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## OCCUPANT SIGHTING IN SCOTLAND

### “BIG FEET” HUMANOIDS

IN ANOTHER PERIPHERAL AREA OF UFO-LOGY, SASQUATCH AND HUMANOIDS HAVE BEEN REPORTED THROUGHOUT THE NATION AND THE WORLD . . .

A 33 year old ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA man, Richard Johnson, has researched and pinpointed two quadrangles where Sasquatch may be found - one in Koochiching County just south of Margie and another near the Bear River in Itasca County. Sasquatch may also be found in the general areas of Craigville or Crane Lake, he says.

Johnson claims he sighted a Sasquatch in November 1978 near Margie.

“It was not as heavily built as I thought it would be,” he said. “It had a reddish tinge to its fur and I saw it enter the swamp.”

He has written to various rangers in the area in an effort to acquire topographic maps of specific sites.

In RENO, NEVADA, investigators are trying to determine whether there is any validity to reports of a seven foot ape-like animal wandering around the Pryamid Lake Paiute Reservation north of Reno.

The mystery was compounded by the discovery of a dead colt in a reservation pasture. Its neck and legs had been broken.

Al Chase of DALY CITY, CALIFORNIA did a double take when he looked at a snapshot he took near Alpine Lake in Marin County and spied what he believes is Bigfoot. He said the picture shows that “Bigfoot” is at least 10 feet tall. Chase is trying to make contact with a University of California anthropology professor who specializes in Bigfoot to verify the authenticity of the photo. If Chase is right, it will be the first time the fabled furry creature has been sighted in the Bay Area.

Flat-headed aliens in silver suits made appearances throughout random areas of England even though a member of the British UFO Research Association and a chemist in a quality control laboratory said, “The level of activity is currently low with only 90 UFO sightings this year.” Nonetheless, investigations of the variously reported ‘aliens’ is being hotly pursued.

“In March, 1978, several drivers in Sheppy saw “a silver-suited thing with a flat head loping along like a chimpanzee,” Mr. Laurence Dale reported to the

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Scottish national Sunday newspaper, *The Sunday Post*, published a short mention of what may be an interesting and quite important case in its November 11, 1979 issue. To wit:

On the preceding Friday, November 9, Mr. Bob Taylor, a forester of Duddingston Station, West Lothian, came stumbling into his home, apparently in shock, and definitely disheveled. Taylor, a forester for 15 years, said he had been making his usual checks on the forest area between Dechmont Law and the M8 Edinburgh-Glasgow area. He said he rounded a corner in a tree-lined path and came “face to face with a silver, spinning, top-shaped craft”.

Taylor claimed two creatures came out of the craft and grabbed him by the hips and tried to drag him to the machine. At this point, Taylor fainted, apparently from fright.

The newspaper then stated he was “shocked and disheveled when he staggered into his home. He had to attend Bangaur Hospital for treatment”.

The last statement in the article cryptically said: “Later, indentations were found in the clearing. Inquiries were still going on yesterday.”

The clipping mentioned above came to APRO via Saudi Arabia, from a man who happened to be reading the Lorenzens’ book, *Encounters With UFO Occupants* and obtained APRO’s address and forwarded the clipping.

The only other information APRO has received on this incident comes from the *Glasgow Evening Times* which barely mentions the Taylor case, and devotes most of the one-page article titled *Strange Encounters* to the theory of Edinburgh Architect Stuart Campbell, that ALL UFO’s are only ball lightning. Mr. Campbell (the architect) is the Scottish Co-ordinator for the British UFO Research Association (BUFORA).

By carefully studying the whole article a bit more can be gleaned: Professor Archie Roy of Glasgow University’s Astronomy Department follows up UFO reports and subscribes to the extraterrestrial theory. Campbell said he’s been interested in UFO’s for 20 years and has been seriously investigating them for seven.

Campbell set about trying to make Taylor’s story fit his theory. Whereas the *Sunday Post* article said Taylor reported TWO CREATURES, Campbell says: “Mr. Taylor says he saw a large, circular, dome-shaped object with a silvery rim. FROM IT EMERGED TWO BALL-SHAPED OBJECTS (emphasis mine, Ed.)”.

Campbell further let loose the tidbit that “the tracks

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## SCOTLAND

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around the area were all cone-shaped . . . the ones in the centre of the site, I believe, were made by some piece of machinery left lying for awhile because the grass had grown bent around (the) indentations".

Out of the three column (48 paragraph) spread in the *Evening Times* tabloid, Professor Roy and his theory (ETH) are given a bare ten short paragraphs. Taylor comes in a poor third in this publicity sweepstake with only six mentions in paragraphs expounding on Mr. Campbell's "theory".

That theory, which Campbell is quoted as saying: "It's like all other discoveries -- so simple that everyone will say: "why didn't I think of that?".

Mr. Campbell's lack of experience and abundance of ignorance is monumental. The first person to mouth the "plasma" or "ball lightning" theory was Dr. Donald Menzel, a Harvard astronomer--in 1952--the year APRO was founded.

Anyone with ANY info on this case--contact APRO Headquarters immediately!

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# AUSTRALIAN U.F.O. BULLETIN - DECEMBER 1979. EDITORIAL

by Doug McCann

A milestone in the continuing fight by UFO investigators for the official acceptance of the phenomenon has been the recent Freedom of Information (FOI) suit in the United States brought against the CIA and the U.S. Air Force (USAF) by the Citizens Against UFO Secrecy (CAUS).

Already many startling revelations have occurred. Despite official denials and ridicule of UFO researchers the CIA has been closely investigating and collating UFO reports. Although most of these reports are known to private UFO research groups it is the first time that they now have confirmation at an *official* level for many of them. The very fact that there is no official *explanation* of these events certainly makes the case for acceptance of UFOs very strong indeed.

The CIA file already released, reveal hundreds of well documented, officially investigated sightings. It seems that even if most scientists, politicians and bureaucrats do not admit the possibility of hard core unexplained sightings and wish to suggest the residue after investigation are simply inevitable statistically acceptable error, the CIA and other security agencies are faced with the embarrassing task of explaining away seemingly well attested cases from credible witnesses.

Some of the more interesting cases include --

- \*UFO sighting by hundreds of witnesses in Czechoslovakia in 1965.
- \*Hundreds of reports of a 1952 flap in North Africa.
- \*Many reports, intercepted by the CIA of UFOs within Russia and surrounding countries, including scores of reports along a large portion of the Soviet border.
- \*Dozens of sightings by a weather team in the Antarctic in 1965.
- \*Sightings by a U.S. Army Geographical team in Northern Iran.

There is strong evidence that the CIA has been closely monitoring UFO groups throughout the United States and probably in other countries around the world.

Art Gatti, writing in the magazine 'Omni' (June, 1979) reveals that the 1952 Scientific Advisory Committee on Unidentified Flying Objects (the 'Robertson Panel') supposedly set up by the USAF, was actually set up by the CIA *not* the Air Force. The final report by the panel was a debunking of the UFO phenomenon and a complete deception of the public.

Gatti notes that J. Allen Hynek was an advisor to that panel. He also notes that Brad Ayers who is one of Hynek's investigators was a well known CIA

identity in the 1960s.

Released 1976 documents suggest that someone connected with the Centre for UFO Studies has been feeding information directly to the CIA. These revelations have caused shock waves throughout the UFO investigative scene particularly since many UFO research societies around the world have been sending reports to the Centre for UFO Studies in good faith often with very little reciprocation.

What is now imperative for Australia is an effective Freedom of Information Act and a pressure group as resolute as The Citizens Against UFO Secrecy and then who knows what revelations lie in store for us.

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## Humanoids

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London International UFO Congress. "The police were called but nothing was really found. The entity had disappeared into a ditch before the police arrived."

In another area of England, it looked as if it would be a normal evening as Pauline and Billy Coombs watched television in their isolated farm house.

It was Pauline who first noticed a bright light shimmering at the window. She was fascinated until she noticed the strange, silver ball of light seemed to follow her.

The light at the window came and went during the next two hours. Billy sat unaware as Pauline watched with growing fear.

Finally, Billy turned around, "jumped to his feet in horror," reports Pauline.

"What the hell is that," he cried, pulling Pauline to her feet. They both were terrified as what they described as "a towering figure at least 8 feet tall, dressed in a silver suit," observed them.

"It was so big we couldn't even see the top of his head as it looked in. It was wearing a helmet with some sort of shiny black visor. A pipe went from the mouth to the back of its head. We were petrified and rooted to the spot."

"It radiated a sort of luminous light, and when it touched the window, the pane started to rattle like all hell had broken loose - yet there was no wind."

Pauline telephoned some neighbors and the police as the "thing" was looking in.

"I don't think the thing had any feelings toward us. If it had meant to harm us, it had plenty of time."

Fifteen minutes later, the ordeal ended as the police car arrived with its flashing lights to frighten the creature away.

There were two reminders that something had been there. The television set had burned out and a rose bush near the window was scorched.

After the episode, many bizarre things began to occur around their property. Their five children said that silver-suited creatures emerged from saucer-shaped machines which left charred circles in the

fields, and huge footprints nearby.

A local police inspector said, "After what I've seen around here, nothing would surprise me now." Investigations are still continuing.

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## SKYLAB OR UFOs?

SKYLAB HAS BEEN BLAMED FOR A RASH OF STRANGE OBJECTS FALLING FROM THE SKY . . .

"Gobs of green goop" fell down near 16-year-old Richard Charlebois as he drove a tractor on his father's farm near LACHUTE, QUEBEC, CANADA, July 7, 1979.

The Skylab Space Station may have missed Canada in its blazing plunge from orbit, but the mysterious blobs of green goop haven't.

A Royal Canadian Mounted Police spokesman said the force is waiting for a laboratory analysis of the substance which fell near young Charlebois.

Charlebois and his family examined the object which they reported looked like a piece of green ice .5 meters square and 6 centimeters thick.

"It definitely is no joke," said a Quebec police officer who saw the blob before it melted.

Purple "blobs" BROUGHT ARKANSAS back into the news when two of them were discovered on her front lawn by Sibyl Christian in September.

Having defied analysis by space scientists who haven't ruled out the possibility they could be a rare form of meteorite, geochemist Doug Blanchard, of NASA, reports, "It is kind of like plum pudding. It has round solid chunks in it that remain after the goo goes away."

In MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN a "chunk of hot rock" that mysteriously struck a woman was not a meteorite from outer space, but may have been a piece of industrial waste.

John Wasson, professor of chemistry at UCLA and an expert on meteorites, analyzed a sample of the wayward missile and said it was no meteorite but that, because of its manganese and silicon composition it could have been propelled from a smokestack - even though there are no industrial plants nearby.

A MINNESOTA man, Marc Jordan of rural Northfield, first heard about Skylab's imminent descent at a party. He and several friends joked about where it might land.

By June 20th, however, Jordan was laughing no more. He thinks a two-inch hunk of metal that came zooming out of nowhere and nearly hit him just might be a piece of debris from Skylab.

Officials tracking Skylab at the Johnson Space Center in Houston, Texas are skeptical. They said that Skylab was not over Minnesota at that time and, as far as they knew, no pieces had fallen off Skylab at that time, according to the secretary for Charles Harlan, Chief of Skylab Operations.

Whether it will ever be possible to verify if the chunk came from Skylab, Jordan does not know. A University of Minnesota radiologist told him that the piece was too small to test for "cosmic rays" and he has not yet heard a definite answer from officials at NASA.

AURORA, COLORADO certainly feels Skylab wasn't involved, but Harry Davis does have a hole in his roof and wishes the projectile had been a little more exotic.

A piece of ice ripped through the roof of Davis' suburban home, shattering a beam, and pulling insulation into the den. Davis said he was able to preserve the chunk in his freezer.

Two similar ice bombs have hit other Denver-area homes, said George Beckwith of the FAA. The ice forms on planes when the caps to the airplanes' water tanks or wastewater tanks are leaky and sometimes break off.

THE USSR was not immune, and had a rather more bizarre 'falling' incident: frogs. In Moscow, Tass reported that a recent thunderstorm rained frogs on the Central Asian Village of Dargan-Ata on the Amu Faria River.

"The nature of such live rains is well studied," Tass said.

"Whirlwinds pick up living and inanimate objects off the ground forming small streams and carry them up to the clouds."

*It would be interesting to know if debris was also contained in the rain. Charles Fort long ago pointed out that the "whirlwind" theory would not hold water [no pun intended] if only the frogs came in the rain.)*

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## PRESS REPORTS SUMMARY

By Iris Maack

### IN ENGLAND

ENGLAND ALSO HAS ITS SHARE OF ORANGE BALLS... NOTTINGHAM, ENGLAND... An appeal by the Nottingham Flying Saucer Research Organization for witnesses of a reported UFO sighting has produced more than 20 people who claim to have seen the 'orange ball' first reported by a Hyson Street Green schoolgirl, on *September 8*.

Caroline Sims, 15, of Brushfield Street, was in her bedroom at 8:45 p.m., when she claims that she saw a dull orange ball flashing and spinning and emitting a whining noise.

Mrs. Jenny Sallis, the Nottingham Flying Saucer Group's secretary, reported a spate of UFO sightings in the Nottingham area during the months of August and September.

SPALDING, ENGLAND... eight witnesses have come forth to report a UFO apparently seen by several witnesses around town. All make the point that the

lights on the object gave it a triangular appearance.

But it now appears that the UFO was either around for quite some time or accompanied by another.

Two witnesses report seeing it between 10:30 and 11:30 p.m. on September 11, while another saw it around 8 p.m.

All the witnesses agree, however, that 'the object had two red lights at the front and a white light some distance to the rear. It was moving slowly as if it were scanning the ground with two large and very powerful searchlights. After watching for approximately five minutes, it switched off its searchlights and increased its speed.'

"When it came immediately over our house, it began to make a droning noise," said Mrs. Sandra Budd of 32 Stonegate. "Then, craftily, to make anyone else watching think it was a normal aircraft flying at night, it turned off one of the red lights so that one red and one white light only were left on. Although it was a far distance in the sky, it must have been a massive piece of machinery."

HAYWARDS HEATH, ENGLAND... the week of September 7, twin brothers Julian and Christopher Cobbett, age 14, were standing in their back garden at approximately 5:20 p.m., when Julian suddenly spotted a bright white light in the sky above the treetops to the east.

"It must have been hovering above Black Hill and I estimated it to be about 7,000 feet. It seemed to be peering straight at us."

The disc in the sky seemed so bright that Julian believes it damaged the retina of his right eye because his eye ached for several days afterwards, and when he closed his eyes, he saw a burning white dot. "I must have gazed at it for five minutes. We knew it couldn't be a star because it was too early in the evening and the disc was too bright. And then something very strange happened. We knew there was something odd about it. It was awe inspiring. I took my eyes from it for a few seconds and then Christopher yelled for me to look. I looked again. The white disc was turning away from us and it became a distinct cigar shaped object with the bright white light at one end and the dimmer light at the other. Suddenly, it receded rapidly eastward and then veered north and vanished. It had either gone behind a cloud or it moved so fast it disappeared from sight."

WALTHAM ABBEY, ENGLAND... a 41 year-old Upshire man had "one of the most frightening experiences of my life," early on *October 14*. He was on his way to do some fishing in the River Lea at approximately 7:30 a.m., when he saw an object on the skyline over Waltham Abbey.

The man, who wishes to remain anonymous, said the "thing" sped toward him after he had stopped his car. He explained, "it seemed to halt above me, hovered, and slowly descended. I never felt so frightened in my life. I came out in goose pimples and feeling dizzy."

"Suddenly, something else shot out from it, smaller

in size but with a shriller sound. Then both objects disappeared."

A spokesman for the Waltham Abbey police said that they had not received any reports on UFO sightings that morning.

**HERTFORDSHIRE MERCURY, ENGLAND...** two large flickering objects were spotted in the sky at Sele Farm *October 25*.

Mr. John Wright was outside his house at 48 Windsor Drive when he saw the objects and rushed indoors to call his wife, Janet.

She said, "One of the objects was orange and green and it had some lights on it that were flickering. It was larger than the other one which was white."

The UFO's were about a quarter-of-a-mile apart and Mrs. Wright said they hovered in the sky for about an hour.

A 53 year-old truckdriver, Mr. Earhart, was walking to his home at High Bank at about 7:55 p.m., when he saw the object in the sky. He called his wife, Martha, and some neighbors. They watched it for about five minutes.

"There was hissing noises and then it shot off like a bullet in the direction of Standon."

**HALIFAX, ENGLAND...** Mrs. Shelia Crowther spotted a UFO while breakfasting at about 7:30 a.m., *October 12*.

She ran upstairs with her husband, Mr. Donald Crowther and 12-year-old daughter Ruth, to get a better look. "There was a gap in the clouds and we saw a round ball shape with holes in the side. It looked like a golf ball and there were sparks coming from the holes."

Mrs. Crowther, of 1, Warley Dean, Warley, Halifax, got out the binoculars for a better view. "We are positive it wasn't a reflection of the sun or anything like that because we could see it clearly through the binoculars."

#### AND SOUTH AMERICA

**CHOSICA, PERU...** the most interesting item to come from our Southern Hemisphere is dated unknown. The report was made *October 7, 1979...*

**"AN ALLEGED RECORDING OF EXTRA-TERRESTRIALS IS BEING INVESTIGATED AND THE VOICES ARE NOT HUMAN...** the recordings of an alleged message from extraterrestrial beings is being investigated by Peruvian electronic technicians to determine the origin of the sounds that come from the tape. The recordings were made by local parapsychologist Caesar Limo in the town of Chosica, 40 km from Lima. Spacecraft have recently been seen and photographed and their images reproduced in local papers. The primary examination of the tapes indicated that sounds coming from it do not correspond to human voices. It was also verified that the tapes were not run at a speed higher than the normal one; also, it is not tampered with, nor do the tapes reproduce the Morse Code or any other kind of communication signals known on Earth. What is heard

resembles faltering monosyllables, as when in certain frequencies radiotelephone conversations are heard over short wave. Experts are convinced they are beings from another world.

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## LETTERS

Dear Sir,

I am a private UFO Researcher and my findings to date are the basis for this letter. I ask no one to take my word for what I am about to say concerning UFOs. However, I assure you everything I am about to say is fact and may be verified by using the Freedom of Information and Privacy Acts to obtain the documents that I obtained from governmental agencies. It is my hope that Congress will wake up and create a new committee to do a scientific study of UFOs. The fact is the U.S. Senate was lied to by the Pentagon in 1968 during the Senate hearings into UFOs.

First, let us look at the conclusions of the U.S. Air Force's Project Blue Book, the USAF's so-called Scientific Study of UFO's by the University of Colorado and the review of the "Scientific Study" by "a panel of the National Academy of Sciences." Those conclusions were "(1) no UFO reported, investigated and evaluated by the Air Force has ever given any indication of threat to our national security; (2) there has been no evidence submitted to or discovered by the Air Force that sightings categorized as 'unidentified' represent technological developments or principles beyond the range of present day scientific knowledge; and (3) there has been no evidence indicating that sightings categorized as 'unidentified' are extraterrestrial vehicles."

The truth of the matter is that the fairy tale, *Cinderella* is based more on fact than the above conclusions. You see neither of the above study groups were presented with all the facts. Let me site you just one example. To be sure there are more.

In March 1967, Cuban Air Defense radar picked up a UFO over Cuban air space. Two Cuban jets were sent to intercept the UFO. When the jets made the intercept of the UFO, they tried to make radio contact with the object but were unable to do so. The jets at this time were ordered by Cuban air defense to shoot the UFO down. When the jets tried to fire, the UFO vaporized one of the jets. This incident was monitored by the U.S. Air Force's Security Service. To wit: Detachment A, 6947th Security Squadron based at Homestead Air Force Base. This report never was filed with Project Blue Book. In fact it was (and still is) classified at least Secret by the National Security Agency, "in the interest of National Defense." While this case does not prove UFOs to be extraterrestrial, it does shoot down the first two of the above "official" conclusions.

On December 17, 1969, the Secretary of the Air Force announced the termination of Project Blue Book, thus ending the investigation of UFOs. However, apparently no one told the State Department, National Security Agency, Central Intelligence Agency, Defense Intelligence Agency and every other Intelligence organization in the United States. All of these agencies are still investigating reports of UFOs. I have copies of Intelligence Reports dating all the way into the late 1970's from these agencies showing that they still have an interest in UFOs.

President Carter stated before being elected President, "If I become President, I'll make every piece of information this country has on UFO sightings available to the public and the scientists." To date he has not done this. Every Intelligence Agency within the Intelligence Family of the United States has classified information and intelligence reports on UFOs. These documents are classified "in the interest of national defense." I have letters from these intelligence agencies denying me information on UFOs due to the information I was requesting was classified "in the interest of national defense."

How can something as non-existent as UFOs (as the US Government claims) be a matter of national defense? How can the US Government justify classifying something, "in the interest of national defense," when that something, "has never given any indication of threat to our national security?"

I would like to ask your readers to write their Congressmen and demand a new scientific study of the UFO Phenomena based on *all* the facts, not just what the intelligence agencies wish to release. We the American Public have a right to know the truth. We the American Public have a right to know what our government is doing about UFOs.

Sincerely yours,  
Clifford E. Stone

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## HOW TO BUILD MODEL UFOs

by Wayne Laporte

On January 9th, 1967, two teenage brothers, Dan and Grant Jaroslaw, told local news reporters they had photographed a discoid-shaped UFO which hovered for ten minutes behind their house in Mt. Clemens, Michigan. The photos showed a discoid with a tail and antenna in the rear of the craft. Tree branches were quite visible in the foreground. The clarity of the photos along with the fact that the UFO was seen only a mile from Selfridge Air Force Base brought a quick investigative response from the Air Force.

Dr. J. Allen Hynek, then a consultant with the Air Force's Project Bluebook, was quoted in *Real Magazine's* 1967 Flying Saucers Pictorial as saying, "Anal-

ysis so far does not show any indication of an obvious hoax. The striking thing to me is the similarity these pictures have to other photos I have seen and also to verbal descriptions I've taken from ostensibly reliable people. To the best of my recollection, even the 'antenna' shown on the back has been previously reported, as has the tail structure" (In Dr. Hynek's Edmund Scientific tape-cassette program "UFO/IFO", Dr. Hynek says he was only partially convinced of the photos being genuine).

But, was this an authentic photo case? No. Years later, one of the brothers wrote Dr. Hynek and confessed that they had hoaxed the encounter by photographing a model on a very fine thread. Their motive - they merely wanted some attention.

Now we have improved photo analysis techniques, including computer enhancement analysis, to help "weed-out" such hoaxes. Nevertheless, it's possible to create some astounding fakes if one is well-skilled in model building and photography. The intent of this report is to brief investigators on how easy it is to build UFO models. Hopefully, this knowledge will help on any photo cases. And, this information will also enable an investigator to build a UFO model for the den, home library, or special public displays.

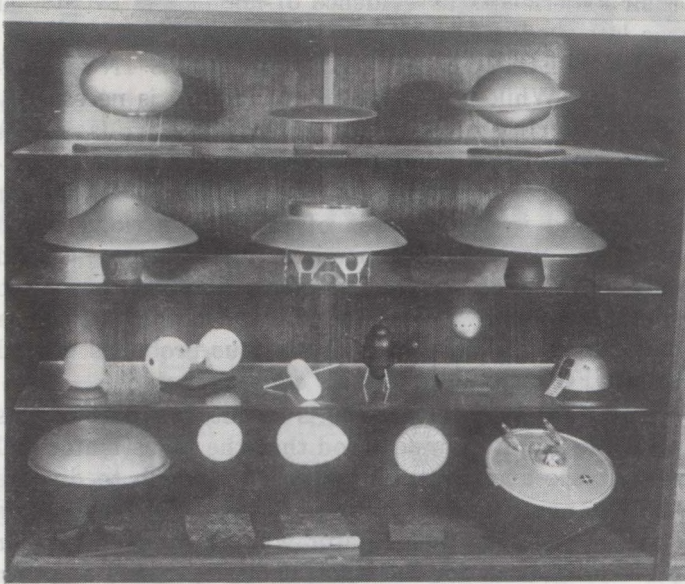
Currently, there are two plastic injection molded UFO hobby kits available at most hobby stores. Lindberg Products, Inc., 8050 N. Monticello Avenue, Skokie, Illinois 60076, makes a six inch diameter discoid model molded of "glow-in-the-dark" plastic. It has a bubble canopy and comes complete with a "little green man". Monogram Models, Inc., 8601 Waukegan Rd., Morton Grove, Illinois, manufactures a 7 1/2in. diameter model (1 inch = 6 feet) of the bell-shaped UFO in "The Invaders" TV series. The kit comes with both a humanoid crew and humans (MIB or abductees!). The top can be removed to reveal a detailed interior.

Monogram also makes a model of the Flying Sub from the TV series "Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea". Built as is, it looks remarkably like some UFOs that have been seen rising out of the sea.

Monogram also markets a model of the Cylon Base Star from the TV series "Battlestar Galatica". The upper and lower discoid-shaped sections can be assembled separately to make two UFOs.

Also, Monogram puts out a kit of the U.S.S. Skipjack atomic submarine which can easily be converted into a cigar-shaped UFO model. Only the two hull halves need be glued together. However, to create a blunt exhaust end will require the use of a hobby razor saw or hot knife. Use either one of these tools to remove the rear tip to simulate an exhaust port at the tail end.

Many arts and crafts stores stock clear plastic vacuformed transparent domes, bubbles, and spheres. By trimming and joining these parts with sheet plastic stock, many different types of halfmoon, saturn-type, discoids, and bell-shaped craft can be built. Scissors or an x-acto knife will be required to cut the plastic. Cut



*Mr. La Porte's models*

edges can be sanded smooth with wet-dry sandpaper. Liquid plastic cement should be used to glue parts together as regular plastic tube cement has a tendency to eat through thin plastic. Finally, the assembled model should be spray painted silver. Testors makes a very good silver spray paint available in small spray cans.

Also, many craft stores stock a large selection of balls, cones, eggs, and cones made of styrofoam. These shapes can be spray painted or airbrushed to simulate "glowing UFOs".

Plastic L'EGGS hoisery containers make excellent egg-shaped UFOs. Half-moon UFOs can be created by using the half-sections and adding sheet plastic bottoms to the half-sections.

Many hobby stores sell model rocket parts which include nose cones and body tubes of different sizes. These parts can be used to make conical and cylindrical UFOs.

Spherical craft can be modeled by spray-painting hard rubber balls or ping pong balls. Windows in the ping pong balls can be made by drilling holes with a power drill or hobby motor tool.

Flying "flying saucer" photo hoaxes can be accomplished by throwing hubcaps, frisbees, frisbees with vacuformed domes glued to them, or weighted scratch-built UFO models made of vacuformed domes. And, a manufacturer of gas-powered model airplanes has just marketed a gas-powered UFO!

Anyone with a basic knowledge of electronics and carpentry can construct a homemade vacuform machine using a home vacuum cleaner as a vacuum pump. This device allows a heated piece of plastic (which in a heated state is like a sheet of rubber) to be sucked over a mold until it cools to form a rigid plastic shape conforming to the original mold. Pots, pans, dishes, bowls, or shapes carved out of balsa wood can be used as molds. This takes some time and skill to do, but the models developed can be very realistic

looking.

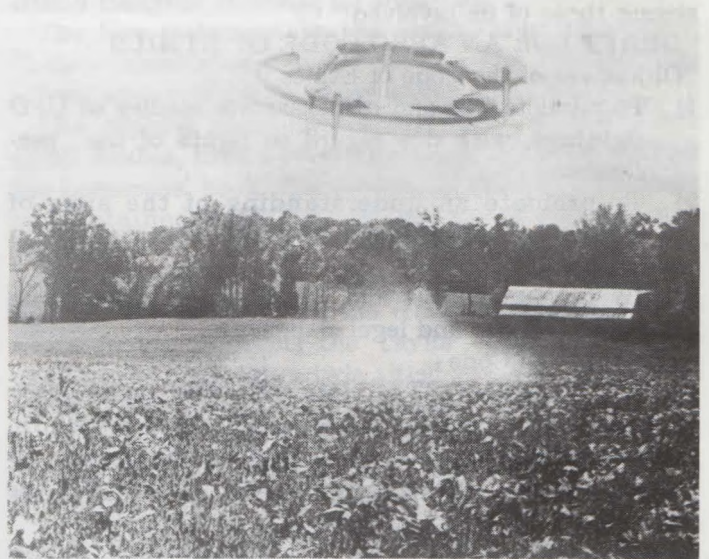
The appearance of UFO models can be enhanced by installing miniature lamps, light-emitting diodes and fiber optics. Lighted models photographed in low light conditions while suspended by fishing line can produce very authentic looking UFO photo hoaxes.

The realism of scenes from many current sci-fi movies attest to what a skilled modeler and photographer can do. A simple technique is to photograph the UFO hanging on a string, make a blow-up of the photo, airbrush out the string and add haze, and then re-photograph the touched-up photo using a close-up lens.

The moral of all this is that a UFO photo may not be worth a thousand words unless it has been thoroughly analyzed and the photographer's credentials and sincerity are beyond reproach. (The same applies to the credentials of the analyst-ED)

Display stands may be easily made cutting spring steel wire or coat hanger wire to the desired length and glued to holes pre-drilled into wood bases.

All kits, tools, and equipment mentioned in this article can be found at most hobby and arts and crafts stores. If a hobby kit isn't available locally, try writing the manufacturer. Some will sell direct at retail prices.



*Mr. La Porte's hoaxed UFO*

## CODE OF ETHICS -- A PROGRESS REPORT

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At the FATE UFO Conference in Chicago, July 1977, Dr. Iris Maack brought up and discussed with Coral and with me the need for a Code of Ethics for

UFO Investigators.

Last summer while in Charleston, S.C., I met again with Iris and after some more discussion, she agreed to undertake the task of formalizing a Code of Ethics with the help of other APRO consultants. Namely: Dr. Sprinkle, Dr. Schwarz, Dr. Laufer, and Dr. Westrum, operating as a committee.

On September 10, 1979, after an introductory letter from me, Iris wrote to the other committee members as follows:

"Referring to the Code of Ethics, as suggested to LJJ at the FATE conference, I would strongly advocate a yearly evaluation of Field Investigators, as well as those of us who are responsible for the implementation of this program. Since all of us recognize paranoia as being the occupational hazard in this particular area of research, it may behoove those of us involved to have something similar to a 'hot-line' wherein we could logically deal with whomever is seeking relief. I speak frankly since I have been called upon to perform this service innumerable times in the past.

"Since this is a round-robin discussion, I would appreciate any implementation you have to offer.

"I cannot stress the importance of this area being developed as quickly as possible.

"Also, I am enclosing a copy of a proposed ethical code which is now thrown open for general discussion among those of us involved."

#### "DRAFT FOR AN APRO CODE OF ETHICS

##### "Objectives of the Code of Ethics

- 1) To promote free and dispassionate inquiry of UFO sightings, with due regard to rights of the percipients.
- 2) To promote an understanding of the aims of APRO by percipients and the community in general.
- 3) To protect APRO and its representatives from public censure and legal claims.

##### "Tenets of the Code

1) **SCIENTIFIC DETACHMENT:** The investigator should always conduct him/herself as a scientific researcher, looking into each case as objectively as possible, whose primary concern is to discover the truth.

2) **HONESTY:** The researcher must correctly inform the persons from whom information is sought of the following items:

- a) The researcher's training and qualifications.
- b) In what manner information extracted is being recorded.
- c) What use is likely to be made of information gathered.

All exaggeration and mystification is to be avoided in favor of an honest, sincere, presentation of self and objectives. The investigator should not stimulate false hopes of fame or profit, encourage delusional thinking, nor exaggerate the roll or importance of APRO vis a vis other organizations. Similarly, the researcher owes the percipient a frank assessment of the validity of

their experiences as evidence of anomalous events, at the latest when the inquiry is finished.

3) **PROTECTION OF THE PERSONS INVESTIGATED:** While the major aim of inquiry is necessarily the gathering of data for scientific purposes, the protection of the individuals investigated is an important goal also. The welfare of the percipients should not be ignored in the process of inquiry. Actions which cause the percipients concern or distress are justified only when (a) the percipient gives informed consent to them (see below) and (b) if they contribute to a long-run amelioration of more serious problems caused by a UFO experience and its consequences.

The right to a private life is an integral part of this principle and it is understood that the investigator will respect the anonymity of persons who wish to divulge their experiences without publicity. Similarly it is implicit that the investigator will not exploit his/her position of trust for financial, egoistic, sexual or other personal motives. Even the appearance of improper behavior should be avoided, as standards differ and the community in which the investigator operates may have a stricter code than his/her own.

4) **INFORMED CONSENT:** Any procedures likely to cause stress or which involve psychological or medical hazards to the percipient should be used with the utmost circumspection. These include but are not limited to: hypnosis, the use of polygraphs, projective tests, personality tests, medical examinations, and the use of drugs. In every case where such methods are used, the following principles must govern investigation:

- a) trained professionals such as physicians or licensed psychologists should be used whenever possible,
- b) the percipient should be represented during the examination by a responsible adult person other than another investigator,
- c) the percipient must know beforehand what the examination involves,
- d) the percipient must give explicit consent, preferably in writing, to each procedure used. A blanket release is undesirable.

5) **PUBLICATION:** The investigator should make clear to the person investigated that the results of the inquiry are the property of the investigator, and are likely to be published in the APRO BULLETIN or similar publications. Documents written by the percipients, photographs, and personal property however do not belong to the investigator and their use by the investigator should be covered by a written release on the part of the percipient.

It is desirable that this release should be signed when the materials are gathered, in other words when they leave the possession of the percipient and enter that of the investigator.

*TO BE CONCLUDED  
IN THE NEXT ISSUE*