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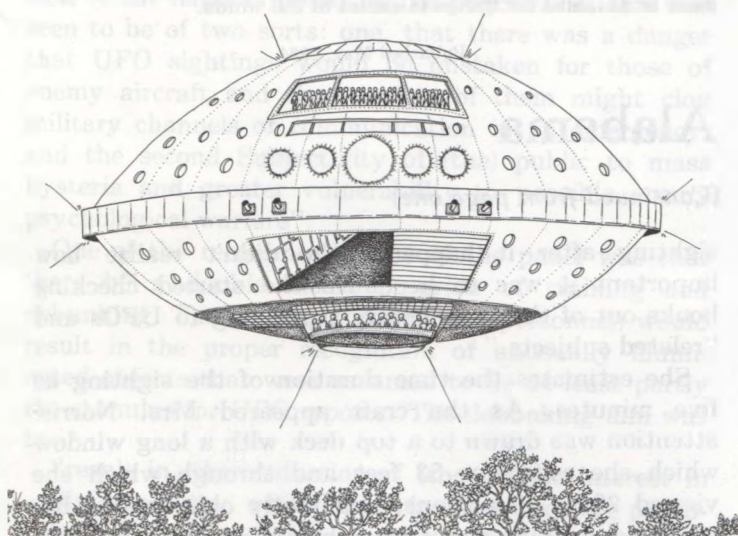
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In the near future we hope to be able to start producing the Bulletin with the use of the computer but there are other chores which necessarily take precedence. However, progress is being made and we appreciate the patience, cooperation and support of the membership.

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ENCOUNTER IN ALABAMA



Front view of Alabama Object
(see column two)

“SWAMP GASSER” DEAD

We are a bit late with the following news, but the clipping bearing the notification of the death of Frank Mannor of Dextor Township, Michigan came quite a bit after the actual fact.

Frank Mannor who passed away on February 14, 1983, was one of the principals in the now famous (or infamous?) flap of 1966, the cause of which was attributed to “swamp gas” by Dr. J. Allen Hynek, who was at the time scientific consultant to the Air Force’s Project Blue Book.

To refresh memories and fill in the gaps for newcomers to UFO research, the following is a very condensed description of the case: At 8:30 p.m. on March 20, 1966, Frank Mannor and his 18 year old son Ronald observed a lighted object which appeared overhead, then appeared to land. They followed it and later described a lighted, brown, sphere-shaped object which appeared to have a “quilted” surface. During the course of the evening, Sheriff’s deputies who had been alerted, observed the object also. When Hynek announced the “swamp gas” explanation, Mannor, as well as Sheriff Douglas Harvey rejected the explanation. Time marches on.

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The following case is the result of a lead furnished to APRO by Bob Gribble of Phenomena Research Hot Line, and follow-up and investigation was completed by Field Investigator Ed O. Brown. The name of the witness and some identifying names of the exact location have been changed to protect the principal, as requested.

Mrs. Pat Norris, 28, lives with her husband, Carl, and three children in a suburb of Mobile, Alabama. On the evening of February 3, 1983, she had visited a friend in Mobile and when the friend’s husband arrived from work, Mrs. Norris left and headed home on Highway 90. She had turned off the Highway and when about 90 minutes’ ride from her home she heard an explosion. At this point, her car began to vibrate and continued to do so, making it difficult for her to steer. She negotiated another turn off the road she was on, brought the car to a halt, opened the car door and leaned out and down and looked to ascertain if the transmission could have been causing the trouble. It had not.

OBJECT SEEN

Mrs. N. continued driving and the vibrating stopped. She executed another turn onto another road and saw that the woods ahead were brilliantly illuminated. At first she thought that there was a helicopter search in progress because of the lights and was very frightened. She again stopped the car, and at this point sighted a huge object about ½ mile west of her. She now feels the explosion she had heard earlier was the object coming down over a clay and gravel pit in the vicinity.

The thing was huge — later estimated to be 7 to 8 stories (70 to 80 feet) high and “six telephone poles” (210 feet) wide, and appeared to be moving toward her at 4-5 miles per hour. The evening had been clear and cool and she had driven with the car windows closed. After the explosion, she noted a “chopping wind, a high-pitched sound and a roaring sound” as well as the vibration. She particularly noted the “whipping of the wind — like a tornado.”

FEAR GONE

When the object reached a point fairly close it stopped and all of the noise stopped. It was completely silent and Mrs. Norris lost all of the fear she had felt before. She then got out of the car to get a better look. She strained to take in every detail — feeling like a child with “unbelievable happiness.”

Mr. Norris said that although Pat told him of her
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Alabama

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sighting after it happened, he didn't realize how important it was to her until she started checking books out of the local library pertaining to UFOs and "related subjects."

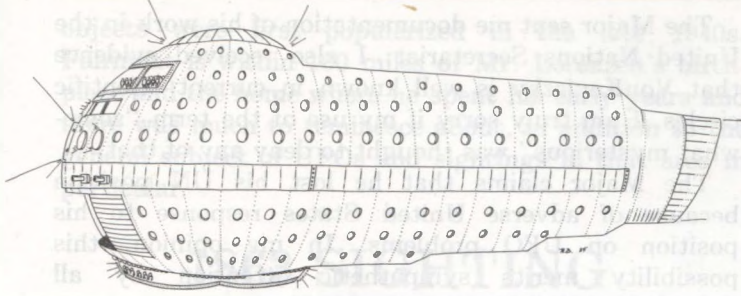
She estimates the time duration of the sighting as five minutes. As the craft appeared Mrs. Norris' attention was drawn to a top deck with a long window which she estimates 53 feet and through which she viewed 20 to 30 persons, apparently oblivious of her presence, walking about as if they were changing shift. The wall behind them was curved and white. There were no instruments. The people did not give the appearance of looking out. The beings were pale skinned, dressed in white one piece suits. She judged them to be about our height, five feet 10", quite slender but with chests larger than ours, the top of the head more prominent, no hair, and having the lower half only of ears similar to our own. She noted nothing out of the ordinary about the eyes. What did draw her attention was the great grace of their movements. The atmosphere seemed "sterile."

DETAILS OBSERVED

Below this top deck window was an opaque window. The area around it was all white. This window was in sections and was inset. The glass was tinted.

Below the center of the craft a door was closing from right to left. (See drawing). And she looked onto a street that was dark as if made of asphalt or possible concrete. Off to the side of this street was tubular rectangular equipment. All across the craft she saw rivets and portholes. She said she could see the portholes "inside out" as she peered into the craft. She saw some construction that included "huge I beams like they put ships together with and beams holding the glass in there." The bottom side was tiered upwards. The construction reminds her of a ship or submarine. She said it seemed possible, very likely, it could have been constructed here on Earth.

The very bottom of the craft was formed into a cross made with one foot square mirrors and an observation deck hung down and around the bottom with beings in it. In this case, unlike the top deck, the people were peering out, while overhead she heard a very low



Side view of Alabama Object

pitched but clearly audible (almost like a growl) "announcing" coming from the area of the observation deck now closest to her.

Mrs. Norris said she believes they didn't realize she was there until directly over her position.

As drawn, she saw four pipes projecting six to eight feet out from the craft set in three or four foot square boxes. They had a hollow flange on the end like a tank cannon and she believes "it looked like a weapon."

The craft took a southerly turn as it went on from where she was parked. She said it was staying in the wooded area and did not cross Highway 90 again. Possible it was doubling back towards Irvington and Pascagoula. It lit up the wooded area, and all beneath it as it moved on off. It had white spotlights and to the side blue and red lights that intermingled, pointing up to the clouds and then down to Earth.

She told Mr. Brown she had prayed she might have such a sighting. She had extensive dream material both prior to and after the February 4 incident. The late dreams contain a detailed physical examination and scan of her emotions, which we expect to present later, when prepared.

After the object was out of sight, Pat continued on home, arriving at 1:10 a.m.

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MUTILATIONS CONTINUE

By Coral E. Lorenzen

THE WATER ELEMENT

There is another factor, however, that indicates an interest in pollution by the UFOs. That is the affinity of the UFOs for water. Just casting back in memory, we have the famous Wanaque, New Jersey sightings of 1966. These were reports of an illuminated object

which hovered over, went into and came out of the huge reservoir in northern New Jersey.

There are literally hundreds of sightings of objects doing precisely what was done at Wanaque. Water-connected UFO cases abound all over the world. Two which took place in rural areas included one in Canada when a disc-shaped object hovered over a pond and lowered a tube-like affair into the water. When it was withdrawn and the object gone, inspection revealed that the pond had been drained of a considerable amount of water. Another similar and recent case took place in a western state. Objects with lights attached have been seen cruising under water. They've been seen diving into water and coming out of it.

The first water cases were logically explained as the objects simply taking on a supply of water, and that was quite likely the correct explanation- at first. But their later preoccupation with water indicated that they were very interested in something else. For instance, you don't get your water supply from the ocean- it's much too salty. Or from the Great Salt Lake, either. The connection between UFOs and the world's water supply was, in fact, noted by Mrs. Lorenzen in her book, "*Flying Saucers, etc.*", published in 1966.

Then the mutilations began. There had been many reported incidents of vegetation samples being taken by UFO-nauts, but these were not nearly as numerous (possibly because plant samples can be easily, quickly and surreptitiously taken and leave little evidence) as the slaughter of cattle.

Despite Peter Jordan's reasoned analysis of the mutilation phenomena (and I'm sure he may be right in several areas) there are still many questions which arise and which cannot be explained satisfactorily with this theory. Granted, there are some carcasses which turn up which are of cattle which died of natural causes. Granted, some have been chewed on by scavenging animals. But, like the Papago Reservation bull which was examined by Mr. Lorenzen, there are hundreds of cases which do not yield so easily to his explanation. Also, I frankly find it difficult to put much stock in the "findings" of government-related personnel, whether past or present.

THE ARIZONA CONNECTION

Another small piece of the UFO jigsaw puzzle fell into place in late October, 1980 when APRO investigator Jim McCoy interviewed the witnesses to the huge object which hovered over the Phelps-Dodge smelter at Morenci, Arizona. The object, which was boomerang-shaped, was estimated to be ¼ mile in diameter. It came down, hovered over one smokestack, shone a bright white light into it, then deliberately moved to the other and did the same thing! After that, it did what all good UFOs do - it zipped off into the night and was gone within seconds.

One of the four smelter workers who were on duty

and watching from a vantage point in the smelter yard, said out loud that he wished that it would come back so he could get another look at it, and it did, then left again. This is one of those instances in which witnesses swear the objects are responding to human thought. After all, the thing obviously couldn't hear the man talking. So there you have it - no mutilations to speak of in Arizona, but plenty of interest on the part of the UFOs in the copper smelters. (There have been similar incidents at the sites of other smelter installations, including the Phelps-Dodge smelter at Douglas and the San Xavier mines south of Tucson).

What's so interesting about copper smelters? Why the smoke from their stacks, of course! Tons of sulfur-dioxide are belched into the atmosphere every year, and it goes up into the atmosphere and comes down again to the north - in Utah, Colorado, Montana, New Mexico and Wyoming - and Canada as well. Carried by prevailing winds, which are generally from the southwest, south and sometimes southeast, the contaminants, mixed with precipitation become acid rain.

When helicopters began to be a part of the "mutilation" scene, I suspected that perhaps federal authorities might be trying a little detective work of their own. It was one good way of sampling the extent of contamination of fauna by pollutants of various types, but they didn't have advanced aircraft such as that of the UFOs, so they rang in some helicopters with their identifying numbers painted out. That would be duck soup. And who would get the blame? Devil cultists, UFOs (which don't exist because the government says so) and "predators". HOGWASH!

And speaking of hogwash, I recently saw a clipping among the storm of them which nearly bury APRO Headquarters each week, which described a UFO sighting over a sewage treatment plant. "They" don't seem to be overlooking *anything!*

And come to think of it - since the sighting of that huge object over Morenci, there has been an increasing tension between miners and management in the copper industry, resulting in a virtual shut-down of copper smelters. Now, wouldn't that be something if they really *could* read our thoughts? And influence them, too? An all-out labor-management fight would be one way of stopping the acid rain for a while, now wouldn't it?

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LETTERS

March 22, 1984

Editors
APRO Bulletin,

My article on Dr. E. U. Condon in The APRO Bulletin evoked sharp questions from Major Colman S. VonKeviczky (Royal Hungarian Army, retired). Please carry the following explanation in an early issue, as I want to give assurances of our good will.

The Major sent me documentation of his work in the United Nations Secretariat. I also received evidence that VonKeviczky is well known in current scientific circles. I am truly sorry if my use of the term "somewhat mysterious" was thought to deny any of that.

The Major claims that he lost his UN position because of adverse United States response to his position on UFO problems. In my opinion, this possibility merits sympathetic attention by all defenders of civil liberties, worldwide.

Professor James McDonald did make proposals for UFO research under United Nations auspices. I am happy to recognize that Major VonKeviczky's endeavors in that direction extended over a longer period of time, and continued even after he left the UN, perhaps until the present time. I will say only that the two men suffered in a common cause, and should be respected for that.

While the Major apparently took exception to some details of my article in The APRO Bulletin, his evidence tends to confirm the theory that the Condon Commission may have been preferred in some circles to a larger, truly international investigation and dialogue concerning UFO evidences.

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IT WORKS!

Indiana member Donald Stratton placed an advertisement in the personal column of two Fort Wayne newspapers for three days starting with March 1st, and APRO received a substantial number of inquiries for membership as a result. This experiment was suggested by member Nick Dkobris of Greece, and was printed on the inside front cover of the APRO Bulletin, Volume 31, No.s 11 and 12.

Members wishing to try the same experiment might use the exact words as those employed by Nick and Donald: "If you are interested in reading about the serious study of UFO phenomena, write to: APRO, 3910 E. Kleindale Road, Tucson, Arizona 85712."

Please let Headquarters know the exact name of newspaper, date and location so that we can check results.

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Recent Visitors to APRO

Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzen had the pleasure of dinner and an evening's visit with Mr. and Mrs. (Connie) Gordon Kellander of Fairmont, Minnesota on February 28. Mr. Kellander has been a member of APRO since 1970, and an avid follower of UFO lore since the

objects were first popularized in the late 1940s. Fairmont is within 100 miles of Mr. Lorenzen's birthplace and the home where he spent his early years and there was much to reminisce about, in addition to the general subject of UFOs and sightings in that area in particular.

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1863 SIGHTING UNEARTHED

APRO member Paul J. Smith of Riverside, Calif., has forwarded a copy of a letter dated June 1, 1952, which he obtained from William E. Moore (APRO Investigator and UFO author) who in turn obtained it via the Freedom of Information Act. The letter alludes to an account of a sighting of a strange object on October 1, 1863.

Mr. Smith, upon reading the letter copy, decided to track down the reference, and has kindly shared the information with us. The details are contained in "ANECDOTES, POETRY AND INCIDENTS OF THE WAR: NORTH AND SOUTH. 1860-1865." Collected and arranged by Frank Moore, Editor of "The Rebellion Record", "Diary of the American Revolution", etc., etc., published in New York, "Printed for the Subscribers" in 1866. To wit:

A CURIOUS STORY

The Southern papers told a curious story about a ghostly army that was seen down there. Nobody has pretended to give a solution of the mystery; but it was wisely suggested that it was an optical illusion. Here is the story:

"A remarkable phenomenon was witnessed a few miles west of Lewisburg, Greenbrier County, Va., on the 1st of October, 1863, about three o'clock p.m., by Mr. Moses Dwyer, who happened to be seated in his porch at the time, as well as by others at or near the house.

"The weather was quite hot and dry; not a cloud could be seen; no wind even ruffled the foliage on the surrounding trees. All things being propitious, the grand panorama began to move. Just over and through the tops of the trees on the adjacent hills, to the south, immense numbers of rolls, resembling cotton or smoke, apparently of the size and shape of doors, seemed to be passing rapidly through the air, yet in beautiful order and regularity. The rolls seemed to be tinged with light green, so as to resemble a border of deep fringe. There were apparently thousands of them; they were perhaps an hour in getting by. After they had passed over and out of sight, the scene was changed from the air above to the earth beneath, and became more intensely interesting to the spectators who were witnessing the panorama from different standpoints.

"In the deep valley beneath, thousands upon thousands of (apparently) human beings (men) came in

view, travelling in the same direction as the rolls, marching in good order, some thirty or forty in depth, moving rapidly— 'double-quick' —and commenced ascending the almost insurmountable hills opposite, and had the stoop peculiar to men ascending a steep mountain. There seemed to be a great variety in the size of the men; some were very large, whilst others were quite small. Their arms, legs, and heads could be distinctly seen in motion. They seemed to observe strict military discipline, and there were no stragglers.

"There was uniformity of dress; white blouses or shirts, with white pants; they were without guns, swords, or anything that indicated 'men of war.' On they came through the valley and over the steep road, and finally passing out of sight, in a direction due north from those who were looking on.

"The gentleman who witnessed this is a man with whom you were once acquainted, Mr. Editor, and as truthful a man as we have in this country, as little liable to be carried away by 'fanciful speculations' as any man living. Four others (respectable ladies) and a servant girl witnessed this strange phenomenon.

"On the 14th instant the same scene, almost identical, was seen by eight or ten of the Confederate pickets at Runger's Mill, and by many of the citizens in that neighborhood; this is about four miles east of Percy's. It was about an hour passing."

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THE INS AND OUTS OF UFOs AND SECRECY SINCE 1940

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By James A. Harder, Ph.D.

In the last issue I described how the Policy Chief from the National Security Agency (NSA) had released a censored version of a top secret affidavit he had submitted to federal Judge Gesell in support of the NSA claim that his agency did not have to release documents under a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) suit brought by Peter Gersten and Citizens against UFO secrecy. Within the sanitized version, in an explanation of why certain sections of a previously released document had been deleted, there occurs the statement "The matter in this paragraph concerns the organization and operational activities and functions of the NSA...." The dots represent a deletion of 15 characters on one line and 17 characters on the next line.

Bill Moore has supplied an interpretation of these deletions that fits the context, fits the style of the author, and of course fits exactly the spaces available. In his interpretation the deletions are "with respect to the UFO phenomena", so that the passage reads

"...concerns the organization and operational activities and functions of NSA with respect to the UFO phenomena." It is this information that the NSA is apparently trying to hide from public view.

This instance of censoring matters concerning UFO activities is only the latest in a series of clues that can be used to reconstruct the course of U.S. government secrecy over the decades. The problem of uncovering this pattern is not unlike trying to discern the bottom contours of the Pacific Ocean from a few soundings and the appearance of a few islands that break the surface. We do know that the ocean is there, and that parts of it are very deep. In what follows the contributions of many tireless UFO investigators will be integrated into a picture that is as clear as can be presented at this time.

PHOTOS OF BODIES

One starting point is the recovery of a crashed UFO from the Sonoran desert of Mexico in late 1941. This recovery was accomplished by a team from Navy Intelligence, which was at the time the premier U.S. intelligence agency in terms of scientific background. One member of the team, unable any longer to contain the vast import of what had been discovered, brought home to share with his immediate family a sheaf of 8 by 10 inch glossy prints showing the UFO. One of the prints showed his friend holding by the wrists one of several dead bodies they had recovered. I was present during the hypnosis session wherein a member of the family was able to clearly recover the images of the photographs seen. From this case we know a very early date for the beginning of government involvement and the branch of service that was involved at that time. Other details are still under investigation at APRO headquarters.

Intelligence agencies do not communicate their findings to other agencies, even other intelligence agencies, unless there is a "need to know"; therefore staff at the Air Materiel Command (AMC) Wright-Patterson Army Air Force Base at Dayton, Ohio (AMC was a part of Army Air Force Intelligence) did not know in the summer of 1947 that there was already another player in the field. Stimulated by the Kenneth Arnold sighting (flying saucers over Mount Rainier) on June 24, 1947, the staff at AMC gained permission to investigate the so-called flying discs. In a letter to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Washington D.C., Lt. General N.F. Twining wrote in a secret report that the "considered opinion" was that the so-called flying discs were "something real and not visionary or fictitious...the reported operational characteristics such as extreme rates of climb, maneuverability (particularly in roll), and action which must be considered evasive when sighted or contacted by friendly aircraft and radar, lend belief to the possibility that some of the objects are controlled

either manually, automatically or remotely..." As a result of Twining's letter, dated 23 September 1947, the AMC was given priority 2-A and a project name "SIGN" for the investigation. One important reason for staff concern was a fear that the aircraft reported were something that the Russians had developed, perhaps based on secret design information gained from the Germans at the end of World War II.

ESTIMATE OF THE SITUATION

After several months of investigation, the AMC was in a position to come to an "estimate of the situation." In a Top Secret Report, the estimate was that the sightings were of extraterrestrial spacecraft. When this report got to General Hoyt S. Vandenberg, Air Force Chief of Staff in Washington, he would have none of it. Even when a delegation of scientists came from the AMC to bolster their report, he could not be budged. Apparently he had learned something in the meanwhile that the folk at AMC did not know. From that time the Air Force operation was put into a holding position of making some investigations, but with the main job of denying that there was anything to UFO sightings except mistakes and frauds. In February of 1949 the name of the project was officially changed to "GRUDGE" with what some personnel saw as an indication of an official attitude. In the meanwhile AMC had become the Air Technical Intelligence Center (ATIC) with headquarters at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio. In all probability the personnel at ATIC thought of themselves as being the only ones in the Air Force concerned with UFO matters and were never told differently.

What General Vandenberg must have known is that there was another branch of Air Force Intelligence involved with UFO research; we don't know its name, but subsequent events would show that somehow the personnel or the activities that were originally with Navy Intelligence had moved over to Air Force Intelligence. This secret and serious group of UFO researchers does not seem to have been known to the personnel at Project GRUDGE or its successor, project BLUE BOOK.

However, the Air Force Intelligence staff at ATIC were not the only ones to find that the field had been pre-empted. The summer of 1952 saw an extraordinary outpouring of reports from all over the United States; UFOs were seen over the White House during the Democratic Convention, and it was all the Air Force could do to prevent the cover from blowing off. All of this activity sparked an interest at the Office of Scientific Intelligence (OSI) at the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) — there is massive evidence compiled by Brad Sparks of the extensive interest of the "substantive issues" of UFO research at OSI during the fall of 1952. A conference was planned, later to be known as that of the Robertson Panel. But by the time the OSI could get started on the subject, there

was a change of personnel as the new president, Dwight Eisenhower, promoted Alan Dulles from deputy director to the directorship of the Central Intelligence Agency. The secret group within Air Force Intelligence had carried the day against the interlopers from OSI.

From being a discussion of the substantive issues of UFOs, the Robertson Panel was diverted to a discussion of the dangers posed by the phenomena; this was seen to be of two sorts: one, that there was a danger that UFO sightings would be mistaken for those of enemy aircraft and that reports of them might clog military channels of communication in an emergency; and the second Subjectivity of (the) public to mass hysteria and greater vulnerability to possible enemy psychological warfare".

One of the recommendations of the panel was that there be a double barrel program of training and debunking. The training (for Military personnel) would result in the proper recognition of unusually illuminated objects that were assumed to be at least partly the stimulus for UFO reports. The debunking aim was to

"result in (the) reduction of (the) public interest in 'flying saucers' which today invokes a strong psychological reaction. This education could be accomplished by mass media such as television, motion pictures and popular articles. Basis of such education would be actual case histories which had been puzzling at first but later explained. As in the case of conjuring tricks there is much less stimulation if the 'secret' is known. Such a program should tend to reduce the current gullibility of the public and consequently their susceptibility to clever hostile propaganda..."

APRO MENTIONED

In further action, the panel took note of civilian UFO study groups (including APRO) and warned that such organizations should be watched because of their potentially great influence on mass thinking if widespread sightings should occur (the wave of sightings of the previous summer was a lesson in this regard). Further remarks were made that the 'apparent irresponsibility and the possible use of such groups for subversive purposes should be kept in mind...' In their conclusions section there is the statement: "...the continued emphasis on the reporting of these phenomena does, in these perilous times, result in a threat to the orderly functions of the protective organs of the body politic...and the cultivation of a morbid national psychology in which skillful hostile propaganda could induce hysterical behavior and harmful distrust of duly constituted authority."

The Robertson Panel report was classified SECRET, and might never have been discovered except that it was seen in the files at ATIC headquarters by Dr. James McDonald; apparently it had been improperly declassified, for when he turned it back in and asked

for a copy, it was not provided, and he was told that it was no longer available as a declassified document. A somewhat amusing side effect was felt at APRO headquarters, where it was discovered that a "volunteer worker" had been secretly making reports to his superior officer of his observations at APRO. At one time there were as many as three former CIA operatives on the board of directors of the National Investigations Committee for Aerial Phenomena (NICAP).

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PRESS REPORTS

By Doris and Joe Graziano

AUSTRALIA - June, 1983 - Sydney - The RAAF is investigating a series of mysterious high-speed radar signals detected by air traffic controllers at Sydney Airport. About ten reports of unexplained ultra-high frequency signals have been noted in the air traffic controllers' log in recent weeks. They have been reported to the RAAF Operational Command center, which has begun an investigation into the possible UFOs.

Mascot operations controller Pat Townsend said sounds could normally be explained, but this series was baffling air traffic control. "Whatever it is, it's flying at about 2400 km/h - that's twice the speed of sound," a spokesman said.

TEXAS - June 5, 1983 - Vidor - A star-shaped floating object was watched by several witnesses for two hours, from 9 to 11 p.m., leaving only when a small aircraft arrived at the scene. Delores Cherry, her nephew, Byron Cole, her sisters, Joann McIntyre and Wilma Cole, and Cole's two daughters say they have seen it hovering at midnight in the Sandra Lane area. Cherry and McIntyre say they first spotted it ten days ago, following them as they drove west on Interstate 10.

Witnesses said the object resembled a star and had three rounded protrusions similar to points on a star. "It puts off red and blue vapor and has a glow around it at times, but it makes no noise," said Cherry.

A check with the Lake Charles and Galveston radars revealed no unusual sightings according to Fred Wesley of the National Weather Service. He also said there were no weather balloons in the area on the night of the 5th.

KENTUCKY - July 11, 1983 - Pikeville - Spectators at the Pikeville Cubs' baseball game stood to watch as a strange, silent object moved overhead. According to Gene Davis, who was in the press box, the players suspended play for about five minutes to watch the object. Residents on Coon Creek and 15 customers at

the Log Cabin Restaurant also saw it.

The only difference in all the accounts was from Mrs. Gay McCoy of Coon Creek. She was at home when she saw a rectangular craft in the sky at about 9 p.m. She said it had four bright yellow lights and two red ones. During the evening the object circled, went up Coon Creek and came back. McCoy said about 15 other people who were at her home also saw the object.

After the excitement had died down and the neighbors went home, McCoy and her husband, Gary, said the object returned at about midnight. "It finally just disappeared like it was going to West Virginia," she said.

ITALY - June 5, 1983 - Pavia - Hundreds of witnesses saw a UFO in the skies over Pavia, Voghera, Coreolona, Villanterio, Casteggio and Mortara on the night of June 6th. But on the morning of June 5th, just before 6 a.m., three people reported an amazing close encounter.

Mario Claretto was awakened by the furious barking of his neighbor's dog and went to the window to investigate. He saw an egg-shaped object, about 100 m away, hovering about 50 cm from the ground. Claretto called his wife and also noticed a neighbor, Bruno Stafforini, was watching the object.

The three watched while the dog continued to bark "as if he was ill." The "thing" then raised up without any noise, remained motionless for a few moments and then flew away at incredible speed toward Staffora Valley and then toward Voghera.

NEW ZEALAND - July 19, 1983 - Takahue - Mrs. Jo Braddick was feeding her baby at about 8 p.m. when her bedroom was lit by a strange light. She looked out her window to see "an enormous green ball of light descending over the hill." She watched the light for about one minute before it suddenly disappeared from sight over the hill.

This is the latest in a series of recent sightings in the area. Two weeks before, Colin Moore and three members of his family saw an "orangeish light with green and red spikes about its edges," near Ahipara. The family saw the light on Sunday and again on Friday. Sightings of strange lights in this general region were also made by crewmen on the coastal tanker Kuaka.

NEW ZEALAND - July 19, 1983 - Matapouri - Two photographs, taken about one minute apart, show two unexplained lights apparently moving slowly across the sky. The photographs have street lights and the planet Venus as reference points, and were taken from the same spot with the camera held firmly to a rock. It is obvious when comparing the two photos that the unexplained lights have moved considerably in relation to the reference points.

AUSTRALIA - July 22, 1983 - Melbourne - Three policemen watched an object continually appear and disappear over the Melton area. Chief Inspector Paul Hickman said he saw the object fly over Melton police

station about 6 a.m. "We put a spotlight on it, which showed it was gray, about 30 feet long and 20 feet wide, which made it too big to be a gyrocopter," he said.

Constable Peter Ferguson and Ray Ellens first spotted the object hovering over the Western Highway at 12:40 a.m. "It had two headlights like a car with high beam on and red tail lights, but it didn't seem to make any noise," said Ferguson. The object continued to "tease" the officers for the next six hours as it flew in a triangle over Melton, Sydenham and Rockbank.

ENGLAND - March 16, 1983 - Grassington - A photograph taken by two North Yorkshire policemen of a stationary object in the air near Grassington is being hailed as the most conclusive evidence of a UFO taken in Britain. The photograph shows three balls of bright light seen hovering on the side of a sheer cliff face at Cracoe Fell, between Grassington and Skipton.

It was broad daylight at noon when the two officers watched the object hovering for about 50 minutes. Two American tourists also witnessed the object.

The main glowing object was about 60 feet in diameter and was a brilliant light. The lights were also tinged with a red glow, and were hovering about 30 to 40 feet below the top of the cliff. It was because of the brilliance of the light that the officers decided to take the picture, using a 35 mm camera.

Mark Birdsall, of the Yorkshire UFO Society, said the picture has already been analyzed by the top British photo experts and they had been "astonished" by it. "It is the best photographic evidence in this country ever of a UFO," said Birdsall.

ENGLAND - July 16, 1983 - Bridgwater - Mrs. Patricia Stark saw a huge, glowing object fly over her house on Penzoy Ave. The object was also seen by five others in town.

John Hunt was watching a thunderstorm with his wife and three neighbors when they suddenly noticed a big bright light. It moved straight across in front of the witnesses and returned about ten minutes later. Hunt, who watched the light with binoculars, said it just went out as though someone had turned the light off.

CANADA - October 11, 1983 - Cochrane, Ontario - At least 11 men saw what they believe to be a UFC about four miles south of Cochrane at about 6:30 a.m. Ten of the men, employees of M.J. Labelle Co. Ltd., were on their way to work when they saw what was described as a 150 foot long egg-shaped object having a blunt and a round end with two larger spot lights at each end. The object made no noise as it hovered over the roadway.

Bob Johnson, an Ontario Provincial Police officer, was on his way to Hearst when he saw the object. He said that it was big and moved close to the ground at about 35 mph.

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