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FOREWORD

To some readers THE SAUCERIAN REVIEW may appear as the former THE SAUCERIAN in new expanded book form. That is what we have set forth to create.

For more than a year we have been trying to determine how best flying saucer information should be presented to the public. We tried to publish all of this information in a quarterly magazine, THE SAUCERIAN, but were faced with two great problems.

First, how to get such an elaborate publication out four times each year, in the face of our lack of time due to expanding interests in business activities, and, Second, how to bring saucer news before the public while it is still "hot."

One objective of THE SAUCERIAN was to present all of the important saucer news in complete form. Such a publication would be valuable to future researchers, who would be able to locate all of the important saucer events by going through the file of the publication.

In publishing THE SAUCERIAN REVIEW we have solved part of our problem. We are able to present, in one book-length publication, all of the important saucerinformation of one entire year.

We have also solved our second problem. Knowing the necessity for a quick way of getting saucer news before our readers we have changed THE SAUCERIAN into a first class mail news bulletin service. This bulletin, which will be rushed to subscribers in sealed envelopes, will be issued whenever we have news considered worthy of sending out in such form. This will enable us to issue a publication often, as readers prefer, rather than very irregularly, as was done with THE SAUCERIAN.

This new service will be titled THE SAUCERIAN BULLETIN, and will be of no greater cost to subscribers than the former publication. Single copies will be sold for 35¢, and a six-issue subscription for $2.00. Subscriptions to THE SAUCERIAN have simply been transferred to this new publication, and subscribers are receiving THE SAUCERIAN BULLETIN instead of THE SAUCERIAN. Those reading this book who wish to subscribe to the BULLETIN may do so, and SAUCERIAN headquarters welcomes hearing from you.

In effecting these changes we are not killing off THE SAUCERIAN as far as format is concerned, for in preparing this REVIEW we have endeavored to preserve the format of THE SAUCERIAN wherever possible. We believe that former readers of THE SAUCERIAN will be most pleased with our new plans after reading this book.

In this book the "Saucernews"section, for example, has been greatly expanded, to make room for a report on the entire year of 1955. Still sandwiched in with the strictly saucer items are those other bits of information, concerning oddities and what not, that so many readers so dearly love.

By going to book form we have been able to bring you a complete comment on the Project Bluebook Report, along with a verbatim listing of the "twelve best sightings," and pictures direct from Air Force files. We have also been able to bring you an extensive article by George Adamski, and a great number of illustrations throughout the book.

Publishing in book form gives us a feeling of adequate space, room to expand important material into the full coverage it deserves, without worry about "skimping" to save pages.

We hope you enjoy THE SAUCERIAN REVIEW as much as we have enjoyed editing it for you. We hope it becomes an annual event looked forward

to both by our readers and the editors. This is really up to you. If you like it, or dislike it, how about writing us and telling us just how you feel?

This seems as good a place as any in the REVIEW to make an announcement we have been withholding for some time.

The time has now come to release this information.

My own book, to be published in hard cover form, will be out on April 20, 1956. Many have written, asking us what sort of "secret information" we were witholding. Evidently they got wind of this new book, which, at this writing, is in final stages of production, and which will bring out into the open the amazing story of how certain investigators, after doing considerable work on the saucer mystery, have suddenly been visited by persons who have advised them to stop certain avenues of saucer research, or to stop research entirely.

The most unusual and difficult angle of these vititations is the fact that the visitors do not seem to be representatives of our Government. They also seem to be terrestrials. Also most interesting is the fact that when such an investigator is visited, whoever tells the person to shut up does so in such a manner or imparts such terrifying information that the victim is scared almost out of his wits.

At last we were able to bring all of this information together into a manuscript that could rip the veil of secrecy from the entire saucer mystery. Quite frankly, I had intended to publish some of this information in THE SAUCERIAN, but was afraid it might be too hot to handle, might raise too big a stink. All of it should be presented at one time, I felt, and after that nothing could be done about it. After many consultations with a publisher who felt, as I did, that the information should be made public knowledge, we decided it was high time the American public be let in on the entire story.

The book will also include a complete account of the famous West Virginia "monster" case, which served as the main article in the very first issue of THE SAUCERIAN published. That first issue is, of course, now a collector's item, and we have been deluged for copies of it. Naturally it was sold out almost as soon as it was published, for there were only 200 copies printed of that first issue. Readers who have wanted a complete story of the "monster" case will no doubt be interested to know it will be in the book.

Getting our heads together, my publisher and I hit upon a title for the book which I believe sums up the contents as no other title could. It will be called THEY KNEW TOO MUCH ABOUT FLYING SAUCERS, and will be published by University Books, 404 Fourth Avenue, New York 16, N. Y. The price will be $3.50.

If you want one of the first copies to come off the press, send your $3.50 remittance to SAUCERIAN headquarters, Box 2228, Clarksburg, W. Va., and we will see that your order is taken care of just as soon as the ink is dry. If you prefer you can tell us to ship C.O.D. and we will rush you one of the first copies.

We do not believe The Powers That Be can stop the publication of this book at this late stage. We believe they will be afraid to, after considering how they bungled the IFSB "shush-up." But if that should occur, and we do not expect it, it will be needless to say that your money will be refunded, and we are making this statement just to be on the safe side.

Publication of this information represents a dream I have had for some time. I sincerely believe it is the most interesting bit of saucer literature I have ever had the pleasure to write. But let me assure you of one thing at this time: regardless of whatever success the book may enjoy the first thing in my heart will always be THE SAUCERIAN and the wonderful people that made it possible.

Gray Barker

SAUCERNEWS

A SAUCEREVIEW OF 1955

The year 1955 had been an interesting one for saucers.

True, it was apparent the reports had fallen off in number, but some saucerenthusiasts credited the paucity of disk reports to a rumored censorship. The press, they said, wasn't permitted to print saucernews, though it was obvious that if a censorship was actually in effect it was on a wire service level. For although a great number of saucer sightings were appearing in the local papers, somehow such stories were not sent over the wire services, such as the AP and the UP, in any numbers.

But another reason was perhaps better. Mars had not been close in 1955. In 1954, when the planet was in favorable apposition, the world had seen a peak year for saucer reports.

But Mars was approaching again, and in late summer, 1956, would be at its closest approach for many years. If the saucers were indeed originating from Mars, or using the Red Planet as a way station, Earth could look out. It would be the last big year for the saucerians for a long time.

But if the Martians were observing the Earthians, the big eyes of telescopes all over the world would be zealously peering at the Martians. By the use of a newly-developed device still under "hush-hush" wraps called an "electronic screen intensifier," the power of present telescopes would be increased many fold, and this device, along with the radio-telescope, would probe into the universe to seek out more of its secrets.

The National Geographic Magazine, which had sent Dr. E. C. Slipher to Bloemfontein, South Africa, to study Mars in 1954, finally released some of the findings of The Mars Committee. The planet was alive, all right, for a vast new blue-green area, believed to be living vegetation, had been discovered on its surface. The huge area, almost the size of Texas, represented "the greatest change in Martian geography since the planet was first mapped 125 years ago. The remarkable transformation indicates that the division between the Martian desert and the dark areas is not necessarily fixed or permanent. One may change to the other at any time.

"It helps support the conclusion that Mars is not a dead world, that the darkening is due to the growth of plant life."

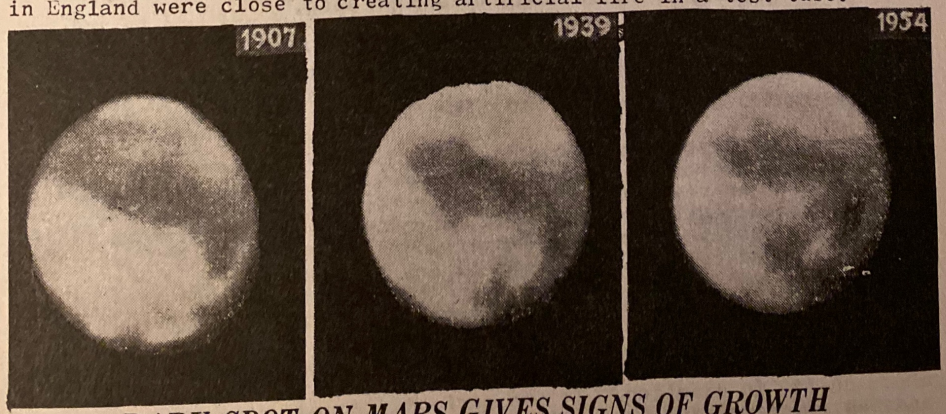
But whether intelligent life existed on Mars was still an unanswered riddle, though the presence of canals, now at last admitted by astronomers, might indicate that an intelligence was operating on the planet and had built the huge watercourses. The astronomers did not claim to see the actual canals, which, likely, would be quite narrow in comparison with visible landmarks. They felt the images they saw likely were areas of vegetation, or possibly even civilized areas, along the canals.

For those with their eyes trained on space, the announcement that the U.S. Government would launch artificial satellites, though unmanned and the approximate size of basketballs, came as proof that the age of interplanetary flight was indeed dawning.

SAUCERIAN editors realized it was impossible to report all that was happening in the field of saucers in one publication. Though they had fallen off, there had still been hundreds of sightings. Although some of them could be explained on less spectacular grounds, surely a great many of the objects seen represented that puzzling phenomena the world was still trying to figure out--the UFO's.

The saucers were continuing to stir up a great deal of controversy. Air Chief Marshall Lord Dowding said, in England, he still was convinced saucers came from space, and also in that country quite a stir was raised by a cabinet official who told a U.S. columnist that little men had been found in a crashed saucer. General Douglas MacArthur forecast interplanetary war, and Russia went on the air to assure citizens of that nation there were nothing to the rash of saucereports.

Maybe it had nothing to do with flying saucers, but garden hoses suddenly began burrowing into the ground during mid-summer. Scientists in England were close to creating artificial life in a test tube.



DARK SPOT ON MARS GIVES SIGNS OF GROWTH

These photos show an expanding dark area on the planet Mars, and Dr. E. C. Slipher, of the Lowell Observatory in Flagstaff, Ariz., thinks it may be vegetation. The dark area covering 300,000 square miles is shown at the lower center of the picture taken in 1954 by the Lowell Observatory-National Geographic Society expedition to South Africa. It was barely visible in a picture taken in 1907 and only slightly larger in a 1939 photo. The 1907 and 1939 pictures were taken by Dr. Slipher—AP Wirephoto.

Already chemists had been able to get very near to "manufacturing" a living cell similar to algae.

A flying saucer frightened native night shift workers at the Sabi gold mine, near Shabani, South Africa, so thoroughly they cried "God has come!" quit work and huddled together in an engine room.

Throughout the world people seemed more interested in religion. In New Britain, Conn., police arrested a man who claimed he was Jesus Christ and was handing out $20.00 bills. He wore a crown of thorns, a loincloth, and had a train of followers. Seeking out a law by which to arrest the man officials finally unearthed one which forbids persons to claim to be a deity.

Elsewhere ministers were wondering how they might incorporate the saucerians into their pantheons and Britain was arguing about a long word: antidisestablishmentarianism. In Seattle, Washington, inmates of the King County Jail asked for an injunction against various religious groups which came regularly to the jail and noisily held services while the prisoners wanted to do other things. "You just can't hear yourself think," complained one prisoner, and another testified, "If you tried to talk they'd just play the music and sing louder and shake their fists through the bars at you."

As Japanese ushered in 1956, their "Year of the Monkey," a temple parapet wall collapsed in Tokyo, killing 123 people.

It probably had nothing to do with religion, but it was almost as odd as flying saucers: A Whitesburg, Ky. man, at the age of 92, became a father for the 19th time. An odd thing also happened in Bowdle, S.D. A nine-year-old girl and her pony were carried half a mile through the air by a tornado, then set down again with only minor injuries. On the Danham-to-Uxbridge Road, England, six car windshields were mysteriously shattered, though the widespread windshield damage of the previous summer did not reoccur.

England was troubled with meteorites that strangely did not behave like meteorites, and in New Mexico Dr. Lincoln Lapaz was still chasing the mysterious green fireballs. The Air Ministry in Britain investigated a boomerang-shaped object that flew across Lasham RAF Airfield, Hampshire, in July, during the National Gliding Championships. Hundreds of people saw a strange drifting object over Melbourne, Australia, described it in a number of ways, ranging from "a cone" to "a disk with knobs on it." Some said the knobs hung below the disk like landing gear, or "like balls on a pawn shop."

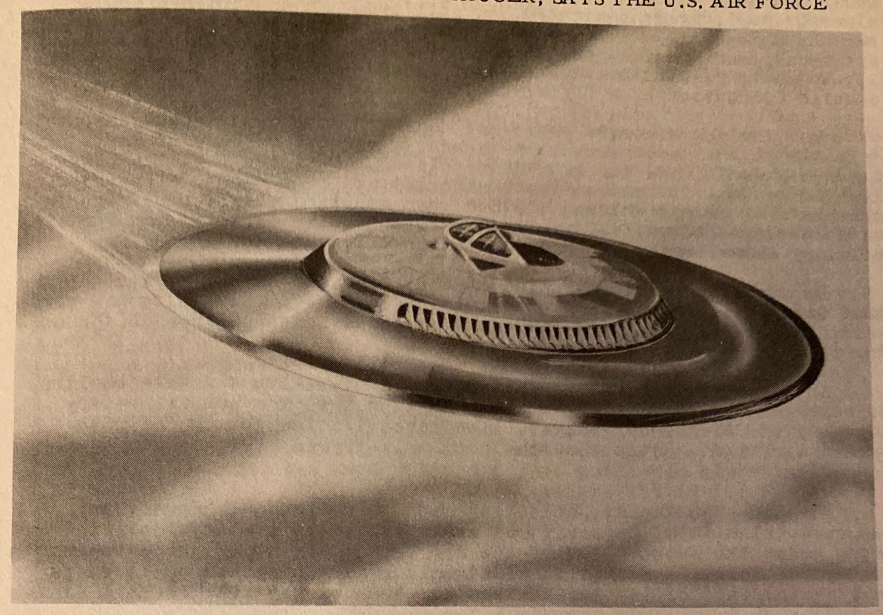
Six silver saucers hovered over the heads of hundreds of panicking townspeople of Steyr, Austria, for 15 minutes and then disappeared in three different directions, leaving what witnesses described as "reddish condensation trails."

A silver cigar-shaped object streaked under the nose of an aircraft as it approached London Airport in the spring. "It was long and slim, and seemed to be revolving as it flashed past at terrific speed," according to Radio Officer J. Almeida, who saw the thing from the flight deck of a Portugese Airlines Skymaster. "It seemed only 100 yards away," he added. The airliner was flying at 5,000 ft.

In July a saucer hovered over a motorboat in the Santa Catalina Channel off California, it was reported, somewhat oddly according to saucerskeptics, by a man named George Washington. Both Washington and his wife observed the object through field glasses, estimated it was about 50 ft. in diameter. It was perfectly round, gray-white in color and was spinning rapidly on its own axis with fumes spurting out from each side. He was of the opinion it surely could not have been a weather balloonnor the Planet Venus. After hovering over Washington's boat for about six minutes it suddenly shot rapidly upward and disappeared in a cloud bank.

Perhaps the oddest saucer of the year was reported by a Canadian

IF YOU SEE THIS IT ISN'T A FLYING SAUCER, SAYS THE U.S. AIR FORCE



Artist's sketch of a jet aircraft under development by the U.S. Air Force was released by the Pentagon to give the public an idea of how new vertical-rising planes would appear in the near future. The typical reaction of the man on the street was to believe this was what he'd been seeing since 1947 -- an attitude not discouraged by the A.F. --(Official Air Force Photo)

farmer, whose name was not available. He said he saw a gleaming silvery object in the sky that appeared to have two projecting handles with what looked like a clock in each handle. The farmer said it moved slowly, then disappeared after a brilliant flash of light appeared on each "handle," as if the object were taking flash pictures.

But it was the U.S. Air Force that was responsible for one of the biggest saucernewstories of the year.

Earth Made Saucers And Project Blue Book

To the man on the street saucers had at first been the bunk, then had become interplanetary.

The public, which liked, whenever possible, to have their thinking done for them, or picked up the first inference that came easily, snapped up Air Secretary Donald A. Quarles' statement like a hot cake. A few of them then dropped it like a hot potato.

At last the man on the street had been let in, he thought, on the secret of the saucers. He knew what they were and could forget about them.

The saucers were secret new aircraft the Government had invented.

Quarles said that new planes of radical design were in the works.

"We are now entering a period of aviation technology in which aircraft of unusual configuration and flight characteristics will begin to appear."

Certain planes in development would rise vertically, though they

would use jets instead of propellors, as an earlier vertical-rising aircraft publicly demonstrated had utilized. Then Quarles dropped another bombshell. The Air Force had taken over the "flying saucer" previously under development by Avro Ltd., of Canada and that project likely would result in a disk-shaped aircraft "somewhat similar to the popular conception of a flying saucer."

But the new aircraft would not do the "impossible maneuvers" attributed to the saucers over the years, a careful reading of Dept. of Defense News Release No. 1053-55 disclosed. They would be the direct-line descendants of conventional aircraft and should not be regarded as supernatural or mysterious. "Other than reducing runway requirements we do not expect vertical-rising aircraft to have more outstanding military characteristics than conventional types."

By a curiously typical kind of logic the man on the street decided that was what everyone had been seeing since 1947. One thing was certain, there were no flying saucers from outer space, Keyhoe to the contrary.

Anti-saucer Quarles had delivered the news with a double whallop. He released the results of an investigation into the saucer mystery begun by the Air Force in 1947. The investigation showed that "No evidence of the existence of the popularly-termed 'flying saucers' was found."

The 316-page Report, bristling with charts and diagrams, was based, Quarles said, on study and analysis by a private scientific group under the supervision of the Air Technical Intelligence Center at Dayton, Ohio. Massive IBM electronic brains had been employed to analyze the information fed to them on thousands of punched data cards.

Statistics And Double Talk

After they evaluated the reports they found that 74% of the more than 4,000 sightings investigated were found to represent explainable phenomena, such as balloons, aircraft, astronomical and "other." Seventeen percent could not be edentified because of insufficient information, and only 9% were left in the Unknown catergory, which might conceivably represent foreign aircraft or spaceships from another world.

Quarles felt sure that as improved methods of evaluation were developed the even small percentage of Unknowns could be further reduced.

But pro-saucerers who took the trouble to examine the text of the Report (Copies were not mailed out to the public, but could be examined at public information offices throughout the country) were puzzled. If the Air Force had merely made the report public to quash general belief in interplanetary saucers, they had surely gone to a lot of trouble to do so. For the Report was a tremendous thing which obviously had required thousands of man hours. On the surface it seemed to represent the result of an honest inquiry.

But underneath the statistical jargon of the voluminous Report the careful reader could detect double talk. The statistical methods used were accurate enough, but why were the investigators seemingly trying to manipulate the results away from the space conclusion? That tendency was obvious enough, and seemed to engender mistrust of the otherwise apparent honestness of the Report.

Why had the conclusions been worded to let the Air Force out of the hole should the saucers be proven interplanetary at some later date? The Report did not definitely banish interplanetary saucers in its Conclusions.

But the public would take it that way, and newspaper headlines the country over screamed the flying saucer mystery had been solved. Some papers even fell for the false logic that odd-shaped Air Force planes had been responsible for the saucer sightings throughout the years. That obviously was what Quarles wanted people to believe, though it hardly jibed with his statement. He said the new planes were only

ARE YOU MORONIC?

DURABLE SAUCERS

That flying saucers will be in and out of the news for years seems to be the conviction of a resident of Clarksburg, W. Va., Gray Barker by name. He is publishing a magazine named "The Saucerian," which seems to have as its purpose promotion of the belief that flying saucers are real.

A 48-page issue of the magazine is replete with news, rumors, reports, opinions and other aspects of flying saucer theory. The magazine contains elaborations of aspects of flying saucers of which many persons were in complete ignorance. Here is some of the "news" contained in its pages, which would be a sensation in daily newspapers if they were more enterprising:

That the U. S. Air Force has a flying saucer at the Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, that little men have gotten off saucers at various points in Europe and engaged in encounters with the natives, going so far as to offer two Portuguese peasants a ride, and a man at White Sands Proving Ground has ridden a saucer from New Mexico to New York and back.

There's more along the same line, including a claim that the Air Force has admitted not only the existence of flying saucers, but also that the United States has saucer-like craft in the skies.

Of the appearance of new magazines there is no end, but few persons had expected to see a house organ for flying saucers, its pages filled with a rehash of all the asinine rumors that have made their appearance in the last several years, generally originating among the more moronic of the populace.

If you are reading this publication, you're moronic, according to the Middletown, N. Y. Times Herald, from which this clipping is reproduced. Why did a great many independent newspapers reproduce this same copy, almost word for word?

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under development, that the first vertical rising jet plane had not yet been tested, but would be within a few days.

How did the Air Force expect that to explain the sightings over the years, even back into antiquity? That was easy. They would throw this bit of information to the public and the public would fabricate the rest in its own mind.

The man on the street did just that. And he settled back into his every day scheme of things, not even looking up to see jet planes still chasing UFO's.

Maj. Donald E. Keyhoe, retired Marine flier who had just published his third book on saucers titled THE FLYING SAUCER CONSPIRACY, offered a private explanation of the Report. He had information, he told some confidentially, that the Air Force had planned to release the Report much earlier, around the announced publication date of his new book. But his book had been held up for addition of some new information. The day the final manuscript entered the offices of his publisher, Henry Holt and Company, the Air Force had released the Report, obviously, he felt, in a move to quash the public belief in his pro-saucer book.

But in a lecture to members of the Civilian Saucer Intelligence, a saucer investigative agency in New York City (138 W. 92nd St., N.Y.C. 25), Keyhoe publicly quarled with Quarles.

If the flying saucers people had been seeing represented U.S. devices, why, he asked, were we continuing to spend money on ordinary jet planes, which would be obsolete if we had machines that would perform like the objects sighted by thousands of people? And if U.S. devices, that would mean the U.S., with our saucers, had been violating the sovereignty of most other countries, because the things had been seen over most areas of the Earth since 1944.

excellent statement

If the saucers represented radical new aircraft undergoing tests, why were they being flown over heavily populated areas, even our largest cities, and in crowded airlanes, on collision courses with commercial aircraft? Why did Air Force bases continue to scramble jets on intercept missions and often actually fire on UFO's? Could the new devices be responsible for saucer sightings reported since the dawn of recorded history?

It seemed the Air Force would be unable to answer Keyhoe. They would only shrug and remark that since his books came out every two years, it was the books and not the biannual approaches of Mars that were responsible for the increases in sightings at two-year intervals. Surprisingly, the books had coincided with Martian approaches.

The Avro Saucer

According to newspaper reports, in December, 1954, the Canadian Government abandoned its project whereby it was financing Avro Ltd., a Canadian aircraft factory, which was building a saucer-shaped aircraft.

A statement in the London Daily Telegraph of Dec. 3, 1954, quoted C. D. Howe, Canadian Minister of Defense Production as saying, "They took it beyond the drawing board stage but it never left the ground. Nearly 34 million pounds (around a hundred million dollars--Ed.) was spent on development and experimental work, but we decided it was not suitable to our purposes."

Later Howe changed his statement, said he had been misquoted. What he had aimed to say, he declared, "was that the project would have cost 100 million dollars (eventually), if carried through." He said the Government had actually spent only about four to five million dollars, added that the Canadian "saucer" was "oval-shaped with exhaust pipes, not unlike some of the drawings we have seen in magazines and newspapers (See drawing on this page)."

Quarles didn't state the Air Force had taken over the Avro project from the Canadian Government, but that obviously had been done. In August Howe believed it was quite possible the U. S. had assumed the cost of research on the so-called flying saucer, said Avro was free to make any deal it saw fit regarding the new plane.

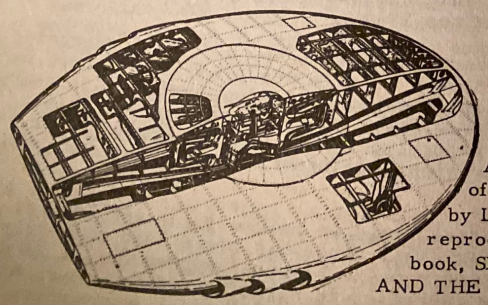
The Air Force released a picture which "could illustrate" what a new aircraft under development could look like, and noted it was an artist's impression, though they did not state it was an accurate representation. It was doubtful it was accurate because any new aircraft, particularly of such a radical type, would involve the strictest of security.

Gravity And Secret Projects

The French, possibly to get residents over the saucer scare of the previous summer (See SAUCERIAN Jan. & Spring '55), were getting into the Secret Weapons act. The latest addition to flying saucer aircraft was the French Aerodyne, unveiled in Paris by designer Rene Couzinet. Almost 27 ft. in diameter, it had upper and lower circular sections which would revolve in opposite directions, when powered by three 135-horsepower engines, admittedly not yet installed. No one took it very seriously.

But behind the scenes in the U.S. something big was coming off, probably almost as big as interplanetary saucers, if there were such things.

For some reason the news didn't leak out in the U.S. itself, at least to the newspapers. Maybe the newspapers could not print it if they did know about it. But the London Daily Express took a brief crack at the big story on August 29. We quote, and read the following news story TWICE:



An impression of the Avro saucer, by Leonard G. Cramp, reproduced from his book, SPACE, GRAVITY AND THE FLYING SAUCER

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"More than a dozen European scientists are signed up by the Glenn L. Martin Company of Baltimore to help crack 'the new frontiers.'

"The experts will work on problems of space travel and a method of circumventing gravity."

SAUCERIAN editors kept a close eye on U.S. papers for a confirming story. Finally the New York Herald Tribune broke with a three-day series on the problems of overcoming gravity (Nov. 20-22,'55). The editors went over the series with a fine tooth comb. It mentioned the Glenn L. Martin Company, but nothing about the secret project. George S. Trimble, described as "a brilliant young scientist" who was head of the new advanced design division of the firm, did give the paper's military and aviation editor, Ansel E. Talbert, an interesting statement, however:

"I think we could do the job (build an aircraft working on anti-gravitational principles) in about the time that it actually required to build the first atom bomb if enough trained scientific brain-power simultaneously began thinking about and working toward a solution.

"I know that if Washington decides it will be vital to our national survival to go where we want and to do what we want without having to worry about gravity, we'd find the answer rapidly."

What the engineer didn't say was that the U.S. may have already had the answer or was awfully close to it.

Grover Loening, in aircraft engineering since the day of the

DIG THIS!

Washington, Thursday. -- Col. George Peterson, of the Detroit arsenal, is engaged on a project whereby every army vehicle will be tuned to a central nuclear power plant to pick up atomic power through the air. --- London Evening News, April 28, 1956.

day of the Wright Brothers, told editor Talbert:

"I firmly believe that before long man will acquire the ability to build an electromagnetic contra-gravity mechanism that works. Much the same line of reasoning that enabled scientists to split up atomic structures also will enable them to learn the nature of gravitational attraction and ways to counter it."

A statement in the same series by Eugene M. Gluhareff, president of Gluhareff Helicopter and Airplane Corp. of Manhattan Beach, Calif., tended to confirm a lead THE SAUCERIAN had received in 1954 from a California investigator.

Scientists and heads of certain industries had been invited, under rigid security, to the Hotel Statler in New York for a secret meeting, the code name for which was "Aircraft Engine Power." But they weren't invited there to discuss anything so common as jet planes. It involved a fantastic new source of power, utilizing neutronic energy of a highly advanced nature, which could be expelled from an aircraft to give it rocket-like thrust. It was hinted the secret had been learned from taking apart an interplanetary saucer.

The report had been almost too fantastic to believe and THE SAUCERIAN hadn't attempted to follow it up, feeling, also, that if it involved security it would be none of our business.

Gluhareff had been, according to editor Talbert, responsible for several successful advanced designs of less amazing "terrestrial" aircraft.

But his amazing statement was that he envisioned the electric power obtained from atomic generators operating electronic reactors could drive a ship, probably at fantastic speeds. He spoke of propulsion effected by the acceleration of electrons to a very high speed and then expelling them like gases from a jet. The stream of electrons would not create radioactivity in the atmosphere, stated Gluhareff, seeming to have evolved a surprising number of details about what he suggested was only a theoretical aircraft engine.

The series continued to quote scientists and officials of various aircraft firms who thought anti-gravity aircraft would be possible in the future.

If such knowledge had actually been obtained already, perhaps from captured saucers, there would be some rather startling reasons why the Government would want to keep the thing under wraps, and probably go to a lot of trouble printing 316-page reports to cover it up.

For one thing, it would represent vital military information, giving the U.S. an insurmountable military advantage over her potential enemies -- if enemy nations were not able to obtain the plans as they had in the case of the A-bomb.

But the Government would have perhaps an even better reason for witholding the secrets of interplanetary saucers. If they had indeed captured some disks, their drive principles likely would involve anti-gravity principles. The power would likely be a very inexpensive one, a source of power that would overnight make obsolete the great coal and fuel oil industries. Making the benefits of the cheap source of power available to the public immediately would wreck the fuel industries, and perhaps the electric power industries as well, and possibly the entire national economy.

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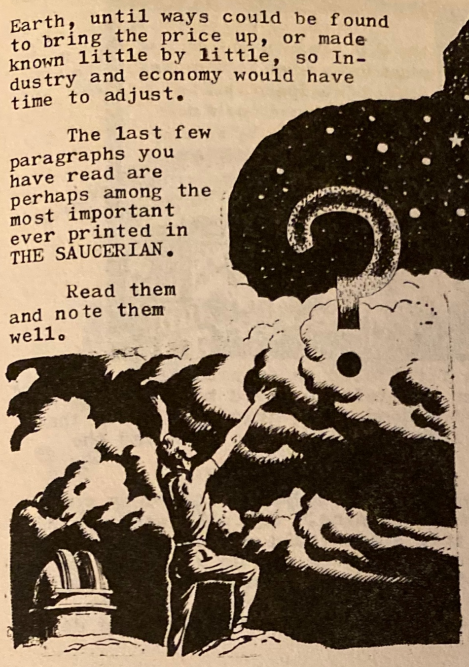

Reaching For The Stars

The White House officially opened the dawn of the era of space travel when President Eisenhower announced on July 29 that by 1957 the U.S. would launch a number of artificial satellites, probably six or 10, into the heavens and send them spiralling around the Earth in temporary orbits.

That would be America's contribution to the 1957-1958 International Geophysical year, a period in which the nations of the world were planning to work together to increase man's knowledge of the planet he lives on and the universe he inhabits.

The U.S. Navy will be general manager of the project, the White House said, though the Navy will work with the Army and the Air Force. Contracts had already been let to develop and manufacture the three-stage rockets that would send the satellites, to be about the size of basketballs, hurtling into space.

Rockets will take the small unmaned satellites to a height of 200 - 300 miles where the fuel supply will become exhausted, after having enabled the satellites to have reached a speed of 18,000 miles per hour, or five miles a second. Such a speed will place the satellites in an orbit around the Earth, and they will girdle the globe once every 90 minutes. The orbits likely will be over the North and South Poles so that they can be observed from a single observatory twice daily. The speed attained before the fuel gives out will not be sufficient to put the satellites into permanent orbits, however, for they will still encounter the tenuous atmosphere existing at even that relatively great distance from the Earth. Because even the tenuous atmosphere will produce some friction, the satellites will gradually slow down and thus lose their orbits, approaching nearer and nearer the Earth. Terrestrials worrying about satellites falling upon them when they come back down to Earth need not do so, according to the scientists working on the project. As the objects fall back into denser atmosphere intense friction will soon cause them to burn up, the citizenry was assured. Just how long the satellites can orbit without coming down was uncertain; some top scientists believed they might be able to remain aloft for months instead of the weeks originally estimated.

What practical use would the satellites provide? A great deal, scientists said. Through a telemetering broadcasting apparatus the satellites will send back coded signals from which scientists can determine more about the nature of cosmic rays, radioactivity from the Sun, the Earth's magnetic field, variations in atmospheric density, the eccentricities of the cloud layer and other facts of special interest to geophysicists, meterologists and astronomers. Previously rockets had been fired to heights but had remained there only for brief periods. Power from the Sun, activating a solar battery invented by the Bell Telephone Laboratories, will provide the electrical energy to send the radio signals back to Earth.

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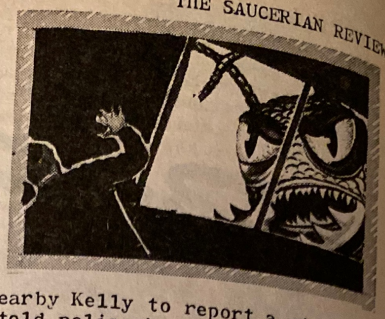

The night of August 21 was the same as almost any other August 21 in Hopkinsville, Ky. That is, until shortly before midnight.

Chief Greenwell was awakened by the telephone, a call from police headquarters, and thereby was plunged into the most bizarre investigations of his career. Two automobiles with terrified and excited people in them screamed around corners on two wheels, rushing to the station from nearby Kelly to report a strange battle. The spokesman for the group told police how an object resembling a flying saucer had landed in the field behind his home and 12 or 15 little men had emerged from the ship and advanced on a farmhouse in which they were living.

"We need help," one of the men said. "We've been fighting them for nearly four hours."

At the appeal for help more than a dozen state, county and city police officers rushed to the scene, including four military policemen who happened to be in the area. They arrived at the farmhouse about 12:30 a.m., but found no trace of the spacemen.

Slowly the witness told their frightened, faltering story.

The farmhouse was occupied by Cecil "Lucky" Sutton and his family, along with his mother, Mrs. Glennie Lankford. Some relatives were visiting the Suttons, I learned, along with a visitor from Pennsylvania, Billy Ray Taylor. I could not definitely establish just how many people were in the house at the time of the weird visitation.

Shoot At The Spacemen

The farmhouse is on the farm of Gaither McGehe, about eight miles from Hopkinsville, and is rented from McGehe. It is an old tenant-type structure that sets about a mile back off the highway. A long hall runs through the center of the house with screen doors at either end.

It was in this hallway that one of the men, about 7 p.m., saw the beginning of the outre adventure that would travel on news wires across the country. The man was standing at the end of the hallway, looking out the back screen door. Suddenly there was a hissing sound and he saw a brilliant light. Some bright object seemed to have landed in a field about a city block in distance away from the house.

Puzzled, he called to the others. When they came to look they saw three or four little men coming toward the house!

But they were not ordinary men, they could soon discern. According to some of the witnesses they were not walking, but "seemed to float" toward them. The creatures were about 3½ or 4 ft. tall, with huge eyes and hands, large pointed ears, and arms that hung almost to the ground. When asked about the clothing, the witnesses said the little men appeared to be "nickel plated."

They didn't wait to see what the little men were up to. Extremely frightened by that time, they ran for their guns. Sutton grabbed a shotgun, Taylor a .22 caliber target pistol.

While they waited apprehensively inside the house for the creatures to attack, Mrs. Lankford begged them not to shoot. The creatures had not harmed them nor made any hostile moves.

Then a face appeared at the window, and Sutton let go with his shotgun. The face disappeared, seemingly unharmed.

Thinking they had wounded the creature, the men decided to creep cautiously outside and investigate. Taylor walked down the hall and out the door. As he stepped under the low hanging roof Sutton yelled, "Look out! He's trying to get you!" -- and a huge hand reached down and grabbed a fistful of Taylor's hair!

Taylor managed to pull loose and dashed out into the back yard, Sutton right behind him. After that nobody seemed to know just what did happen. Evidently the men opened fire on the weird little creatures which were perched in the trees and on the house.

They made direct hits on the "invaders." But bullets seemed to have no effect. When knocked down by a blast of Sutton's shotgun the uninvited guests would pop right up again and disappear into the darkness.

Taylor told of knocking one of them off a barrel with his .22. He said he heard the bullet strike the creature, then whine as it ricocheted off! The little man tumbled to the ground, rolled like a ball, then floated off in the direction of the spaceship.

Taylor reportedly fired about four boxes of .22 shells. The battle went on for some time before the terrified occupants of the house saw their chance to escape to the cars and go for help.

Police Investigate

Rushing to the farm Chief Greenwell and the other officers could find no trace of the little men. If they had been there they obviously had fled.

There was a hole in the screen covering the window all right, and evidence to show it had been made from the inside. There was only one thing strange about the opening made by the shotgun blast. It was a square hole, about 1 or 1½ inches wide. When asked to account for the shape of the hole none of the family could explain it. A shotgun had been fired through the window screen they insisted, and that's all they knew.

Taylor took Chief Greenwell around to the back of the house to show him where the little man had fallen off the barrel. One thing was certain: the man was still frightened. He stood at the low fence which separated the back yard from the field and pointed to the barrel -- but refused to set foot into the field.

Chief Greenwell, along with the county sheriff and state troopers searched the area thoroughly, but drew a blank. They found no evidence in the field to indicate that anything had landed in the spot described. Even though the ground was excessively dry and dusty, no footprints, tracks, nor unusual markings were found. The painted tin roof showed no evidence of scratches.

Most of the officers were reluctant to express any opinions in regard to the reported invasion, but all seemed impressed with the evident fright and sincerity of the highly excited family. A check with neighbors disclosed that they "were not a drinking family," and no evidence of drinking was found around the place. All the witnesses told practically the same story, with only minor variations, depending on what part of the house they were in at the time of the happening.

"Something frightened those people," Chief Greenwell told me, and even though nothing was found to either prove or disprove their story, "There were a couple of things," he said, "you can take for what they are worth."

An officer in his department, a Sgt. Salter, reported seeing a glowing light in the woods. He investigated but found nothing.

A state trooper and his wife said they heard a loud "swishing" noise which "sounded like a meteor" as they drove up to the farmhouse, yet they saw nothing.

Chief Greenwell impressed me as being an intelligent man. He is a veteran police officer, and in his line of duty has faced many dangerous situations. But never under any circumstances, he told me, had he ever experienced the sense of uneasiness he could feel that night around the Sutton farmhouse.

He said the sensation was indescribable and he couldn't explain just how he had felt. "It was mighty uncomfortable," he said. Later he learned the other officers, despite all the people, the lights and confusion, had also felt this strangeness in the air, which one of them had described as "like being alone in a haunted house."

The investigators got quite a start, however, as one of the MPs was wandering around in the darkness. He happened to step on a cat's tail and it let out a yell that could be heard all over the place. The MP leaped into the air, and for a few seconds there was considerable activity and scurrying around by the more than 25 people present.

Finding nothing, the officers returned to town. The next morning Chief Grenwell went back to the farm to complete his investigation.

The Little Men Return

Upon his return the family told Chief Greenwell the little men had paid them a return visit around 3:30 a.m. Another shot had been fired through the window. Upon examination the screen proved to show another hole beside the first one. This, too, was made from the inside, but it was a jagged round hole.

He questioned Mrs. Lankford about the night's events. She upheld the story the menfolk had told.

"I only know what I saw. I saw two of the men, or maybe the same one twice. I saw one about 10:30, and the other one around 3:30 a.m. That time I watched the little man for more than a minute. I had gone to bed and saw him through the window."

She went on to say, "Seven out of the eight adults saw one or more of the little men. When seven people see something there must be something there."

Mrs. Lankford, according to Chief Greenwell, was "almost petrified with fright."

She told him her husband had worked the small tract of ground on which the house stood before his death, and that she had contemplated buying the house. "But after last night, I don't know," she stated.

Reportedly Air Force investigators from two nearby fields thoroughly covered the incident; however this was denied in one of the follow-up stories in the local paper, The New Era.

Newswire stories mentioned "glowing green men" and even "a terrible stench." These descriptive phrases were either borrowed from other "little men" stories and added by imaginative reporters, or the Sutton family had told the reporters more than they had told the investigating officers.

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Family Disappears

They couldn't, for by the time I arrived at Hopkinsville they had disappeared. Gone, bag and baggage -- less than 48 hours after the "invasion."

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Their disappearance could have been due to a number of reasons. For one thing, people came for miles around to the farmhouse, tramped over the grounds, took pictures of the house, inside and out, and collected souvenirs. Someone suggested the situation might be alleviated by posting a "50¢ admission" sign. But the people still came and they made it a dollar. Before they were through they had the price of taking pictures of the family up to $10.00. Some people may jump to the conclusion that was the whole idea of the thing, and that perhaps the family had only made up the story. Chief Greenwell didn't think so, however. Especially since they had moved out so soon, while people were still visiting the farm.

Maybe the story was a hoax, I thought, and had got out of hand; or maybe they just couldn't stand to stay around the place any longer after the terrifying night.

There is always Conclusion No. 4: The Air Force spirited them away to keep them from talking, or, No. 5: I guess it is always possible, though perhaps unlikely, the little men might have come back and taken them along with them that time.

I should have gone into their disappearance more deeply, for after thinking it over there is a distinct possibility that the police were protecting the family from curiosity seekers. They told me the farmhouse was empty, posted "No trespassing," the road closed or something like that. At the time I didn't question it at all. After I was too far away to go back and check for myself at the farm, I began to wonder about the alleged disappearance.

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The Hopkinsville affair was not the only report of flying saucers and little men to come out of the summer of 1955.

Leonard H. Stringfield, director of CRIFO and publisher of ORBIT, said he ascribed credibility to the Kentucky report since the description of the strange little creatures closely matched at that time unpublished accounts he had received about the same time.

A prominent business man of Loveland, Ohio (also described as a "non-drinker and a churchgoer"), saw four "strange little men about three ft. tall" under a bridge. He reported the bizarre affair to the police and an armed guard was reportedly placed there.

A similar event happened near Batavia, east of Cincinnati, according to Stringfield. Three people, who Stringfield described as "holding crucial positions in the city," were vacationing near Indianapolis when they saw some little men. The event was so terrifying and upsetting they interrupted their vacations and returned home.

Stringfield told the editor of THE SAUCERIAN the people were prominent school officials who did not dare tell their stories for fear of ridicule and possible loss of their positions. What had been so terrifying was the creatures' method of locomotion which involved a sort of bouncing movement.

The Hopkinsville incident broke after the events Stringfield described, and he was convinced none of the different parties knew each

other. The material in ORBIT had not yet been released.

A woman had been frightened by an ogreish encounter near Stockton, Ga., on July 2, ORBIT also announced. Mrs. Margaret Symmonds was driving to Florida. It was 3:30 a.m. and her husband was sleeping in the back seat. Suddenly she screamed, swerved the car to the side of the road when she saw four little men glowing green. She said their eyes were huge and piercing, their faces dark. They wore some strange-looking garments like a "cape" and were carrying rods that looked metallic in the reflection of the car's lights. "They did not move at first," she said, "but as the car approached, one moved one step backward."

Her husband was awakened by the swerving motion of the car, but by the time he was fully awake, they were past the area. He wanted her to turn around and drive back, but Mrs. Symmonds said she was too frightened. "They looked hideous," she said.

On August 25 four teenagers, who signed a sworn statement about their experience, told of their harrowing experience with a green man they discovered standing by some bushes. The car's lights had shown directly on the creature, and they all agreed that the little man was three or four ft. tall, had large, bright yellow eyes, with a dark face behind, and a sort of shimmering greenish body. It had a "claw-like hand" and wore odd clothing. One witness said the thing took three steps toward the car, but no one waited to see what it wanted. The driver of the car, Bill Wallace, 18, drove away in a state of terror. Police investigated, but could find no evidence. Wallace's mother, interviewed later by Stringfield, claimed her son had never been so frightened. He was shaking when he came home and locked all the doors.

Terror In South America

Prior to the sightings of the little men in the U.S. similar creatures had held a reign of terror in South America. But for the reporting of APRO (Aerial Phenomena Research Organization, 519 New York, Alamogordo, N.M.), headed by Coral E. Lorenzen, North Americans might not have known anything about the weird events. U. S. papers had run nothing on it, while south of the border the newswires crackled with the reports. It was hinted the U. S. Government had sent a group of scientists to South America to investigate, but if that rumor had been true, everything was "hush-hush."

The Spring, 1955, SAUCERIAN reported how Gustavo Gonzales and Jose Ponce, of Caracas, Venezuela, had a fight with a hairy little man who flew away in a saucer. Some time later a well-known doctor of Caracas told authorities he had witnessed the scuffle. He was invited to the United States to make a report to authorities, APRO reported.

Late 1954 brought news of even more encounters with mysterious hairy dwarves South Americans swore had arrived and departed in saucers.

In Carora, Venezuela, four little men, approximately 3 ft. tall, tried to kidnap Jesus Gomez, but were beaten off with the butt of a shotgun weilded by another boy, Lorenzo Flores. When Flores hit the creature with the gun butt, it, according to Flores, "seemed to have struck rock or something harder, as the gun broke into two pieces."

Jose Parra, an 18-year-old jockey of Valencia, Venezuela, was out running one day, trying to lose some extra poundage, when he encountered a disk-shaped contraption hovering about 10 ft. from the ground. Near the thing were six hairy little men, pulling rocks from the side of the highway and loading them aboard their saucer.

When he started to run for help one of the little men spotted him, turned some sort of paralysis ray on him. When the creature pointed the device at him, a violet light shot from it and the jockey was unable to move, though he remained conscious. Whereupon the little men leaped into their ship and flew away.

In San Carlos, Venezuela, Jesus Paz, a young man, was set upon by

hairy saucerians and as a result spent a night in a hospital.

Paz was driving home with two friends after having dinner at a restaurant at San Carlos when he asked the driver to stop the car for a minute, so that he could go behind some bushes and relieve himself.

Then his friends heard a terrible scream from Paz and rushed to the spot where he had gone behind the bushes. There lay Paz on the ground unconscious. Hearing a noise, they looked up just in time to see a hairy dwarf running toward a saucer-shaped object. The craft took off with a deafening buzzing noise. Paz was admitted to the hospital for shock, but also suffered from several long scratches, as if he had been clawed by a wild animal.

Are The Green Men Elementals?

The BSRA (Borderland Sciences Research Associates, 3524 Adams Ave., San Diego 16, Calif.) gave an opinion on the "little green men" in the Nov. 1, 1955, issue of CLIPS, QUOTES AND COMMENTS.

"The Green Men are also space beings, and hence construct and operate the Disks or 'Saucers' much as do the other space entities now visiting (the) earth. Yet they are more in the nature of elementals. They are mischievous but not malicious, inquisitive and imitative. They are related to the Space People in about the same sense that your earth elementals are related to humans."

Defining Earth elementals, the BSRA explained that these entities are not excarnate humans, nor do they belong to the order of human evolution.

"Elementals are conscious etherial entities, as invisible as ether. They are nature spirits of countless kinds, from unsubstantial thought forms down to invisible but atomic organisms. They are everywhere, in the fire, in the water, in the earth, in the sky; each class existing in its appropriate sphere, just as men are on earth. Some are very friendly to men, some are hostile ------ not by will but by natural character: men and they don't tune in together."

ABOUT "THEY KNEW TOO MUCH ABOUT FLYING SAUCERS"

"It is a monster that walks like a man, a creature from the blackest memory of your fears."

So does Gray Barker begin his book, THEY KNEW TOO MUCH ABOUT FLYING SAUCERS, with an on-the-spot account of the famed Flatwoods "monster" which landed in a spaceship and terrorized seven witnesses on a dark West Virginia hilltop.

What follows is even more amazing, for it is the inside story of the author's three-year investigation of the saucer mystery, when, fired by the enigma of the Flatwoods panic, he was convinced flying saucers were real and set out to find what they were and their origin.

The facts he reports are not always pleasant.

Barker becomes Chief Investigator for the International Flying Saucer Bureau of Bridgeport, Conn., the first world-wide civilian organization which investigated the enigma. The head of the organization suddenly finds the solution to the mystery, but before he can tell the world, three men in black suits visit him, shut down his organization and frighten him into silence.

The author is now able to tell the inside story after acquiring secret correspondence files from an Australian organization which was working with Bridgeport on a startling theory that might make public the location of a secret saucer operations base.

Other investigators are closed down after frightening visits, such as the man named Smallwood who possesses metal from a saucer, or an Australian investigator who becomes silent after finding the answer.

MOTIVE POWER OF THE UFO

-- By M. K. Jessup --
(Author of THE CASE FOR THE UFO)

The preparation of my book describing the scientific case for the UFO required a tremendous amount of reading and introspection. The Case for the UFO is scientifically sound, although still tenuous. Any speculation whatsoever about UFO's must be predicated on whether, in honest fact, the UFO does exist and a modicum of observations are valid as reported. In the present state of "saucer" affairs we cannot but accept their reality.

Once this premise is accepted, a great many conclusions become practically unavoidable. Such elements include the speeds and accelerations observed; the apparent existence of solid but invisible (to the eye) objects in the atmosphere; the ability of large objects to move through the air without overheating and without seeming to be distorted on their leading edge by air resistance. There are others, of course.

Probably the most basic consideration of all from the viewpoint of science and engineering is the question of motive power. Jets have been suggested, as have rockets. They have to be rejected forthwith because of the inability of carrying fuel and material for reactional ejection. Magnetic drives have been almost universally postulated, so let us consider them for a moment:

The Earth DOES have a very intense magnetic field--but it is restricted to the immediate neighborhood of the planet, and is variable and whimsical in its nature and erratically influenced by sun spot activity. Only magnetic and para-magnetic materials can react to the magnetic field, or at best another magnetic field set up by induction. To obtain a space drive from such a mechanism, the thrust must be picked up by the magnet or coil which is reacting with the magnetic field and mechanically transmitted to the craft, and, through the structure of the craft, to the people, animals, beings or entities enclosed in the craft and operating it.

Thus all of the terrific and unbelievable accelerations which have been repeatedly observed must be externally applied to such beings, carnate or not, as may be operating the "saucers." The fact that carnate beings cannot withstand external pressure and stresses of such magnitude has been used by the scientifically elite as a means of ridiculing the whole idea of the UFO. Granting the reality of the UFO, these observed facts do not negate the UFO, but merely demonstrate the impossibility of externally applied accelerations, due to any cause including jets, rockets or magnetic drives. If neither the structure of the craft nor the sinew of its pilot can withstand such stress--then actual observation demands another power source.

Science to the contrary notwithstanding, there is such a source. It is reaction to the gravitational field, which is universal, and, as compared to the magnetic field, it is relatively uniform and unfluctuating. While reaction to a magnetic field can be had only from magnetic and metallic materials, reaction to a gravitational field can be had directly from ALL materials having mass. Thus gravitational thrust can be applied to ALL the molecules of any carnate being or UFO structure simultaneously and so eliminate external pressure. No calculable amount of acceleration would then be felt by any being subjected to such a force, which would act uniformly through the interior of his body. Not only would there be no harmful results: there would not be ANY sensation of acceleration whatsoever wither to the craft or its operators.

The UFO is propelled by a "cheap" source of power, therefore: a reaction with the gravitational field, comparable to the reactions of the sails of an old fashioned sailing ship with the wind. It is high time we stopped spending the taxpayer's money for impractical rocket development, and invest in basic research to uncover the secret of gravitational drive which was known even to ante-deluvian civilizations

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Editor's note: The authenticity of George Adamski's claims of meeting a space man on a California desert in 1952 was denounced by James W. Moseley in his January, 1955, issue of NEXUS (Now SAUCER NEWS). Moseley also charged the photos used in Adamski's book, FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED, had been faked. The saucer editor's main witness was Jerrold Baker, who lived at Adamski's place on the slopes of Mt. Palomar prior to the incidents described in the book.

THE SAUCERIAN takes no sides in the controversy that subsequently arose, and is willing to print both sides of the question. In this spirit the editors have asked George Adamski and Alice K. Wells to write the articles printed hereunder.

According to NEXUS, Baker, and Karl Hunrath, a friend of his, saw, at Palomar Gardens, a framework which they felt could have been a skeleton for a saucer mock-up -- used as a model for the photographs appearing in Adamski's book. It was a wooden frame in a circular shape with strips of copper strung in circles around it. Along with his article Adamski presents a photograph showing what the framework really was. He also comments further upon a most interesting personage, Karl Hunrath, who made his exit from saucer investigation in November, 1953, in a dramatic manner.

George Adamski claims he met this space man from Venus in 1952 on a California desert.

Hunrath and a friend, Wilbur J. Wilkinson, rented a plane to go and look for a saucer of which they claimed to know the whereabouts. After they took off no trace of the plane or the two men was ever found, and it was rumored they had been kidnaped by the saucerpeople. To this date the two have never publicly showed up.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

-- By Alice K. Wells --

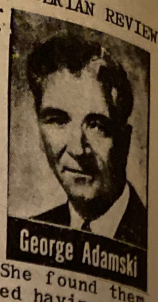
I am Alice K. Wells, former owner of Palomar Gardens, and since my name has been mentioned in Jerrold Baker's report regarding Mr. Adamski's experiences, I believe it is my duty to state the truth.

My heart is heavy from the sight of ignorance which is rampant today. Small minds, uninformed, causing confusion in the minds of sincere people. Such is the case of the big "expose" by Baker and Moseley. They profess to be for truth, but their distortion of truth and their lack of actual knowledge of facts about our visitations from space is a great tragedy. Their statements serve only to defeat the whole cause of truth.

But perhaps it is to their material gain to do so. They must have a hidden reason. Youth, in its own mind, often has an exaggerated opinion of its personal importance, and many times injures itself and others through a desire for self-aggrandizement.

Jerrold Baker's secretarial

knowledge was not enough to permit him to aid Mr. Adamski in answering correspondence. And as for chauffeuring, he was permitted to drive on occasions, for he enjoyed doing so.



Due to the desire of Baker and Karl Hunrath to conduct unethical and unpatriotic experiments at Palomar Gardens, they were asked to leave. A Federal offense was committed by them upon their departure by picking up the Palomar Gardens mail at the postoffice and driving on toward Los Angeles with it. When the postal delivery man reported this act to us, Mr. Adamski's secretary, Mrs. Lucy McGinnis, got into our car and started out after them to get the mail from them. She found them in Escondito, and when she demanded the mail, they denied having it. She insisted upon having it given to her and finally a portion was handed over to her.

Hunrath called the sheriff in an attempt to have Mrs. McGinnis arrested for disturbing the peace. But when the Sheriff arrived and heard the story, he asked her if she wished to prefer charges against these men for a Federal offense of interfering with the normal delivery of mail.

Mrs. McGinnis said no, not as long as she now had the mail.

The officer then asked if she was sure that all the mail had been given to her, or if she would like to have the car searched. Whereupon one of the men returned to the car behind which the group had been standing, picked up another letter addressed to Mr. Adamski and handed it to her.

How can one account for any mind that uses revenge instead of gratitude in payment for months of free room, board and laundry?

Mr. Moseley gained entre to Mr. Adamski by a false letter of introduction stating that he was gathering information for an author who wished to write about Flying Saucers. He said he personally was not interested. The interview lasted for a whole day. His questions and attitude were so impertinent that I almost asked him to leave my place of business. But Mr. Adamski is a very patient man!

Enroute to Palomar Gardens Mr. Moseley visited Mr. Detwiler, the photographer who had the finishing work on Mr. Adamski's space craft photographs, to question him about these photos. Since Moseley stated he was on his way up to see Mr. Adamski, Mr. Detwiler asked him to take with him for delivery at the gardens two boxes of envelopes, 500 in each box. But Moseley did not deliver them as he promised. And when he got to Los Angeles he surely must have found them and could have sent them directly from there. Instead, it was weeks later when he finally sent them by mail from Fort Lee, New Jersey, while all this time Mr. Adamski was waiting for the envelopes which were especially ordered in size for mailing his photos. It was so long that Mr. Detwiler was ready to replace them.

Did Moseley think there was something in those envelopes that prompted him to take them all the way to the East coast to examine them before mailing them back? I would like to know what Mr. Moseley's game really is!

Mr. Baker commits an act with legal mail -- Mr. Moseley commits almost the same act on empty envelopes trusted to him for delivery.

Why?

And let me correct another statement of Mr. Moseley's. The people who read Flying Saucer books are very intelligent people -- not gullible. The gullible ones are those who subscribe to his kind of publications in their search for truth. But bona fide reporters investigate their material before publishing their articles.

Did Moseley investigate Baker's story? And who is paying Moseley for all of this? Surely Moseley does not have such money to travel all over the country as he did, judging from his appearance at Palomar Gardens! I ask this question because Mr. Adamski has definite information as to what group is fighting the truth of the Saucers.

So I wonder if by chance Mr. Moseley and Mr. Baker are agents of this group, serving the purpose of concealing this truth from the public; creating, instead, confusion in the minds of sincere seekers.

This knowledge would be interesting and it might reveal much.

MR. MOSELEY AND THE SILENCE GROUP

-- By --

GEORGE ADAMSKI

I have just returned from a trip to the eastern part of the United States. The trip turned out to be remarkable so far as clearing up many misconceptions which the people have regarding flying saucers is concerned.

Every day was filled with lectures and interviews, and I was quite tired upon reaching home, but it was worth it! For when we can clear the air of confusion and hold this thing down to Earth where it belongs by presenting the case to the people in a manner easily understood, the results well reward the efforts one puts forth.

I have found the public as a whole is taking more interest in flying saucers than a year ago. With the growing interest, there is also an increasing desire for honest facts.

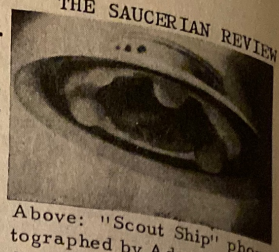
James Moseley and others like him seem to be having little effect, for the people are beginning to learn that theirs is axe-grinding rather than truth-giving.

While I was in Washington, D. C., last year I learned that the Silence Group which is opposing the truth about flying saucers would like to see some kind of mystical religion spring up. Then they could say, "Didn't we tell you it was all mysticism, with the purpose of building up this religion, and there is no foundation of reality to it as we told you before?" In other words, they could then use this excuse to pigeon hole the entire subject of saucers. And I do know definitely that the men who came with the motive of hushing me up were not space men. They were Earth men, born in this world and of this world.

It is odd that this Silence Group does not bother anyone who is in the occult or psychic field. Such people can say what they want to say and have no one threatening or silencing them, as is done to them with concrete information.

John Pitt, in NEXUS, has even tried to distort my experience by referring to my former group in which I served as instructor on philosophy. The name of this organization was The Royal Order of Tibet, just as he said. But the order did not adhere to the teachings of mysticism as he implied. The lessons I gave in lecture form and many of them were broadcast over radio stations in Long Beach and Beverly Hills. I believe that if it were important, copies of these broadcasts could be obtained from the stations. These lessons consisted of purely philosophical talks on the laws of life from a universal concept which every person should know. But Ignorance leads toward distortion, a truth plainly visible in the writings of John Pitt.

Judging from my mail, Catholics, Protestants, Jews, Orientals, all religions and people from all walks of life are interested in and are supporting the thesis of space visitations from the physical, mechanical point of view, while few of them would be interested if it were thrown into the mysterious.



Above: "Scout Ship" photographed by Adamski at Palomar Gardens in 1952. Below left: "Mother Ship" releasing saucers, also photographed by the author.

This is the factor the Silence Group knows to exist and fears. When the people of the world begin thinking in accord on such a subject, the foundations of the money changers begin to weaken. When people's eyes are turned upward, searching the skies for friendly space visitors, and their minds filled with longing for peace and happiness on Earth, it becomes difficult to fill their minds with hatred for their fellow men, wherein war finds a fertile field. And youthful minds filled with challenging thoughts of space travel are not easily diverted toward the rather questionable honor awaiting in bloody battlefields. Is this one of the things the financers see and fear? I think it is!

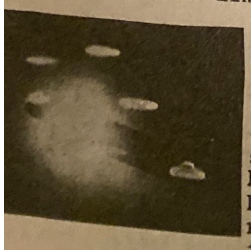
It is because they fear the event which might bring peace and understanding amon men of Earth, whereas war has become a financial investment that pays well for certain investors. Reports of my personal contacts are being discussed by innumerable people of many languages and throughout the world.

This knowledge of interplanetary visitors who are friendly to Earth people, and who themselves have learned to live in peace with one another seems to have given new hope to many who have lost hope, and a new purpose to life for untold numbers. It is this which those who control the purse strings of the world fear. Acceptance of the reality of interplanetary visitors would have far-reaching effects upon the present-day economic system on Earth. Everybody would be affected in some way, but the favored few would be affected in a far greater degree. I believe they see this and are fighting it with everything they have, and at the same time endeavoring to remain conspiciously absent from the scene.

Visited By Three Men

Shortly after the publication of FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED I was visited by three men, two of which I had met previously, but the third as a stranger. It was he who took the role of authority and direly threatened me, demanding certain papers I had, for one thing. Some of these I gave him, and was promised their return, but this promise was never kept. Since I did not exactly understand to what he had reference, I did not give him some of my important papers. There is no need denying that I was frightened. Before they left I was told to stop talking or they would come after me, lock me up and throw the key away.

With these personal experiences to serve as a foundation, I believe that Wall Street might be the central faction behind all the batting to keep the phenomenon of interplanetary visitation in the field of the occult, and combatting those of us who know and announce that the space people are physical beings, travelling in mechanical space craft. They would like nothing better than to have this whole thing thrown into the field of the psychic, called a cult, and discredited in the minds of sincere people throughout the world.



I still say, and I hope I am wrong, but indications seem to show that James Moseley and some others are tools in the hands of this group. For it takes money to do what they are doing. FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED sold well, but I have received comparatively little from it. I cannot travel on my own and do the things they do,

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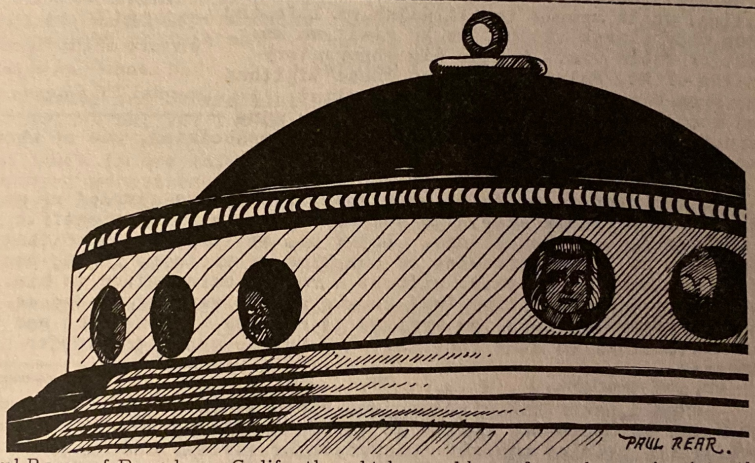
without sponsorship. So, in the case of Moseley and the others, who is paying? Of course some may be working themselves right into the hands of this Group, without knowing it, but surely some are fully aware of the whole picture, but know where their meal tickets are coming from.

Of course it could also be true -- for I am sure that we on Earth here are not the poorest in the Universe -- that there could be some influence of this sort coming from space. But so far as I am concerned -- and I receive mail from all parts of the world -- no evidence is showing up that could be interpreted to the effect that space men are trying to hush up people on this Earth.

If any hostile situation appears, as in some places it has, it seems to be a case of fear on the part of the Earthlings. For once in a state of fear, people can see almost anything, or can conceive almost anything. So I have not the slightest evidence that such has taken place, although there seems to be plenty of evidence that the powers of this world have their hands in it.



Paul Rear, of Pasadena, Calif., thought he could see faces by gazing intently at the portholes of the saucer in one of Adamski's photograph. Rear's drawing above, printed in the Spring, 1955, SAUCERIAN, elicited much comment from readers, many of whom said they also saw the faces. Adamski comments on the faces below.

I was quite surprised to find the drawing showing faces peering from the portholes of the flying saucer I photographed at Palomar Gardens which appeared in THE SAUCERIAN.

I have heard the story that faces can be seen, upon examining the portholes in the photograph very carefully, since my book was first published. But try as I might, I have always failed to find those faces. However, I did get a passing glimpse of my friend's face as he dropped the message through the porthole to me. It is amazing how many faces can be seen there, according to reports, but upon later inquiry I was told by the space people that there was only the normal crew for that craft present, two people in it, the time they came over Palomar Gardens on December 13, 1953. Isn't it amazing what imagination can do for a person?

Karl Hunrath

I now wish to discuss Karl Hunrath and Jerrold Baker, who were used as witnesses against the authenticity of my story and photographs in Moseley's January, 1955, issue of NEXUS.

I believe, incidentally, that Jerrold Baker knows where Hunrath is -- and that does not include another planet. According to rumors that have persisted since his disappearance, Hunrath might be in Mexico, not far from the border. My reason for thinking Baker knows of his whereabouts is that about two years ago Baker and another man came up to see me one evening at Palomar Gardens. During the conversation which ensued Baker showed me an ad cut from a newspaper which stated that anyone wishing to contact Hunrath should write to a certain post office box number. I neglected to obtain the name and date of the paper, however, for at the time I wasn't interested.

Baker and Hunrath thought this was a frame-word for a model saucer Adamski had photographed. The author presents this picture of the object they had seen -- an experimental TV antenna.

My knowledge of Hunrath goes back several years. When FATE magazine carried an article about my efforts to photograph space craft, along with some of my earlier photographs, I received mail from all over the nation, while people in all walks of life and from many places stopped in to visit me as part of their visit to the big observatory on top of Mt. Palomar. One of these visitors was from Wisconsin. He was a scientist and upon his return home, discussed the conversation he had with me with two of his associates, one of whom was Karl Hunrath.

Later Hunrath wrote to me personally, and we carried on quite an extensive correspondence. He seemed to have a fine scientific mind, and I enjoyed our correspondence. Later his letters developed that he seemed to be having troubles of one kind or another, losing one job after another, as he said, without a reason being given to him. Then I received a letter stating that he was on his way out to see me, and late in December, 1952, he arrived at Palomar Gardens, bag and baggage, with intentions to stay indefinitely, but no money to pay for his expenses.

Jerrold Baker had also arrived under similar circumstances, late one night in December, 1952. He was still there, behaving as one of the family, helping himself to everything, freely and in abundance, but without money to pay for anything.

Hunrath's Strange Machine

A day or two after Hunrath had arrived he revealed to me that he had constructed a magnetic machine which he said would produce all the electricity we could use at Palomar Gardens (At that time we did not have outside electrical service, depended upon our own small power plant.). He said he had left this machine in storage back in his home town, but would have it shipped to California. He would bury the machine in the side of the mountain where it could not be found easily. My curiosity and suspicions were instantly alerted, but not quickly satisfied. It took much careful questioning on my part to learn what I was seeking.

Finally, during a casual conversation on the subject, Hunrath volunteered that HIS MACHINE WOULD NOT ONLY ATTRACT THE SAUCERS, BUT WOULD BRING THEM DOWN!

Immediately it dawned on me that if it could bring down the saucers, it might be able to do the same to our planes, and many of them fly over Palomar daily. Asked about this point, Hunrath admitted that it might also bring down planes, and this is where I balked, telling him that in such a case we would be responsible for the lives lost.

To this he replied, "WHO CARES? WE WANT THE SAUCERS!"

I then forbade his bringing the machine to Palomar Gardens. That, of course, started the trouble which Baker is now carrying on. Up until then everything was fine, but when I told Hunrath that he would have to move without further delay, Baker went with him. Yet within the hour before their leaving, Hunrath ordered me off my own property, adjoining Palomar Gardens, and for a few moments I thought he might attempt force to accomplish his order. Then he seemed to gain control of himself and left without further trouble, although Alice K. Wells has written an account of further events that took place before their leaving (See preceding article -- G.B.).

I considered Hunrath's conduct unethical and his proposal unpatriotic, so I informed the FBI. These Government representatives agreed with my opinions, thanked me for calling them in. They took precautions that no physical retaliations would come to any of us at Palomar Gardens. Unfortunately they had no control over other avenues Baker would use in his attempt to damage me.

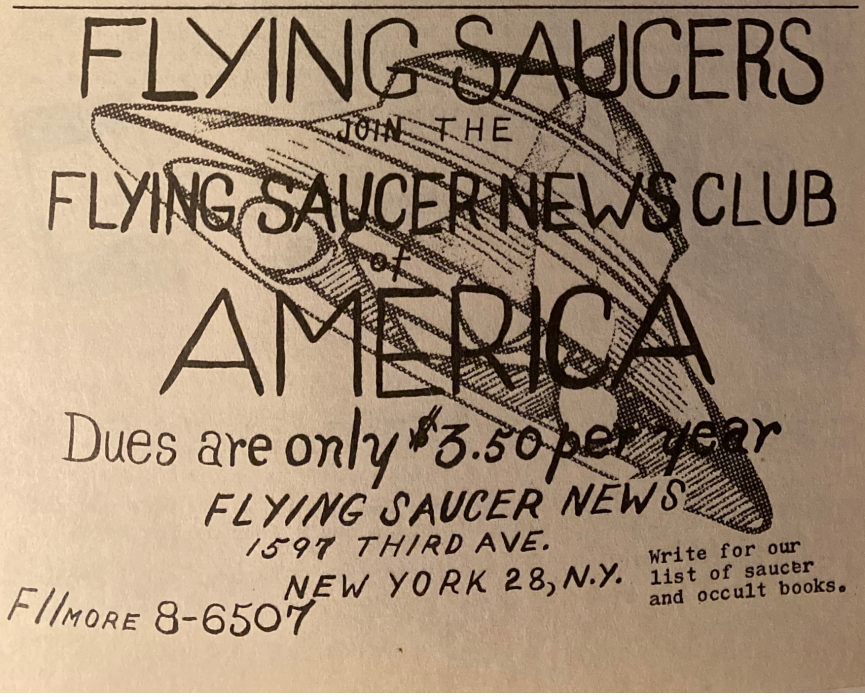
Rumor has it that when Wilkinson came from Wisconsin to California he brought Hunrath's machine with him. I have never tried to verify this, but it was shortly after their arrival in California that Hunrath and Wilkinson disappeared. If they are indeed across the border, they could have the machine there with them. I have been promised more information on this matter, but so far it hasnot been forthcoming.

A Warning

If Moseley and others like him continue to use Baker in their attacks against me, let the barrage come. I am not afraid!

But there is one thing they may not be expecting. If necessary I shall protect my statements through court. I have already discussed this subject with legal advisers, so they will either have to put up or shut up. I am ready to put the flying saucer case in the hands of the law, and I AM NOT JOKING! If the courts are necessary to clear the air, then that is where it is going!

Meanwhile I shall still raise my small and perhaps inconsequental voice in an attempt to acquaint the peoples of the world with the true mission of the space people.



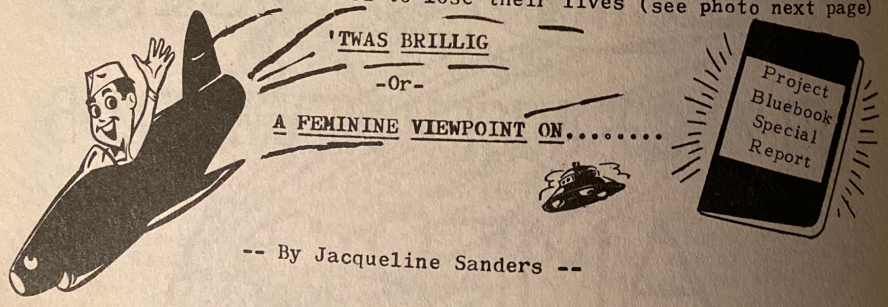
EDITOR'S NOTE: When Jacqueline Sanders, Eastern Editor, told us she wanted to do the report on the Project Blue Book Special Report from "a woman's viewpoint," we told her she was crazy. After all, we felt the document required the cold analysis of a statistician. What we needed, we told her, was for someone to simplify the report, boil it down to brass tacks and arrive at analytical conclusions. "If you print it that way, no one will read it," she told us.

After reading both the Special Report and Sander's analysis we're glad we let her go ahead. The Special Report is not written in simple language, nor is it obviously meant to be easily understood. After subjecting the thing to long analysis it can only be decided that the Report was deliberately written so it might be interpreted in a number of ways. With a curiously-effective kind of apparent illogic which on second glance turns out to be much more logical than the Report itself, Sanders takes us on a painless trip through the Document, shaking it out here and there where it needs some air.

For as zealously as the saucerenthusiasts had often thrown out and disregarded data that was not pro-saucer, so it seemed the AF was militating against the disks. In reading the Report the analyst cannot help receiving the impression that those who prepared it set out, at the very beginning, to DISPROVE saucers and stacked their statistics accordingly. Such a preconcieved opinion or desire for certain statistical results does not represent a scientific attitude, even though recognized statistical procedures are used.

Let us also state here and now that if Sander's analysis sounds, here and there, as if she is kidding the Air Force, no disrespect is intended and we hope it is received in the same spirit of good fun in which it was partly written. For the AF is an organization of brave men, ready to defend us and the country we love from the ever-present menace of enemy attack, whether by Russia ------ or from SOMEWHERE ELSE. It is only the stuffy sophistry of the Report she demonstrates to be slightly ridiculous.

Regardless of the little digs we take here and there, we also respect the Report for the tremendous work that went into the task of preparing it. And perhaps the form it takes represents the only manner in which such a document could have been prepared, considering the highly volatile and difficult subject of flying saucers. Perhaps it was the only way it could be handled by an Air Force sitting on one of the puzzling problems of our age, a mystery perhaps the AF itself had not yet solved. But it seemed odd that the Special Report should pose such a calm demeanor in the face of mounting evidence for saucers, while American boys continued to lose their lives (see photo next page)

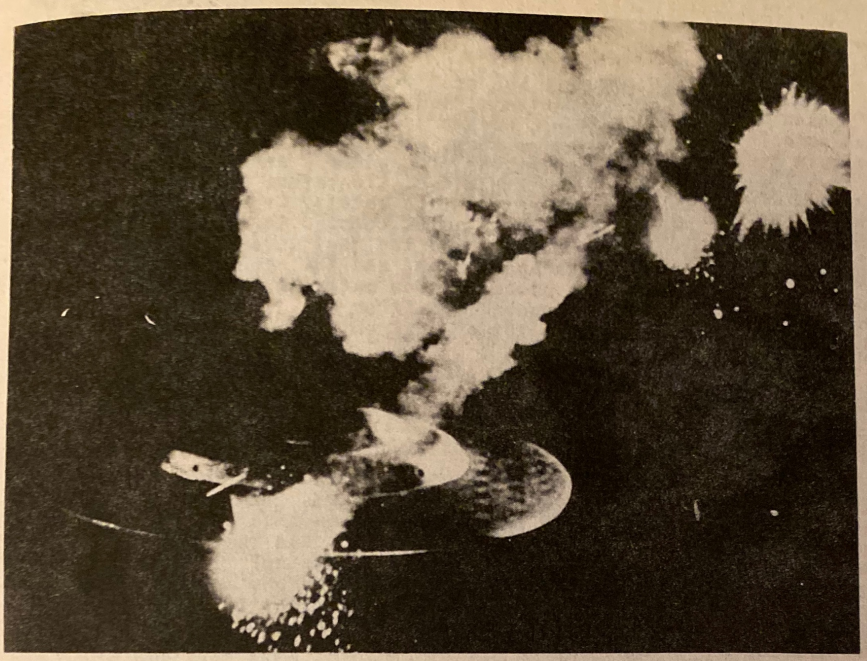


-- By Jacqueline Sanders --

I felt nervous as I entered the Pentagon. I was also afraid of getting lost. It's a big place, you know. Finally I found it -- The Public Information Office.

My assignment? Project Blue Book Special Report. That sounded exciting, though I suppose any old person could look at The Book.

"The prohibitive cost of reproducing the 316-page report makes



it impossible to fill requests for the complete document," the Air Force wrote, form letter fashion, to everyone writing in for a copy of the book, containing the report of Project Blue Book's investigation into flying saucers, or, as they preferred to call them, "Unidentified Flying Objects," up to 1952.

Whatever it said, the AF wasn't letting it out of their sight. You could look at it all you pleased in an AF office, but you weren't taking it out. Why, I wondered, would they not let the books out? Many saucer researchers and interested individuals would have been glad to pay the cost of producing copies had they been made available. Maybe they felt that no one in his right mind would have the patience to sit down and copy it. If it were let out of the office and someone who knew statistics got hold of it and analyzed it, they might punch it so full of holes the AF would forget the words to "The Wild Blue Yonder."

"This book is pretty technical," warned Lt. R. C. White as he handed me a copy. Funny. He handled it like it was eggs. Made me afraid I might accidentally soil it or tear it. The copy looked brand spanking new.

I sat down at a desk and opened it.

Before me was a 316-page looseleaf-type book, about 1½ inches thick. A paper stapled on the front read:

SUPPLEMENTAL INSTRUCTIONS TO ACCOMPANY PROJECT BLUE BOOK SPECIAL REPORT #14. The attached Special Report #14....analysis of reports of Unidentified Aerial Objects....is forwarded as a matter for official use only Airforce reg. 202-2, UFO report dated 12 August 1954, specifies that any release to the public concerning this subject will be by Hq. USAF.

Gosh, I hope I'm quoting this word-for-word. I may not be throughout this writeup, for I was taking notes like mad, and looking over my shoulder now and then to see just who was watching me. Somehow I got the impression a man over across the room was making it his special

project for 1955 to see just what I was doing -- but then I was wearing a tight dress.

Lt. White said the book was pretty technical AND HE WAS SO RIGHT. I looked at the Table of Contents, and nearly passed out, for it included such things as: Summary, Origin and Nature of Data, Reduction of Data to Mechanized Computation Form, Analysis, Figures 1 to 41, Tables I to XIII, Appendix A (Tabulations of Frequency and Percentage Distributions by Characteristics), Exhibit B1 (Tentative Observers Date Sheet), Exhibit B3 (USAF technical info sheet), Codes for worksheet -- and so forth and so on. I made a quick count. The book contained about 60 pages of reading matter, and the rest were charts, graphs and tables. 38 pages of charts and graphs, and the other 218 pages contained 240 tables and some miscellaneous material. Regardless of whether I would be able to understand it or not, I was sure of one thing: Someone had put in a lot of work on the Report.

The Summary contained background stuff we all know: Arnold saw saucers. Other people saw saucers. The AF started investigating. Then it explained the procedure followed in making investigations, and in analyzing data. All pretty dry.

A Board of Experts, including specialists in various lines, along with members of ATIC, all contributed findings. They put the information on cards and ran them through an IBM machine and the machine did the rest. With the help of a lot of charts. Had they put all those charts in there just to foul poor little Jackie up? It seemed that way, for I am terribly bored with charts and graphs and that sort of thing. But I would show them -- I would dig right into those old charts and really give them a hard study and find out just what they were driving at -- that is, if I could decipher them.

I tried to boil the text down to something understandable, but that was tough. I tried to figure out just why that was so, because, after all, I HAD been beyond the fifth grade and had even read Truman Capote one time and got the impression I was digging him.

Then I had it! No wonder I couldn't make sense out of it. It looked to me like DOUBLE TALK! An uncle of mine does this sort of thing. He can talk to you and talk to you and come over a big line of stuff that SOUNDS JUST FINE, but try to make some sense of it! You look at him with a puzzled expression and he busts out laughing and says, "Jackie, THAT WAS DOUBLE TALK! Har! Har! Har! Har! Har!" Then he looks pained when I don't seem to appreciate the joke.

Maybe the AF felt like this, I figured. If they came out with a bald-faced statement the saucers didn't exist, they would find it hard getting out of the hole when they had to come out and face the public with the real truth. If they said definitely the saucers were U.S. weapons they might also find it hard to get around that one too. So they had cooked up something that could be interpreted in most any way the reader liked, as long as it was mildly anti-saucer, sort of like an interpretation of Picasso

The report was based on the more than 4,000 cases received by the AF between 1947 and 1952. The 1952 cutoff date was instituted "to provide the study group with a complete set of files." That probably meant they wanted to be sure they had ALL the reports that were ever going to come in for that period. They said they had checked many reports received since 1952 with some of the 1947-52 data just to see if it were similar to the earlier information, however.

These reports were received from civilians and through military channels they said, and consisted of the witnesses' impressions of what they had seen, apparently not too reliable, thought the AF, since they said the reports seldom contained reliable measurements of physical characteristics (Darn! How are you going to bring that saucer down to MEASURE it? Shoot it down? I doubt it, for you might bring down one of those Government Inventions and get in a mess of trouble and end up probably having to PAY for the darn thing.).

I'm not a statistician. If I were I'd be talking technical and you wouldn't be reading this (gosh, maybe you aren't anyway.) (PLEASE read this for I went to such trouble to copy down this mess of stuff.). But if I were a statistician, I could probably find a lot of fallacious reasoning in all of those words, charts and what not.

When all of that anti-tobacco publicity came out I was so worried I almost gave up smoking. Then I read a book put out, I believe, by TRUE magazine. Probably the Tobacco Interests were behind it, but anyway it told me to go right ahead smoking for it wouldn't hurt me. The anti-tobacco people's STATISTICS WERE INTERPRETED WRONG. Someone who was a smart kid could take statistics and do almost anything he wanted with them, according to the book.

That was it! The AF was deliberately trying to TRIP ME UP by interpreting the statistics they way the AF wanted to! Boy, I thought (I'm always thinking about boys), if the A.F. wanted us to believe there WERE saucers and rigged their statistics accordingly, they could scare us to death!

I tried to analyze the thing to see if I could catch them in being fallacious.

First the AF took the 4,000 cases they had received and WHACK! They threw out 800 of them, just like that! Too contradictory. Or too vague. They didn't take the time to give any good reasoning why they threw those particular cases out. That probably included the saucer Capt. Mantell chased, or the thing Lt. Gorman had the dogfight with. Maybe the contraption Lloyd Booth took a pot shot at after it scared his livestock into a din of squawking, grunting and yelling on his South Carolina Farm.

They found another 1,000 were duplications of sightings other people had reported.

WHACK!

That left them with 2,200 reports (I'm giving you a lot of the stuff in round figures.).

This seemed to leave the AF with the problem of finding how many of them they could throw out as what they termed "Knowns." "Knowns" included balloons, aircraft, and a real good one that could be used to explain almost anything high in the sky, ASTRONOMICAL PHENOMENA. They were able to identify 1,766 of these as Knowns.

WHACK!

That left 434 as Unknowns.

You'd think they would be getting nervous about this time. What to do with those 434 Unknowns. But Ahhhhh! They would think of something.

When you want to fool with something statistically you first must DEFINE it. Ahhhhh! That would help. They would just have to be careful how they DEFINED the term.

They had it! They would define the Unknowns as objects whose descriptions and maneuvers could not be fitted to the pattern of any known object or phenomenon.

They got another idea. Why not group all the Knowns into six characteristics of Color, Number of Objects, Shape, Duration of Observation, Speed, and Light Brightness? After a clackety-clack of typewriters they had done just that. NOW, they thought, if they grouped the UNKNOWNS into the same catergories listed in the beginning of this paragraph, and took the percentages of distribution and compared it to the percentages of distributions of the Knowns, they might prove something in case the distributions turned out to be similar.

Clackety-clack again.

They took all this information and put it on a graph with all those funny little curves on it, making a separate graph for the Unknowns and the Knowns. By a method termed mirror-graph they would find out if the graphs looked similar.

They did!

Because the two graphs looked similar that probably could mean, they rejoiced, that the Unknowns were just the same old things as the Knowns, and the reason they couldn't otherwise classify them as Knowns was because they didn't have reliable and sufficient information on the Unknowns.

The clues to understanding all this seemed to be in the Appendix where there were Exhibits, along with something called "Master Code and Intermediate Transfer Form to Submit IBM." Also CODES. I didn't have time to work on Codes 'n things, let's just leave my ability out of this. Each sighting had a serial number and was broken down into umpty-ump divisions including "Single Observations, Multiple Observations and Unit Observations. It seemed they even evaluated the observer too -- his experience, age, occupation, etc.

They also put the Unknowns into such catergories as Natural Phenomena, and PSYCHOLOGICAL MANIFESTATIONS, the latter assigned to a report when although it was established that the observer had seen something, it was obvious (in the AF's opinion) that the description of the sighting had been overdrawn, due to religious fanaticism, desire for publicity, or an over-active imagination -- these were the most common mental abberations causing this type of report.

Getting back to the mirror-graphs and their conclusion that the Unknowns and Knowns were about the same thing, the AF investigators were remarkably fair about it. They would test the conclusions another way. It was an acid test.

I can picture the AF officer walking into a crowded room filled with all sorts of adding machines, electric brains, long-bearded scientists and good-looking AF personnel and, when a deadly silence had come over the room, clearing his throat and announcing:

"WE'RE GOING TO GIVE IT THE CHI SQUARE TEST!"

A little Ohhhhhh! crept through the room.

But a few looked at each other and secretly whispered, "No, not THAT!"

It DID represent a lot of work. But after all, with all that overhead they could see how important it was they were doing SOMETHING.

In the Report there are worlds of little Chi Square Tests of Knowns versus Unknowns on the basis of Color, Shape, Speed, Brightness, etc. The Chi Square Test is a statistical method and is terribly complicated. THEY HAD ME, and I was willing to admit it!

But what was this? When they used the Chi Square test it neither confirmed or denied that the Unknowns were the same as the Knowns! I would think that a good test would do either of the two things. It would either CONFIRM or DENY. But now I knew: They had gone to all that trouble with the Chi Square business just to throw me off the track, to convince me they were leaving no stone unturned to be fair about the thing, and even would let the saucers turn out to be interplanetary if that was how the cards were shuffled.

But they were ready with another Approach. They punched a big red button on the IBM machine marked "Separate the Data." There was an ominous buzzing and humming as the IBM started kicking out cards, one pile of 186 daylight sightings, and another pile of 248 night sightings.

Now, they thought, why not re-evaluate the 186 daylight sightings and five of the night sightings (I don't know why they picked only five of the night sightings instead of all of them. Maybe it was near quitting time.). The re-evaluation showed that about 80 could possibly be balloons, aircraft, or other conventional objects.

WHACK!

That left 111 sightings (Don't know why they didn't add the 243 night sightings they had left and hadn't re-evaluated to the 111; they probably thought they'd caught me napping.).

Of the remaining 111 sightings they could find only about 20 which were definitely not of familiar objects. That left 91, but they had been classified as Unknowns simply because they fit the DEFINITION. THEY THEMSELVES HAD MADE.

Now this sounded something like what I learned in school about "Socrates is a Man, therefore Socrates is mortal," or something like that. I never could make any sense out of it but throughout this "analysis" of the Report I kept getting the impression someone had got his syllogisms mixed up and if my old English teacher were there in the Pentagon she would snatch someone bald headed for having "fallacious logic," as she called it. That's about the only thing I remember from Miss Prencice's course on Logic, except that one time she wrote "FALLACIOUS LOGIC" clear across the blackboard and we were supposed to copy it down 200 times.

I don't know if I am quoting the following word-for-word, for I could hardly keep my eyes from wandering from that boring Report to the handsome officer three desks to the right.

"In breaking down Unknowns, if these Unknowns were reported to have performed maneuvers which could be ascribed to known phenomena, they would have been identified as Knowns. With exception of some radar sightings, all of these maneuvers were observed visually. The possibilities for inaccuracies are great because of the inability of an observer to estimate visually size, distance and speed."

The radar could have been wrong too:

"Reports of sightings by radar usually were of high speed objects, some at extremely high altitudes. Some were identified as Unknowns because there was no object to be seen visually at the point indicated by radar sets. It cannot be said with any assurance what these radar sightings mean, but the logical explanation is that they are ground targets reflected by an atmospheric temperature inversion layer..... It is felt that radar sightings in this study are of no significance whatsoever unless visual sightings of the object also is made."

By that time I was so jaded by all those figures and charts they began swimming in my head, reminding me of what happens when I look at a Dali painting. I didn't have any will to resist and they took immediate advantage:

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"Thus, out of the 434 objects sightings that we identified as Unknowns by the data reduction process, there were only 12 that were described with sufficient detail that they could be used in an attempt to derive a model of a flying saucer."

I was so confused by that time that I didn't see what excuse they used to chop it down to 12, didn't realize they had qualified the move as only an effort "to derive a model of a flying saucer." Most people reading the report would conclude they had only 12 they couldn't explain

Looking at the drawings, one accompanying each sighting, I would agree with them. None of them were similar. Had they selected different looking saucers deliberately, and also selected sightings of

the more spectacular nature that few people would believe?

"On the basis of this evidence," the report continued, "therefore there is a low probability that any of the Unknowns represent observations of a class of flying saucers. It is pointed out that some of the cases of Knowns before identification appeared fully as bizarre as any of the 12 cases of good Unknowns, had it not been impossible to establish their identity."

The report also took a crack at us folks who often write about saucers:

It is a definite fact that upon reading a few reports, the reader becomes convinced that flying saucers are real and are some form of sinister contrivance. This reaction is independent of the training of the reader or of his attitude toward the problem prior to the initial contact. It is unfortunate that practically all of the articles, books, and news stories dealing with the phenomena of the flying saucers were written by men who were in this catergory ("Men"--glad that leaves ME out), that is, men who had read only a few selected reports. This is accentuated by the fact that, as a rule, only the more lurid-sounding reports are cited in these publications (Who wants to read books that aren't scary?--Ed.). Were it not for this common psychological tendecy to be captivated by the mysterious, it is possible that no problem of this nature would exist."

Now they were getting into psychology. I hoped they weren't trying to psychoanalyze ME. If I'd have seen a long-bearded fellow in a white coat coming, I'd have scrammed right out of there.

It rather seemed that the AF people writing the Report put their own psychological foot into it in the following paragraph, which a psychologist outside the AF might use in explaining why the AF apparently didn't believe in saucers:

"The reaction mentioned above that after reading a few reports, the reader is convinced that flying saucers are real and are some form of sinister contrivance, is very misleading. (Underlining in following ours--Ed.) As more and more of the reports are read, the feeling that saucers are real fades, and is replaced by a feeling of skepticism regarding their existence. The reader eventually reaches a point of saturation, after which the reports contain no new information at all and are no longer of interest. This feeling of surfeit was universal among the personnel who worked on this project, and continually necessitated a conscious effort on their part to remain objective.

At the end of the Report it seemed the AF had not reached any definite conclusion, and the Conclusions sounded in themselves sort of like double talk.

The AF concluded that "It can never be proven that flying saucers do not exist," but added that they were highly improbable. "It is considered to be highly improbable that any of the reports of unidentified aerial objects examined in this study represent observations of technological developments outside the range of present scientific knowledge."

There seemed to be four main reasons why the AF concluded they were improbable: (1) No pattern or trend could be found in all the sightings; (2) They couldn't find any group of Unknowns for which the observed characteristics were the same; (3) They couldn't figure out what a typical saucer would be like from the 12 close range observatims because they were all different; (4) No physical material had ever been obtained from any unidentified aerial object.

Hey! I had them on that fourth point. But thinking it over, did I? No, that was carefully worded with a loophole. How about the saucer that landed in the lady's back yard and the AF truck that pulled up and hauled it away after she called them? But thinking it over, I knew what the loophole would be. "From any UNIDENTIFIED object," it said. Later the AF could simply say it had IDENTIFIED the objects from which they had collected the pieces (or the whole gosh-darn object!).

As I drove past the Washington Monument (I know this sounds dramatic, but I want to make it sound as much like Keyhoe as possible.), all the graphs and wordage kept swirling in my mind.

A number of questions too.

Why had the Report been written in such a complicated manner and avoided clear, simple terms?

Was it written in such a fashion because the experts who prepared it were unable to write any other way except terribly mathematically and scientifically, OR WAS IT DELIBERATELY WRITTEN IN A MANNER THAT COULD BE INTERPRETED IN A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT WAYS?

They had not said definitely saucers didn't exist, but they surely tried to leave the impression they didn't.

But surely that was a lot of work to go through just to cover up the real answer behind the saucers. It hardly seemed likely they would have done all that. And here and there they had even admitted to mistakes in techniques they had tried, and noted improvements they had substituted.

As we swerved past the Capitol building, just missing a taxi cab (Keyhoe will HATE ME for this!), I began coming back to my senses. The Report DID sound honest. Maybe it was on the level! Maybe the AF was as confused as I was about what flying saucers really were, and maybe the Report had been an honest result of a genuine attempt to find out the answers.

But another thought popped into my mind. Had the AF given ALL the information to the experts who worked on the Report? I doubted that, for much of it was, I was sure, still classified.

Once out of the capital and rolling homeward on Rt. 50, I decided to go over my notes again and that would help me fix certain impressions in my mind. I began to go over the scribblings.

WHAT WAS THIS?

Had I taken this particular quote from the Report? Surely not. If not, where had I obtained it?

I had written down the following, with quotation marks around it:

'Twas brillig, and the slithy toves
Did gyre and gimble in the wabe;
All mimsy were the borogoves,
And the mome raths outgrabe.

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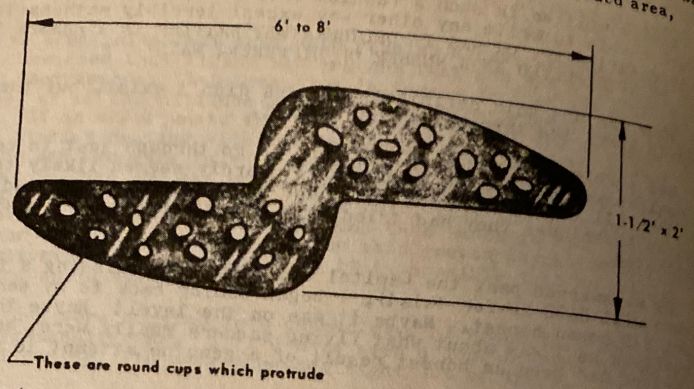
Case I (Serial 0573.00)

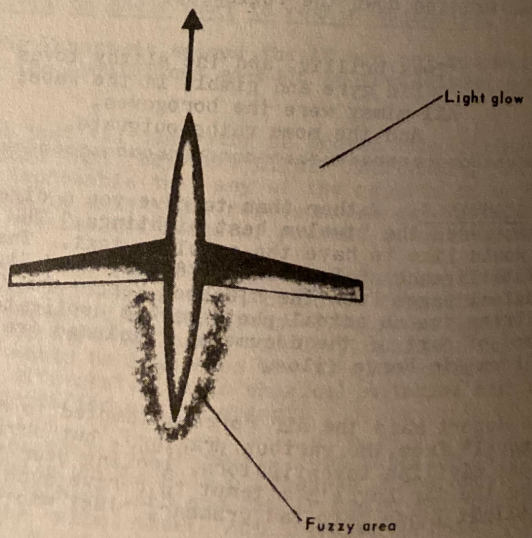
Two men employed by a rug-cleaning firm were driving across a bridge at 0955 hours on July 29, 1948, when they saw an object glide across the road a few hundred feet in front of them. It was shiny and metallic in construction, about 6 to 8 feet long and 2 feet wide. It was in a flat glide path at an altitude of about 30 feet and in a moderate turn to the left. It was seen for only a few seconds and apparently went down in a wooded area, although no trace of it was found.



Case II (Serial 4508.00)

A naval aviation student, his wife, and several others were at a drive-in movie from 2115 to 2240 hours on April 20, 1952, during which time they saw several groups of objects fly over. There were from two to nine objects in a group and there were about 20 groups. The groups of objects flew in a straight line except for some changes in direction accomplished in a manner like any standard aircraft turn.

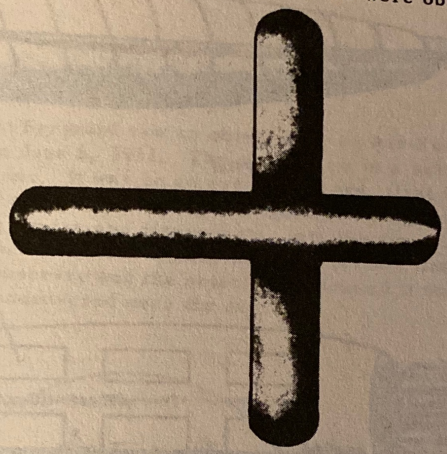
The objects were shaped like conventional aircraft. The unaccountable feature of the objects was that each had a red glow surrounding it and was glowing itself, although it was a cloudless night.



(Note: According to our information, this incident occurred in Flint, Michigan. -- G.B.)

Case III (Serial 2013.00, 2014.00, and 2014.01)

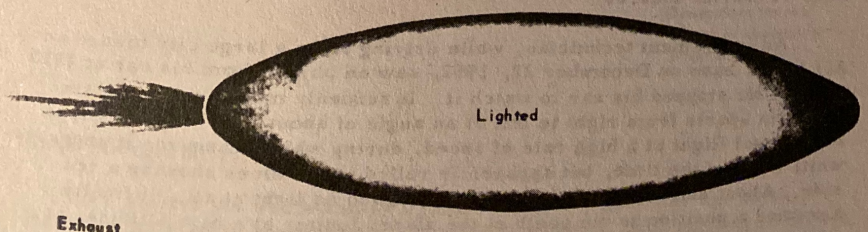
Two tower operators sighted a light over a city airport at 2020 hours on January 20, 1951. Since a commercial plane was taking off at this time, the pilots were asked to investigate this light. They observed it at 2026 hours. According to them, it flew abreast of them at a greater radius as they made their climbing turn, during which time it blinked some lights which looked like running lights. While the observing plane was still in its climbing turn, the object made a turn toward the plane and flew across its nose. As the two men turned their heads to watch it, it instantly appeared on their other side flying in the same direction as they were flying, and then in 2 or 3 seconds it slipped under them, and they did not see it again. Total time of the observation was not stated. In appearance, it was like an airplane with a cigar-shaped body and straight wings, somewhat larger than a B-29. No engine nacelles were observed on the wings.



(Note: Information reaching THE SAUCERIAN has it that the pilot mentioned here is Captain Laurence W. Vinther of Mid-Continent Airlines, and the airport is at Sioux City, Iowa. We do not have the co-pilot's name. -- B.B.)

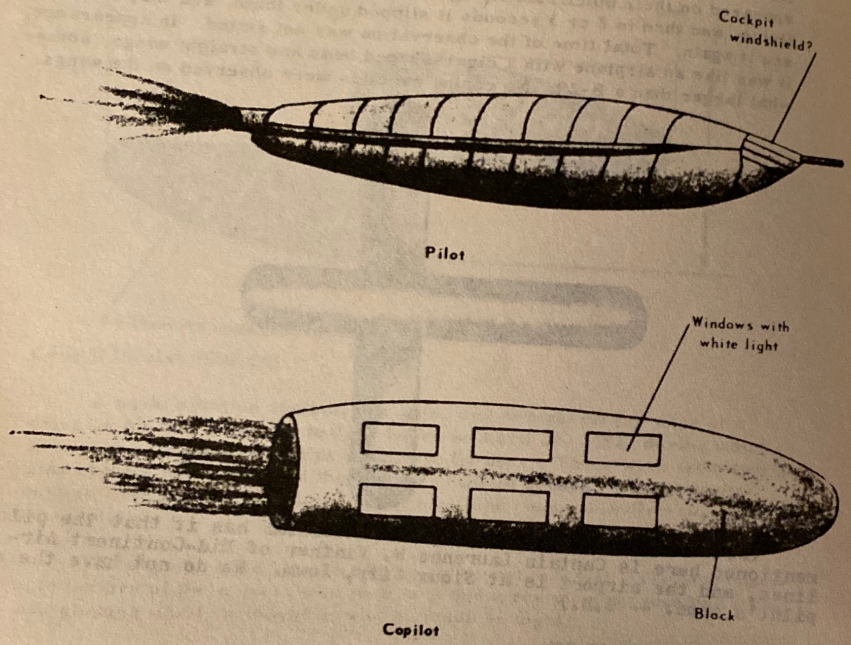
Case IV (Serial 4599.00)

A part-time farmer and a hired hand were curing tobacco at midnight on July 19, 1952, when they looked up and saw two cigar-shaped objects. One hovered while the other moved to the east and came back, at which time both ascended until out of sight. Duration of observation was 3 to 4 minutes. Both had an exhaust at one end, and neither had projections of any kind. It was stated that they appeared to be transparent and illuminated from the inside.



Case V (Serial 0565.00 to 0565.03)

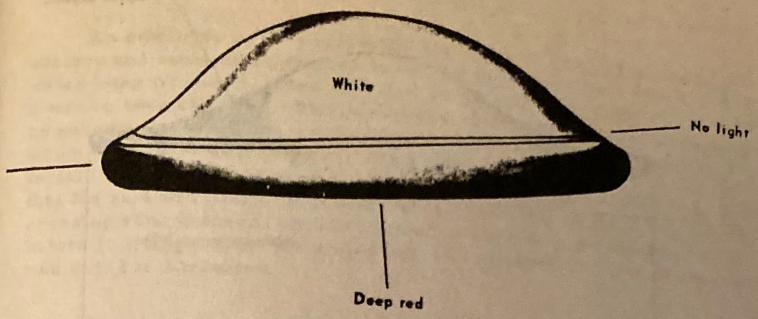
A pilot and copilot were flying a DC-3 at 0340 hours on July 24, 1948, when they saw an object coming toward them. It passed to the right and slightly above them, at which time it went into a steep climb and was lost from sight in some clouds. Duration of the observation was about 10 seconds. One passenger was able to catch a flash of light as the object passed. The object seemed powered by rocket or jet motors shooting a trail of fire some 50 feet to the rear of the object. The object had no wings or other protrusion and had two rows of lighted windows.



(Note: This is the famous Chiles-Whitted sighting. The object was seen near Montgomery, Ala., on an Eastern Airlines flight from Atlanta to Boston. The pilots were Clarence S. Chiles and John B. Whitted. The passenger was Clarence McKelvie of Columbus, Ohio, who is the Assistant Managing Editor of the American Education Press in Columbus. -- G.B.)

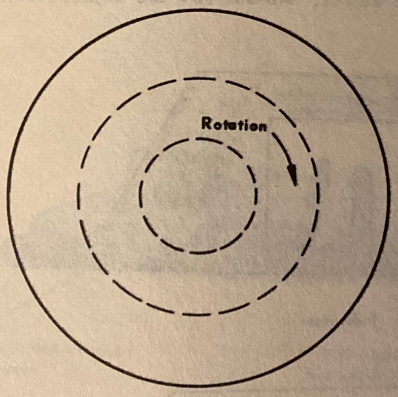
Case VI (Serial 4822.00)

An instrument technician, while driving from a large city toward an Air Force base on December 22, 1952, saw an object from his car at 1930 hours. He stopped his car to watch it. It suddenly moved up toward the zenith in spurts from right to left at an angle of about 45°. It then moved off in level flight at a high rate of speed, during which maneuver it appeared white most of the time, but apparently rolled three times showing a red side. About halfway through its roll it showed no light at all. It finally assumed a position to the south of the planet Jupiter at a high altitude, at which position it darted back and forth, left and right alternately. Total time of the observation was 15 minutes. Apparently, the observer just stopped watching the object.



Case VII (Serial 2728.00)

A Flight Sergeant saw an object over an Air Force base in Korea at 0842 hours on June 6, 1952. The object flew in a series of spinning and tumbling actions. It was on an erratic course, first flying level, then stopping momentarily, shooting straight up, flying level and again tumbling, then changing course and disappearing into the sun. It reappeared and was seen flying back and forth across the sun. At one time an F-86 passed between the observer and the object. He pointed it out to another man who saw it as it maneuvered near the sun.



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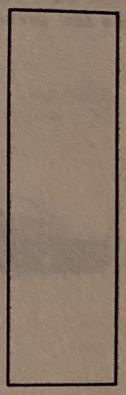

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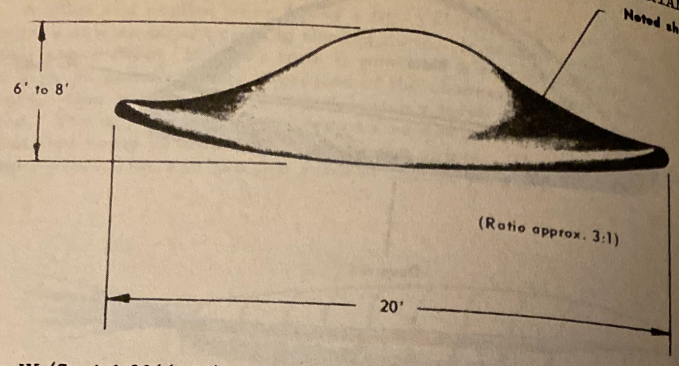
(Dimensions are as shown in observer's original drawing)

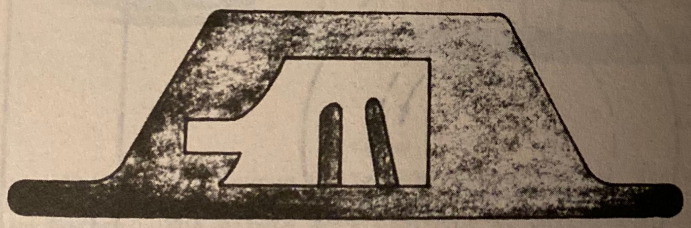
Case VIII (Serial 0576.00)

An electrician was standing by the bathroom window of his home, facing west, at 0825 hours on July 31, 1948, when he first sighted an object. He ran to his kitchen where he pointed out the object to his wife. Total time in sight was approximately 10 seconds, during which the object flew on a straight and level course from horizon to horizon, west to east.



Case IX (Serial 0066.00)

A farmer and his two sons, aged 8 and 10, were at his fishing camp on August 13, 1947. At about 1300 hours, he went to look for the boys, having sent them to the river for some tape from his boat. He noticed an object some 300 feet away, 75 feet above the ground. He saw it against the background of the canyon wall which was 400 feet high at this point. It was hedge hopping, following the contour of the ground, was sky blue, about 20 feet in diameter and 10 feet thick, and had pods on the side from which flames were shooting out. It made a swishing sound. The observer stated that the trees were highly agitated by the craft as it passed over. His two sons also observed the object. No one saw the object for more than a few seconds.



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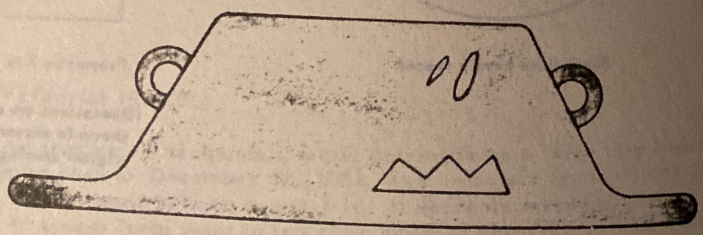

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(Note: THE SAUCERIAN's usually reliable sources of information advise that the above incident occurred at Twin Falls, Idaho. On the same day, it might be interesting to note, two similar objects were seen by miners, though from a considerable distance. Perhaps the objects were the same. -- G.B.)

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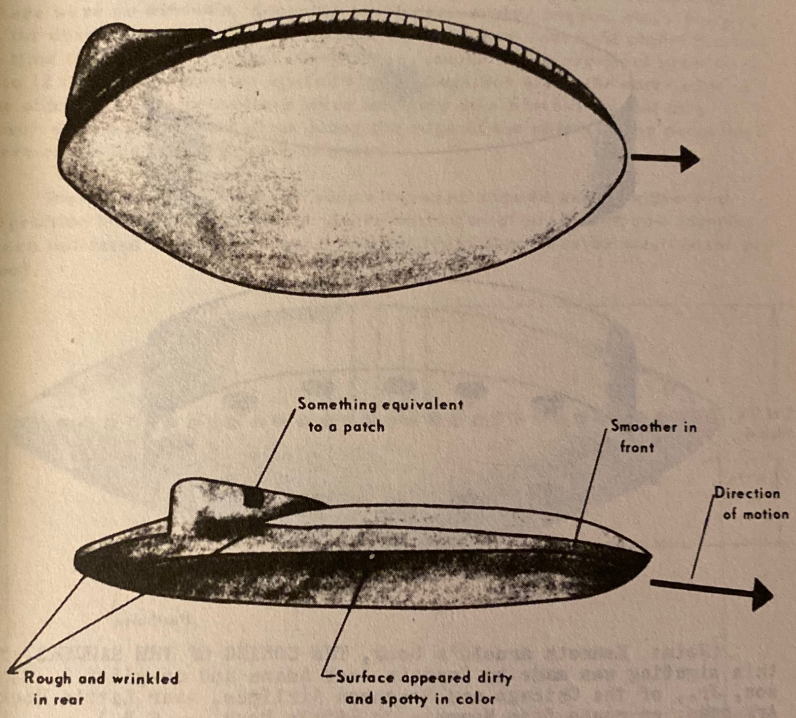
Case X (Serial 1119.00)

An employee in the supersonic laboratory of an aeronautical laboratory and some other employees of this lab, were by a river, 2-1/2 miles from its mouth, when they saw an object. The time was about 1700 hours on May 24, 1949. The object was reflecting sunlight when observed by naked eye. However, he then looked at it with 8-power binoculars, at which time there was no glare. (Did glasses have filter?) It was of metallic construction and was seen with good enough resolution to show that the skin was dirty. It moved off in horizontal flight at a gradually increasing rate of speed, until it seemed to approach the speed of a jet before it disappeared. No propulsion was apparent. Time of observation was 2-1/2 to 3 minutes.

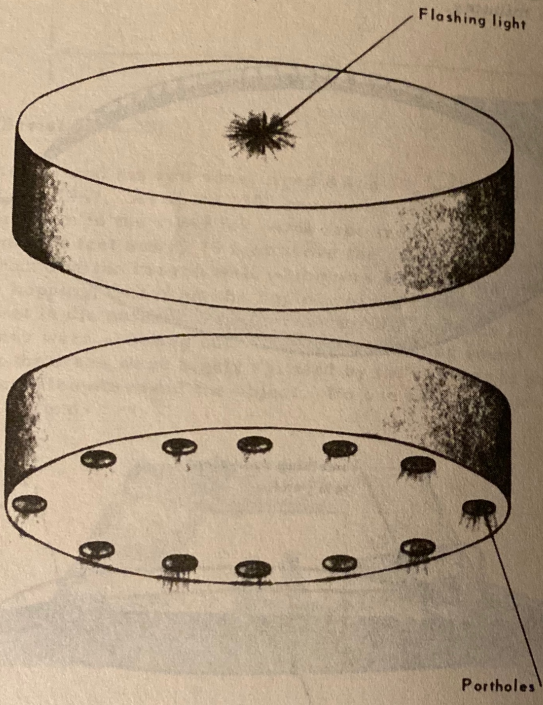


Case XI (Serial 1550.00)

On March 20, 1950, a Reserve Air Force Captain and an airlines Captain were flying a commercial airlines flight. At 21:26, the airline Captain directed the attention of the Reserve Air Force Captain to an object which apparently was flying at high speed, approaching the airliner from the south on a north heading. The Reserve Air Force Captain focused his attention on the object. Both crew members watched it as it passed in front of them and went out of sight to the right. The observation, which lasted about 25 to 35 seconds, occurred about 15 miles north of a medium-sized city. When the object passed in front of the airliner, it was not more than 1/2 mile distant and at an altitude of about 1000 feet higher than the airliner.

The object appeared to be circular, with a diameter of approximately 100 feet and with a vertical height considerably less than the diameter,

giving the object a disc-like shape. In the top center was a light which was blinking at an estimated 3 flashes per second. This light was so brilliant that it would have been impossible to look at it continuously had it not been blinking. This light could be seen only when the object was approaching and after it had passed the airliner. When the object passed in front of the observers, the bottom side was visible. The bottom side appeared to have 9 to 12 symmetrical oval or circular portholes located in a circle approximately 3/4 of the distance from the center to the outer edge. Through these portholes came a soft purple light about the shade of aircraft fluorescent lights. The object was traveling in a straight line without spinning. Considering the visibility, the length of time the object was in sight, and the distance from the object, the Reserve Air Force Captain estimates the speed to be in excess of 1000 mph.



(Note: Kenneth Arnold's book, THE COMING OF THE SAUCERS, reveals this sighting was made by Captain Jack Adams and co-pilot G. W. Anderson, Jr., of the Chicago and Southern Airlines, near Little Rock, Arkansas, en route from Memphis to Little Rock. -- G.B.)

Case XII (Serial 3601.00)

At 0535 on the morning of August 25, 1952, a musician for a radio station was driving to work from his home when he noticed an object hovering about 10 feet above a field near the road along which he was driving. As he came abreast of the object, he stopped his car and got out to watch. Having an artificial leg, he could not leave the road, since the surrounding terrain was rough. However, he was within about 100 yards of it at the point he was standing on the road. The object was not absolutely still, but seemed to rock slightly as it hovered. When he turned off the motor of his car, he could hear a deep throbbing sound coming from the object. As he got out of the car, the object began a vertical ascent with a sound similar to "a large covey of quail starting to fly at one time". The object ascended vertically through broken clouds until out of sight. His

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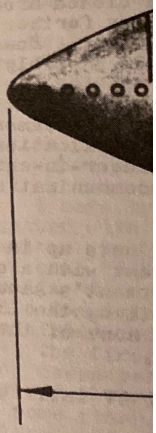

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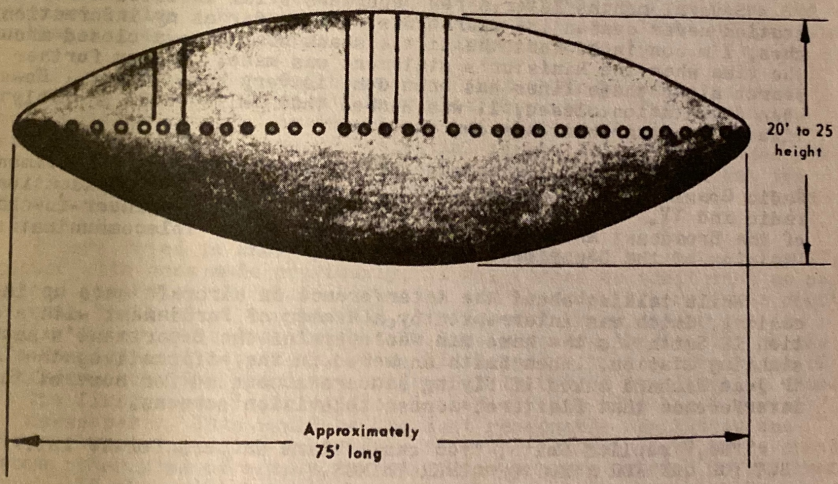
view was not obscured by clouds. The observer states that the vegetation was blown about by the object when it was near the ground.

Description of the object is as follows:

It was about 75 feet long, 45 feet wide, and 15 feet thick, shaped like two oval meat platters placed together. It was a dull aluminum color, and had a smooth surface. A medium-blue continuous light shone through the one window in the front section. The head and shoulders of one man, sitting motionless, facing the forward edge of the object, were visible. In the midsection of the object were several windows extending from the top to the rear edge of the object; the midsection of the ship had a blue light which gradually changed to different shades. There was a large amount of activity and movement in the midsection that could not be identified as either human or mechanical, although it did not have a regular pattern of movement. There were no windows, doors or portholes, vents, seams, etc., visible to the observer in the rear section of the object or under the object (viewed at time of ascent). Another identifiable feature was a series of propellers 6 to 12 inches in diameter spaced closely together along the outer edge of the object. These propellers were mounted on a bracket so that they revolved in a horizontal plane along the edge of the object. The propellers were revolving at a high rate of speed.

Investigation of the area soon afterward showed some evidence of vegetation being blown around. An examination of grass and soil samples taken indicated nothing unusual. Reliability of the observer was considered good.



(Note: This is the well-known Pittsburg, Kansas, sighting, and the radio entertainer mentioned is Bill Squyres, who told newspaper reporters that when he first witnessed the strange machine, "My hair rose straight up the back of my head."

At that time it was not announced the Air Force had interrogated Squyres, though it could be assumed that had been done. "They're not going to make me retract this information," Squyres remarked at the time. "I'm not going to let them give me shots or anything else to make me say I didn't see it?"

Did the Air Force originally try to shush up the witness? -- G.B.)

MORE ABOUT CANADIAN SAUCER STATION

-- By Laimon A. Mitris --

The world's first flying saucer sighting station, which was closed so mysteriously around the end of August last year, returned to claim the attention of the public. I'm referring to the little clapboard shack at Shirley's Bay, Ontario, 10 miles from the nation's capital, where the never tiring, but so often silenced Canada's number one saucer hunter Wilbert B. Smith, worked for a whole year with the intention to bring the flying saucer mystery closer to a solution.

Many readers will remember the strange behavior of Smith shortly after "his" station reported "something" strange overhead, something which made the station's gravimener record a change in gravitational forces (Sept., '54, SAUCERIAN). On the day when this occurred, Smith talked freely about the possibility that a saucer could be the cause of the meter's wiggle, and had a lengthy discussion with newsmen. Later, when the official statement was made, Smith turned his back to the saucers and said that "101 different things" could be the cause of the gravimeter's strange wiggle. He flatly refused to use the name, "saucer," in his statements.

At that time quite a few people believed that Smith was influenced by the same "higher authority" we so often hear about when flying saucers come close to the ground. When only a couple of weeks later the sighting station was closed down as completely useless, and the Deputy Transport Minister stated that the station had sighted nothing, we became more suspicious that "dark forces" were creating a smoke screen around the project.

Several months later a few reporters still insisted that the station never ceased its operations, but as far as my information reaches, I'm convinced that the little shack near Ottawa closed around the time when the Minister's statement was made. If any further research along these lines has been done is very hard to say. However, when the station closed, it was hinted that Smith would probably continue his research at his own expense.

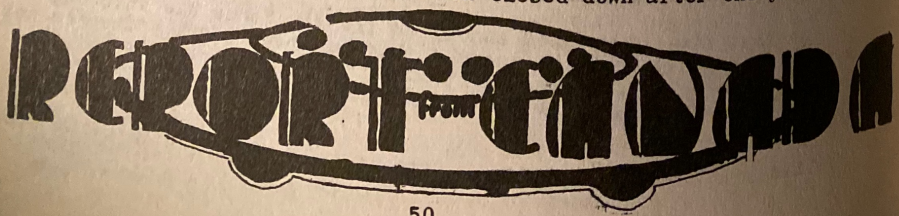
On May 17, 1955, Smith made his appearance before the Commons Radio Committee to explain some of the technological complications of radio and TV. As many readers know, Smith is the engineer-in-charge of the Broadcast and Measurements Section of the Telecommunications Division of the Department of Transport.

While talking about the interference an aircraft sets up in telecasting, Smith was interrupted by a Member of Parliament with a question if Smith was the same man who operated the Department's saucer sighting station. When Smith answered in the affirmative, the Liberal MP Jean Richard asked if flying saucers accounted for some of the interference that fluttered across television screens.

"No," replied Smith, "you can't blame saucers for TV interference, BUT YOU CAN FOR A LOT OF OTHER THINGS."

I believe that readers will be disappointed to hear that Mr. Smith's questioner neglected to follow up the intriguing possibilities this answer offered.

Another MP wanted to know why Smith had been watching saucers, and why the sighting station had been closed down after one year.



To this Smith answered, "We were getting nowhere."

A third MP tried to follow up the inquiry, but the Chairman ruled him out of order. He reminded that the Committee's assignment was to look into CBC radio and TV enterprises and not flying saucer investigation.

Smith, however, was able to give some further information regarding his personal beliefs and the closing of the station.

"I'm convinced that there are flying saucers," he said as the Committee rose for the day, "but I'm in the unhappy position of the police chief who knows who robbed the bank but can't prove it in court."

When Smith had told the Committee the saucer research had been getting nowhere, he had been speaking for the Transport Department, not for himself. It was Smith's belief that further investigation was imperative because of the wiggle his instruments made on August 8, 1954. According to the latest statements made by Smith, no one atmospheric phenomenon could have made the gravimeter perform as it did on that date.

"I didn't know then what caused that strange and fascinating instrumentation, and I don't know now.....but the possibilities are interesting."

It was unknown at that time what Smith's frank opinion was, but today we know he believed the research should be full and complete with all possible facilities made available. If this couldn't be done, the saucer sighting station had to close down. "There was the choice to go all out or get out," he said on May 17, "and the Department decided that the investment in terms of personnel, laboratory facilities and equipment wouldn't be warranted, particularly in the light of the opinion that a great many people held of flying saucers."

After the meeting, Smith repeated that while he believed there were flying saucers, he didn't know what they were. They could be space vehicles operated by inhabitants of another planet, or they might be some unknown type of "celestial fireball." Nobody asked him what he meant by "celestial fireball," however. It seemed that the gentlemen were shy, so far as saucers were concerned, and did not ask many questions.

I have tried to analyze Mr. Smith's statements he made on May 17, together with ones made previously. I was forced to admit that no conclusions regarding the whole situation can be made. There is no doubt that some "influence" can be felt, "influence" every saucer fan is familiar with. What made Smith talk freely during the meeting of the Radio Committee is a mystery. Did this happen with the permission of the higher authority which was so fearful to become the laughing stock when the first news of the station leaked out and made headlines in many newspapers? This would be the most reasonable conclusion and further theorizing makes me believe that the station might be re-opened or some other kind of active investigation program started in the near future. If this will be made known to the general public can be seriously doubted, but we can only hope that some reporter will be able to penetrate the thick walls surrounding these activities.

Mystery In South America

I know that this cannot prove a thing, but I have found something among some old reports that is interesting. I have been checking the directions of saucer arrivals and departure with the hope of obtaining some indication as to an Earth base.

While checking these directions I noted there was an increase in saucer reports around February 18-19, 1952. My files have only eight reports from February 1-17, 33 reports for February 18, 11 for February 19, and only 7 for the remainder of the month. I began to wonder what could be the cause of this sudden increase.

The next day I found another clipping (not in my saucer files), bearing the same date as another telling about the unusual saucer activity on February 18. This clipping related a report by two American commercial pilots who reported two huge explosions in the territory of Argentine.

They were flying over Chile, close to the Argentinian border, when the explosions occurred. First a red cylindrical cloud was formed, which later became broader and formed into a mushroom shape. The explosions came only seconds apart.

Another clipping, dated June, 1951, tells about an announcement by the Argentinian dictator Peron, made to let the world in on some of Argentina's most guarded secrets. According to this report, Argentinians were ready to test their atomic bomb in about six months. Work in this field was being done by Dr. R. Richter, a German scientist. According to Peron, they were far ahead of any other nation in atomic research, and were able to use the energy for peaceful purposes --not just bombs.

Well, there we are: Two huge explosions, which seem to be atomic, seen in Argentina on February 18, 1952, and the most unusual increase in saucer and fireball reports on the same day and the next.

My research also showed that most of the saucers, fireballs, and other unidentified objects in my files are reported as travelling on a rough North-South direction, or vice-versa. This could possibly mean something, if one could only figure out just what.

According to several other reports, a huge area in northern Argentina (a jungle area) is closely guarded, and no reporters have been able to penetrate the ring of guards around this area. The strangest thing is that these guards are Germans. I'm quite convinced that something unusual is going on there -- just what, again, I don't know.

I'm fully convinced that the Germans were building saucers shortly before the end of the last war. Many German magazine articles written lately about these projects have been confirmed stories I have heard from people who were employed by the Germans in building the secret craft.

Here is something I found in the newspapers only two days ago, and I believe it is an item the casual reader would pass over.

It concerns an "adventure loving" American pilot named Harold Dahl, who won a new trial on his appeal against conviction on charges of stealing $33,000 worth of gold from a Swiss passenger plane which he piloted.

Dahl had formerly been a flier with the RCAF, before taking the job with the Swiss airline.

Now I'm wondering if this could be the Harold A. Dahl who was mixed up in the Tacoma, Wash., saucer affair back in 1947, and described in Kenneth Arnold's book, THE COMING OF THE SAUCERS?

According to the book, Dahl disappeared mysteriously, along with Fred Crissman. Crissman was a former pilot who saw service in Burma during the last war. This would be worth checking into.

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THE FASTER YOU TRAVEL, THE LONGER YOU LIVE

-- By Justin Case --

In his book, FLYING SAUCERS ON THE ATTACK, Harold T. Wilkins says, "We on Earth have discovered no source of power which could drive aeroforms at miles per second--even if we had the men who would not be blasted to atoms by the appalling stresses involved." Later, he says, "Mr. Glenn L. Martin, airplane manufacturer, claims that by the year 2000 Earth men will achieve a speed of seven miles per second. He does not say whence will come the men who can survive the terrific gravitational forces involved."

Mr. Wilkins, along with many other people, suffers from the popular fallacy that high speed imposes stresses on the traveler. But anyone who has ridden in an airplane at 300 miles per hour knows that he feels no greater stress than if he had been sitting quietly in his own living room. He will suffer no greater stress if he is traveling at 7 miles per second, or even 100 or 1000 miles per second. In fact, our own planet Earth is traveling around the Sun at a speed of 18.5 miles per second, and we are not even aware of it!

It is not velocity that produces stress, it is only changes in velocity that produce stress. The more rapid these changes, the greater the stress. The rate of speeding up is called acceleration, the rate of slowing down is called deceleration. If your car is suddenly rammed from behind, you will be accelerated very rapidly forward, with damage to yourself. If your car hits a stone wall at high speed, you will be decelerated very rapidly, also with damage to yourself. In each case your velocity has been changed suddenly, and you suffer stress. But if you accelerate or decelerate slowly, you will suffer no harm. For example, for a space ship to escape our planet's gravitational pull and start off on an interplanetary journey, it must achieve a velocity of seven miles per second, the figure mentioned by Glenn L. Martin, above. You can attain this velocity in about 20 minutes with a stress that any normal person can very easily withstand, if your net acceleration is only 32 ft. per second. That is only one times gravity. Tests have shown that normal people can accelerate at several times gravity without any harm to themselves. There is no danger whatever of being "blasted to atoms by the appalling stresses involved," as claimed by Mr. Wilkins.

So it is not the speed that hurts. It is only acceleration and deceleration, the process of speeding up and slowing down, that can produce any damage.

The only effect of speed is to produce friction if you are traveling in the air. If the speed is high enough the ship may get red hot. It is this air friction that causes meteors to burn up when they enter the Earth's atmosphere at speeds up to 45 miles per second. So great is this heat that you can see the flare as much as 40 miles up, even when the meteors are only as large as grains of sand!

But in outer space there is no air to produce friction. Theoretically we could travel almost as fast as light travels, 186,000 miles per second, if we had enough power to accelerate close up to that speed. We would suffer no stress, we would encounter no friction. That brings us to our theme--the faster you travel, the longer you live.

One of the results of Einstein's theories is that time and velocity are inter-related in such a way that time dilates as velocity increases. Suppose you take a trip out into space and are gone a total of 10 years. When you return, everything here on Earth will have aged 10 years, but not you. You will have aged less than 10 years--how much less depends on how fast you had been traveling. This is shown in the following table ("mps" means "miles per second):

You will age only	if you had been traveling at	% of 186,000 mps
9.7 yrs.	46,500 mps	25
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3.1	176,700	95
2.0	182,280	98
1.4	184,140	99
1.0	185,070	99.5

You will note that you have to travel really fast--much faster than even the new 1956 cars with their 300 horsepower engines can take you--before it makes any difference in your age. Thus, if you make a 10-year trip, you will age only 8 years if you travel at 111,600 mps which is 60% of the speed of light, 2 years if you travel at 98% and only one year if you travel at 99.5%. The closer you get to the speed of light, that is at 186,000 mps, you would not age at all! But for reasons which we will not go into here, we can never travel at the speed of light. We might get close to it, but never equal it.

While traveling at these high speeds, all your life processes slow down. You require food, water and air only for as much time as you age during the trip.

So here is Ponce de Leon's dream of the Fountain of Youth capable of being realized. But the catch is that you have to be cooped up in a space ship to do it. You can leave our planet Earth, travel 100 years at 99.5% of the speed of light, and when you return, you will have aged only 10 years. Make 5 such trips in your lifetime and you will see how our planet has changed in 500 years while you have aged only 50 years during that time.

The nearest stars are so far away that our lifetimes are much too short even for a one-way trip to them in the forseeable future. But ultimately we will have much greater power available that will allow much greater velocities--perhaps even high enough to produce this time dilation that is predicted by Einstein's theories, and that will make possible a round trip to the nearer stars within the normal lifetime of man.

And this time dilation would apply as well to visitors who come to us from distant stars.

NEWS FLASH

THE CASE FOR THE UFO

By: M. K. Jessup

The LIBRARY RESEARCH GROUP, 406-A, International Bldg. Washington 4, D.C., can now let the feline quadraped out of the gunny sack. Our new book by the Astronomer-Archaeologist, M.K. Jessup, entitled: THE CASE FOR THE UFO, is now available, price $3.50 plus 20¢ for postage and packing; all copies bought from us autographed by author. Send Checks, Money Orders, or we can ship COD. Over 300 pages packed with sound scientific deduction from bonafide scientific observations recorded by scientists—and a snappy foreword by your favorite saucer radio-commentatoer: FRANK EDWARDS. This book is different, and willhelp all of us to get our feet on the ground to argue with the skeptics. It shows that many of the supernormal phenomena are tracable to UFO; that they regularly inhabit thesystem of the Earth-Moon Binary-Planet; demonstrates the antiquity of man-kind and of manmade flight; and even points out where to look for UFO in space, through teamwork of saucer fans, radio hams and amatuer astronomers who can then find the "satellites" now hunted by Tambaugh, Bagby and the Army, and how anyone witha library or newspaper file can get into the research act..Weneed the profits from the sales of this book in order that we may finish the second phase of our research showing how the UFO use the Moon and Earth for their habitat. Will you tell your friends, and help us sell as many as possible???

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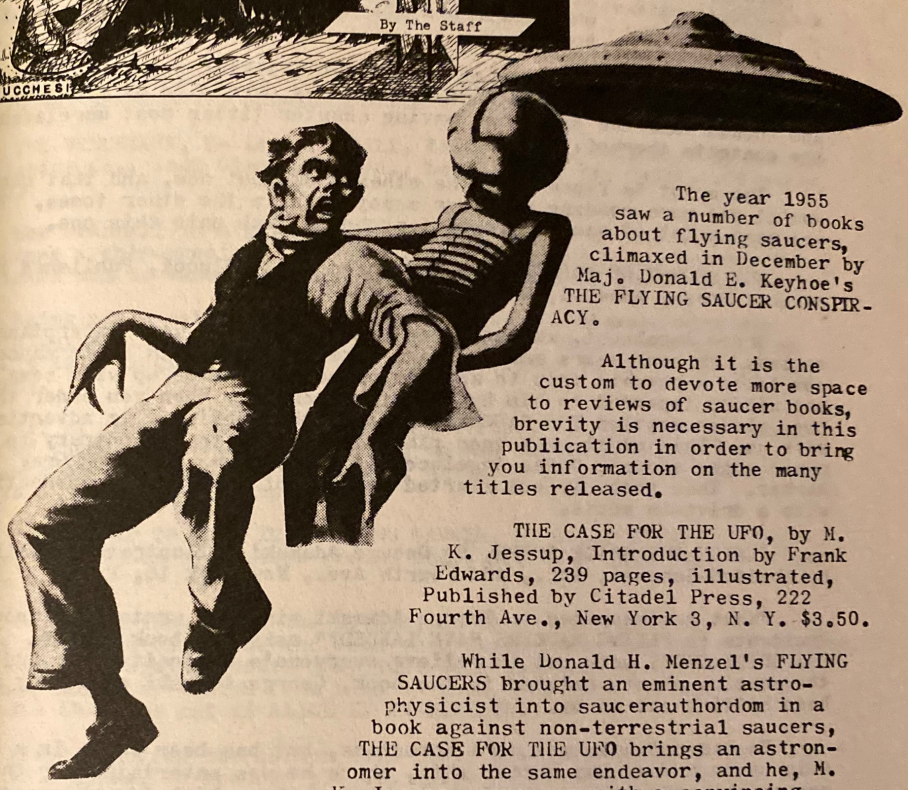


The year 1955 saw a number of books about flying saucers, climaxed in December by Maj. Donald E. Keyhoe's THE FLYING SAUCER CONSPIRACY.

Although it is the custom to devote more space to reviews of saucer books, brevity is necessary in this publication in order to bring you information on the many titles released.

THE CASE FOR THE UFO, by M. K. Jessup, Introduction by Frank Edwards, 239 pages, illustrated, Published by Citadel Press, 222 Fourth Ave., New York 3, N. Y. $3.50.

While Donald H. Menzel's FLYING SAUCERS brought an eminent astrophysicist into saucerauthordom in a book against non-terrestrial saucers, THE CASE FOR THE UFO brings an astronomer into the same endeavor, and he, M. K. Jessup, comes up with a convincing argument FOR interplanetary disks.

While borrowing some of his ideas from Charles Fort, Jessup comes up with what we believe is a new theory regarding saucer origin. The saucers do not come from any planet, but make their homes in space itself, existing at a point of gravitational neutral (though the possibility of such a point has been disputed) between the Earth and Moon. Thus the saucers are really a part of the Earth-Moon system. Intelligences exist in the saucers, and they often visit Earth, sometimes kidnaping Earthians.

Jessup devotes considerable space to fascinating accounts of disappearances of ships' crews, attributing the tragedies to saucer kidnaps. He also presents evidence in support of his belief that superior civilizations existed in the ancient past, and that huge construction projects engaged in by the ancient races were possible because of their knowledge of levitation or because they may have had interplanetary friends around to help. We understand Jessup will follow his book with another, titled THE EXPANDING CASE FOR THE UFO, and in between will publish an annual compilation of saucerevents, to be titled THE UFO ANNUAL.

FLYING SAUCERS UNCENSORED, BY. H. T. Wilkins, 255 pages, Illustrated, Published by Citadel Press, 222 Fourth Ave., New York 3, N. Y. $3.50

Saucerbookreaders who enjoyed Wilkins' FLYING SAUCERS ON THE ATTACK, will be similarly enthusiastic about his second diskvolume. Although packed rather close together, with something to be desired in editing and arrangement, the book contains more accounts of saucer sightings and strange, probably related phenomena than other books on the saucers. Wilkins has excellent sources all over the world which send him the accounts he compiles into his books.

The book is also somewhat mis-titled (Wilkins suggested that it be titled WILL THE SPACESHIPS LAND? but was overruled by his publisher), and should take the prize for having chapter titles most unrelated to the contents thereof.

The print is finer than the other books out now, and that means you'll get more reading for your money than in the other tomes. Those who want a lot of saucerinformation should grab onto this one.

THE SECRET OF THE SAUCERS, by Orfeo M. Angelucci, Published by Amherst Press, Amherst, Wisconsin. $3.00.

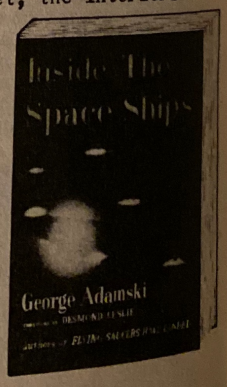
Orfeo Angelucci, who has been buddying around with interplanetarians for some years and has been taken for rides in their saucers, now takes a psychic trip to another planet and comes up with some of the wisdom imparted to him by the disk jockeys. When you order this one, please mention THE SAUCERIAN, since the publisher is advertising with us. This might be a good place to mention that, contrary to a rumor going around, Orfeo Angelucci is NOT the pen name for Gray Barker. This probably got started because of Angelucci's connection with a drive-in movie.

INSIDE THE SPACE SHIPS, By George Adamski, Illustrated, Published by Abelard-Schuman, Inc., 404 Fourth Ave., New York 16, N. Y.

"What has happened to George Adamski since he wrote the famous incidents in FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED?" asks the book jacket. INSIDE THE SPACE SHIPS sets out to relieve everyone's curiosity. According to the amazing events related in the book, George Adamski certainly has been holding out on us.

He has not only met more Venusians, but has been taken in a scout ship up to a Venusian mother ship, where he was entertained by the saucerians and given much of their philosophy, which Adamski records in this second volume. Later a saucer from Saturn takes him to a Saturnian mother ship.

Adamski gives descriptions of the people he met, the interiors of their immense space ships, and even of the food and drink offered to him.



While the philosophical-minded will find the second book even more pregnant with interplanetary advice than was FSHL, saucerenthusiasts who like more action and drama in their reading may find sections of the new book tedious.

Like the photographs in FSHL, the pictures in ITSS have also aroused controversy. Adamski said the snaps of mother ships, with him and the saucerians peering out portholes, were taken by other saucerians from a scout ship. Since the pictures were taken with a Polaroid camera, negatives cannot be examined, and from here it looks as if argument will continue to be rampant about the controversial pics.

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Some have charged the photos were really pictures of galaxies with the faces crudely drawn into the portholes (not to be confused with faces people IMAGINE they see in portholes of the earlier picture of the scout ship taken by Adamski -- see his article elsewhere in this publication). At best Adamski's latest pictures are really too fuzzy to prove anything, this due, according to the author, to radiation from the mother ship.

Another controversy arose when critics claimed that the new book was a rehash of an early science fiction book, PIONEERS OF SPACE, privately printed by Adamski. Since there were few copies around, such claims were difficult to prove (the editors themselves would like a copy of PIONEERS OF SPACE for their own library -- anyone know where we can obtain a copy?).

To those who wish to argue the Adamski claims, one way or another, INSIDE THE SPACE SHIPS should provide an indispensable text.

THE VENUSIANS, By Lee Crandall, Illustrated, Published by New Age Publishing Co., 1542 Glendale Blvd., Los Angeles 26, Calif. 75 pages. $2.00.

Lee Crandall is a mild-mannered young man of 27 who is studying to become a chiropracter. He runs into a Venusian named Brother Bocco, who takes him to Venus and back in a saucer made of doves' feathers.

Being a medical student, Crandall is more concerned with the physiology of the interplanetarians than their philosophies, and he reports accordingly, devoting one entire chapter to their circulatory systems.

All of this is told with a straight face, but as Dorothy Thomas, wife of the publisher, herself said, in her NEW AGE NEWS LETTER, "....whether you consider the trip a physical or a psychic experience, Lee is a most unusual 'case'."

ROUND TRIP TO HELL IN A FLYING SAUCER, by Cecil Michael, Illustrated, Published by Vantage Press, Inc., 120 West 31st St., New York 1, N. Y.

Two saucerians visit the author, an auto repairman, in his shop, amaze and frighten him no end when they begin vanishing and reappearing, over and over again. Often they just fade out and in, but when this becomes dull they vanish from head to foot, and vice versa, sort of like the Cheshire cat in ALICE IN WONDERLAND.

After annoying the author with their disappearing acts they take him, in a dream, to another planet, where he has a narrow escape from the Devil. Although the jacket hints the book is fiction, the author at the outset claims it is a true story.

This one is pretty bad, but at least one can say it is the most unusual saucer book ever published. You'd better latch on to it while it's in print. We wouldn't take a hundred bucks for our own copy if we couldn't get another like it.

FLYING SAUCERS AND COMMONSENSE, By Waveney Girvan, Illustrated, Published by Frederick Muller Ltd., Ludgate House, 110 Fleet St., London, E. C. 4. 157 pages. 10/6 in England ($1.65 U.S. money -- Note, you can order direct from England if you do not wish to wait for a U.S. edition which we understand will be published soon.).

Although the author's conclusion is that the saucers are chiefly extraterrestrial in origin, he feels it is time some good old common sense should be exercised in pondering the disks, and sets out to state his case. His method is to examine closely the skeptic's case against the interplanetary saucer and to demonstrate that it is compounded of prejudice, ignorance, faulty reasoning and what he terms "the will to disbelieve." Such a position, he evidently believes, is even worse than "the will to believe," which can result also in a fallacious approach to the subject. (Continued on page 59)

Inside The Space Ships

What has happened to George Adamski since he wrote the famous incidents in FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED? Since the memorable November 20, 1952, when he first made personal contact with a man from another world? And since December 13, 1952 when he was able to make photographs within 100 feet of the same saucer that had brought his original visitor?

INSIDE THE SPACE SHIPS is Adamski's own story of what has happened to him since then. It begins with his first meeting, a few months later, with a second man from another world -- his first meeting with one who speaks to him. This second visitor bring him to a Venusian Scout (flying saucer) and this, in turn, brings him to a mother ship. Later he is conveyed in both a Saturnian Scout and a Saturnian Mother ship. Adamski tells us what transpires in these space craft and what the men and women from other worlds have told him.

Desmond Leslie, who was co-author with Adamski of FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED, provides a foreword to the new book in which he courageously faces the fact that many will be initially skeptical of the startling facts now told for the first time by George Adamski.

Also, an introduction provided by Charlotte Blodget, who was Mr. Adamski's literary aide in writing his new book, provides a framework in which to better understand the book. Mrs. Blodget also contributes a biographical sketch of George Adamski which completes the book.

In spite of the scoffing of skeptics and the bitter and vicious attacks of opponents, a great world audience has collected to read and listen to George Adamski.

Adamski's photographs of flying saucers, originally published in FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED, have since become world-famous as other witnesses in other parts of the world have succeeded in taking photographs identical with his. Now, however, in INSIDE THE SPACE SHIPS, Adamski gives us 16 photographs and illustrations, mostly no longer of Scouts (flying saucers) but of the great space ships from which they are launched. The main group of these photographs were taken in April 1955 and neither the photographs nor a description of them have ever been published before.

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I am interested in receiving an advance copy of George Adamski's INSIDE THE SPACE SHIPS which, I understand, will be published on July 25th. I understand that my order herewith for ..... copy (ies) of INSIDE THE SPACE SHIPS will be sent to me as soon as books are off the press. I also understand that if my order is one of the first thousand received, it will be personally autographed by Mr. Adamski.

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Waveney Girvin is in a position to take the reader behind the scenes in saucer publishing, for it was he who was responsible for the publication of Gerald Heard's IS ANOTHER WORLD WATCHING (titled THE RIDDLE OF THE FLYING SAUCERS in England), and Leslie and Adamski's FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED. He was also responsible for getting English newspapers interested in publishing news about saucers.

One of the most interesting chapters of the book concerns the attitudes of governments in regard to saucers. His explanation of officialdom's apparently contradictory statements is both novel and interesting.

DIANE is the title of a new book by Dana Howard, author of MY FLIGHT TO VENUS. Miss Howard writes THE SAUCERIAN that this second book, to be out about February 1, "ties in definitely with Major Keyhoe's chapter on angel hair. There is little doubt now, that my book will furnish the first CONCLUSIVE link that the saucers are interplanetary.

"Diane appeared to me first sixteen years ago when I was taken aboard a spaceship and ostensibly flown to the Planet Venus. I thought at that time it was purely a mystical experience, and continued with that thought until April 29, 1955, when she re-appeared in a strange way in a Los Angeles church and was witnessed by 27 persons. This was in no way the usual sort of spiritualistic phenomena, although she was forced to use this sort of entrance. The experience was attested to by some outstanding individuals including a well known Los Angeles attorney who had researched in such matters with men like Professor Millikan and others of such note. The coming of Diane was conclusive proof that these beings DO have the power to teleport their bodies from place to place.

"At any rate the whole pattern is now unravelled and I feel sure many magazines will pick it up, and I should definitely have the help of publishers of other saucer books as this is all part of the same pattern. I am sure I can explain this so-called angel hair to the fullest satisfaction of the most crass scientist and at the same time offer proof to the world that we are in the midst of a new era -- the greatest our world has ever known."

The Keyhoe Book

Bookwise, the most important saucerevent of 1955 was the appearance of Keyhoe's new book, THE FLYING SAUCER CONSPIRACY, in December. It is reviewed here by Dr. Benjamin D. Benincasa.

THE FLYING SAUCER CONSPIRACY, By Major Donald E. Keyhoe, U.S.M.C. Ret., Published by Henry Holt and Company, Inc., 383 Madison Ave., New York 17, N. Y. 315 pages. $3.50.

At long last, the world's best-informed devotee of the unconventional flying object has given long-waiting America the most incredible of spaceship "scoops."

Maj. Keyhoe has recently completed the enormous task of gathering together and co-ordinating long series of exact names, places, dates and other accurate data relative to saucer activities all over the globe. He has obtained much of this exclusive information from top-brass "clearance sources" in Washington.

Maj. Keyhoe has now put every bit of this never-heard-of-before saucer knowledge in a brand-new book titled THE FLYING SAUCER CONSPIRACY, in which he uncovers, among other startling events, one of the biggest bungling jobs in the history of the Pentagon.

The book reveals how two opposing bodies within the upper ranks of the U. S. Air Force have been at sword's point over the momentous flying saucer question.

The author, who once held the important position of Chief of Information for Civil Aeronautics, describes how the "tell-all" faction

in Washington has wished to tell America the full, unvarnished story of the flying disks. But he also relates how censors in the nation's Capitol have steadfastly witheld the true outerspace-craft facts from the American public.

Curiously enough, it was because of these unheard-of Air Force group conflicts that the author was able, at first, to obtain two principal pieces of information regarding the Air Arm's attitude toward saucercraft: The one, "commissive"; the other "omissive."

In the first instance, Air Force jet pilots were instructed to keep their eyes open for flying saucers, chase after them, and, if possible, shoot them down. But they were also instructed to keep all of their saucer sightings and acts of interception, if any, a complete secret from the public. All Capitol news outlets which could, and would, normally release saucer data to the press, were thereby muzzled. Air Force instructions,designated as "Janap 146" and AFR 200-2," forbid U. S. Air Force pilots to give saucer intelligence to radio, press, TV or any other civilian news service.

Because of this news-strangling approach of the Air Force to the saucer situation, Major Keyhoe was compelled, not too long ago, to utter this almost-unbelievable revelation in the presence of some of his close friends:

"For the past four months our entire world has been under constantly increasing surveillance by the unknown race which controls the 'flying saucers.' During this same time the 'silence group' in the Air Force has fought to keep the truth from the public. Hundreds of UFO's, operating singly and in formations, have been sighted by our military and airline pilots, all over the world. But the threat of court-martial if reports are made public keeps military pilots silent; and only a few airline pilots have risked official anger by publicly reporting these dramatic encounters."

Nor is the author unaware of the Civil Aeronautics Board's unofficial feelings on this unwarranted business of Air Force attacks on apparently non-hostile spacecraft. From the lips of Arthur Caperton, a C.A.B. senior crash investigator, Maj. Keyhoe heard that "It's dangerous, ordering jet pilots to chase the saucers."

It is no small wonder that, in February of 1953, General Benjamin Chidlaw, at that time Chief of all our continental air defenses at Ent Air Force Base in Colorado, was heard to observe: "We have stacks of reports about flying saucers. We take them seriously when you consider we have lost many men and planes trying to intercept them."

Maj. Keyhoe's 19-chapter book makes truly delightful and enlightening reading. He is to be commended highly for telling American men, women and children the whole truth about aerial saucer vehicles.

(Editor's Note: We would like to add to the foregoing that THE FLYING SAUCER CONSPIRACY is not only a volume of exciting and useful information, but that it is a masterpiece of skillful suspense writing.

In fact, the only fault that we can find is a tendency to overdramatize what might not be important events, but the writing style does frame what otherwise might be a dull list of sightings and events in a fascinating narrative form. This is certainly the most important saucer book of 1955, and, if Keyhoe's theories prove to be true, perhaps it may turn out to be the most important book of 1955.

As THE SAUCERIAN REVIEW goes to press, M. K. Jessup is announcing the publication of his second book, THE 1955 UFO ANNUAL. It contains pages of saucer sightings, comments, personal observations, along with a sensational account of how two observers, 650 miles apart and unknown to each other, reported a "spot" on the moon, enabling triangulation of a UFO. A story on Government study of gravity will also appear in the ANNUAL. Order C.O.D. until price is established from Oddities Book Club, 1319 F. St., N.W., Washington, D.C. (It is expected to sell for $3.50 -- the same price as THE CASE FOR THE UFO).

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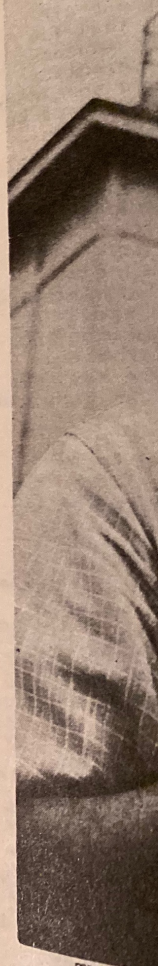

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As THE SAUCERIAN went to press the first saucerbook of 1956, THE REPORT ON UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS, appeared. The review below is by Justin Case. The author, Edward J. Ruppelt, is pictured below.

THE REPORT ON UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS, By Edward J. Ruppelt, Published by Doubleday Co., Inc., Garden City, N. Y. 315 pages. $4.50.

Capt. Ruppelt was an aviator in World War II, after which he returned to Iowa State College and later graduated as an aeronautical engineer. When the Korean trouble started he was recalled to active

duty and stationed at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio. In September, 1951, he became Officer-in-Charge of Project Blue Book, the Air Force's investigation of Unidentified Flying Objects. From then on up to early 1953 Capt. Ruppelt studied each report received. He personally investigated the most important sightings, travelling some 200,000 miles for that purpose. His men investigated other reports, and he held frequent conferences with scientists and other consultants hired by the Air Force from among the best brains in the country.

Therefore his education, position and experience make Capt. Ruppelt the most qualified writer on flying saucers. All saucer students -- the ardent believers, the skeptics and all those in between -- should welcome his book as the most important on the subject to date. Furthermore, they will find that a college education is not needed for an understanding of his book, for it is written in simple, clear language that is intended to inform. This is in sharp contrast to the peculiar complex, vague and confusing language, known as "governmentese," that his successors used in the latest Air Force report, dated May 5, 1955, that was made public last October.

Thus Capt. Ruppelt gives us a clear, honest history of our Air Force's investigation of flying saucers. He makes it plain that the purpose of Project Blue Book was not to guess at what flying saucers might be, but to collect enough accurate information for a scientific analysis that would solve this mystery CORRECTLY. There were considerable difficulties in obtaining this information. No one knew where or when a UFO would appear. Therefore it was impossible to have scientists ready to observe, photograph and measure it with scientific instruments. Instead, the Project had to rely on visual observations, often by inexperienced observers who unexpectedly saw totally unfamiliar objects, mostly at great distances and for very short times. Neither they nor any one else could estimate the distance, size or speed of these unfamiliar objects with any worthwhile accuracy. Even the reports of experienced men, like airplane pilots, did not give enough information for a scientific study. To overcome these handicaps, the Project set up 80 special two-lens cameras at locations where UFO sightings were most frequent, but they got no photos nor spectrographs. For an entire year they maintained a 24-hour daily watch with theodolites at White Sands, New Mexico, but no UFO appeared in the sky for tracking with these instruments. In addition, the Project was hampered by lack of funds and personnel.

Nevertheless Capt. Ruppelt improved the quality of reports by standardizing questionnaires that observers had to fill out, by prompt investigation of important sightings, and by obtaining cooperation of civilian and military scientists. By the end of 1952 he had received and carefully studied 2199 reports. Of these, 434 were considered to be Unknowns, that is, they were objects that looked and acted like nothing that the Air Force knew about. Early in 1953 he reviewed these 434 Unknowns, together with some movies and other data, with a large group of top scientists. It wastheir opinion that these reports did not contain enough information for any scientific conclusion. Therefore the scientists could not say what the objects were. They did not want to guess what the objects might be, for such guesses would more likely be wrong than right.

The Air Force adopted this entirely sensible and wholly scientific attitude and worded its press releases to the public accordingly. But much of the public, spurred on by irresponsible writers, mistook this attitude either as an admission of incompetence, or a desire to conceal sensational facts. Readers of this book can see that Capt. Ruppelt and his scientists did everything possible to solve this mystery. Also, the Captain makes it clear that both he and the scientists wished to give the public all the information they had but that higher officials overruled them for what they undoubtedly considered very good reasons. Capt. Ruppelt does not question the good motives of these officials.

The book contains the details of a large number of the best and most important sightings, with a discussion of the possible explanations, an honest admission of inability to explain some, and a clear,

logical explanation for others. For example, Capt. Ruppelt reviews the Mantell tragedy at great length but admits that none of his possible explanations are certain. His investigation of the Scoutmaster Desvergers story convinced him it was a hoax, and he explains why. He analyzes the Lubbock lights photos thoroughly and gives convincing reasons for doubting that they were any type of flying saucer. Many other classic sightings are similarly analyzed, including the green fireballs over New Mexico.

Capt. Ruppelt wants his readers to decide for themselves what they think flying saucers might be. Although he discusses the pros and cons of the possibility that they might be interplanetary, he makes no effort to convince us either way, for there is no proof of one or the other -- the best we can do is only guess. Readers can readily surmise what Capt. Ruppelt's guess is.

Therefore Capt. Ruppelt's book indicates what some people, among them Gray Barker, have suspected -- that the Air Force does not know for sure what flying saucers really are. But I think we can be sure that Air Force officials, and others high in our government, have given considerable thought to what flying saucers might be, and they have done everything possible, for our benefit, to anticipate any probability. What better indication of that do we need than the many new types of aircraft being developed that look and act like flying saucers?

This review has given you only the highlights of Capt. Ruppelt's book. Considerable interesting and instructive material in this book has not been mentioned, and it will be well for all saucer students to read it thoroughly for a complete understanding of the many sides to the flying saucer mystery. Undoubtedly it is the best book to date.

(Editor's note: When books are reviewed by others than members of our editorial staff, the opinions of the review writers cannot be construed as necessarily the same as those of the editors. For example, one of our editors has expressed the opinion that Ruppelt's book is only a part of the official cover-up of the real flying saucer story -- G.B.)

THE SEARCH FOR BRIDEY MURPHY, by Morey Bernstein, Published by Doubleday Co., Inc., Garden City, N. Y. 256 pages. $3.75 (Reviewed by August C. Roberts).

This book is, by far, one of the strangest true stories ever written. It has only three chapters, but each is loaded with unusual information that will hold most readers spellbound until the last page is finished.

It relates an amazing experiment in hypnosis, and the amazing results bridge the time barrier, taking us back in time to a day in Ireland in 1798. Morey Bernstein, a young businessman of high integrity, and deeply interested over a period of years in the subject of hypnotism, is the experimenter. What he learns might well turn the course of man's thinking, by giving him a means of "time travel" back into history.

His subject is a young woman named Ruth Simmons, whom he puts into a deep trance, in the presence of her husband and other witnesses. A home type tape recorder is turned on to record each step of the experiment. The age regression process (common to hypnotism) is utilized, with, of course, the necessary prelude to whatever might follow in its wake, [illegible]s his subject back to her age of seven, to five, to three, to one, and finally through the barrier of time itself.

"I want you to keep going back," he told her, "back through space and time, and you will find that there are other scenes in your memory....in some other place, in some other time....now you are going to tell me what you see....."

What followed stunned them all, as another voice said, loud and

clear:

"I scratched the paint off all my bed."

"Why did you do that," she was asked.

A small relaxed voice told the logical, touching story of a little girl who was spanked, and who was taking her revenge against the grownup world by scratching the paint off the metal bed in her room.

Bernstein tensed as he asked the question, "What is your name?"

"Bridey," she said. "Bridey Murphy."

The interview that followed is something the reader had best discover for himself.

When I first read the story in TRUE, the man's magazine (February, 1956), I couldn't believe it. I called the TRUE editorial offices and talked with one of the editors. I explained that I was reading the latest issue, but that to me the story about Bridey Murphy was convincing as a fictional account only. The editor said the story was true, and that they had proof to back it up. There was a long-playing record, he said, that contained the actual hypnotic sessions, with the voice of Bridey Murphy (which sounded entirely different from the voice of Ruth Simmons). The editor also told me the story was being published by Doubleday as a hard cover book, so I called up Doubleday, which advised me the book, though on the market only a short while, was already in its fifth printing.

In conclusion, I finally obtained the long playing record through Dauntless International, 750 10th Ave., New York 19, N. Y., and it was amazing!

To try and explain or describe the spoken words of Bridey Murphy is like trying to explain color to a blind man. You have to hear the recording with your own ears to fully appreciate the impact .

The impressive thought about THE SEARCH FOR BRIDEY MURPHY is that here is, in effect, time travel, though into the past. If travel into the past is possible, how about the future? Has man at last discovered the "time machine," of which he has so often dreamed? If he has, it has not turned out to be a mechanical contrivance such as the one H. G. Wells predicted. Perhaps the amazing machine called "man" has turned out to be the only true "time machine," and it has been proved that man, if immortal, has crashed the barriers of time and space.

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In fact, a list of our contributors reads something like this: George Adamski, Truman Bethurum, Orfeo Angelucci, Daniel W. Fry, Frank Scully, John Otto, Leonard H. Stringfield, George W. Van Tassel, August C. Roberts, George H. Williamson, Arthur Louis Joquel II, William B. Nash and others.

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RUSSIAN SPACE STATION

Above: Russian scientists hinted they were ahead of the U.S. in constructing a space station. Bottom right: A Soviet magazine pictures the Reds landing on the Moon.

space. The animals, he said, were sent up in special cabins, and their behavior had been observed from the ground.

The U.S.S.R. satellite, he further informed, would, like the orbit planned by the U.S., circle the Earth on a line from pole to pole. "This will make it possible to carry our observations of all parts of the globe."

Some quarters in the British Government criticized other quarters for not being any farther along in the space race. After all, Britain was a center for theoretical knowledge of space travel, mainly because of the work of the British Interplanetary Society, a civilian organization, but lagged behind in actual experimentation. England would not build a satellite, but officials announced, would contribute to knowledge of outer space by sending rockets, containing 100 lbs. of scientific equipment, into the upper atmosphere. In the race for space the U.S. surely held the lead only if for having Dr. Wernher von Braun, the brilliant German scientist who had been co-inventor of Hitler's V2 rocket, the weapon which came within a hair of obliterating London during World War Two. Von Braun was now technical director of America's guided missile program. But it was pointed out Russia also had German scientists working for them.

The Real Story

But for those who sat down and thought about it the whole satellite business had a funny ring to it.

Most people didn't even question the news, but to the thinkers, the announcement raised a pertinent question:

Such an artificial satellite would provide tremendously valuable information of military application, besides contributing a great step to eventual space travel. Why could the U.S. be planning to share the information with all nations, including Russia, if the giving away of such knowledge would benefit an unfriendly nation militarily?

Group Captain Hugh Dundas, reporting in the London Sunday Express, had cogent comment:

"All this talk about how jolly it will be for scientists of all the nations to swop observations about cosmic rays and air density and heat from the sun should be taken with a pinch of salt or a shot of brandy, according to taste.

"The fact is, that down in Alabama scores of scientists, many of them with gutteral German accents, have been working for years on the satellite project."

The writer then mentioned Von Braun.

"Men like Braun certainly have not been sending notes about their discoveries to the scientists of other nations.

"Their instructions have been simple..... GET ANY MANNED SATELLITE INSO SPACE BEFORE THE REDS DO THE SAME THING. For no one has many illusions about the fact that somewhere in

Russia there is a defense installation to match the one in Alabama. And that there too the gutteral accents of German technicians who went far in mapping the road to space for Adolph Hitler are to be heard.

"A basketball whirling around 250 miles up may not sound too sinister. But listen to the experts. 'WE MUST LEARN TO CRAWL IN SPACE BEFORE WE CAN FLY IN SPACE'."

Besides its mission as a springboard to space, such a manned satellite, the writer continued, would be in reality a celestial gun platform for launching guided missiles onto any desired point on Earth.

SAUCERIAN Goes On Limb

What does THE SAUCERIAN think of the matter?

It has usually been difficult to get THE SAUCERIAN out on a limb, for we realize how embarrassing it might become to be proved wrong. But we do want to go out on the limb just this once, and then we'll crawl back. We want to make a bald-faced statement.

The U.S. WILL launch satellites in 1957 or before, and there will be a lot of publicity about it.

But this should be stated along with another quite important observation:

THE KIND OF SATELLITE NOW BEING ANNOUNCED ALREADY IS OLD HAT. IT HAS BEEN IN THE SKIES FOR SOME TIME.

THE SAUCERIAN will not state at this time whether there is a MANNED satellite, constructed by the U.S. Government, already orbiting the Earth. We will say, however, that if this is not already true, we are not far away from it. The announcement of the manned satellite will be handled in precicely the same way. After it is in the sky for some time news will probably leak out to the Russians, and/or Russia will shoot their own manned satellite into the sky (if they have not done so already). After that the U.S. will come out with an announcement that they plan to start building the satellite and that in a few years, etc.

What most SAUCERIAN readers don't realize is that any U.S. military developments, particularly new aircraft of unusual speeds and configurations, are already outdated before public announcements are made about them. THE SAUCERIAN doesn't feel it is revealing any military secrets, for the Russians surely are smart enough to figure that one out.

It is also interesting to note, incidentally, that the Air Force did nothing to discourage a popular misconception that the satellites were flying saucers or vice versa. The American public, which enjoys almost any occupation better than deep thought, already had developed an unusual but typical misconception. Somehow they figured in that the U.S. planned to launch satellites, that might have something to do with flying saucers. Through some kind of strange but typical logic they figured that the saucers which people have been seeing for years were the satellites. They didn't stop to figure out, for one thing, that granted that the satellites were already in the skies, they could not possibly account for the rash of saucer sightings that infested the world since 1947. At best artificial satellites could be seen only rarely, and then as a bright pin point of light moving in one direction.

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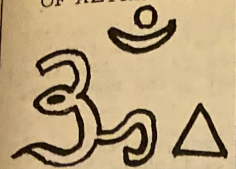
MYSTIC SYMBOLS OF AETHERIUS



Received by telepathy from Venusian

"Aetherius" Speaks

During December a "Great Spiritual Push" would take place, according to Harold Mattam, of England, who received his information from George King, who in turn had been in daily spiritual contact with a saucerian called Aetherius. Aetherius described himself as "Master of Venus, Member of the Interplanetary Parliament, and Emissary-in-Chief to Terra."

So far in 1955 there had been two spiritual pushes, and the third one would last for tw three weeks beginning on December 4.

Aetherius, speaking through medium King, had been advising followers who gathered regularly to hear the messages on many matters.

It was generally proven, wrote Mattam to SAUCERIAN editors, that already there were two artificial satellites orbiting Earth. The first two satellites were from Venus, and would be joined by a third in December, this one manned by Martians. The purpose of the first two satellites, the informant declared, "is one of detection of the amount of radiation from the release of Atomic energy, and as general observation stations."

Although the first two satellites had been tracked by radar, an attempt to pick up the third one on the scopes would be useless, Mattam informed. A protective screen had been thrown around it, since radar impulses would have a harmful effect on some of the work it was doing, namely, beaming magnetic energy onto the Earth.

The saucers are here for a very good reason, Aetherius informed his Earthly followers: Space people are highly concerned about our atomic experiments.

Due to the release of radiation by atomic and hydrogen bombs, the Ionespheric Belt, surrounding Earth, has been punctured, allowing certain deadly rays from the Sun to come through.

The effect of all this poisonous energy from the Sun will not be felt until the next generation, "when we may be confronted by a terrible form of mutation."

"Two-headed beings, perhaps with several legs, and with giant mental powers which they will not be able to control," will be born, according to Mattam's melancholy prediction. Besides all that, the bomb explosions will result in a chain reaction, at which time "the surface of our Earth will be turned into a Sun, the balance of this Planet will become upset and what is left of it will go careening through Space to menace the other Planets."

How does the ordinary human contact the saucerians? Mattam has the answer: Cosmic Water. Anyone can manufacture the Cosmic Water from ordinary tap water, simply by following the directions direct from Aetherius:

"Turn on the cold tap. Allow it to run for a few minutes, then fill a dark blue bottle with water. Stand the bottle in the Sun for 15 minutes. Then pour the water backward and forward from the bottle into a glass several times. It should then be drunk at once, with the addition of pure fruit juice. In that way your sensitivity will be increased so that we can communicate."*

In one of King's publication, AETHERIUS SPEAKS, the medium printed a rumor that a certain London Borough Council was contemplating an increase in the water rate to help pay for the laying of bigger pipelines

*THE SAUCERIAN will be interested in learning how readers who tried the Cosmic Water got along with it. Don't ask us where to find a dark blue bottle.

in order to meet the extra public demand for water, though he hinted in the publication that the rumor might have been a facetious one.

Whether or not the Cosmic Water has any sensitizing properties THE SAUCERIAN is not prepared to postulate; however we're all for it. We think everyone would be better off if he went back to old fashioned water as a popular refreshment. We hope the movement gains momentum.

The "Thing"

The Air Force said it knew all about the strange plastic box, but they weren't telling, after a New Bedford, Mass., fishing boat picked up what they termed "The Thing" as it was floating somewhere off Nantucket Island on October 4.

"The Thing" looked so odd maritime authorities immediately investigated it. Whatever it was, they quickly concluded one thing: It was too big for a breadbox but too small for a portable garage.

The giant what-is-it was about four ft. high, three ft. wide and two ft. deep, and inside the strange box was an aluminum frame to which were tied three 50-lb. cans, all painted olive drab.

As investigators carefully peeped inside the cans they found a metallic substance which proved to be neither explosive, radioactive, nor, as they stated, "of alien origin."

Under the microscope the stuff proved to be nothing more than sand-blasting abrasive, and what was more peculiar, the tests showed the abrasive had been USED. Navy people, however, described it as being like ground steel or iron.

The maritime sleuths also observed that the cans were stamped with the name of a Cleveland, Ohio, manufacturer, but were not designed originally to fit into the strange box, and were lashed to the aluminum frame in a slipshod manner.

After the Air Force said it knew what "The Thing" was but could not release the information, officials at the Air Force Center in Cambridge, Mass., reported to the United Press that "It almost certainly is part of a balloon test program being carried out by the 456th Troop Carrier Wing at Charleston Air Force Base in South Carolina," though no one stated just why the box was found so far away from home.

THE STRANGE BOX

A.F. knew what it was.

"The object has absolutely no value and can be destroyed," the Air Force said.

Jupiter Calling

Was Jupiter, largest planet in our solar system, signalling Earth?

One thing was certain. Drs. B. F. Burk and Kenneth L. Franklin, of the Carnegie Institution, were picking up radio signals from what appeared to be a visible white spot on the planet. The signals came every three days, with waves of a frequency of 22 megacycles.

Burk and Franklin picked up the signals with a radio telescope, using a narrow beam antenna. Radio-astronomy can detect features of the universe invisible by ordinary telescopes; for one thing it can pick up

disturbances deep beneath the cloudy surfaces of planets such as Jupiter.

Was someone on Jupiter trying to transmit a message to someone on Earth? Burk and Franklin didn't think so. For one thing it would appear, from astronomical observations, that life, as we know it, would be impossible on the frigid planet, 483,900,000 miles from the Sun, and believed to be encrusted with an ice sheet many miles thick around its molten kernel.* Besides, the subzero temperature residents would have to put up with would be a mild problem compared to the atmosphere -- composed mainly of ammonia and methane gases, unpleasant to breathe, to say the least.

The astronomers believed the radio signals were originating from some kind of electrical disturbance in the planet's atmosphere, like a giant thunderstorm. Although the periodicity of the "messages" led some to believe some sort of intelligence which was trying to communicate might be responsible, Dr. Burk put the quietus on the theory quicker than you could focus his telescope. Jupiter rotates on its axis in less than 10 hours, while Earth rotates in 24. With each planet revolving at different speeds a given point on one planet will not be opposite a given point on another until the points happen to coincide again. Because of the difference in rotational speed this happens every three days, and explains the three-day periods between messages. Some suggested the waves were being bounced off the planet from another source on Earth, but the astronomers estimated such a trick would require a transmitter far bigger than anything in existence so far, or even contemplated for that matter.

Use of the radio telescope may eventually solve the mystery of Jupiter's "great red eye," the spot discovered in 1878. It traveled around the planet at 200 miles per hour, brushing all other features aside. Some astronomers have suggested the red spot is a result of a tremendous volcanic eruption on Jupiter, that it is a cloud of gases and dust, but generally they admit they just don't know. For during the near 100 years it has been observed the features of the red spot have not changed appreciably---unusual for a cloud.

Meanwhile there was hush-hush talk of another astronomical development, called an "electronic screen intensifier." By a flourescent screen principle the device, attached to a telescope, was rumored to increase the brilliance of celestial objects to the point where large reflecting telescopes would no longer be needed. It was also rumored that when an experimental model was attached to the telescope at Lowell Observatory during the Mars approach one of the resident astronomers said, in describing the event, "Suddenly there were canals all over the place! I had been a canal agnostic, but I am not any more!"

But the new telescope appeared to be under wraps and little or nothing was being said about it. Dr. E. C. Slipher, in an article in THE NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC MAGAZINE (Sept., '55), about the 1954 Mars Committee observations in South Africa, did not mention it. Meanwhile it was being said many famous astronomers had been engaged by the Air Force to help solve the mystery of the saucers, and like everyone else working officially on the enigma, they were under strict security regulation, which meant the usual free exchange of scientific and astronomical knowledge was now stifled as the saucer censorship continued to tighten its octupus-like grip.

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*Don't ask us why the ice doesn't melt---we only report what the scientists say -- G.B.

Monster Tales

THE SAUCERIAN had more monster tales, always a favorite subject, to report.

Doors were barred in Honkong early in March as the police searched for a hairy beast, said by terrified residents to be a shaggy animal over 6 ft. tall.

One man, a village gardener named Law Chiu, had fought it and lived:

"The thing attacked me about 50 yards from the family temple. It was covered with long, shaggy gray hair. It stood upright when it came at me. I punched it in the stomach, but it fell on me and we grappled for some time.

"The creature then went away, loping on all fours."

Some time after that a woman saw a strange animal galloping past her vegetable garden on four legs, and as proof she exhibited large triangular foot-prints in the soft earth. They were unlike those made by a man or ape.

SOME KIND OF SEA SERPENT

Passersby stop to look at this strange carcass in Venice, Calif., where former lifeguard Norman Bishop (with broom) found it while running on the beach. Its skull looks like that of an oversize snake. It measures 16 feet long, and is estimated to have weighed about 800 pounds when alive. (International Soundphoto)

In September villagers in the area of Castel San Criogio, Italy, offered a $5,000 reward for the capture of a serpent monster, said to have a head like a greyhound with red streaks down its back. People who saw the monster said it looked like a snake, but was 90 ft. long, with a big head. Later others said it made rattling noises, had big ears and a strange smell.

The sea monsters were back. One of them fought with a whale in England, according to 17 witnesses. They saw the weird fracas which took place only 200 yards from the shore at Camp Bay, near Cape Town, England.

A sea captain, H. F. Micklett, said the battle was "a horrifying sight."

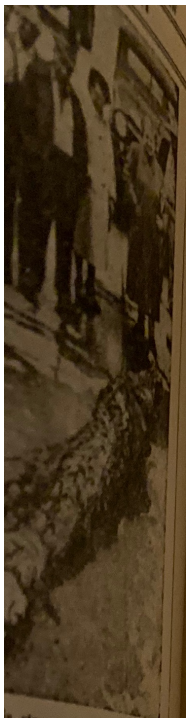
The monster had a head like a hippo, a thick and powerful neck, and kept stabbing and biting at the whale, "roaring all the time like nothing I have heard before."

Also in England, at St. Neot's, Huntingdonshire, two men said a river monster had broken their fishing lines.

William Henry Potter was in a boat with Aubrey Emery when they saw the creature for several minutes. "It swam to within 25 yards of us." They said it was 10 ft. long, almost a foot wide, had a head like a dog, and three humps on its back.

"Ogopogo," the Lake Okanagan, Kelowma, B.C., equivalent of the Loch Ness Monster, turned up again. More than two dozen people reported they had seen the thing at close quarters.

Two Darwin, Australia, women, Sister R. Keiler and Mrs. M.



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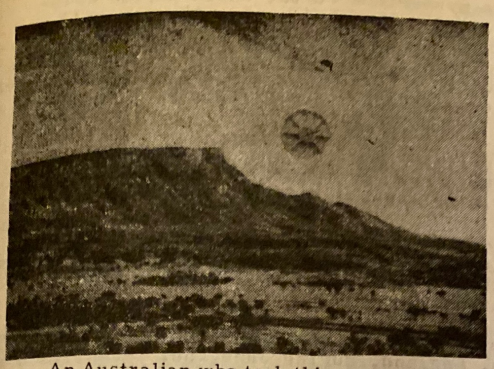


An Australian who took this saucershot would not give his name. "It would have been possible to take more shots," he said, "but I just looked. I don't know -- maybe Adamski had something about those men from Venus."

Sudholtz, saw a sea monster in Darwin Harbor, named appropriately for evolutionary prodigies. They said it appeared as a series of black dots stretching for more than 100 yards. In the center was a black hump which rose and fell beneath the waves. It traveled at great speed.

A follow-up to the Flatwoods, W. Va., "monster" story (Sept. '53 SAUCERIAN) was told by George Snitowsky in the July MALE magazine. he, his wife and baby were returning to Queens, N. Y., from a Cincinnati, Ohio, visit, when he got the scare of his life. Near Sutton, W. Va., near the "monster" scene and on Sept. 13, 1952, one day after the Flatwoods scare, his automobile engine stopped. Getting out to raise the hood he encountered a nauseating odor and saw a luminous spherical object near the road. Then his wife screamed. About 30 ft. away was a strange figure, standing immobile on the fringe of the road.

"It was a good nine ft. tall and in the general shape of a man, with a head and shoulders and a bloated body."

Snitowsky climbed back into the car, and rolled up the windows. The monster advanced on the car, reached across the windshield from above with a long, spindly arm forked into two soft ends. It seemed to be examining the car, and after a while moved away, seeming to float across the road and toward the spherical object. The sphere rose into the air and Snitowsky tried the motor again. It worked, and they rushed away. Examining the hood later, they discovered a dark discoloration where the thing had touched it.

This story was told to Paul Lieb, who wrote it up for the magazine. We also hope that Snitowsky also told it to that branch of our Services particularly noted for bravery and being the first onto beachheads, whose members sing,"FromThe Halls of Montezuma."

Charles Fort Dept.

Some Fortean notes popped up in the news.

Zoologists from Los Angeles State College, led by Dr. J. Welsh, were puzzled by the sudden appearance of a large number of shrimp-like creatures in a lake bed that had been dry for at least 100 years. The creatures appeared when a thunderstorm suddenly flooded the ancient lake bed.

Dr. J. Welsh had to have an explanation of some sort to get out of the embarrassment of saying, "I can't explain it," so arrived at an opinion.

"The creatures were hatched from eggs lying dormant beneath the sunbaked surface for many years. We are trying to recover some of the eggs."

Another fact was even more puzzling: "They don't seem to fit in with any known species," he said, "although there are vague resemblances to fresh-water crabs. If we can obtain some eggs we may have some vital links with past fossil finds." Dr. Welsh never considered the crabs may have dropped from the sky.

Near Barrie, Ontario, a mysterious force, which pulled automobiles off the road, was reported. The past spring 17-year-old Marlene Holmes died after an automobile crash on a curve four miles north of Barrie. Police noted it was the third serious crash there in two weeks, yet they said the curve should be a safe one at 50 miles per hour. It was as if a mysterious force had drawn the cars to destruction.

The Navy Hydrographic Office released an odd report from the American Tanker "Dynafuel," whose crew saw smoke on the water in the Gulf of Mexico not far from New Orleans.

The smoke appeared to come from under the water and resembled smoke from bombs dropped during target practice, stated the ship's master, who added the water smoked for 10 minutes. The Hydrographic Office could offer no explanation.

Other trivia was dropping from the sky. A block of ice was found in a garden at Loughton, England, during June, but investigators figured it had fallen from an airplane.

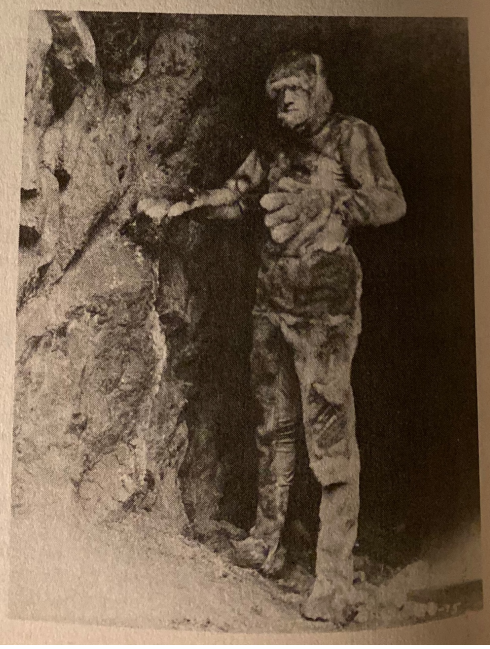
A brass German pfennig found at Thorne, Doncaster, had the date 1994!

The Abominable Snowmen

In Calcutta a Dr. Mathews tried to explain away the abominable snowmen, strange half-humans reportedly seen in the Himalayas, to a Rotary Club gathering. He said the snowmen do not exist and that the abnormal footprints found at high altitudes in the Mimalayas are caused by the Sun extending the footprints of smaller animals.

Charles L. Orsborne, saucer researcher of Hants, England, believed there might be a link between the snowmen and flying saucers. He noted that saucers could land in the remote fastness of the Tibetan mountains without fear of being disturbed.

"The lack of oxygen may make the Himalayan atmosphere more like that of the planet from where the spacemen come. Most people have heard about the Great White Lodge of the Himalayas, reputedly "The Invisible Government of the World." They would be the people most likely to be contacted by a race of friendly psychics from outer space, since members are allegedly highly developed in many forgotten arts."



Right: Abominable Snowman is depicted in a still from the United Artists film, "THE SNOW CREATURE." Is the Snowman the "missing link" sought by proponents of Darwinism, or is the creature, by chance, a visitor from some other planet? Some day an expedition may capture a Snowman and we may have the answer that have puzzled investigators for years.

The Vanishing Window Crack

Although the epidemic of the cracked auto windshields of the previous summer had subsided into isolated reports here and there, a new siliconic mystery arose in International Falls, Minn.

On June 30 a flash of lightening seemed to shoot through Eleanor Cline's dress store, passing between her and a customer but causing no damage to the interior. But a clerk came running from the front of the store. "It cracked the window," she yelled, and, since it was raining heavily outside, ran to get a mop to collect the water pouring in the opening about an eighth of an inch wide which extended about eight ft. down the window.

Mrs. Cline helped the clerk remove merchandise from the window and called a glass firm.

But when the workmen arrived about an half hour later and asked to be shown the cracked window Mrs. Cline gasped in bewilderment. There was no longer a crack in the window; in its place was a dark streak like a pencil mark. Since the water was no longer coming through she sent the workmen away, but continued to be puzzled by the apparent "healing" of the glass.

"The streak began to disappear," she told newsmen, "and today there isn't the least trace of a crack."

"We know for sure the window wasn't replaced, and I can swear to that," she said. "We're still so startled we don't know what to think about it. I felt so foolish calling the glass company, and when they got here there was only a streak---no crack. The glass company men had never come across anything like it either."

Then Vanishing Water Hoses

It was almost as puzzling as the pocked windshield cases. Some were sure flying saucers were behind the mystery, though they couldn't explain why. It all started when a garden hose in the front yard of Mr. and Mrs. George DiPeso, of Downey, Calif., burrowed into the ground and kept going down, as if some mysterious force were pulling it.

Suzanne DiPeso, their 12-year-old daughter, first discovered the strange phenomenon when she went out to water the yard on the morning of June 30. The plastic garden hose which her mother had coiled up when she had finished watering the lawn the day before was partly sticking into the ground. She gave a yank on it, but the end wouldn't come out. Instead it seemed to wriggle in her hands.

Her mother ran out at her scream and also tried to pull it out. It squirmed in her hands. She ran and got some neighbor women who joined the tug of war. But the hose wouldn't budge, and all the time was burrowing deeper and deeper.

That night Mr. DiPeso, a 38-year-old truck driver, came home from work, decided to hook his car to the hose. But the strange force held its grip; the hose broke instead of pulling out. That night DiPeso tied the hose to the faucet. Next morning he found it stretched tight between the hole and the faucet. When he untied it the hose began to snake deeper into the ground.

The news took the country by storm. Newspaper reporters and hordes of curious people thronged the lawn. But no one could find an explanation for the vanishing hose.

The Downey Water Company brought out maps of the area, which showed there were no underground cesspools, cisterns, wells, tunnels, river beds, or anything else that would account for the phenomenon. There had been no nozzle on the hose, nor had the end been pushed under the ground before it began burrowing. As hundreds of curious people tugged at the hose, it just kept going on down.

Dr. Ian Campbell, a Caltech geologist, was asked for an opinion,

said that while he had not seen the hose, he could think of no explanation for its weird action. He suggested they dig down and see what was pulling it under, "in fairness to science or superstition. At first I thought it might be a quicksand condition, but if that had been the case, more than just the hose would have sunk into the ground."

No one could think of any geological reason for the disappearance. Before the area became a residential section an orange grove had occupied the site. Nothing unusual in the topography of the land or condition of the soil could be responsible, experts declared.

Others reasoned some kind of electrical disturbance might be responsible, for odd things had been happening at the DiPeso house. All the lights went out the night before the hose incident, when every circuit in the house had blown out, throwing open the several individual multi-breakers in the switchbox. An electrician who examined the wiring said that it would be electrically impossible for all circuits, including a 220-volt line to an electric stove, to go out all at once.

The day after the hose began its downward journey the DiPesos were able to hear voices on their telephone line that were not part of their party circuit. The telephone company could not explain the mystery.

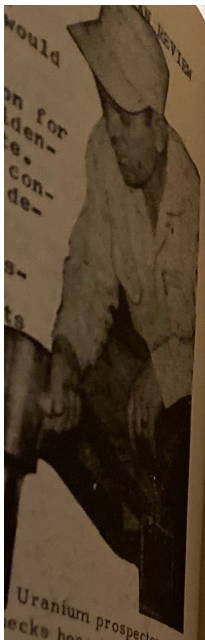
Uranium prospector checks hose for radioactivity. Below left: curious people attempt to pull out the disappearing hose.

A newspaper reporter asked little Suzanne what she thought was causing the hose to burrow. She looked dreamily off into the sky and answered, "Uranium." But neither the hose nor the location was radioactive, proved Glen Sanders, uranium prospector of Azusa, Calif., as he went over the site with a Geiger counter (see illustration above). He also ran a long wire down the inside of the hose. About eight ft. down the wire stopped, couldn't be pushed any farther. When brought up, the end of the wire showed it had hit tightly packed sand. He ran a test for radioactivity on the particles of sand with negative results.

But meanwhile the mystery had spread to other parts of California and the Nation.

Calvin Barham, another Downey resident, told police he had placed his hose on the ground to water the roots of a tree. When he returned an hour later two ft. had disappeared into the ground and he was unable to pull it out. After five ft. had gone down he dug down after the end and found it embedded in soft sand with apparently enough suction to hold it. That solved the mystery, he said, but others were not so sure. He had not explained why the hose started burrowing in the first place.

Conjecture as to what was causing the mystery ranged from



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atomic radiation to little men from Mars, who were allegedly pulling the hoses underground, though no one explained why spacemen should be under the ground and not up in the atmosphere in their saucers. Mrs. Leland Stanford Light, of Pacific Palisades, Santa Monica, Calif., took drastic action when her hose began burrowing. She poured insecticide into it, whereupon whatever was holding onto the other end released its grip and she was able to pull the hose out.

In Logan Village, Md., a suburb of Baltimore, Thomas Beavers chuckled when he read the California reports. But he had forgotten about it when he attached his hose to the children's swimming pool.

When he came out of the house after supper the hose "was acting like a worm, digging into the ground. I couldn't find the nozzle. I grabbed hold of the hose and yanked, but I couldn't pull it out."

Mrs. Robert Breeze, also of Downey, made the mistake of putting her hose into a gopher hole, trying to flush out the creature. She also made the mistake of forgetting the hose sticking in the hole. When she came to put the hose away the gopher, or something, had hold of the other end. She pulled but the something wouldn't let go. After four men working on a nearby house couldn't pull it loose either, she cut the hose off below ground level and let it go at that.

The DiPeso family were so harassed by curious visitors they decided to do the same thing. After 20 ft. of the hose had disappeared Mr. DiPeso cut his off too. But thinking better later he spliced another piece of hose to it. But he reported the splice had broken and the hose was gone, possibly to discourage unwanted sightseers and zealous newsmen.

The family turned down a television offer to dig for the hose, when a nearby station wanted to televise the operation. But there was a catch; they wanted to dig for a short period each day and stretch the series of programs as many days as possible. The DiPesos were tired of the publicity and didn't want their lawn dug up. It might destroy their ornamental trees they had been babying.

Jacqueline Sanders, who investigated the matter for THE SAUCERIAN, dug into her files which disclosed the Downey occurrence was not the first. She uncovered a 1949 Detroit, Mich., report which was similar to the current affair. The Detroit hose was gobbled into the ground so violently and so fast the owners tied it to the bumper of a truck one night. The next morning they discovered that the burrowing hose had pulled the truck two ft. closer to the hole. Michigan papers had played the story up for a while, then dropped it.

She found another account of a few years back from Ann Arbor, Mich., and another one in Fresno, Calif.

MacArthur Predicts Space Attack

Some saucerenthusiasts thought the mayor may have been talking through his hat, but there it was in the newspapers and people were quoting it. Had the Old Warrior let something slip, something he later wanted to cover up?

It happened on a visit to General Douglas MacArthur's fashionable hotel suite in the Waldorf Astoria, according to Achille Lauro, Mayor of Naples.

The visiting dignitary said he was discussing the world political situation with Gen. MacArthur, when the latter suddenly blurted out that he was more greatly concerned about interplanetary was than a crystallization of the terrestrial cold war. The Mayor of Naples reviewed MacArthur's statements:

"He believes that because of the developments of science all the countries on Earth will have to unite to survive and to make a common front against attack from people from other planets."

Mayor Lauro spent 45 minutes with the General, his visit concerned with the new Sperry-Rand Corp. plant in Naples, of which MacArthur is the head.

On the possibilities of a war between the West and the Communist bloc, Lauro quoted MacArthur as saying, "Another war would be double suicide and there is enough on both sides of the Iron Curtain to avoid it."

The General was optimistic about settling of differences between the East and West: "The Soviets and the democracies will adopt the best characteristics of each other, and, in the process of many years, there will not be a strict line of demarcation between their ideals; therefore no cause for war between them."

While saucerenthusiasts gasped in amazement at MacArthur's surprising statement, they learned the Mayor of Naples had flown back to his home town and the General was close-lipped about his saucer-statement.

Flying Saucer Base

In Amersham, England, a flying saucer club wanted the town council to dig up the beautiful Bucks hills to uncover a saucer repair and refueling base the Aerial Phenomena Investigation Department of the organization thought was located there.

Something queer was happening at Amersham, for six families had reported strange noises, described as "vibrant, far-away hummings in the night," although the Clerk of the Council, Ministry of Health, Surveyor and Sanitary Officer* all investigated and failed to hear the odd thrumming sound.

They would be very glad to have the saucer club bring sound recording and direction-finding apparatus from London to investigate, but as far as digging up the hills, that was out.

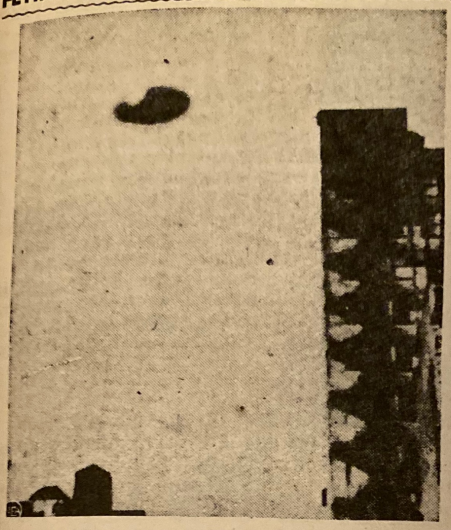
"What if they are the noises of some flying saucer base," a spokesman for the town said. "A council can do nothing about any noise except under Town Planning. For malicious noises it would be for the police to act."

No one stated whether it was thought the noises had reached a

..... SEE ANY FLYING SAUCERS LATELY ?

*It was not stated why investigators included Health and Sanitary officers. Maybe this will serve as a precedent when any future municipal investigations into saucer bases are conducted -- Ed.

FLYING SAUCER PHOTO MADE IN NEW YORK



Warren Siegmond took this picture of a saucer from the roof of his New York City home in May.

malicious state, though Ralph Cox, a retired lawyer of Hamstead, had an explanation. He said the noises were nothing new, and that they were heard all over the country.

"I have been investigating them for a dozen years," he said. "I have large numbers of reports from people who have heard them---and they are not cranky types. The extensive use of electricity in a small country such as Britain is producing sounds audible only to certain ears."

A newspaper investigation disclosed that Air Commodore J. L. Findlay and other reliable people had heard the noises.

King-Size Mirage

While the Air Force still talked of mirages, the town of Rehoboth Beach, Del., had witnessed one of king-size proportions. Incredulous residents looked up and saw the whole of Cape May, N. J., turned upside-down and suspended in the sky above them. Hundreds of persons hurried to the beach front to view the phenomenon across 18 miles of Deleware Bay waters. Charles S. Horne, Jr., former commodore of the Lewes, Del., Yacht Club, was the first to notice the inverted vision about 4 p.m. on February 22. He said it appeared just like a tremendous mural suspended in the sky upside-down.

Fully visible and recognizable in full color and wide-sky were such sights as the Cape May Boardwalk, the Admiral Hotel, the water tank and a magnesium products plant.

Authorities explained to some people who were frightened by the heavenly picture show that mirages are caused by layers of hot air which reflect distant objects. What they did not explain, however, was the feature of the mirage that kicked up interest at SAUCERIAN headquarters and would, they were sure, give Charles Fort quite a belly-laugh, were he living today.

For the Overfalls Light Ship and the pilot boat Philadelphia were also in the mirage, BUT SAILING ALONG RIGHT SIDE UP, in the midst of the crazy upside-down sea.

Captured By Saucers?

The New Zealand Air Force was searching for the survivors of the "ghost ship," Joyita, which turned up in the South Pacific after being reported missing on a voyage between Apia in western Samoa to the Tokelau Island. It was found 800 miles southwest of its course, its crew having mysteriously vanished.

The Joyita's cargo had also disappeared, though explainers of the mystery were sure the crew had used the entire cargo of empty oil drums and 2,000 ft. of lumber as materials for a raft.

The derelict, which recalled the mystery of the Marie Celeste, and other ghost ships from which crews vanished mysteriously without trace in the past, had suffered a damaged superstructure, two thirds of which was missing.

In November several New Zealand government officials were among those who strangely vanished from a pleasure yacht found floating empty near the Fiji Islands on the 10th. The yacht had left five weeks previously on a two-day trip. Discovered by a passing steamer, the interior of the yacht was flooded, and the funnel was gone. The ship's log had also disappeared.

No one yelled saucers, though writers have blamed other mysterious sea disaster on the disks. Readers of M. K. Jessup's THE CASE FOR THE UFO, which contains much material on vanishing crews, may recall how the author points out, in several accounts, a common observation: that superstructures of such craft have often been reported damaged. Did something from outer space damage the ships and snatch their crews up for specimens for some spatial laboratory, or as exhibits for some cosmic zoo? Authorities said not---they were sure an explosion had ripped off the superstructure of the Joyita and forced the crew to abandon ship. As for the pleasure yacht they would think up an explanation for that one too, given a little time. But whatever the explanations might be, they could never be proven, for it looked as if the crews would never be found -- just where they had gone one could only guess.

Pennsylvania Ghost Plane

Another ghost plane was in the news while in the rugged mountains of Carlisle, Pa., a searching party fought its way through deep snows for an aircraft several people, including Civil Defense workers, had described as being in trouble. Plans to put planes in the air to search for the wreckage had to be abandoned because of poor visibility.

"It must have been a ghost plane," was the opinion of Dale Murphy, Cumberland County Defense Co-ordinator. "It came out of thin air and vanished into thin air. No one knows where it came from and no one knows where it was going."

Murphy ordered the search after receiving ten reports from GOC spotters of seeing or hearing a plane, flying about 1,000 ft. over the area and apparently in trouble. One spotter, Mrs. Mary Toner, said she saw it go out of sight behind a hill, then heard something "that sounded like an explosion." The observers described the plane as a twin-engined craft, however a check with various air control agencies failed to disclose any reports of planes missing or in trouble.

Two sailors passing through the mountains later reported seeing a yellow signal flare, and Mr. and Mrs. John Kelly reported seeing another light which looked like a flare as searching parties continued to investigate. No trace of wreckage was found.

FLYING SAUCERS?

Only clouds, said the U.S. Navy in releasing this unusual photograph of saucer-like cloud formations. Newspapers generally believed the Navy was trying to discourage saucer reports, but one paper said the photo might make some fear the cloud patterns had been caused by atomic explosions.

Bets $1,000 Against Space

OFFERS $1,000 REWARD

James W. Moseley, former Eastern Editor of THE SAUCERIAN, and now publisher of SAUCER NEWS (P.O. Box 163, Fort Lee, N.J.), was so convinced of his theories that all saucers are terrestrial devices, built and flown by various Earth governments, he was willing to bet $1,000 he was right.

He offered to personally pay the "grand" to anyone who could produce "tangible, conclusive proof" that flying saucers are visiting us from other planets.

James W. Moseley: "Saucers are Earth made."
---Photo courtesy Saucer News

Moseley announced the reward shortly after his position was somewhat strengthened by the announcement that the Air Force was nearing completion, or, as he suspected, already secretly had actual models in flight testing stages, earlier experimental versions of the same craft might account for the otherwise unexplained saucer sightings since World War Two.

"In spite of the growing evidence to the contrary," Moseley stated to New York newsmen, "many Americans are convinced that the performance of the so-called flying saucers is so extraordinary that they must be of extraterrestrial origin. On the other hand, the majority of people still refuse to accept the overwhelming evidence that saucer-shaped craft have been seen in our skies for the past several years. One of the functions of SAUCER NEWS is to combat both schools of thought."

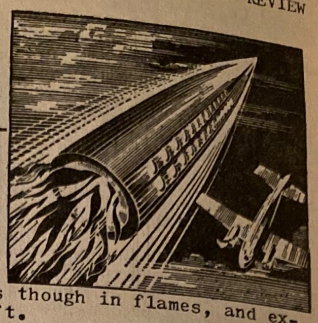
Perusal of Moseley's publication disclosed that much of information emanated from a somewhat mysterious "Dr. D.," described as a scientist with a "Q" clearance who could advise Moseley only under the condition that his identity be kept secret. While attending a meeting of the Civilian Saucer Intelligence in New York City recently, the editor had the privilege of meeting "Dr. D.," who impressed us as a quite serious chap who knew what he was talking about, although we could learn little about his identity. During the meeting, at which Maj. Donald Keyhoe spoke regarding his new book, THE FLYING SAUCER CONSPIRACY, "Dr. D." engaged Keyhoe in argument, defending Moseley's "Earth Theory."

Other sources reputedly familiar with Moseley could not comment on who might be financing the $1,000 reward to be given away by SAUCER NEWS in the event someone could prove the outer space thesis. Could Moseley be in the actual employment of the so-called "Silence Group"? Other pertinent information on the New Jersey publisher can be found in another article, by George Adamski and Alice K. Wells, elsewhere in this publication.

WE STILL NEED MATERIAL!!

THE SAUCERIAN needs clippings and information about saucer sightings, and other unusual phenomena such as you find in this and other issues. We also need articles of a speculative nature, concerning the you-know-whats. We cannot use fiction. Sorry, we can't pay for material, but you will be fully credited. Material can be long enough to cover the subject, but we reserve the right to cut it down to fit our space requirements. Art work is also solicited, but write first to learn requirements for photo-offset reproduction. Although we try to answer our mail promptly, we occasionally get behind, so we hope you'll understand.

Mystery Over Britain



Early in the year a mysterious ball of fire zig-zagged across Britain, from the southern tip to Scotland, and gave thousands of citizens the jitters. Police, fire stations and ambulances all over the country were alerted after thousands of persons thought the aircraft, or whatever it was, had crashed near them.

A little after 7 p.m. the reports began to jam telephone switchboards. A formation of RAF Meteor aircraft flying at 25,000 ft. between Manchester and Birmingham probably got the best look at it. Whatever it was, it was descending as though in flames, and exploded, the pilots said, at about 20,000 ft.

"There is no explanation we can offer for the reports other than that the thing may have been a weather phenomenon or a meteorite ---but we do not really know," said an Air Ministry official. He did not elaborate on what he meant by "a weather phenomena."

The meteorite explanation was soon ruled out. The object changed direction, height and shape during its flight, was observed for a period of 10 minutes, too long a period for a meteorite to be visible.

Arthur Constance, of Cheltenham, who collects accounts of unusual phenomena, prepared an 18,000-word report for the Air Ministry. He believed the strange object must have been connected with flying saucers.

Descriptions of the thing varied. An eye-witness in Cheshire said that when he first saw it the object was bright red and was emitting sparks. A resident of Winsdor said, "It left a white trail in the sky similar to those left by rockets during the war."

The RAF pilots who observed said it was a "fiery object with a greenish tail." When they gave chase at 500 miles per hour it seemed to accelerate and vanish in a burst of flame. An incandescent trail hung in the sky for about 20 minutes afterward.

A garage proprietor at Dyserth, North Wales, also said it left a trail, like "a cascade of silver." "This illuminated the whole of the hills in the Vale of Clwyd for 30 minutes. Then the hills were silhouetted until the light gradually died away."

The huge flaming object made no noise, even when it exploded.

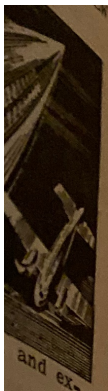
U.S. Fireballs

The U.S. also had its share of strange fiery phenomena in the heavens. In February South Florida had an unexpected sky visitor when a bluish-green object zoomed from southeastern skies and was sighted by residents, sea and air travelers, from Fort Pierce to Cuba.

Two airplanes---one flying over Fort Pierce and another over Key West, some 300 miles from there---tried to "dodge" the fiery ball. Several motorists said they swerved to keep from being hit.

One observer described it as "a big green saucer with a long, white tail. Another man said "It was big as the moon."

Capt. Francis Black, a pilot for Eastern Air Lines, "thought it was coming



in the window of my plane," quickly took the ship up to 1,000 ft. When he got to Miami he was surprised to learn that a pilot flying over Key West did the same thing.

Although officials said it was a meteorite, several questions were left unanswered. If it was, the pilot would not have had time to do more than move his controls until the thing had passed, considering the tremendous speeds of meteorites.

It was described as having a greenish glow and reminded SAUCERIAN editors of Dr. Lincoln Lapaz, who has long investigated the weird green fireballs of the Southwest. Dr. Lapaz runs, at the University of New Mexico, the only Institute of Meteoritics in the U.S. The spring of 1955 brought a new rash of the green fireball reports. During the week of April 3, for example, five fireballs were reported in New Mexico and two in Northern California. April 5 brought three more reports.

Guided Missiles or Weapons From Space?

What puzzles Lapaz (if he is REALLY puzzled at all) is that the fireballs do not behave like ordinary meteorites. The most enigmatic feature is their lack of noise, even when they appear to explode violently.

"If you saw a falling meteorite the size of most of these fireballs the noise would scare you to death," he said. "And meteorite falls are a long way apart. You don't have showers of them."

No one has ever found pieces of the green fireballs, according to Lapaz. However concentrations of copper oxide have been found in the air after fireball reports. Some have speculated that may contain some clue to the makeup of the fireballs, while others, quite saucer-enthusiastic, feel the fireballs are sent by space people to mop up atomic debris in the atmosphere and get rid of harmful radiations.

Readers of the Nov., '53, SAUCERIAN will recall the excitement caused by a fireball smashing through a signboard in New Haven, Conn., on August 20 of that year. After going through the signboard it zoomed into the sky again and disappeared. Buildings trembled and lights dimmed. Some cried an A-bomb had fallen. One woman had a miscarriage as a result of the excitement. Two different independent analyses showed the residue left by the fireball was composed of copper and copper oxide.

But Dr. Lapaz's most amazing statement went by unnoticed by most people.

Members of the Institute he heads have been since 1948 asking observers of the fireballs whether or not pieces of ice or drops of water were detected falling from the sky after the strange objects were sighted.

If an unfriendly nation were testing long-range guided missiles, Lapaz stated, such an opponent would find it necessary to employ test objects that would leave no tangible trace of their existence or use.

Maybe such an enemy power was testing intercontinental missiles made of ice, which would disintegrate and melt upon contact with the ground!

It sounded as if Lapaz was joking---or deliberately trying to throw someone off the real track. For it was still the opinion of many, and perhaps even the renowned Dr. Lapaz himself, that the green fireballs had some connection with the even more elusive flying saucers.

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"Only those who know little of a matter can have a clear and definite opinion on it." ------- Charles Fort in LO!

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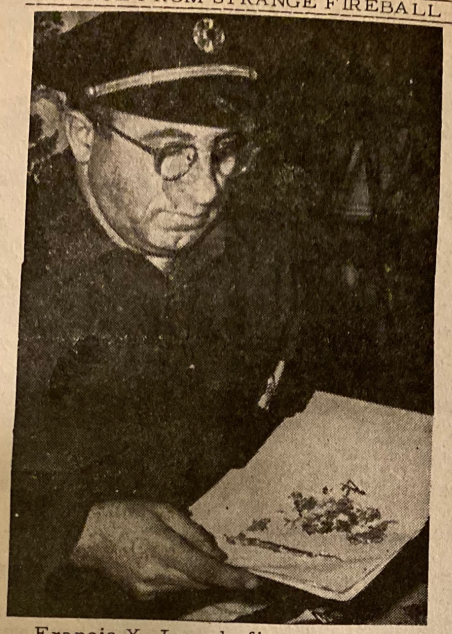
RESIDUE FROM STRANGE FIREBALL



Francis X. Joseph, fire marshall, examines piece of mysterious fireball that set fire to William C. Cunningham's apartment.

Space Objects Menace Citizens

In Sylacauga, Ala., a 10-pound meteorite crashed through the ceiling and whacked Mrs. Hewlett Hodges, a tree surgeon's wife, on the side, as she lay sleeping on her living room couch. It occurred in daytime while she was taking an afternoon nap.

No one tried to explain why the meteorite didn't burn her and the house up in the process, but the Air Force was taking what seemed to be an almost abnormal interest in the occurrence.

Officials from Wright Field zoomed down in a helicopter and whisked the meteorite away to the Ohio base for analysis. They returned it only after the victim's attorneys raised a fuss. Meteorites sell for substantial sums.

Near Chester, Pa., a strange fireball burst through a window of a Darby Township house, setting a second floor apartment on fire and severely burning William C. Cunningham, a 52-year-old resident, who tried to pick the thing up and throw it out of the house.

It was the most peculiar "meteor" ever observed, and the meteor camp reluctantly concluded it couldn't have been one after they heard the strange details. The object entered the window at an angle, instead of straight downward through the roof, as a meteorite would have done (note the Alabama case). Cunningham was dressing in his bedroom about 7:30 a.m. with his back toward the window when he heard the thing crash through the glass. Turning, he saw a ball of fire about the size of a grapefruit bounce off an oil heater and fall to the floor. Inadvisedly he grabbed the thing with the thought of heaving it back through the window. He noted it was hot and heavy as he threw it, but before he could let loose of it the object flared up and seemed to disintegrate. "Some of it landed on the bed and exploded again," the frightened man told firemen and police.

Cunningham rushed out of the apartment and firemen were called to put out the blazing fire the thing had started. The victim was treated for second degree burns.

Preliminary examination of the residue from the object left embedded in the window sill of the second floor window and splattered on the top of a car parked next to the building disclosed the object contained zinc and phosperous, and police were trying to pass it off as a home made bomb.

In an earlier news story District fire marshall, Francis X. Joseph, reported he had tried to melt some of the metal with a propane torch, but the metal only glowed even though it was subjected to a 1,700 degree temperature. There was no reaction when he tested it with a magnet, Joseph also said.

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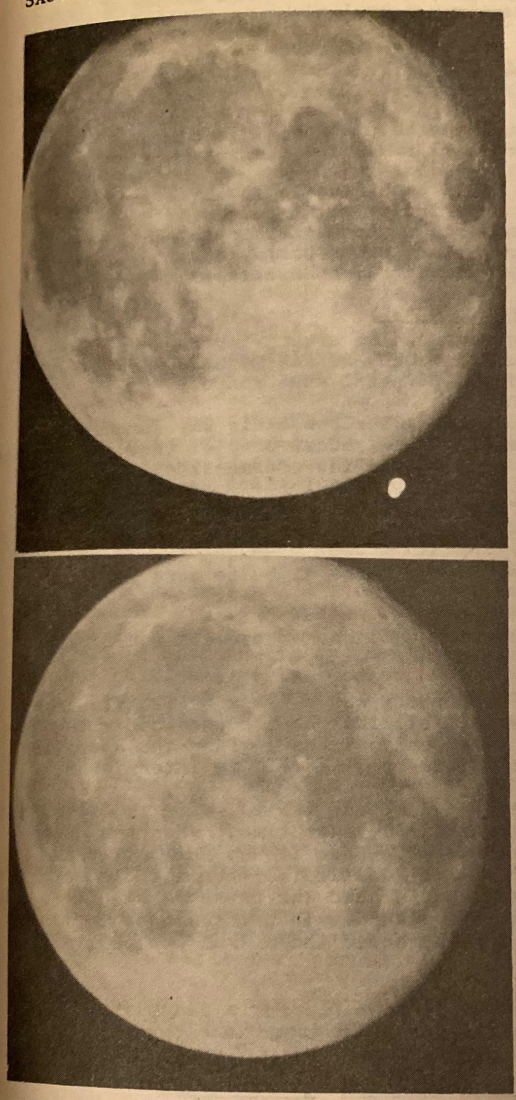

IS THIS A SAUCER IN STRANGE MOON PHOTOGRAPH?

Lonzo Dove, astronomer of Broadway, Va., submitted these two telescopic photographs with the following comment:

"I took these while making tests through my telescope. These two exposures of the Moon just past the full phase were taken a few minutes apart. The one shows what the other does not, a brightly luminous curved oval image whose density on the film is far deeper than any portion of the Moon. The shape suggests the pair of flying objects seen near Dayton, Va., some time ago, associated with a queer cloud, one dark, the other luminous, described as being 'peanut' shaped. The image on my photograph looks more like a lima bean.

"The exposure was 1/25 second. Unlike some alleged telescope shots I know of, this example was positively taken through a telescope, is not a double exposure or posed composition; the negative is just as it came out of the processing solutions, and there was no forethought to such a result in taking of the picture. What it is, I leave for others to name, having no conclusion of my own. Under a high power microscope, the negative shows no details, just an even luminosity far too great to be any double reflection of Moon light on the lens system. The image is sharp, in focus the same as the Moon itself."

The Men Who Sold The Moon

At last it was known just who owned the Moon. Robert R. Coles, former chairman of the Hayden Planetarium, New York City, and others, filed a court claim for the entire Lunar sphere. Since no one else had ever filed such a claim they felt they were entitled to lay claim to complete possession.

Coles and his interLunar realty operations might be in for complications and trouble, however, it was learned from the New York state attorney general's office, which launched an investigation to determine if anyone were being "victimized" by being sold acreage on the Moon, "even for small sums."

The development corporation formed by Coles already was reported to have found some 4,500 people ready to pay $1 an acre for property in the Moon's Copernicus Crater. The plan was partly a joke, reported

Coles, though he countered that if others sold square inches of Texas and the Klondike he didn't see why he shouldn't be permitted to sell off the Moon by acres.

Assistant Attorney General John Trubin didn't think it was humorous, however, in announcing the investigation:

"Despite some of the ludicrous aspects of this case, if people are being victimized, even for small sums, that is not funny."

SAUCERIAN editors, who would each like to invest a few bucks in the Moon, would still like an opportunity to do so, even if there is never any opportunity to actually take possession or to realize some sort of profit from the venture---they would simply like to have the deeds to frame on their walls. They would make excellent conversation pieces.

More Prophecy

In Los Angeles people were crowding around former movie actress Mae West, famous for her famous "come up and see me some time" invitations, and at that time making a personal appearance.

Suddenly a pale, blonde young man elbowed his way through the mob. He was Jeron King Criswell, flying saucer prophet (See Spring, '55 SAUCERIAN, page 61) who again went out on the prognostication limb.

"Miss West," he said, "I predict that you will be President of the United States in 1960."

"If I am, honey," she replied, "there'll be no more wars. Just sex."

And Criswell, who had predicted Eleanor Roosevelt would marry by midsummer 1952, faded back into the crowed.

As amazing as Criswell's prophecy was a claim by Dr. Vladimir Petrovich Demikhov, a Soviet scientist, that he had produced a two-headed dog, though he said it lived only six days after the operation. He grafted a puppy's head on a mature dog, he told an interviewer.

The two-headed dog presented some odd traits, said the scientist. Both heads showed the same desires at the same time. When the older head wanted to eat, so did the younger. When it was hot both heads panted. But emotions were not always identical. When the old dog, for example, tried to shake off the puppy's head the unwanted head bits its host. Dr. Demikhov reported he was planning to produce another two-headed cannine, only the next time he hoped the animal would live longer.

The saucers were said to be responsible for a death in the Philippines. Angel Lamer was killed when he came to blows with Maxim Lamer in a dispute over flying disks.

Lord Dowding Terms Saucer Evidence "Overwhelming"

Some Britishers were doubting Dowding as the aging Air Chief

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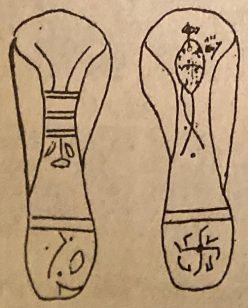

"Enlarge the markings on the footprints that appear in the book, 'Flying Saucers Have Landed. As you look upon them think, and on clear nights turn your eyes to the stars and there you will see the answer you seek.

"They refer to their places as quadrangles as well as sectors of those quadrangles which make up a greater quadrangle in the middle of which is a great rectangle. This rectangle is always referred to as the center."

------Umberto V. Orsi

Marshall said the evidence for flying saucers was "overwhelming."

Air Chief Marshall Lord Dowding, head of the British Fighter Command during the Battle of Britain, said visitors from outer space would not tell us their secrets because the first thing we would do would be to fit out an expedition, with soldiers, and then try to conquer them.

"We must learn better manners before they would tell us of their scientific attainments."

The former military man turned saucerenthusiast is now president of the Tunbridge Wells Flying Saucer Club, and has read all the popular books written about saucers, including INSIDE THE SPACE SHIPS, by George Adamski, who claims to have ridden in a Venusian disk (see Book Review Section elsewhere).

Lord Dowding told newsmen of the many human contacts with spacemen reported around the world, including that of Cedric Allingham, who claimed to have met a Martian in Scotland; Truman Bethurum, who met a spacewoman named Auhra Rhanes; and another account of an American landing, not familiar to SAUCERIAN editors, concerning "a flying saucer occupied by two lovely women, one blonde and the other brunette..... who were wearing ankle-length dresses with girdled belts."

"You may go away from here thinking that every one of these stories is nothing more than a figment of a diseased imagination or a deliberate lie," Lord Dowding said, "But there must be a truth behind this, and the only way I know of arriving at that truth is to take all the evidence that comes along and analyze and dissect it."

Lord Dowding did not mention that Truman Bethurum faced a divorce suit, allegedly because of the beautiful female saucerian he met on a moonlit night in the vastness of Mormon Mesa, Nevada, in July, 1952 (See Sept.,'54 SAUCERIAN).

Other noted Englishmen were allowing the possibility of saucers, it was reported by William Hickey in the London Daily Express, who interviewed Lord Nelson, author of LIFE IN THE UNIVERSE.

"I finally knew that Lord Nelson was a man after my own heart when he said that he preserved an open mind on flying saucers."

The statement had been indeed unusual since Lord Nelson had devoted an entire chapter to pooh-poohing saucers in the book, attributing the UFO's to electrical phenomena.

Saucers And Religion

A religious aspect of saucers was discussed by Rev. T. Rees, Queensland, Australia, clergyman, who urged the public to forget any worries they might have about spacemen.

Rev. Rees, commenting in OUTLOOK, official organ of the Presbyterian Church in Australia, thought spacemen in flying saucers might be coming to Earth to preach some kind of new gospel to humans. Perhaps the Earth was being turned into a new mission field, he said.

He disagreed with Roman Catholic theologians who he said had stated the Christian church was valid only on Earth.

Since the possibility of extraterrestrial life could not be discounted until proved unexistent, such beings might be coming here in flying saucers, the cleric believed. However if here on a divine mission, he believed they are men similar to humans, for he felt that God would enter human relationships only through the human form.

A Methodist minister, also of Australia, the Rev. G. Nash, said man was still in the realm of speculation when talking about spacemen. "We don't know what state of spiritual development the extra-terrestrial

dwellers might have reached."

SAUCERIAN editors, always interested in the impact of the disks on religion, noted again mankind was ascribing religious connotations to the alleged visits by extraterrestrials, and still wondered what religious upheavals would take place should mass landings occur. There would be a great detrimental effect on religious thought, some warned, but the editors sat back, with amused smiles on their faces as they watched mankind simply adding the spacemen, one by one, to their pantheon of gods and goddesses.

"No Saucers" Says Russian Scientist

Russians evidently had the saucerjitters so bad the government put a prominent Russian scientist on the air to solemnly declare there was nothing to the rumor that a space ship invasion from Mars had taken place.

The government was apparently afraid the story of the "Martian Invasion" would reach the United States, where it might be used for propaganda purposes and also might be compared with the panic that took place in 1938 when Orson Welles broadcast the famous radio adaptation of H. G. Well's THE WAR OF THE WORLDS.

The Moscow radio talk said the rumors of the Martian landing was believed mainly by gullible Russian youths who apparently had been reading and talking too much about space ships.

E. Krinov, secretary of the Meteorite Committee of the Soviet Academy of Science, denied what he termed "fantastic accounts" of a "Martian space ship which was supposed to have crash-landed on Earth." He pointed out the account had been published by a popular Soviet magazine.

New Saucer Theory

Brazilian Navy Commander Justino Strauss announced an amazing new theory as to the origin of saucers.

"These mysterious engines (saucers) come from the center of the Earth, where it has long been believed that life exists to a degree advanced over our own civilization."

Center-of-the-Earth-based saucers were likely responsible for the strange disappearance of Col. Percy H. Fawcett, an American who vanished in the Amazon jungle years ago while searching for a rumored city of wealth. This lost city, Comm. Strauss said, is connected with the operation of the people who dwell inside the Earth.

Comm. Strauss' theory is not new. Richard S. Shaver, who stirred up the famous "Shaver Mystery" a few years ago by writing in the magazine, AMAZING STORIES, about a race of "dero" who lived in vast caverns honeycombing the Earth, believed the underground races were in contact with saucerians and held commerce with beings in space ships. Shaver wrote of flying saucers (though he termed them simply "space ships") long before they were brought to public consciousness.

The dero, Shaver said, were remanents of a civilization left behind when an advanced race, which had built the cavern cities, fled to another solar system because the Sun was becoming radioactive. These greatly degenerated remains of the god-like civilizations of pre-history now infest the caverns, keeping their abode a well-guarded secret. They often come to the surface to defraud and even kidnap Earth people, the writer, who said he had himself been in the caves, declared.

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Did British Capture "Little Men"?

It was Dorothy Kilgallen, saucerconscious newspaper columnist, who stirred up one of the biggest saucerflurries with an exclusive item that made front pages of many newspapers.

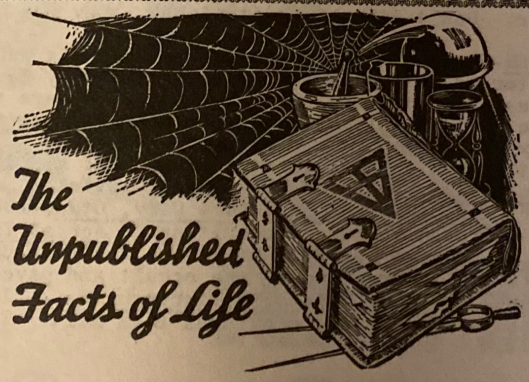
According to the columnist, she had talked to a British official "of cabinet rank" who told her:

"We believe, on the basis of inquiries thus far, the saucers are staffed by small men -- probably under four feet. It's frightening but there's no denying the flying saucers come from another planet."

Miss Kilgallen also obtained information from the official about saucers which crash-landed. "British airmen and scientists, after examining the wreckage of one mysterious ship, are convinced those strange aerial objects are flying saucers which originate on another planet. The source of my information is a British official of cabinet rank. This official quoted scientists as saying a flying ship of this type could not have been constructed on Earth."

The little men story was immediately denied by British officials, and since the columnist had not given the name of her informant, little could be done to track down the story.

Professor A. M. Low, president of the British Institute of Engineering Technology, shrugged off the report by saying it had probably got started by someone's knowledge that the Air Ministry was holding up a report it had received from the R.A.F. concerning their five-year investigation. The Air Ministry chiefs had been shown a full report of the R.A.F. probe into saucers. But the Air Ministry wasn't



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letting the public in on the details. Although the answer to the question, "Do flying saucers exist?" was understood to be "No," the official excuse was, somewhat strangely, that they feared skepticism. If the answer was "Yes," skepticism was understandable, but if it were "No," would not the greater part of the public say, "I told you so," and let it go at that, forgetting the whole thing? The Air Ministry also feared there would be "a nation-wide controversy" over the truth of the report, and that information necessary to settle the argument could not be released because such facts were "top secret."

How long could the thing be kept under wraps, for the answer evolved by the R.A.F. most certainly seemed to be "Yes"?

The British were taking to saucers like they took to tea. A personage no less than the Duke of Edinburg was on the saucer kick. He demanded that all saucer information received by the Air Ministry be turned over to him for perusal.

Perhaps they would also let him examine the huge wall map it was admitted they had constructed. It was a map of the world, on which had been pinpointed 34,000 saucer sightings.

In Geneva The World Interplanetary Association got saucers emeshed in world politics. They announced what they termed the real, behind-the-scenes reason for the Big Four meetings there during July.

The Big Four were REALLY meeting for reasons other than those officially announced. The Association said the purpose of the talks was "to discuss how to deal with beings from other planets who have delivered a final warning to the world by destroying atomic plants in Britain and Russia." The report was signed by the Association's president, Alfred Nahon, who publishes LE COURRIER INTERPLANETAIRE,

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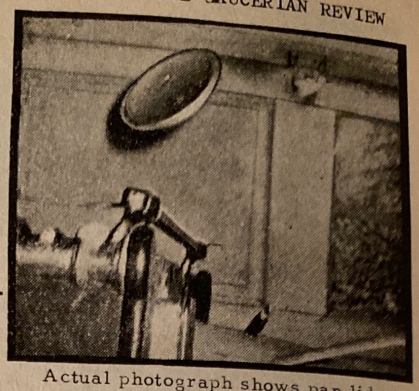
Angry Ghost

Some occult scientists said it was a poltergeist, skeptics said it couldn't have happened, but to an Italian family it was real. They swore they were run out of their home in the little French village of St. Jean-de-Maurienne, in the mountains on the Franco-Italian border, by something that made violent noises and tossed kitchen utensils around.



Actual photograph shows pan lid lifted by strange force. The lid circled the stove and fell in fireplace.

The strange story began early in 1955 when a 24-year-old Italian woman, Teresa Costa, with her husband and baby, went to live in a 14th-century cottage with her friends, whose family name was Castrignanos. Nothing happened the day they moved in, but early the next morning, about 5 a.m. the grisly happening commenced. They heard a knocking on the door, and called out, "Who's there?". But nobody answered.

After more knocking, Mrs. Castrignano opened the door, but nobody was outside. But as she still held the door knob in her hand, two sharp knocks nearly shook the door from its hinges, whereupon the two women fell on their knees and crossed themselves.

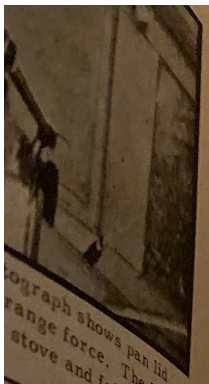
The knocking subsided and the women recovered their wits, went into the kitchen to make coffee. Just as one of them reached for the coffee pot, the stove rocked violently as if an invisible and powerful hand were trying to lift it into the air. The stove then rocked even more violently as if whatever was trying to move it was enraged at its inability to move so heavy an object. Apparently foiled at lifting the stove, the poltergeist, or whatever it was, began knocking angrily on the wall, while the terrified women ran for help.

Angry ghost sends saucepan, lid, scissors and a telegram flying through the air.(Photos courtesy London Weekend Mail)

Just as the chief of police arrived at the house with three of his men he saw a saucepan fly across the room. They investigated thoroughly, but could find no explanation for the mischief, and assured the family no pranksters were involved.

Next morning the ghost returned, this time hurling shoes from wall to wall, upsetting an entire table loaded with kitchen utensils. It also threw a bucket off the stove. After the spirit's attacks had continued for an entire week the mayor of the small village ordered that the house be evacuated.

After a while the Costa family decided to return, but no sooner than they had set foot in the house the ghost raised another disturbance. The sideboard vibrated, glasses flew into



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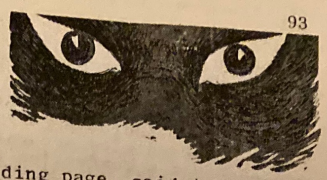

At first the French press was skeptical but finally the newspaper Samedi Sour sent photographer Gerrard Lestienne and reporter Michel Agellet to investigate. Lestienne snapped the pictures on the preceding page, said to be the first ever taken of poltergeist phenomena. "We asked everyone to leave the room," averred Lestienne, "and then examined the furniture and utensils for any sort of trickery, but bound nothing. The only other persons in the room with us were Teresa Costa, with her baby in her arms, and a man of the village who sat in a chair in a corner and never moved.

"After an hour and a half 'The Thing' manifested itself and I set off my camera flash at the exact moment a loud knock resounded through the room. Then we saw a pair of scissors, an aluminum saucepan, a pan lid, and a telegram, which had been under a folded cloth on the table, slide from their places, make a semicircle in the air, and fall (See photograph--Ed.). The saucepan and the scissors dropped on a chair, the pan lid into the empty fireplace and the telegram on the floor nearby.

"We can't explain what we saw. We can only back our story with the pictures we took and guarantee that none of them is faked in any way, nor was there any magnetic or mechanical trickery."

In England the Navy flew Seaman William Hampson home from the Mediterranean to comfort his wife, who had been hearing a voice moan "Betty" and seeing a headless figure in black.

His 29-year-old-wife, Dorothy, had lived for nearly a year in a Plymouth house, which she by that time believed to be haunted. She said his return "has saved my sanity," not commenting on whether it would have been more expedient to simply move out of the house.

The 28-year-old husband was skeptical of his wife's claims until he stood in one of the haunted rooms of the century-old house off Wyndham-square, but his skepticism soon turned to fear.

"At first I thought the tales of ghostly visitations, strange noises, and invisible hands to be my wife's imagination. But when I saw a door latch itself shut I confess I was scared."

Poltergeists Puzzle Professor

Poltergeists have Rev. J. McCarthy, a Roman Catholic Professor, puzzled. He thought the only reasonably satisfactory answer was to say "They are due to diabolic agencies, and perhaps particularly to the fallen angels."

Writing in the IRISH DIGEST, he still had some doubt about even that explanation, since he believed such diabolic agencies, which are supposed to be gifted with angelic intellects, would hardly engage in such highly ridiculous activities generally accredited to poltergeists.

A poltergeist is the term applied to a mischevious spirit which usually makes a nuisance of itself by throwing crockery about, making loud noises, generally raising hell, and is usually noted in a location where an adolescent child is present. As to poltergeists being "disembodied souls," the good Professor further remarked, "We cannot conceive God as intervening specially to help disembodied spirits throw crockery about!"

On why priests have little or no success in exorcising poltergeists, he had no answer, beyond remarking that according to the Bible, even some of the apostles were unsuccessful in performing exorcisms.

In Naoilles, France, Suzanne Poinsot, 63, called "the witch of

Noailles," passed on to her reward, whatever that might consist of. Ordinary witches do not make the news when they cast off the mortal coil, but this one was newsworthy: She had predicted her own death!

Two years before she had told police that she would die Feb. 25, 1955, at the hands of a man named Henri Freines. Since the date of death was predicted accurately, police decided to investigate further, and obtained a confession from, as the witch had said, HENRI FREINES!

A miracle paid off for Emilia del Carmen Leiva, 14, of San Cayetano in northwestern Argentina. The girl claimed that the Virgin Mary appeared before her in a vision, later received $8,000 in cash and hundreds of gifts when people believed a miracle had occurred.

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(This is a synopsis of the new Columbia motion picture, EARTH VS. THE FLYING SAUCERS, which, according to the official credits list, was suggested by the book, FLYING SAUCERS FROM OUTER SPACE, by Major Donald E. Keyhoe. Illustrations are stills from the movie.--C.B.)

At an Army desert base, young space-exploration scientist Russ Marvin (played by Hugh Marlowe) is engaged in a new hush-hush military project called "Operation Skyhook." Marvin's work calls for the development of rockets which are expected to reach a certain unprecedented height in the Earth's atmosphere and then become free-flying artificial satellites.

Although Russ has just been married to his former secretary, pretty Carol Marvin (played by Joan Taylor), the two temporarily postpone their honeymoon in order to rush the rocket-launching program. A factor disturbing Marvin as well as other scientists, is that reports come in from all over the globe that someone, or something, is shooting down the rockets as fast as they can be launched.

The saboteurs of "Project Skyhook" become known when flying saucers, manned by ancient humanoids, appear over the rocket-launching base, and attempt to communicate with the Army concerning the surrender of Earth. Unfortunately, the military officials at kuss' base are unable to read the saucermen's first message -- and when the Army fires on the saucer, the saucermen retaliate with their own vastly superior weapons, devastating the base and taking Carol's father, General Hanley (played by Morris Ankrum), as their prisoner. The only survivors of the attack are Russ and Carol, who immediately head for Washington for emergency discussions with the National Security Commission.

Russ is advised to await top-level decisions concerning the war with saucermen before taking any individual action -- but when Russ is able to make radio contact with them, he decides to meet with the saucermen immediately in the hope of preventing an all-out war.

Hearing of Russ' move, Major Huglin (Donald Durtis) with the aid of a motorcycle officer, reaches the beach where Marvin is to meet the spacemen, in order to prevent any harm to the scientist. But he is too late. The saucermen force Carol, Marvin, Major Huglin and the policeman (played by Larry Blake), into the saucer and soon they are whisked off into outer space, where the terms concerning the surrender

of the earth are dictated to them. The saucermen give Russ 56 days to persuade the authorities on Earth to surrender, or else they will invade the earth with their devastating high-frequency weapons, which send out disintegration rays. The saucermen also decide to keep General Hanley as their hostage.

When Russ and Carol arrive back in Washington, they hold top-level, emergency sessions with defense officials concerning the saucermen's ultimatum. When American authorities complain that it will take more than 56 days to negotiate with the other important nations on earth, Russ proposes his plan of building a new weapon for defense, patterned after the disintegration rays he witnessed aboard the flying saucer. His plan is given top priority with scientists of renown all over the world joining to help him engineer his new weapon.

Russ, Carol and a scientist named Kanter (John Zaremba), finally abandon attempts to build a high-frequency disintegration gun, but Russ outlines a parallel type of weapon that he thinks might gain the same effect. After much hurried experimentation, the new weapon proves successful.

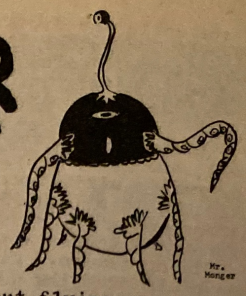
But the saucermen have a weird advanced instrument called a "Foo Light" which enables them to listen in on Russ' experiments -- and so the flying saucer fleet attacks in force.

General Hanley is killed as the saucermen attack the earth, and Russ and Carol rush their new electrical weapons to the defense of Washington. Although the saucer fleet destroys a large portion of the capital, Russ' new weapon finally proves effective in downing the saucers by upsetting their magnetic, anti-gravity equipment -- and eventually all of the attacking space ships are destroyed.

Russ is now a hero, and although the President has ordered a new "Project Skyhook" to be built for his supervision, the young scientist decides to take a few weeks off first -- in order to have his long delayed honeymoon with Carol.

(EARTH VS. THE FLYING SAUCERS will be released soon.--G.B.)

THE WILD RUMOR COLUMN



-- By R. Monger --

Now you know where all those wild rumors about flying saucers and space men come from. The creature you see above and who writes this column is responsible for spreading them. Some readers have suggested we send him back to his home planet, Gherfves. We tried that, but they sent him right back. Needless to say, these rumors are unchecked, and probably have little truth to them, but who knows.....? -- G.B.

WILD RUMOR: That saucers are based in an extinct volcano in Costa Rica (one of the bases, that is -- Ed.), and that Air Force planes can't get close the place because of invisible rays. Impossible to get to it via surface because of terrain and weather conditions.

WILD RUMOR: That an image intensifier, an electronic device which brightens telescopic images, is showing up some mighty startling features on the face of the planet Mars. This newly developed device was recently installed on one of our large U.S. telescopes. One look with this gimcrack convinced scientists that an intelligent civilization exists on Mars.

WILD RUMOR: That a prominent eastern scientists (initials J.S.) is undergoing treatment in a hospital after a certain experiment involving UFO's. Nothing exploded, but something in his mind did -- the hospital is a booby hatch.

WILD RUMOR: That a coast-to-coast airliner, approaching New York, was contacted via radio by a UFO. This conversation was in English, lasted several minutes. Note: Don't let the axe fall on M.B.; the info didn't leak through this party as you may suspect.

WILD RUMOR: That 100 American scientists and investigators were flown in Air Force planes to Venezuela, to look into the strange goings-on involving little men in that country. Don't say the Government isn't alarmed about findings.

WILD RUMOR: That a fighter plane of a Western European power recently shot down a flying saucer.

WILD RUMOR: That saucers come from Mars. Martians are spider-like; the visitors are crossbred spider-humans of mixed terrestrial and Martian parents. Their aim is to invade Earth and to impose their form upon us. Now you know what they do with captured Earthmen. And women.

WILD RUMOR: That a man was out fishing alone, a few miles off-shore in the Atlantic. As he was watching the water he saw a huge cigar-shaped thing dive into the water. It went under with a terrible impact. About 30 seconds later, almost a thousand miles away, another man saw the same thing emerge from the water, spraying water all over his boat. It went up into the sky at "a terrific speed," to quote our source.

WILD RUMOR: That the French saucer landings began just after Mendes-France refused to come to the USA for a conference (In August, 1954) and ended upon the signing of the German rearmament pact. Landings were staged as a propaganda move.

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WILD RUMOR: That Washington newsmen have been asked to refrain from asking any question concerning saucers during press conferences with President Ike.

WILD RUMOR: That something was found in the Pacific Ocean, was taken to the West Coast for study. What was found out as a result is the reason for a recent Pentagon clamp-down on saucerinformation. Source of this WILD RUMOR stated: "The Air Force has concrete, material proof that saucers exist." Note to R.N.: Wherever you are, do not do any more work on this one. It's too hot to handle. Wire us at Clarksburg collect, or something. We're worried about you.

WILD RUMOR: That geologists actually confirm a major earth shift has started, and that Terra is in for earthquakes galore, a long held theory of certain saucerenthusiasts who received the information from saucerians through E.S.P. sources. RUMOR also has it that a tight security screen has been clamped down on all seismograph installations in the U. S. and Canada.

WILD RUMOR: That the H-Bomb explosions have punctured holes in the ionosphere, letting through harmful cosmic rays, which are causing the freak weather conditions, windshield shattering, etc. Saucers will land in dozens before we set off the next Bomb.

WILD RUMOR: That a bearded person walked into a London garage and told the workers there he had just landed in a saucer.

WILD RUMOR: That about a year and a half ago, during a routine flight, a group of very small objects came speeding some Air Force planes, smashed into the whirling props of one of them. An unknown substance, which defied lab analysis, was dug out of the broken prop (It hit only one of the three props on the plane). Don't write to us about this; if you do we must tell you in advance you will receive a letter from us denying the story was true.

WILD RUMOR: That not all of Einstein's theories have reached the public and other educators. Some are so packed with dynamite they are being treated by the Pentagon as top secrets. Don't know why all of them should be under wraps -- Meade Layne has been publishing essentially the same information for a long time.

WILD RUMOR: That a man was on a solo trip in a small motorboat through the Caribbean to Yucatan. In Yucatan he landed at an isolated spot and saw a saucer cruise up to the beach and just sit there, about 150 ft. from his boat. It remained there all night and shortly after sunup came to life again and took off. He went inland to see what natives were doing around the area, and they led him to a mound, 50 ft. by 150 ft., where a similar saucer was buried. The man wants to form an expedition and dig the thing up.

WILD RUMOR: That Adamski is secretly in the pay of the Pentagon.

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