed of a jet. Credit: CAPRO, Canadian Aerial Phenomena Research Organization, P.O. Box 1316, Winnipeg 1, Manitoba, Canada.

MYSTERIOUS METAL IN SCHOOL ROOF Clay Center Kas.--School officials said

vesterday they would ask authorities at Fortes Air Force base, Topeka, to identify a mysterious metal object which pierced the roof of Clay County community high school here

A leaky roof at the school during a recent rainstorm led to the discovery of the piece of metal. It had pierced paper, gravel and concrete in the roof.--KANSAS CITY TIMES, July 19th.

SEEKS WITNESS OF 1913 UFO

Phil Anderson, of 1422 Park Avenue, Lensing, Michigan, wants to hear from anyone who saw a UFO over Lansing during the summer of 1913.

He is seeking information for his friend Lloyd Arnold, a consulting engineer, of Denver, Colo., who is writing a book on UFO's. Arnold and his parents saw the UFO when they were living on N. Pennsylvania Ave. in Lansing. The parents are now deceased.

UFO IN NEW JERSEY

On the night of April 13, this year, Mrs. Marion Burdick and William Keokosky of 31 Lincoln Ave., Highland Park, N.J., went outdoors to watch the eclipse of the moon and saw more than they had expected. Standing outside the apartment house at 11:15 pm, they saw an object glide in a northeastern direction across the sky from the southwest. It looked "like a yellow or orange-ish white base with a superstructure mounted on top of it," Keokosky said.--Credit SAUCERSCOOP.

A NEW EXCUSE

The ARKANSAS GAZETTE, of June 15, this year, reports James Huffman, 25, a barber, contending that he ran a red light and a stop sign at Denver because he was blinded by a flying saucer that hovered over his car, was fined \$30 by a judge who said he didn't believe him.—Contributed by Lou Farish.

ANOTHER HOLE IN THE ICE.

April 5, 1968. Malung Sweden. A mysterious hole appeared in the ice of a lade near Malung. The hole is described a 600 square meters in size and appeared quite suddenly. The ice where the hole occurred was 90 centimeters thick and did not appear to have melted normally. Col. Curt Hermannsson, who investigated the case, told newsmen that it was impossible for an aircraft to have crashed in the lake. The hole is still unexplained. Credit--UFO SKYWATCH and B.U.F.O.C., Bruges, Belgium.