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“MISSING TIME” AT RESERVATION

By Ron Westrum

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Dear MEMBERS and SUSCRIBERS:

With this issue of the APRO Bulletin publication will be suspended for an indefinite period. It will be resumed just as soon as the health of the editor will permit. As you may know, health problems in the Lorenzen family have been the main cause of delayed publications in the recent past. Mrs. Lorenzen's doctors have strongly advised that she take a complete rest for several months. Therefore it will be impossible for her to devote sufficient energy to the task of turning out a quality publication.

There are those of you who may wish to keep your subscription in force until conditions return to normal. Some of you may choose to terminate your affiliation. In this case APRO is offering back issues from available stock at a valuation of \$.50 each against remaining credit. Symposia papers can also be selected to offset extant credit at regular rates. See Bulletin cover for prices.

This step is a very painful one, as the subject of our mutual interest remains one of greatest importance, even after 32 years of study. You are all urged to continue your reading, searching, and where possible, reporting events that take place in your areas.

Many thanks for your faithful support.

Coral and Jim Lorenzen

DID NAVY “STEAL” UFO?

On December 31, 1984, a civilian scuba team searched the chilly waters off Lummi Island in Washington state for an unidentified object that reportedly blazed out of the sky and splashed down there last July 27th. The team's leader said seismic radar picked out an egg shaped object on the sea floor.

DESCRIPTIONS CONFLICT

When the two divers returned from the dark, frigid

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(Editor's Note: W J. "Bill" Vogel has been providing details of UFO reports on the Yakima, Washington Indian reservation for many years, and the details of the following case which he has forwarded to APRO is interesting for several reasons, as the reader will see. It is the first of its kind to be investigated, and originates from a time frame during which there had been little or no publicity about the abduction aspect of UFO research. The author of the article, Dr. Ron Westrum is with the Department of Sociology, Eastern Michigan University, in Ypsilanti, Michigan, and specializes in the history and sociology of scientific anomalies.)

The event whose traces I am about to examine involved five people and took place in the spring [of] 1967. Although on the surface it was simply an odd experience, it obviously made a very deep impression on two of the percipients, and its similarity to UFO abduction cases makes it of special interest.

The event involved two couples, both about 20 years old, and an older woman of about 37. I will call these people Jim and Alice A., Bob and Sally B., and Sarah C. The group had gone up to the meadow, near the trough, in the Camas Patch, to picnic and then were going to come down the mountain to go to the Jackpot Rodeo. One of the percipients, Sally B., remembers that it was Mother's Day. It was a fine day, the group went up to the meadow in Sarah's Mustang and partied for most of the afternoon, doing a fair amount of drinking. Later on in the day, however, it became obvious that the car was stuck in the mud, and extensive efforts were made to free it. As the evening began, it became increasingly obvious that they were not going to get the car out, and the group decided that it would have to hike out. Although there is some confusion as to their original destination, it appears that they intended to go to the Mill Creek Guard Station, about 4-6 miles away. They had no flashlight but Bob B. thought he could find the way fairly easily as the area contains good logging roads. While three of the party were working on moving the car, one of the other two members of the party saw what she described as a "shooting star." The others, preoccupied with the car, did not take this too seriously.

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INCONSISTENCIES ENTER

What followed is not entirely clear. Each of the five had somewhat different memories regarding sequence. The only indisputable facts appear to be these. The group started down out of the mountains about 9:30, when it got dark. When they reached the cattle guard on the Mill Creek - Satus Lookout Road, about 2 miles from the Guard Station, it was around 1:30 in the morning. It took them about four hours to go as many miles. They had no flashlight, and they had been drinking, but this is still an inadequate explanation for some of the events involved. Here, in any case, is Jim A.'s recollection of what happened. First of all, the shooting star came back. "It had our attention. It came back. It hovered there, it seemed like it froze us. It started coming down in sections." Then it shot off to the west, but just as rapidly came back at treetop level, about 50-100

feet off the ground. To Jim, it seemed that it caused a wind, at least a sound that sounded like a siren or a vacuum cleaner starting up. Then the whole sky lit up. "I don't know how long we stood there, because the strangest thing is that, at 1:30 in the morning, what really scared us, is that we sort of came to."

SOUND FROZE THEM

At this point, Jim remembers that he was running, with one hand holding on to his wife and a stick in the other hand. He can't remember anything in between. When the sky lit up, it was so bright that Jim could pick out details on the ground. Furthermore, the light made two blasts of sound. The second one, said Jim, "was what froze us." Jim remembers an extremely odd thing; he remembers seeing himself and other members of the party frozen, looking up. One possibility is that this out-of-body experience represents extreme terror and depersonalization.

When Jim came to, Sarah had become very tired; so tired that she lay down, curled up into a fetal position, and refused to move, by the side of the road. The party then apparently left her asleep. They walked down to the Mill Creek Guard station, and called Sally's father for a ride home. Sarah's brother-in-law (Sally's father---Sarah was Sally's aunt) then came and picked up the party.

CONFUSING TESTIMONY

The guards at Mill Creek were told nothing about their experiences. As soon as we consider the testimony of others, events rapidly become confused. Sally B. remembers seeing the lights hovering above the hills, and remembers Jim holding the stick while still at the Camas Patch. She remembers watching the lights for fifteen minutes. Her memory is vague.

Bob B. remembers seeing lights north of them, between the top of the ridge and the Camas Patch. Were the lights seen for fifteen minutes? Seemed like the lights might have gotten closer. There were 3 or 4 lights; they were not terribly bright. Alice A. remembers seeing the "little lights" first, through the trees, going up and down, while they were walking. As they kept walking, "the whole sky lit up, lavenders, blues, that whole spectrum." She said they thought the light was Rentschler's Mill (see footnote) originally (north of their position), but it moved as if someone had been holding a lantern. "There was nothing we could do, just stand there and watch it (laughs)... we walked much faster after we saw the light. We didn't know who was out there." The lavenders and blues were spread out like the colors in an airbrush design."

Alice yawned frequently while she was being

interviewed.

SARAH'S RECOLLECTIONS

Sarah was terrified the entire time I interviewed her. I thought that this might be due to the shock of having me show up suddenly on her front porch. She had since married but had not told her new husband about the event, which is odd, since apparently (according to Jim) she still discusses it with her sister. Furthermore, even though she and her husband had discussed some of Nora Plumlee's (a Yakima Reservation fire lookout) sightings with her, this discussion did not bring Sarah's sighting forth.

She remembers the Mustang getting stuck about noon, in the Camas Patch area. After it started to become dark, they began to walk out. When they saw the sky light up, she described it as "like a huge flash- bulb going off."

Interestingly enough, neither of the Bs mentioned the sky lighting up, although the other three witnesses mentioned this.

Sarah said that when the party was west of Satus Peak Lookout, they could see a very bright light, close to but not on the ridge. She said the light was there as long as they were in a position to view it. In fact, she said it "never went away," which raises some interesting possibilities. She does remember feeling tired and crawling into the weeds on the side of the road to lie down. "It was thrilling to see that light. The one to (the) east was bluish, like a flashbulb. The other light seemed like there was a configuration of lights, like a Christmas tree." She drew an inverted V-shape. "The light appeared to be even with the top of the ridge. We argued about what the light was. It was very bright." She denied that the sighting bothered her, but when I played her tape and Alice's tape back to Jim, he drew attention to the strange quality their voices took on when discussing this event. I personally could not detect this quality, but Alice's yawning and Sarah's fear were certainly noticed. He said that he had tried to talk to both women about the event afterward, but that they would laugh and refuse to discuss it.

NIGHTMARES

Jim was severely affected by the experience. For many years he had nightmares about it. He was initially terrified when he found himself running down the mountain, unable to remember what had just taken place, and there is no obvious reason why his heart was beating so fast, and the stick was in his hand. His nightmares began in 1970, when he read a

location is still referred to as such. B.Vogel local news story about some teenagers who had seen a UFO. His nightmares would cause him to wake up sweating.

Even after he and Alice got divorced, and he was remarried, his second wife said that when he had the nightmares, his heart raced so fast that she thought he might have a heart attack. In 1972, he was going to get on an airplane from Portland to Yakima, when the plane's engines started up. "Vlamo!! My body started sweating." In 1978, watching a helicopter, the sound of the rotor and the flashing light "froze" Jim again. Several discussions of the event helped him deal with the experience. He discussed it with Bill Vogel (I don't remember this - Vogel) in 1975; related it to a psychology class---during a discussion of stress---in 1975; and talked it over with his second wife after they were married in 1978. The last apparently helped the most. "I had eight years of nightmares." He insisted, however, that the experience had not harmed him. I think it is fair to say that Jim exhibits many of the symptoms of post-traumatic stress syndrome. Alice, by the way, had never discussed the experience with her second husband at the time I interviewed her.

MANY PUZZLES REMAIN

What happened that night? If lights were all that there was involved, why Jim's nightmares, flashbacks, and the curious perspective of "looking down" on the party? Why have Sarah and Alice not discussed the event with their new husbands, and why were they reluctant to discuss it with Jim? The Bs, who later married, seemed to have only the most wispy of memories of the event, but they were the least "white" members of this group of Native Americans, and this may reflect my inability to read their feelings, as well as their unwillingness to divulge them. Why does Jim have a missing time period? Why did it take them so long to go so short a distance? What, in any case, were the lights? Many questions remain in this exceedingly odd case

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MACCABEE VS KLASS

For more than a decade, Bruce Maccabee, a Navy research physicist, has debated and argued the UFO question with infamous skeptic Philip Klass. Maccabee contends that many of the sightings may represent extraterrestrial phenomena, while Klass says prosaic explanations suffice. About one particular sighting alone, the two have exchanged 1,500 pages of single-spaced typed correspondence.

FOOTNOTE: This is strange as there has been no Rentschler's Mill or cabin since the 1940s and all residents of the Reservation know this. However, the

Maccabee first took an interest in UFO sightings while a high school student in Rutland, Vermont, in the mid-1950s. He received his PhD in physics in 1973. Today, at 42, he is still "skeptical of the skeptics," especially Klass.

SCIENTISTS SCORNFUL

For over 11 years, Maccabee, who has never seen an UFO himself, has collected and analyzed what he calls "true UFO" or "TRUFO" reports, in which UFOs seem to behave in ways that rule out conventional phenomena. His major frustration is that the scientific community tends to regard UFO watchers with some scorn.

"Scientists are generally skeptical of UFO sightings, and so am I," he says. "However, some scientists and individuals have, in my opinion, gone beyond the bounds of scientific reason in criticizing and explaining UFO sightings." But Maccabee is optimistic about what he sees as "a proliferation of groups of scientists being formed to look into unusual things."

COVERUP?

Maccabee and Klass have publicly debated UFOs in discussions sponsored by the Smithsonian Institution and the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics. They frequently attack each other in print and disagree on a major tenet of ufology: that the federal government is covering up information about UFOs.

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water, their differing descriptions of the object caused some confusion. John Walker, original organizer of the expedition, described the thing as a gold-colored, satellite-shaped object with a clasp on one end. Richard Burke said it was orange and looked like an upside-down teacup with a cavity in the top. He said that he stood on the thing and felt it humming. When he surfaced, Burke's diving boots were covered with a reddish dust, which has yet to be analyzed.

Both divers agreed that the object was made out of some kind of metal and said it was stuck at an angle in the mud. They wanted to attempt to raise the object with a deck winch that day but ran out of time.

OBJECT GONE

The mystery intensified when the team returned after the weekend and the object had disappeared. "They went out to the same spot yesterday and it's gone," said Bonnie Papetti, wife of the skipper of the recovery vessel.

Dr. Bruce Maccabee, a Defense Department physicist, and his scientific researcher, Dale Goudie, believe the Navy may have recovered the object and may be concealing it from the public. Goudie said he obtained copies of reports made at the time of the sighting, through the Freedom of Information Act, that indicate a military vessel was sent to the scene, but found nothing.

NAVY 'PROBABLY' THERE

The Pentagon denies all knowledge of the UFO and refuses further comment. But a senior Navy source in Washington D. C. said, "It is fairly safe for you to assume that if we heard about a large metal object in the ocean that was transmitting a humming noise, we would investigate."

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FROM THE EDITORS

Our attention has been called once again to some curiously unattractive commentary on the APRO leadership. We think that we would not be doing our job if APRO always won total approval from all parties. We do, however, extend fraternal greetings to all who share our concern for UFO evidences, worldwide. We trust that APRO will continue to secure mostly favorable reviews and elicit valued assistance from both the old timers and its many recent recruits. We take comfort in the certain knowledge that attempts to destroy the effectiveness of research and publication on UFO questions have been stopped cold.

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FOLLOW-UP The Ubatuba Magnesium

(Doctor Olavo T. Fontes, APRO's Brazilian Representative from 1957 until his death in 1968, did the basic research on some unusual metal fragments which were mentioned in a local newspaper in 1957.)

Considerable research has been done on the fragments since, and the following are the results of the efforts of Dr. Peter A. Sturrock who presented a

paper dealing with the fragments at the third annual meeting of the Society for Scientific Exploration (SSE) at Princeton, New Jersey. Dr. Sturrock's field of expertise is plasma physics and he is professionally affiliated with the Center for Space Science and Astrophysics at Stanford University.)

The "Brazil magnesium" first came to public attention in Rio de Janeiro in 1957. Its reputed place of Origin was the Ubatuba area, but this purported origin has never been substantiated. As described in the Condon Report, the Colorado Project investigated this material to the extent of arranging for neutron-activation analysis. The samples are composed of magnesium, and are more pure than commercially produced magnesium but possibly not as pure as multiply sublimed magnesium.

At various times, the samples have been analyzed for chemical composition, with the following results expressed, for brevity, as elements detected with abundance greater than 100 ppm: Brazil (three tests with emission spectrographs), none; Oak Ridge National Laboratory (emission spectrograph), Al, Fe, Si; Dow Chemical Company (emission spectrograph), Al, Ba, Ca, Cu, Fe, Pb, Sr; Bureau of Internal Revenue (neutron activation), Ba, Sr, Zn; MIT (electron microprobe), none; and Evans Associates (Cameca ion microprobe), Al, Ca, Li, Mn, Sr.

Through the courtesy of Mr. James Lorenzen of APRO, I have been able to arrange for further tests on these samples, with the following results: Stanford University (electron microprobe), none; NASA Johnson Space Flight Center (ARC ion microprobe) none; Evans Associates (Cameca ion microprobe), C, Ca, Cl, Fe, K, Li, Na, Sr, Ti. None of the positive detections can be securely attributed to the interior metal of the sample. Consequently, after all these years, we still do not have a single reliable measurement of the actual impurities and impurity level of the Brazil magnesium. By contrast, the isotopic ratio has been measured at the California Institute of Technology and at the University of Paris at Orsay with high accuracy and with consistent results. The ratios are the same as in normal terrestrial magnesium. Measurements at Stanford with an electron microprobe show that the white material covering much of the magnesium is Mg(OH) with the following impurities, each at about 2,000 ppm: Ca, Cl, Fe, Si, T,

Investigations by Dr. Pierre Kaufmann of Sao Paulo have shown that the only aerial event to occur at or near Ubatuba in 1957 was the crash of a DC-3. However in 1933 or 1934, a bolide passed over Ubatuba and crashed at a nearby beach. At approximately the same time, some unusually light material was captured in the nets of fishermen in the area.

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THE SOVIET SITUATION

By Coral Lorenzen

Since early in 1985, considerable attention has been paid the UFOs by the Soviet press, including the rather astounding sighting of the object by the crew of an airliner, and an announcement about the establishment of a UFO investigative office by the Soviet government. None of this was particularly surprising to APRO Headquarters, because, beginning in about 1978, we began receiving regular requests for "the latest copy" of the APRO Bulletin from what seemed to be governmental bureaus of one type or another. These requests were made via postcard and it was generally assumed that either someone in the government was trying to get the Bulletin on a regular basis without paying for a subscription, or some "underground" group was attempting to obtain outside information.

OFFICIAL?

On February 12 of this year, Headquarters received a letter from what purported to be the USSR National Public Library for Science and Technology in Moscow. It was dated in 1984, the subtitle for the Library is "International Exchange Group", and the letter appears to be a form letter with the name of APRO, the salutation and the title of our periodical, typed in. The printed originator of the letter is one I. Kharina, Director of the Library, and the enclosure was a small pamphlet, in Russian, which is a list of Soviet periodicals "from which you will be able to choose titles of your interest." The strange thing about the letter is that it arrived in our mailbox along with other mail (we habitually received 30+ pieces each day) but there was no postage affixed to the envelope. We must assume that either it arrived in this country via diplomatic pouch and the post office did not notice the lack of postage when it was mailed or it is a hoax. Our familiarity with official letters from overseas indicates that it is genuine, however.

OPPORTUNITY

Translation of the pamphlet is in the works, and we are hoping that we can find something of interest therein and that an exchange can be worked out. It is an excellent opportunity on both sides to learn what is happening on the UFO front elsewhere.

It is tempting to conclude from all of this that the Soviets have had sufficient experience with UFOs that governmental authorities are beginning to try to

establish contacts outside the country to gain further insight into the mystery. We view this as a very positive sign and look forward to future cooperation.

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CANADIAN OFFICIALS PUZZLED

The following information was contained in a May 14 clipping from the Montreal Gazette in Quebec, Canada, and was forwarded by Jerry Ash, who does an outstanding job of keeping APPRO Headquarters apprised of any news pertaining to UFOs:

Mysterious "circles of light" were spotted and reported to police and military authorities at Calgary, Alberta on the morning of May 13th.

The incident began at 1:30 a. m. when RCMP Inspector Harley Johnson received a report from a local resident who said there was a UFO over Crossfield, about 30 kilometers north of the city.

OFFICIALS LAUGH

The dispatcher on duty at the time doubted the caller's sobriety, and asked a two-man police cruiser which was in the vicinity, approximately northwest of Calgary, to investigate. The two drove to the edge of Calgary and were laughing about what they considered a joke being played on them. They were headed south, and paid no heed to the dispatcher until a second call came through on the radio telling them to take a look. They did, and realized there was something to be seen.

When questioned by the media after the event, Constable Gary Ogilvy and Constable Butch Ganzer insisted they had seen something unusual. "They've tried to tell us they're balloons, but they're crazy", Ganzer said.

JOKING OVER

After patrol car after patrol car called in to confirm that unusual objects of some sort were indeed being seen, the fun and games stopped. The descriptions varied from "weird, blinking stars" to "oblong discs with three levels of spinning lights".

Within an hour, 20 police officers had joined the first cruiser and were looking up at the inexplicable lights. Officials at Calgary International Air port also confirmed sightings "of strange phenomena", but there was no radar confirmation.

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OBJECT OVER SEOUL

(Our thanks to Kim Young Sick for the following information contained in a clipping from the December 4, 1984 issue of the Korea Herald):

Many residents of Seoul claimed that they saw a UFO hovering over the capital on Sunday, December 2nd. The object, described as dish-shaped, was first reported to the news media at 4 p. m. and was spotted three more times at ten minute intervals until 4:30 p. m. Lee Changyon, 28, an employee at the Midopa Department Store in downtown Seoul, said that when he was told that a UFO had been spotted, he looked up into the sky but could see nothing unusual.

Another sighting was made at 6 p. m., and Dr. Kim Duhwan of the National Astronomical Observatory said: "Those illuminated objects may have been artificial satellites, which can be seen when the sky is clear. I also suspect that the object spotted around 6 p. m. may have been Jupiter, Mars or Venus."

(Editor's Note: The newspaper article was accompanied by a photograph which showed a luminous object in the upper left part of the shot, but did not identify the photographer, type of camera, film, etc.)

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AUTHOR SAYS UFO WAS U.S. SPY PLANE

An Auckland, New Zealand, author says the 1978 Kaikoura flying saucer incident was a counterintelligence exercise. Neil Illingworth, who wrote a book on the sighting, believes the Americans were testing a special spy plane in the area which cannot be detected on radar.

Illingworth is working on a film script about a secret weapons system being tested in New Zealand without anyone knowing. "New Zealand is an ideal place to test such an aircraft, especially for the U.S. because we're so far away from Russian Surveillance," he said.

Australian UFO researcher Murray Stott disagreed, saying there was no hard evidence to suggest that there were any solid objects in New Zealand at the time of the incident. "Such research is confined to fertile imaginations, not the Kaikoura coast," he responded.

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ANOTHER RESPONSE CASE?

The following case is from a translation kindly furnished to APRO by Mr. Shen Tao-ping of Shanghai, China, and comes from an article which appeared in the March, 1984 issue of "The UFO Research", published by CURO (China UFO Research Organization).

Members may find this particular case a bit difficult to accept, but should keep in mind the fact that 30 years ago a lot of UFO researchers did not accept landings as legitimate UFO reports.

Just a little past 7 p.m. on the evening of August 11, 1981 a teacher at the Wen-san Teacher's Institute was preparing for a test of three children who (apparently-the Ed.) were talented in extrasensory perception. About twenty onlookers were present, among whom were teachers from the Institute and the local (Wen San County) No. 1 Middle school and students of Kwen-ming Teachers' College who were home for summer vacation.

BRIGHT OBJECT SIGHTED

At 7:25 one of the students, named Zhan-mei raised her head, looked into the sky and said, "Look, there's a UFO!" The rest of the crowd looked skyward and saw a diamond-shaped object "as long as a cigarette shining with a silvery light and a brightness similar to that of the brightest star. The noise of the children's shouting brought out more people in the houses in the area. Among them were the vice director of the County Agricultural Bureau, the vice director of the County Broadcasting Services Bureau and many of the teachers. One of the teachers used a post as a reference point with which to trace the object's path. It was going into the north and kept spinning as it went. The teacher said it didn't look like a comet or an airplane or a satellite. The children described it as looking like the head of a "water snake" swimming. It's speed, according to the teacher, seemed slower than that of a plane, and it shone with a silvery light although it did not leave a trail behind it.

RESPONDS TO COMMAND

As the teacher was making his observations, the object continued to climb into the north until it was nearly out of sight. They began to shout, "It's going-it's going, and at that time the teacher decided to experiment, and asked the three children who were most proficient in the use of their telekinesis talent, to call to the object to come down, using these words: "This is Wen-san. Come here, UFO. Come here, UFO".

After calling for 1 to 2 minutes, the children and their companions observed the object as it made a sharp turn and approached even closer than it had been when first spotted. The children began to shout, "It's coming down, it's coming down - it's turning a somersault!"

PHYSICAL EFFECTS

At the same time that the object began to approach, the three 'talented' children began to cry out and complain that their ears were hot. One said that he (she) felt a numbness, and one said that her ears were trembling. Because of their reaction (the numbness, etc.) to the UFO, the children ceased their calling, and the object began to climb again and soon disappeared.

According to Mr. Tao-ping, a Mr. Shaw wrote the article for CURO, and it is not clear if Mr. Shaw is the teacher, or if he merely submitted his report. The translation is that of a first-person narrative, and therefore it is difficult to discern until we receive further details from Mr. Tao-ping.

CHILDREN QUESTIONED

The narrative of the report says: "The UFO greatly [a]roused our interest. Afterwards I asked the three children separately. They all told me that their feeling of numbness was just like that when they were in a fit of their specific function of organs. (Editor's note: here, he probably means that the numbness was like that which they experienced when they were experiencing the full degree of their gifts.) He went on to say that the numb ears and trembling ears were the most pronounced sensation.

The reporter visited the two children who had seemed to be most sensitive to the return of the UFO, to make further inquiries. One evening he found 11-year-old Shao hung at home, and in the presence of her parents, asked several questions. "Do you know what a UFO is?" he asked.

She responded that she did not. Further questioning indicated that she had never read books about UFOs nor had she seen pictures of UFOs. "How big was the UFO you saw that evening?", he asked, and she said it was "as big as a house." The writer indicated that this meant a house which was seven or eight meters long. When asked what it looked like, she said that it appeared like "two saucers ... put together with one opposite to the other."

OCCUPANTS REPORTED

When asked what else she saw, the girl said that there were windows in it and people inside. As soon as she said this, she showed a stunned look "with

swollen eyes" as if she had been irritated and threw herself into her mother's arms and began crying. "It frightened me. It frightened me", she said.

The reporter asked her twice more about the "people" but she lapsed into weeping each time so he gave up on that questioning.

On the day following the questioning of Shao-hung, he visited Shao-yuen, who is 14 years old. In response to questioning, she said that "There were people in it. I didn't see the face but a pointed flat thing about a foot long was visible on one's head. When we called the UFO, it turned and pointed to us."

The girl further said that there were three people inside the object, the one with the pointed thing and two others, that they were a meter or more tall, and that their skin was "dark blue and green." This information was even more puzzling and confusing to the reporter. He went back to questioning Shao-hung, as she was considered to be the most "sensitive" of the three.

On the 4th of April, the reporter went to the girl's home where he questioned her in the presence of her Mother and two sisters. When asked if there were people in the UFO she began to cry again, putting her hands to her face. Her Mother reassured her saying that she had nothing to fear with so many people there. The Mother urged her to merely say whether or not there were people in the object but the girl cried out and wept as if her heart was going to break and kept on and no information was obtained.

On April 11, a Sunday, Shao-hung came to the reporter's home. He said she happened to turn to page 24 of a magazine called WORLD SCIENCE, which was a first edition published in Hongkong in 1980 with some pictures of aliens. The moment she saw them, he said, she was so shocked that she threw the magazine down.

OFFICIALDOM INTERESTED

During the spring festival of 1983 (February 14), officials sent by the provincial government came to test the girl on her specific talents. During this test they gave her a sealed envelope, which she opened without touching it, and removed the sheet of paper inside. The reporter said that the envelope remained well-sealed. Later, when she was asked to do another test she suddenly asked the reporter: "Sir, is the UFO coming again?" He told her no. He said she went to the window and began crying again. The writer said that all were puzzled at her behavior and doubted that there was any connection between the UFOs and people with special extra sensory talents. At this point the reporter went into some speculation.

QUESTIONS

APRO members and staff would not be objective if we did not question much of the above report. Although the Bulletin has published specific cases of apparent interaction between human thought or speech and the actions of UFOs, we still question.

And a case such as this which we have just examined, is lacking in detail, most specifically, the identity of the reporter, his qualifications, and more about the history of the children involved. Headquarters will certainly welcome thoughtful letters on this particular case.

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PRESS REPORTS

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Danbury, CONNECTICUT, March 21, 1985. Dozens of people reported seeing lights in various patterns traveling in the sky between 9:30 and 10:00 p.m. The reports came from Bethel, Danbury, New Fairfield, Redding, Newtown, Brookfield, New Milford and Brewster.

According to Paul Estefan, administrator of Danbury Municipal Airport, the multi-colored lights came from 3 or 4 single-engine planes flying in formation. He said an airplane dispatched by the airport tracked the planes from the Brewster area to a New York airport he would not identify. Last year a similar incident occurred and police tracked the planes to a private airport at Stormville, New York.

Anniston, ALABAMA, March 24 and 25, 1985. A ball of fire that was spotted across a wide area of the Southeast was followed the next morning by a loud boom that shook parts of Anniston. Authorities believe the ball of fire may have been a meteorite, but have offered no explanation for the loud noise that sounded like an explosion.

The flash, which was sighted as far south as Orlando, Florida, and as far north as Tennessee, was seen by hundreds of people at about 7 p.m. on the 24th. Some pilots over Alabama said it "changed from red to green to orange" as it raced across the sky. Other observers reported "flames coming out from around" the object and said it came straight down rather than at an angle.

The loud boom in Anniston occurred at 7:30 the next morning. One resident said the boom reverberated so violently that he thought the car he was driving had been hit by another vehicle.

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