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Our Visitors May Have a Problem

With this being the second consecutive issue to feature "bell-jars and gargoyles," and more material coming up about animal-like creatures on the UFO scene, the question now is: Do our visitors have some project afoot that involves these creatures or is it only coincidence they have appeared prominently in recent UFO news-stories?

Since the Sasquatch and related phenomena have been around a long time (the Persians were said to have used hairy savages in battle centuries ago), it may well be just by chance that a tie-in seems to have developed connecting them with our space-visitors. While we have noted this apparent connection in previous issues (vol. 2, nos. 2, 5, 6), we are not totally convinced the big wild fellow has a part in flying-saucer activity.

But the conviction is growing.

Recent incidents such as highway encounter described in this issue and others reported in the preceding number seem strongly to indicate our visitors have started -- or more likely resumed -- an experiment in which an inferior species is being subjected to some sort of test, much as rhesus monkeys were tested in the early U.S. space program.

If that is so, speculation immediately centers on whether our visitors may be having a problem with Earth's atmosphere. Since the Sasquatch (if he does belong to the visitors) has survived so long in our environment, and since there are numerous cases of "occupants" seen without masks, it may be assumed that if there is a breathing problem, it must be of fairly recent origin.

Which leads directly to the question of pollution. Do our visitors find it even more damaging than we do or are they merely interested in measuring its growing effects?

Whatever the answer, it again points to the awareness of conditions on Earth possessed by others "out there." As described in vol. 3, no. 1 and earlier, there was recently another possible sign of concern with our atmosphere. This was the so-called "meteor" over the North American west in 1972 which preceded by just one year the greatest "flap" ever recorded over this continent. (Later there was another unusual "meteor" over South America, vol. 3, nos. 2 and 3.)

The "meteor" was not taken seriously except as a "natural phenomenon." But now we have another hint that our visitors are concerned about something. While their hints are usually quite faint compared to earthly signs of the times, and go generally unnoticed, they make remarkable sense when pieced together.

We should watch them more carefully.

Another Gargoyle and Bell-Jar

"The strange being in the vehicle had his hands up as if to show that he meant no harm. His eyes showed very intense fright."

In those few words William Bosak, 70, a dairy farmer of Frederic, Wisconsin, expressed an opinion about an "occupant" that may be something entirely different in UFO dialogue. Our visitors often seem shy or elusive, besides appearing inquisitive or even bold at other times, but when Bosak gave us this description of one who was apparently frightened in their unexpected face-to-face encounter, it struck us immediately as unusual.

Are creatures being placed in our midst who are afraid of their strange environment?

Expecting to be laughed at, Bosak kept his experience a secret for several weeks before finding the nerve to tell a local reporter about it. Curious about certain aspects of the story carried in the St. Paul (Minn.) Pioneer Press that agreed with details of other cases reported in CUFOR, as will be seen, we wrote Bosak for his personal version of what happened. This was his reply:

"I was coming home from a co-op meeting at about 10:30 p.m. It was the early part of December and very mild for the time of year. There were patches of fog on the road so I was driving slowly with my car headlights on low beam.

"When I was about one half-mile from home I noticed something in the left-hand lane of the road, so I slowed up nearly to a stop. When I was only a few feet from this vehicle I could see it very plainly. I could only see the top part of the vehicle and the occupant from the waist up.

"The strange being in the vehicle had his hands up as if to show he was surrendering or to show that he meant no harm. His eyes showed intense fright.

"He was a very strange looking man. His hair on the sides of his head stuck straight out about an inch, but he did not have hair on his face like a beard or whiskers. I tried to see what clothes

he was wearing but I believe the fur that covered his body was really his skin and not a fur suit because I could not see a seam down the front or a collar around his neck like there is on a shirt or jacket. The fur was a sort of reddish brown or a bit darker than what we know as Guernsey color. His ears were a more like a calf's ears than like human ears and they stuck straight out at least three inches.

"This person was slender and I think that he was about six feet tall but he seemed much taller because I suppose the floor of the vehicle was about two or more feet up off the road. I could not see the lower part of the vehicle because it was in the fog.

"He seemed to have quite a flat look to his face, so with the strange ears and hair sticking straight out it made it pretty frightening. Besides he seemed so tall. I also noticed his arms as he stood there with his hands up, and there was hair sticking out on his arms. I could not see any end of a sleeve so I do believe the fur was really his own skin. I did not see his hands very well but he held them right together as he held them up.

"When I got right alongside of the vehicle which was about six or eight feet away, he was watching me. As I passed, it seemed the object came right toward my car, and it became very dark in the car. I was looking back as I passed him and I do not know if the car lights dimmed or what caused it to become so dark in the car.

"When this object did take off as I passed, there was a sort of swish and it seemed as though something brushed against the car. It did definitely seem as though it came right at me and there seemed to be a tremendous surge of power.

"I did not tell you at the start that the first thing I thought of when I saw the object was, now what in the hell is that? I also knew that if I ever told of this, or even dared to tell, I'd have to describe it very thoroughly."

At the end of his account Bosak answered certain specific questions we had asked him. One of these was to

determine what the occupant mostly resembled, man or animal? His answer suggested man.

"I could not say what color his eyes were but they were eyes like that of any man," he wrote. "I could not remember the exact shape of his mouth and nose but his neck was moderate in length and like a man's neck. (This seemed to remove him from the Sasquatch-type of creature which has no discernible neck - Ed.) His head was about the size of an average man's head."

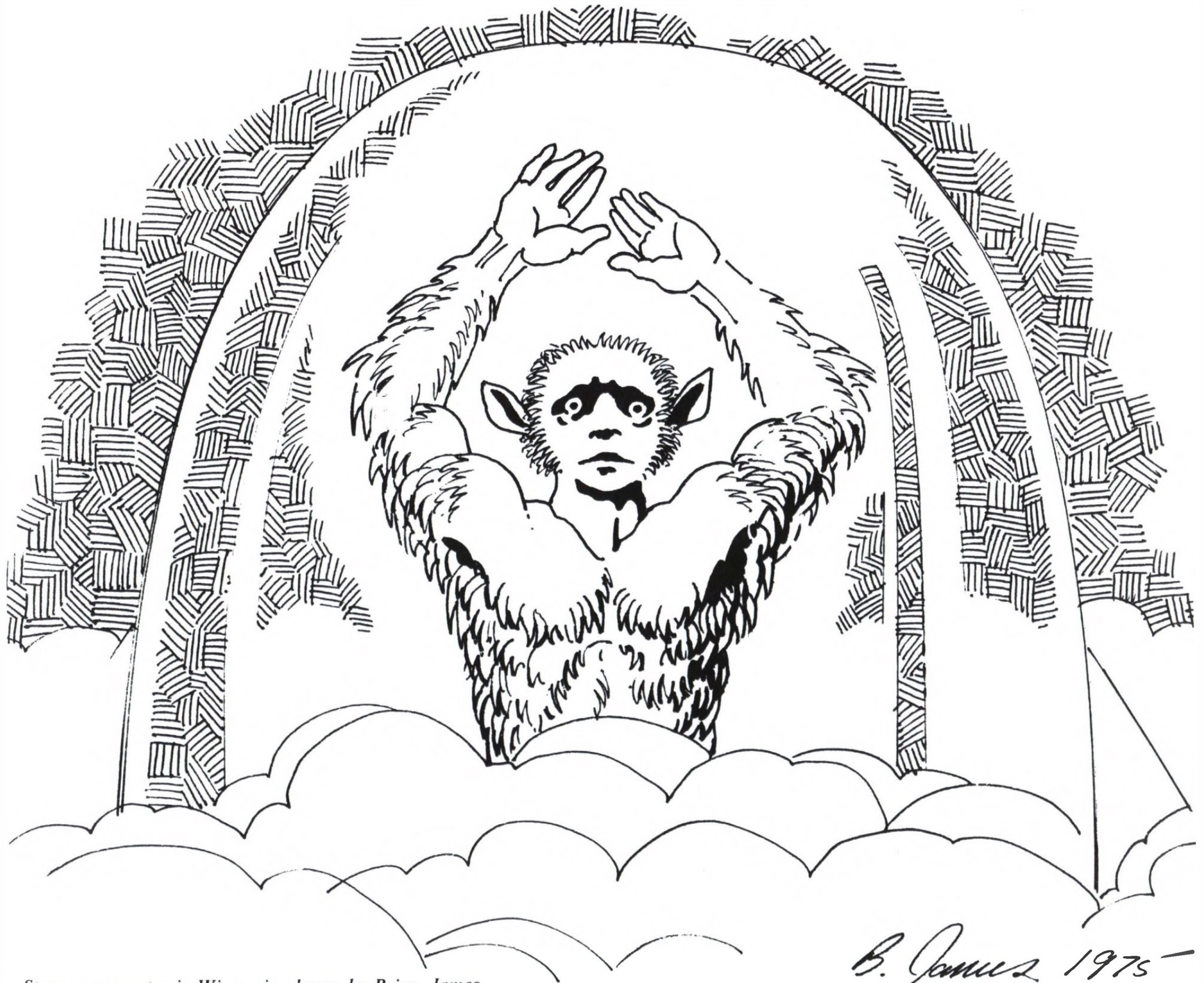
Asked for more details about the object enclosing the creature and how he fitted into it, Bosak replied:

"The transparent enclosure was about six feet across. No, he did not fill the container. He was about six feet tall and slender. The container was standing upright (or hovering?) in the left lane on a blacktop road. There was no snow on the road. I could only see the object above the fog which was about at the occupant's waistline. He did not move toward me but stood there with his hands up and looking possibly as frightened as I was."

Although the creature itself evidently did not move, it appears from Bosak's earlier remark that, as he passed, the enclosure rose with its occupant and almost brushed against the car.

The witness explained that despite a low-lying fog he could see what was happening because the lights of his car illuminated the object. "It did not have any lights of its own that I could see," he added.

Bosak's earlier hesitation about mentioning his experience, and his wish to be thorough when he did so, are understandable. Operator of a 450-acre farm for 40 years, he was staking against his story his reputation as a responsible, public-minded member of the Frederic community. The risk was considerable but, as in many other cases, the impact made by his strange sighting was difficult to ignore. Perhaps the real question facing a witness in that predicament is not so much whether to endanger his good name, however distasteful that may be, but whether to



Strange encounter in Wisconsin, drawn by Brian James.

B. James 1975



William Bosak

be honest with himself by saying something incredible he knows to be true.

Bosak's problem would not necessarily have been easier had he known about it, but he was not alone in witnessing an incident of that sort. By remarkable chance, just a year earlier Mrs. Reafa Heitfield of Cincinnati, Ohio also had seen a strange creature standing inside a curved glass-like enclosure and she, too, was badly frightened by the unearthly quality of her experience.

Under the heading "Bell-Jars and Gargoyles" in vol. 3, no. 4, we discussed that and seemingly related cases. This included further study of a photo taken in Idaho by Mr. and Mrs. Orval Wyman of Columbia Falls, Montana, which seemed to show the same kind of transparent enclosure seen by Mrs. Heitfield (her sighting was in October, 1973, and the Wyman photo was taken in September of the same year) and by a couple in England five years earlier.

The article concluded:

"...and here attention centers directly on those 'bell-jars' which provoke endless questions. Those who believe our visitors are from another dimension may ask if the device provides an entrance between theirs and ours. The extraterrestrialists may ask if, through some magic, it provides immediate transportation to and from other worlds.

"But going far back into time, we come to the most important question of all: Is there a connection between the bell-jar device, which apparently is an instant incubator, and the origin of man?"

When the article was written, we were not yet aware of the Bosak case in Wisconsin. When that case did come to

our attention, it was strangely as if our question was being answered in the affirmative. Naturally that was not so. Nothing in ufology is ever that tidy, and an observer is only fooling himself if he thinks he had stumbled across a neat satisfying answer to anything. For as surely as one day follows another something will happen that refuses to suit his reasoning no matter how he twists it.

But oddly the Bosak incident involved the same type of transparent container seen in the other cases, yet this time the creature concerned was obviously more man-like. Not only did it resemble a man in appearance but its frightened expression suggested an intelligence quite sensitive to the perils of its alien surroundings. We can surmise it was a servant of some sort, probably much inferior to those controlling it, yet possessing a lively awareness of its own. In Mrs. Heitfield's sighting there was a creature that looked and gestured like a ponderous ape. The animal forms in the Wyman photo were not seen in action at all, nor were they even visible when the picture was taken. But on film they have a monkey look much more suggestive of an animal than of man.

So in summary of these three cases, it is conceivable through some long-shot guessing that with their bell-jar device our visitors can incubate servants or experimental beings of human-like intelligence as well as others of a lower form.

Did they do the same with us in a program for life on earth?

Speculation along these lines inevitably leads to a subject that we consider related to the UFO question, that of Sasquatch or the Bigfoot. Observers of the Sasquatch are usually not inclined to see a connection. But to many ufologists, including ourselves, cases in which sightings are adjacent to strange animal forms -- and their smells -- suggest there is a connection. Some sort of relationship might also explain why ape-like creatures are seen suddenly in places where they have not been seen before, though they may be described in local legend.

Understandably Sasquatch-watchers do not try to explain this puzzle of sudden appearance in unlikely places.

Instead they prefer to concentrate on wild mountain areas where the creatures are seen and where they could conceivably live and breed through the ages without being imported from anywhere. But the anomalies remain and, following up on the idea that our space visitors may be responsible, let's look at a few recent cases. In doing so we emphasize that, to our knowledge, no sighting of strange craft was involved. These are simply more Sasquatch-type incidents, but they are incidents in an area where no such creatures were previously reported except perhaps by the local Cree whose legends tell of the Weetekow and Saulteaux and the Wendego.

The area is in northwest Manitoba surrounding the busy center of The Pas. It is well served by road and air and is not a region that could easily conceal unusual animal life. In fact, the recent shooting there of a lone cougar made national news.

How was it, then, that in a period of less than three years motorists were almost colliding with huge, hairy creatures that appeared abruptly in front of them?

Their cases became the subject of a three-part series by Brian McA'ulty in the Winnipeg Free Press.

The first reported incident occurred one night in the summer of 1970 when June Johnson, a teacher, was driving with two friends near the town of Easterville. They had just rounded a curve when a figure they first thought was a man moved off the road.

"He was running," Miss Johnson said, "and it appeared to be an upright thing and it was just as if he was hurdling the small willows or small bushes. It was like you see the hurdlers doing it on television sports shows. They were long strides, not short ones for sure."

In November of that year Miss Johnson witnessed a second similar incident within a few miles of the same spot. This time she was accompanied by two more friends, one of whom was Don Jones, a local school principal.

Jones said at a distance it appeared as if a man was waiting for a lift but closer they all saw it was an extraordinary figure possibly eight feet tall, covered with dark hair, almost without a neck and having extremely long arms.



While top-shaped objects are mentioned in UFO records, none has been photographed as far as we know. So this remarkable shot may be a first. Taken by George Stephens, manager of a photo-finishing service in Victoria, B.C. it shows a strange form apparently hovering over the city at about 1:00 a.m., May 25, the night of the lunar eclipse.

"After attempting to photograph the eclipse," Stephens said in a written statement, "I moved around to the area in the picture just to take a few shots over the city. I did not notice the object in the sky but did take two other shots in the approximate same area, and it shows on the other negatives as well (though blurred, meaning either camera or object moved).

"The photo was taken from my apartment window in a northerly direction, and the window was open. (Time exposure was one minute plus.) I received a call Aug. 21 (day after the picture appeared in the Victoria Times) from the mother of Allan Jones of Victoria who stated that her son had sighted an object on the same night and did report the sighting to the observatory (Astrophysical Observatory in Saanich, B.C.). I certify the above to be true and the picture is not tampered with in any way." (Parentheses added.)

Noting the picture was taken against city lights, we asked Stephens about the possibility of "lens flare." He said such a reflection was possible but, having compared the three negatives, did not think there was one in this case, an opinion that carried weight in view of his photographic work. The white haze below the object was smoke from a sawmill.

(Photo by George Stephens, Manager, Crystal Finish Photo Service, 2204 Douglas St., Victoria, B.C.)

Dumfounded, they had passed the creature when Jones told Miss Johnson to back up for another look. But the stranger disappeared into the bush.

"I remember the most peculiar look in its eyes," Jones said. "They didn't have a distinctive coloring, but they were deep-set like a neanderthal man's. I didn't see any color but June said she remembered its green eyes.

"I got the impression this creature wasn't of any great age, more like a young boy in good physical condition and very strong," the school principal said. "There was no doubt in my mind that it was a strong, virile creature, and in our standards would have been aged 25 to 35... It wasn't in the form of a gorilla. I know what they look like, and this wasn't that type at all."

In December, 1972, there was another highway sighting of an ape-like creature considerably south of the first two incidents. "It was running, hunched over," one of the witnesses said, recalling how the "thing" crossed in front of his car. "It was semi-grayish, brownish white in color. It was like a tawny color... you know, like the way some chicks streak their hair."

Then back at Easterville four months later Allan Skrumeda and Alan Pfeil, both school-teachers, had an experience that topped everything. This time the creature was not as shy as the others.

The two men were driving at night on the outskirts of town when they saw a figure ahead.

"As we drew close there was something that appeared to be walking on two legs with his back towards us," Skrumeda said. "That is, he was walking in the same direction as we were. It was no further than 100 feet away when I first saw it."

Suddenly the creature stepped out in front of the car.

"I hit the brakes -- and it turned to face us, staring into the headlights. I screamed and nearly lost control and almost went off the road," Skrumeda recalled.

"It was covered with hair -- darker than a deer -- and there was a flat-profiled face. Looking at us was this thing that had the appearance of a man, although it was three times the size of an average man."

He estimated the creature as nine

feet or more and very broad across the chest and shoulder. The most striking feature was the creature's eyes.

"They really sunk in, and beady, staring with great intensity as they gleamed in the lights. You got the feeling that something was looking through you."

The car was within 50 feet of the creature "and skidding all over the road. When I was going sideways it leaped across the road, through a ditch and it was gone into the heavy bush."

That ended the sightings, at least for the time being, except for one item. In late September, 1973, Bob Uchtmann, a conservation officer at The Pas, came across three human-shaped footprints 21 inches long, indicating a stride of five feet.

"It just wasn't possible for an animal to make them," he said, "but they were right there."

Coincidentally, his discovery of the tracks was precisely in the period when the Wymans took their strange photo by the Clearwater River in Idaho, and Mrs. Heitfield had her horrifying experience in a Cincinnati parking lot.

Eerie Blackness

William Bosak was afraid no one would believe him but there are clues of truth in his account that would be apparent only to those who have made an intense study of the UFO mystery. For that reason they are all the more convincing. They were not clues he would have picked up in the general run of UFO literature.

As already noted, one of these was his reference to a transparent enclosure, a device rarely noted as part of our visitor's equipment.

Another was his reference to a darkness in his car as he passed the object. When we questioned him specifically on this point, he said:

"I was looking back as I passed the object so I cannot say why it turned so black in the car. The only thing is the headlights may have dimmed as I passed, but it surely seemed to be a very unusual blackness."

Now let's turn to a report by a motorist in Sweden who described a

dark, kite-shaped object he saw above the highway in 1971. The report first appeared in the Swedish UFO publication GICOFF and was reprinted in Case Histories published by the British Flying Saucer Review.

The motorist's sighting was preceded by beams of light that encircled his car.

"Then everything became black around me, completely blue-black.

"The blackness seemed to be a dense, floating mass of smoke that lay around me so that it was impossible to see anything. There was no light coming from the headlights despite the fact that they were switched on at full beam. Either the mass was so dense that it completely absorbed the light, or there was no current reaching the light bulbs."

In that case the witness had the added shock of having his car pushed ahead by an "unnatural force" even though his foot was on the brake.

Had it lasted longer, Bosak's experience may also have become more complicated. But in mentioning that detail of pervading blackness just as the Swedish witness spoke of it, he put the accuracy of his story well beyond doubt.

Long-Eared Bigfoot

Although the Sasquatch or Bigfoot is an elusive beast, he has been seen often enough to make it clear what he looks like. He towers up to nine feet (some accounts go as high as fifteen!), has a flat face, no identifiable ears, a short neck or none at all, and is covered with fur of various shades ranging from near-white to black. He leaves a five-toed track much like a human's except for its great size.

So far so good. But recently a news story came to our attention which, in reporting an occasion when several of the creatures were seen together, gave a description that differed from the usual picture in two important particulars. The story appeared in the Bigfoot News in the form of a reprint from an edition of the Oregonian published in 1924. (For those interested the monthly Bigfoot News is highly recommended. Address is PO Box 632, The Dalles,



Brian James' dramatic sketch of long-eared Bigfoot.

B. James.

Oregon 97058, U.S.A. Subscription is \$5.00 a year. Editors are Peter Byrne and Celia Killeen.) It concerned an incident in the Cascade mountains near Mount St. Helena when a group of prospectors encountered four of the creatures and shot one which then fell over a precipice. The report continued: "That night the animals bombarded the cabin where the men were stopping with showers of rocks, many of

them large ones, knocking chunks out of the log cabin, according to prospectors...

"The animals were said to have the appearance of huge gorillas. They are covered with long black hair. *Their ears are about four inches long and stick straight up. They have four toes, short and stubby [italics added].*"

When William Bosak had his encounter with a strange creature near

Frederic, Wisconsin, he could not see its feet but he was positive on this point: "His ears were more like a calf's ears than like human ears and they stuck straight out at least three inches."

There may be a shade of difference between "out" and "up" but the ears in that incident and those of the Mount St. Helena case seem to have been very similar. Perhaps they belonged to links in the same chain.

Report from South America

Rio Promenade

By Irene Granchi

(Editor's Note: As a preliminary to her report, Mme. Granchi explained this incident was observed from a fourth-floor apartment in the Grajau district of Rio de Janeiro. Witnesses were Roberto Teixeira de Araujo, 30, a data-processor at the Bank of Brazil, and his wife Tania, 26, a primary schoolteacher. Time and date were 1:30 - 1:45 a.m., Aug. 2, 1974.)

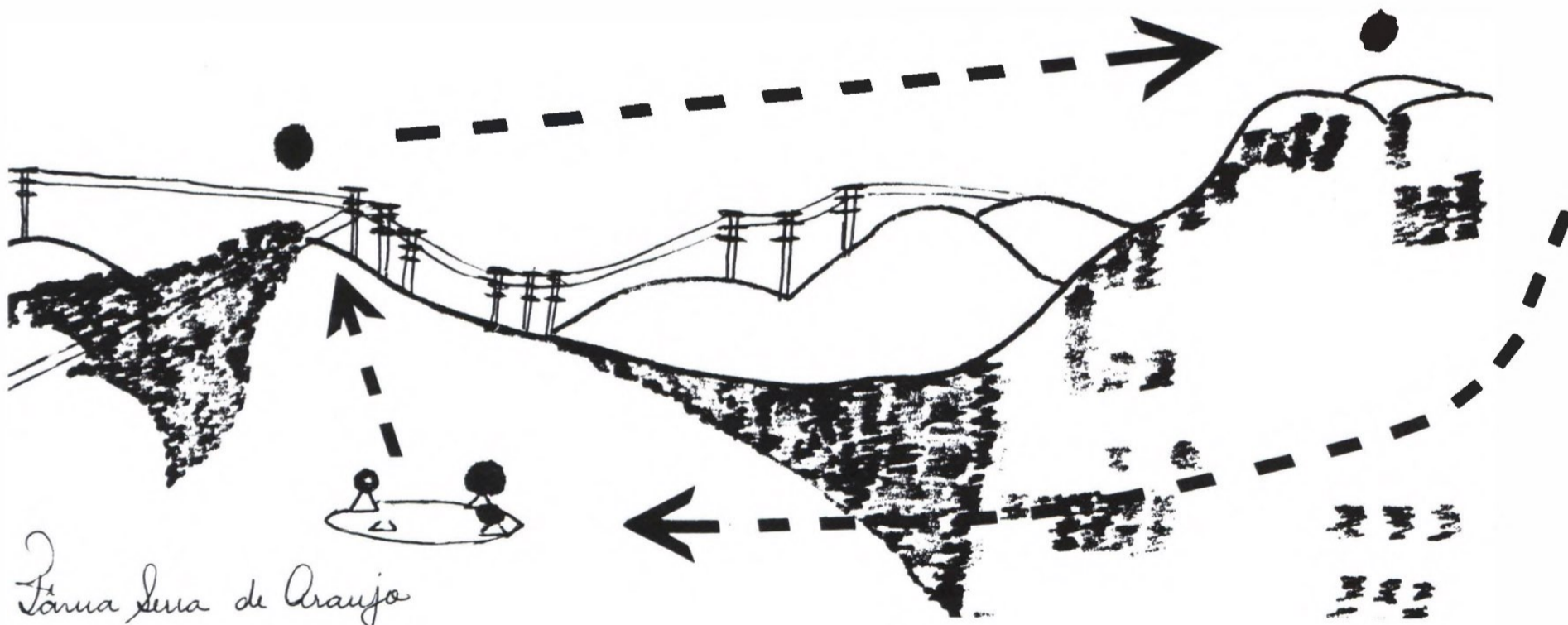
As a sequel to a TV interview I gave on Aug. 3, I received a phone call first from Roberto's mother, then from himself, telling me he had watched this

program as he and his wife wish to learn more on the subject of UFOs, since both had had a very nerve-wracking and startling experience the night before this. Roberto phoned from the Bank and sounded very nervous. He told me all that had happened and I promised to go out and visit him at the first opportunity.

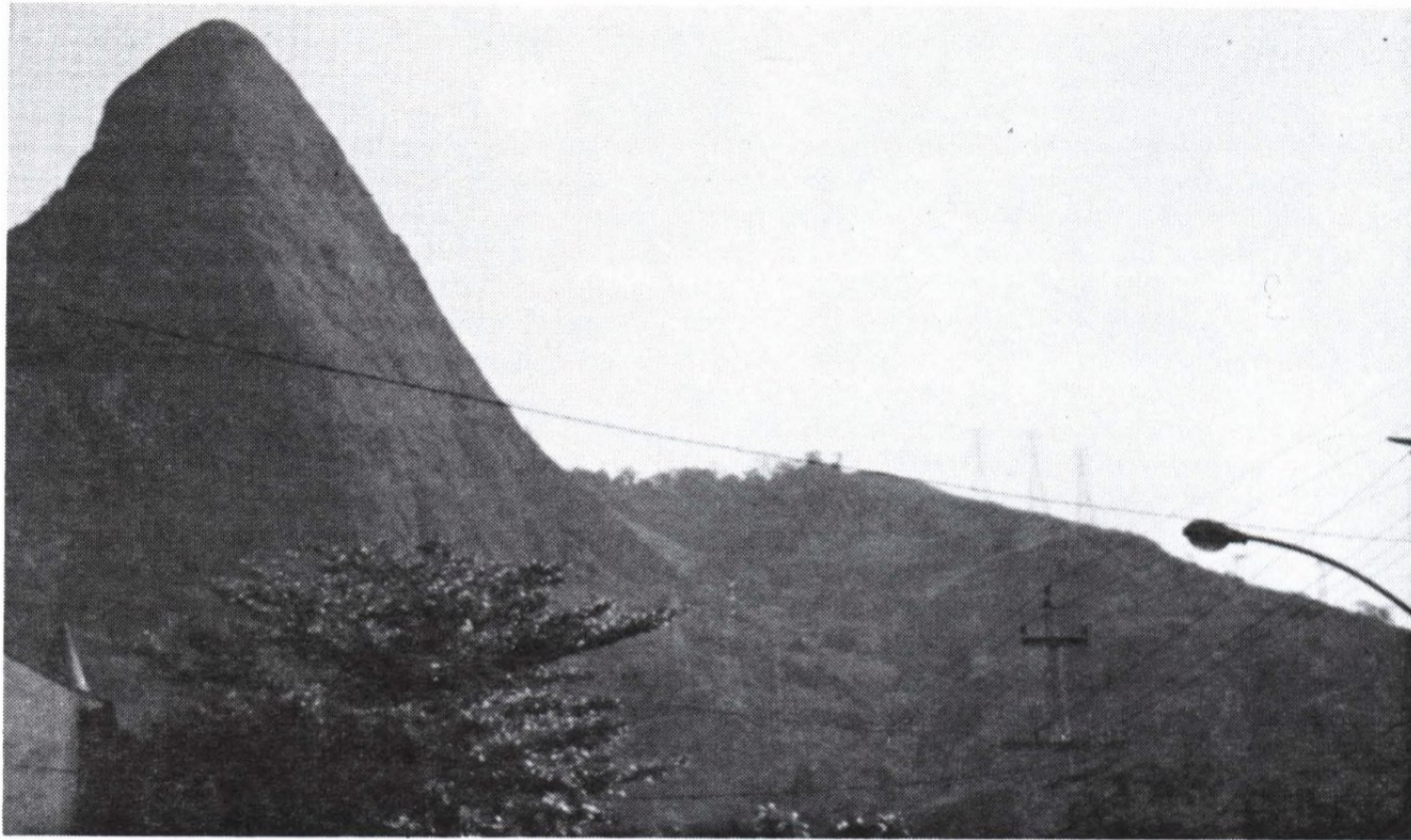
On the morning of Aug. 17 Mr. F. Cleto Nunes Pereira (ufologist) kindly gave me a lift to Grajau which lies on the other side of town, a long distance off. It is a pleasant, residential suburb

and directly faces the range of mountains following behind the Corcovado Christ. Right in front of their apartment building the Araujos have the Pico do Papagaio, a conical-shaped mountain standing in front of the range.

On the night of Aug. 1, Roberto was watching the replay on TV of the Vasco-Botafogo match, which had taken place earlier in the evening and had been a big event for this year's football. It was already the 2nd, and about 1:25 a.m. or little more, when, lying on the sofa facing the window of the living-



Tania's sketch shows how power cables dominated scene from window where objects performed. Objects' course started close to peak at left, moved toward building out of sight on right, continued to center foreground, then started again. Three UFOs completed the course four times.



Pico do Papagaio, with network of transmission lines at its foot, provided dramatic setting for UFO dance seen by de Araujo couple. [Photo by F. Cleto Nunes Pereira]

room as he was, Roberto noticed a bright light coming in from outside. It was something flying towards the Pico do Papagaio, coming from the right. The object flew a little, stopped, flew again, stopped. This went on and Roberto, by now standing at the window, felt intrigued, for the object was near enough, but soundless. The distance from his window to the mountains cannot be much more than 1 km., perhaps less. He had been looking through the closed window, so he opened it and squeezed his face through the rails (put there as a protection for their two small children) to watch better. Even so, with the limitation imposed by these rails, the view is splendid and affords a 180 degree range of vision, sweeping from the Corcovado Christ to the lower hills right.

The object now flew right, closely following the profile of the range of mountains until it reached a tall building at the extreme right, turned an angle, and flew straight towards his own building, where it stopped and stood still. This made Roberto lose control and he excitedly shouted out to his wife in the bedroom.

The building Roberto lives in is five storeys high, and the one to his right is twelve storeys high. A huge full moon was visible straight up above, in a clear

sky, a warm night for this time of the year. The object Roberto now saw closer to was at least four times the size of the full moon, hovering much lower down, very close, in fact, so close that he could make out the details of an oval-shaped body mounted by what, for want of a better word, he calls four towers, each topped by lights - one white, two yellow, and another of another color and he cannot tell whether this was green, red, or blue. In fact, he is worried that he cannot recall the color of the fourth light, though perhaps it was revolving and produced this effect. He hotly denies being color-blind!

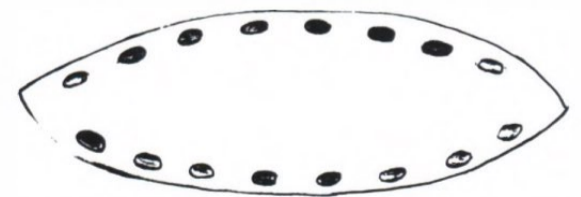
By the time Tania came out to see, there was nothing but a little red glow in the distance, and she complained that Roberto had awakened her for nothing. But now a *second* UFO appeared performing the same flight as the first one had, stopping at each angle of the triangle until it stood once more right above them, in front of their building. Tania was so moved her eyes filled with tears, and she said: "It really is a Disco Voador". Her husband fetched his binoculars and watched. He only saw the upper side of the disc. Then Tania also took the binoculars, and she only saw the under side, the bottom of it, and later they were both puzzled why each had seen a different side, but of course

it must have wobbled on its axis, and that is the reason for their different observation.

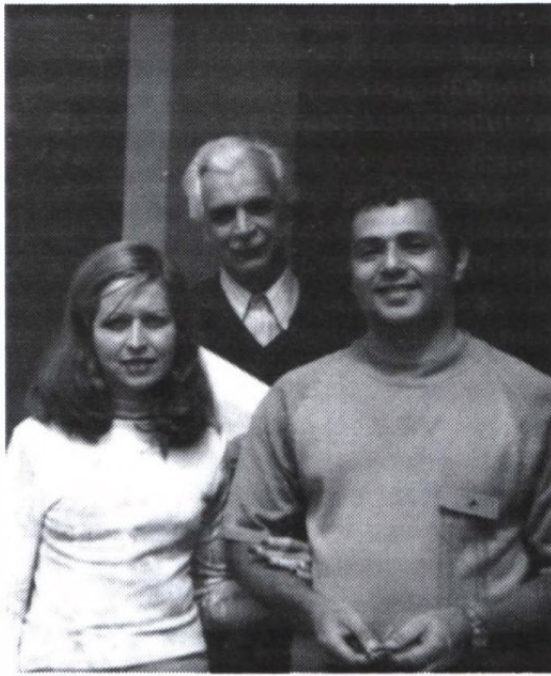
Roberto and Tania say they felt there was an intelligent presence handling the UFO, for they are sure it moved off after it noticed they were panic-stricken. By now they were hiding behind the window-curtains, and are not ashamed to say so. The UFO moved back left, towards the Pico do Papagaio, following the same trajectory as the first UFO. At this moment a *third* UFO appeared at far right, at the same point where the other two had been seen, took off in the same direction as the



Drawn by Tania Serra de Araujo



Top, towers with orange, white and red [?] lights. Bottom, lights in two shades of green.



Tania and Roberto with F. Cleto.

preceding two, stopped in front of their window, followed on. Roberto says: "They seemed to be performing a dance, stopping as they did, at the end of each flight. They carried out this manoeuvre four times altogether and disappeared on the fifth flight."

Whereas Roberto was struck by the elliptical shape and the towers, Tania saw the bottom with several large, circular, opaque lights of a gray green hue, hardly distinguishable from the surface without binoculars as they were not emitting rays. The lights on top of the UFO were bright, though.

After their fifth round, all the UFOs disappeared for good. Of course, neither Tania nor Roberto was able to sleep after that, neither on that or the following night, when they still felt too excited and upset to get any rest. Tania was afraid they would come and kidnap them or their children. Their sighting lasted 15 to 20 minutes.

Opposite their window, along the lower part of the mountain-range, stand a series of high-tension power posts. Mr. Cleto asked them whether they had noticed any change of color in the UFOs as they passed the posts, and Tania said in fact the light from the UFOs had gone weaker as it went over the posts, and Roberto added that in their oscillatory flight the lights always decreased as the UFO lowered and increased when it lifted. Mr. Cleto then asked if they

thought the UFOs might have been drawing energy from the power-lines and they said this was possible, but they did not know. Roberto again insisted on the brightness of the lights atop the 'towers' on the UFOs, though they did not emit any reflecting light.

In the Grajau district there is a missile factory, though it does not stand on the same line the UFOs were seen to fly.

Roberto not only works at a bank, but is a student of economics at a university. There he asked his professor a major in the air force, about what he had seen, and was informed by him that he too had once seen a UFO and had been chased by it in his plane on the way to Brasilia. His fellow students were not so sympathetic and Roberto found, to his dismay, that the majority of people he talked to of his experience started to look askance and laugh at him, so he kept his mouth shut after that. He now recalls that he too was full of disbelief on the subject before this happened to him.

Beyond the range of mountains along which the UFOs were seen to fly lie Jacarepagua and Cidade de Deus, both sites that have rendered many UFO observations, both in the past and recently.

Aug. 26 - The newsreel at 8 p.m., "Jornal Nacional" of TV Globo, announced that the population in Tijuca had seen 'extra-terrestrials', tall and silver-clad, floating along the forests of Tijuca that day. On the next day, only "O DIA" newspaper mentioned UFOs (no mention of the extra-terrestrials was made) and no mention of either was made in any of the other newspapers. "O DIA" said Tijucans had watched a UFO flying over the Pico do Papagaio in Grajau. It was described as having a blue light and leaving a yellow tail behind it. The people were panicked, but authorities, on being consulted, said nothing had been noticed. There was also news from Valenca, a town in the State of Rio, where the occurrence of UFOs is so frequent authorities are requesting something should be done about it!

As to this bit of news from Valenca, I shall include it with my forthcoming report on the cases I investigated there earlier in the year, in February.

Whether this is related or not to the

Pico do Papagaio sightings, I cannot say, but on Sept. 1 there was again a full moon, and the preceding night offered a terrific magnetic storm that lasted all night long. A telephone call from Prof. Flavio Pereira from Sao Paulo revealed that there had likewise been such a storm all night there. Could these manoeuvred visits a month ago have been an attempt at alleviating the strain of some accumulated magnetism in this region? Some weeks ago scientists revealed that the Sugar Loaf alone contains some 700 tons of uranium!

Mme. Granchi advised at press time an International UFO Symposium is being held Sept. 8-13 at the University in Curitiba (Parana), with Dr. J. Allen Hynek of Northwestern University presiding. Plenipotentiary Secretary is Gen. Moacir Uchoa. Rene Fouere, Secretary General of GEPA in France, is among those attending.

Report from Manitoba

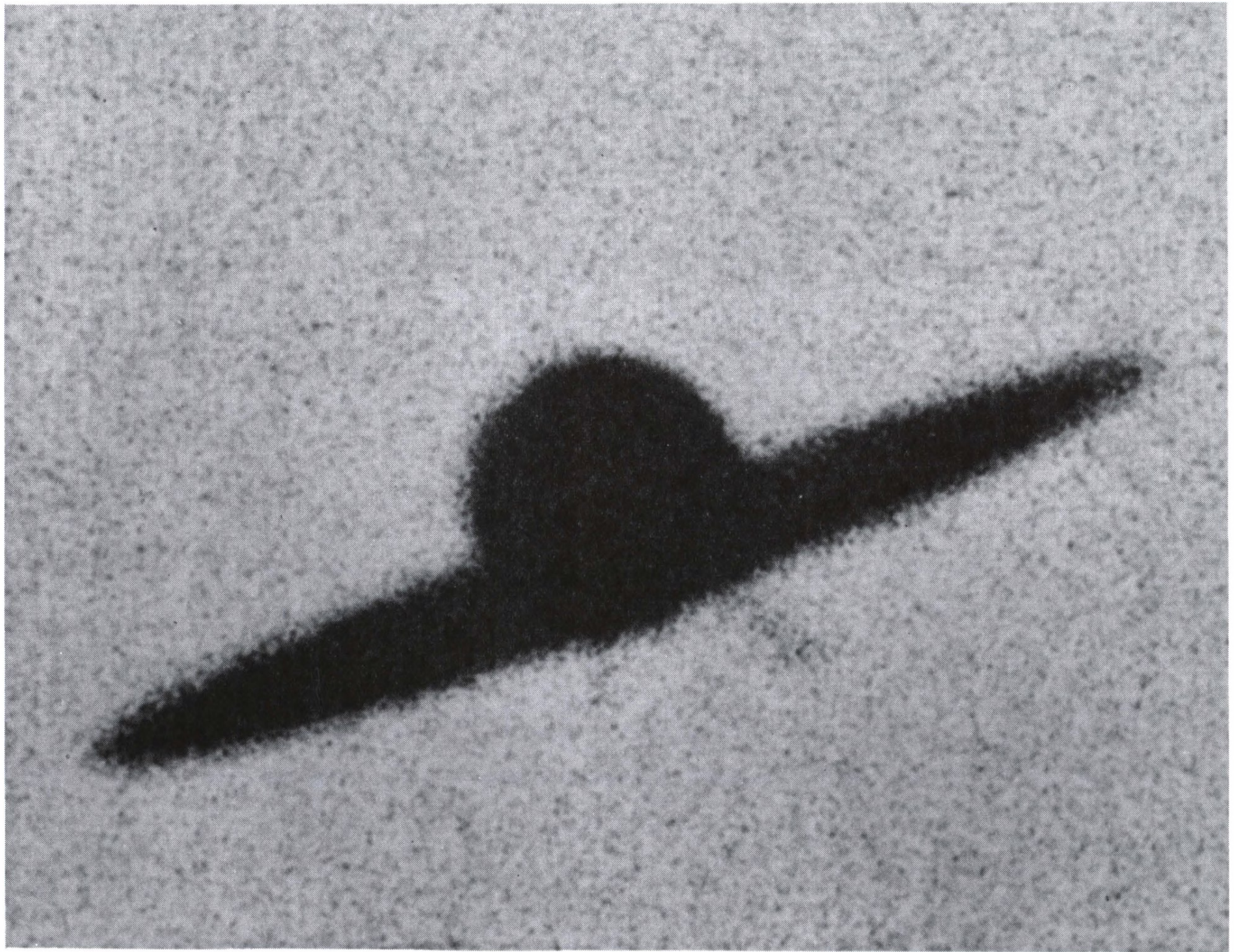
Ballet at Swan Lake

Another case involving UFOs acting in remarkable unison was reported to us recently by Roy Crawford, a school teacher at Duncan, B.C., who with his brother watched the performance early one morning in July, 1969. The place was the Manitou-Swan Lake region of Manitoba where the two had gone on a fishing trip.

They were sleeping in their station wagon when Roy became drowsily aware of a light which he thought was probably coming from a car on the highway a few miles away. But when it persisted he sat up to see what was happening and in that instant the whole area was illuminated.

"I immediately woke my brother," he said, "and we saw the light was coming from a sphere-shaped object, pale red in color, east of us. Just then it started to move toward the north and we saw it was emitting a brilliant beam of white light which must have been what shone in my eyes in the first place.

"The object then hovered again about 40 degrees above the horizon and the beam was directed down on the



Pat McCarthy, 19, of Waterdown, Ont., had been after bird pictures last March when he saw massive object darting above trees and got four shots of it. Enlarged 160 times by Hamilton Spectator, this section shows flying-saucer shape with antennae or legs faintly visible below rim. Sighting lasted about 30 seconds. [Photo courtesy of The Hamilton Spectator, Hamilton, Ont.]

ground that was lit up. Then suddenly the whole thing disappeared.”

Excited, the brothers talked for a while and were just settling down again when another dimmer light appeared where the first was originally seen. After a moment it, too, flashed out only to return and start blinking. As if on that signal, a second light appeared a short distance away, and closer to the ground, which also started blinking. Then still a third blinker joined the display at about the same level as the second. Soon these two started moving back and forth as if scanning the flat landscape while the first held its position and all three continued their blinking performance. After about five minutes the trio vanished and, though the witnesses waited for more, the show was over.

While the routine had no similarity to that observed by the young Teixeira couple in Rio de Janeiro, it was apparent that in each case the performers were aware of their spectators. Just as Tania and Roberto thought they were being watched, so did Roy Crawford think his presence was noted when a beam of light was flashed in his face. (An instance corresponding to Crawford's experience was reported in vol. 3, no. 3 when a light was flashed at Jim and Wanda Wright as they studied a UFO spectacle in the Rocky Mountain Trench.)

Crawford added a possibly significant postscript when he remarked his and his brother's sighting occurred just across the border from Minot, North Dakota, site of a large air- and missile-base where reportedly new installations were being made at the time.

UFO Examined My Farm

as Told to W. G. Grassick
by Ken Dalman

It is just shortly after six in the morning. I did my turn-around at the end of the field, lifting out the cultivator and dropping it back for another pass down the field. The first indication I had that there was something in the field was what appeared to be animal eyes reflecting in the tractor head-lights. As I approached the other end of the field,

the green spots moved down the field and I again made my turn-around on the headland and headed back down the field.

On my next pass down the field I again noticed the green spots and became suspicious about their source. I knew an easy check to see if they were eyes reflecting would be to shut off the tractor lights. I shut off the lights and to my amazement, the green spots remained. I throttled back and stopped, in a few seconds my eyes adjusted to the nearly complete darkness. There in the field with me, was an indistinct round shaped object. Five green lights were glowing softly in the darkness.

As I watched, the lights slowly changed color from green to yellow, starting with the light on the right and shifting across from right to left. At this time my eyes were becoming more adjusted to the darkness and I could make out the object to be about 500 feet away. Later I realized this was as close as I would get to the object. The object was about 12 feet across with five lights along its side, with each light being about four inches in diameter. The object was stationary and sitting about two feet off the ground with no visible means of support.

After observing the object for several moments, I turned on the lights and continued cultivating down the field. As I approached the object, it slowly moved downfield. I deliberately turned the tractor towards the object and it responded by moving further downfield. I gave up my slow chase and

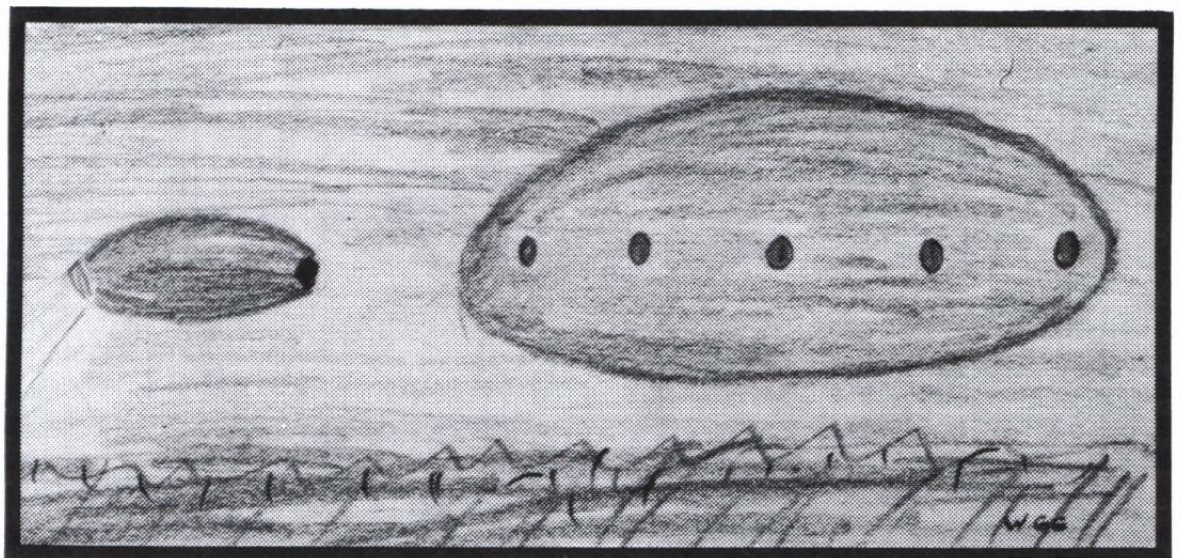
continued cultivating up and down the field.

The object slowly moved about the field as I worked.

With my curiosity aroused by this strange series of happenings, I began looking around in earnest. High in the northeast sky was another object, distant but bright. This second object was slowly moving about the sky. This continued until about 6:30. At this time a small "car" came out of the object in the field. (Ken uses the word "car" to describe the object for lack of a better word.) The car was about three feet long, roundish shaped, had white headlights and red taillights. The headlights were very dim by car standards. This "car" appeared to be red in color, but this could have been only reflected light off the stubble, as the object was only about two feet off the ground. After coming out, the little "car" slowly proceeded down the headlands, stopping periodically.

I again turned my tractor towards the objects. The larger object moved down the field and the little car crossed the road into an adjoining field. As soon as I broke off my second slow chase, the objects continued their slow examination of the field. This continued until about 7:10 A.M. at which time it was starting to get daylight.

As I watched, the little car went into the object in the field. The object then rapidly took off. I was unable to follow the path of the object in the darkness and so turned my attention to the object in the northeast sky. As I



Parent object [r] was 12 feet wide with soft green lights. "Car" had red and yellow end lights. [Drawing by W.G. Grassick.]

watched the bright light in the sky rapidly diminished in size, leaving me with the impression that it had rapidly accelerated away from me.

As soon as it was daylight I made a close examination of the ground in the area where the objects had been. There were no tracks or impressions to indicate the objects had touched or disturbed the newly cultivated ground.

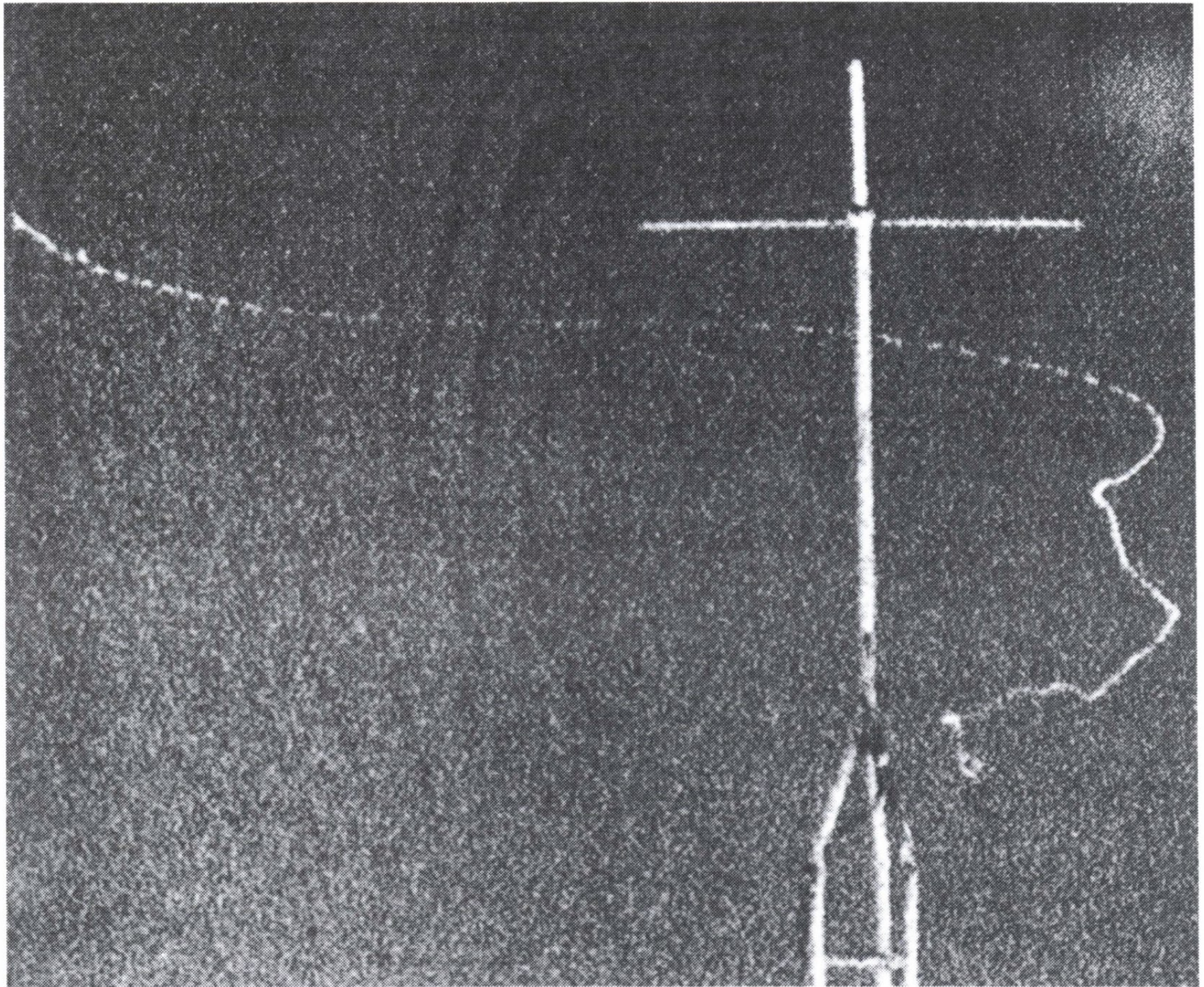
This incident took place on October

27, 1974 after 6:00 A.M., in an area just north of Oak Hammock Bog. The area is low lying and sparsely populated. Ken Dalman, aged 20, was working for an area farmer and was taking advantage of the unseasonable warm weather to complete Fall land work and had been working all night.

In talking to Ken, I was impressed by his sincerity and honesty. As a further check, I talked to an area resident Brian Kuysten who had known

Ken for several years and he said quote, "That Ken was a real level-headed kid."

When I questioned Ken as to whether or not he was scared by this experience, he said, "No". He said he considered himself lucky to get the once in a lifetime experience of seeing a "flying saucer" (his description). He stated further that he felt that the objects he had observed in the field had been remote-controlled.



Oshawa [Ont.] Times photographer Jim Wilkes made this ten minute exposure of slow-moving, red blinking light in the April night sky as it drifted in curve, left, and then fell into erratic directional changes. No balloons, helicopters or other slow-flying objects were known to be in area at that time. Airport guidance antenna is in foreground of greatly enlarged negative portion.

'Fairy Ring' or UFO?

One night in March Kaz Grabanac, a beef-cattle farmer on the Saanich Peninsula of Vancouver Island, was awakened by a sound like that of an enormous hive of bees. Knowing there were no bee-keepers near his farm, he listened in puzzlement for several minutes before again going back to sleep.

There he left the matter for the time being, although he noticed next day his cattle acted strangely.

"They wouldn't come around to the side of the barn where I usually feed them," he said, "and they kept staring off in one direction as if something there had frightened them."

While there had been no reports of a wild animal in the area, Grabanac decided a cougar must have been around his farm and scared his herd. He gave up trying to coax them back to their old feeding place and settled for the other side of the barn.

But it bothered him, with the result he finally made a careful tour of his property to see if there was anything else that would explain the trouble. There were no signs of an unwanted animal but about half a mile from the barn he found an almost complete circle

of darkened grass, with clusters of mushrooms around its rim. It was the mushrooms that Grabanac first noted, since there were none anywhere else on his acres of grazing ground. Why this single patch?

Although Grabanac had read little of UFOs, he suddenly remembered an item about the noises they made sometimes and the traces they left. A broken branch on a tree near the patch looked like another piece in the puzzle. So he phoned the Victoria Daily Colonist about a possible UFO. A friend passed the word to us and we visited the farm.

The circular darkening of grass was not caused by burning or withering but apparently by a difference in nutrition. The circle, broken in one section giving it more of a horseshoe shape, was about 12 feet in diameter. Its dark rim was about eight inches wide and was bordered on each side by a normal looking growth. Mushrooms sprouted strongly from the rim but nowhere else.

It was a pattern that could be quickly termed as "fairy ring" which nobody seems to know much about except to say that it is not unusual and is obviously a natural growth. On the other hand there was that buzzing noise two months earlier and the behavior of the cattle whose fixation, Grabanac explained, seemed to lie in the same direction from the barn as the circular patch.

We decided to dig a little deeper,



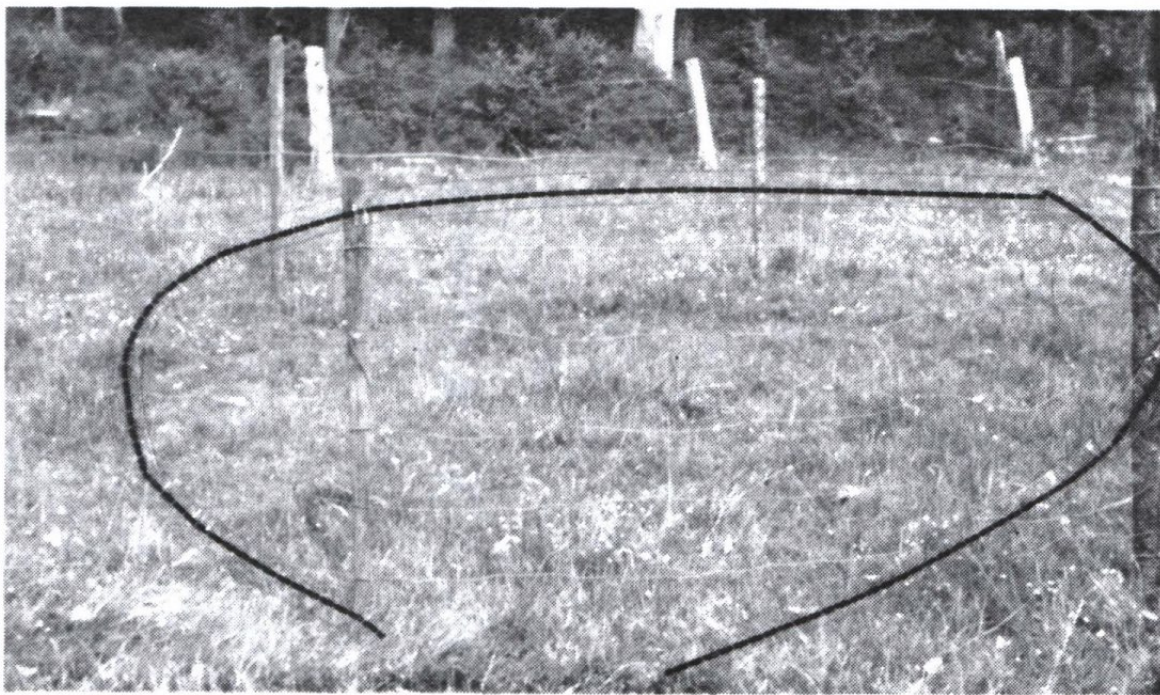
Section of ring showing mushroom growth.

literally, and scooped up samples from the hard soil for lab tests. The mushroom analysis, completed first, seemed to settle the matter. The B.C. Curator of Botany named the growth *Marasmius oreadus* which "is considered a non-poisonous species and grows in groups or in fairy rings on lawns, pasture, and grasslands of various kinds."

The mystery returned, however, when B.C. Soil Testing Laboratory completed its report. Samples taken from inside and outside the ring, and from the ring itself, were normal except for one significant detail: the magnesium content of the ring was twice that of the other two, and all three were rated "high"! (The ring soil registered 799 lbs. of magnesium per acre, while the inside and outside samples were 402 and 400 lbs. respectively.)

The point is interesting because magnesium is sometimes conspicuous in UFO traces, and with good reason. In his excellent book *Ufology*, which examines physical aspects of UFOs, James M. McCambell remarks: "Some hints as to the actual metal of UFOs might be inferred from the properties required by their physical characteristics and mode of propulsion. In view of a need for strength, lightness, and resistance to heat, titanium might be a good candidate. Also magnesium."

Now the question is: are "fairy rings" really UFO landing traces?



Dotted line is drawn just outside ring on farm of Kaz Grabanac who erected fence to protect area. Circle is broken at lower right.

That 'Awful Looking Shooting Star'

A story without an ending that had been in our files for a long time concerned an incident reported in Vol. 1, No. 6 when Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hills, who operate a lodge at Green Lake in the Cariboo country of British Columbia, watched an enormous object of glowing red come in for a landing on the lakeshore. As it approached at high speed it looked for one fearful moment as if it would crash into the ranch home of their neighbours, the Gammies. Shirley Hills rushed to call Bert Gammie and heard him give a startled exclamation before he dropped the phone.

As the Gammies were leaving on a trip just at the time we hoped to get the rest of the story, we did not find out what happened that night as their place apparently stood in the path of an onrushing UFO. Nor did we make contact on two later visits. But finally we did catch up with this hospitable couple. In fact, we had a pleasant overnight visit at their beautiful ranch and so had a good chance to hear more about the big red UFO.

As it turned out, however, that was not the story we left with. Although Bert remembered the sighting well enough, trees interfered with his view and eventually the incident took its place among several things that happened in that "invasion" year, 1967. What had left a more vivid impression was an incident that occurred on a June evening in 1964 as he, his mother and his daughter Lynn were returning from the Cariboo city of Kamloops.

While the incident is not as recent as many others, it is of particular interest because of the care taken in observing the object at close quarters and because of what happened later. This is how Bert Gammie described it:

It was about 6:30 in the evening, a glorious evening. The sun was going down but not yet setting and the moon was already up. We were travelling toward our ranch, the Flying U, along the north shore of Green Lake, when Lynn spoke up and said, "There's a

light over Jack's Mountain." This was south of our position across the lake. But I was so relaxed and enjoying the evening, I didn't even look and told her it was probably the evening star.

The conversation didn't continue and we went on driving along when about a mile farther on my daughter said, "That light's moving!" I said, "Oh, it's probably just a shooting star," and again the conversation lapsed until about a mile or so from the ranch and my daughter said in an absolutely terrified tone of voice, "That's the most awful-looking shooting star I've ever seen!" I said, "Is it still there, dear?" and she said, "It's almost overhead!"

I leaned forward and looked up through the windshield and there was this enormous object almost directly overhead, a little to the right. I stopped the car immediately and started to jump out. My daughter almost tore my shirt-sleeve off, shouting, "Don't get out, Dad, don't get out!" So I had to steady her down and said, "If he wants us, he's got us. Besides, they've never hurt anybody, so let's just get out."

She was absolutely terrified. I've heard of people when their legs wouldn't support them, and this was her condition. She had one arm around me and I was holding her on her feet, telling her to watch carefully, that we've got to remember everything we see.

The craft was circular in shape, dull metallic in color, not reflecting the sun even though the sun was still shining. It had a series of exhaust vents along its rear end and was trailing exhaust-type hot gases or hot air, white to blue to red that tapered off into an orange flame color.

We had this vehicle in view for about three minutes or so. It was moving very slowly, I would estimate not in excess of 50 miles an hour, making a whistling noise rather like wings of butterball ducks when they come in to land on a lake in the evening. No doubt you've heard them. It's sort of a broken whistling sound.

(Here Gammie made a swishing sound through his lips, something like that of a stick whipped through the air. It was strikingly similar to the sound made by witnesses in two other cases we have on tape.)

We watched this thing travelling north and suddenly it made an absolute

right-angle turn and travelled west. Before it disappeared from sight, it looked cigar-shaped as seen from the side, and there didn't appear to be a dome either on top or bottom.

After it had gone we rushed home to tell the others about our sighting. We had just got over the excitement when the phone rang. It was a friend calling from Watch Lake Ranch, the home of the Edens. He asked if I had been outside in the last half-hour or so. When I said I had, he asked if I had seen anything. So I asked, "Well, what did you see?" I made him tell me, and he saw exactly what we saw. He thought it was halfway between the two ranches, which would put it three or four miles from his position. But I figured from our sighting that he must have been about 10 miles away, so this will give you some idea of the size of this vehicle.

CUFOR: When your daughter first saw the object, she said it looked like a light. Did you see any light coming from it when it was overhead?

Gammie: No, I did not, perhaps because I was looking almost straight up at it after it approached the car. But Lynn, who had a good look at it as it came toward the car, said there was a bright light in the center of the front part of the object.

That concluded Bert Gammie's account of the incident itself. The aftermath came when, having phoned the RCAF in Vancouver to report his sighting, he was visited soon after by a senior air force officer, whom he knew, and an aide. The pair brought with them a bulky portfolio of photographs which he was asked to study.

To his surprise, Gammie found himself looking at a set of glossy prints of UFOs, many of them showing the craft in fine detail. More than any case we can think of, that small episode showed the extent of official awareness of the problem in Canada.

Asked if any of the vehicles in the photos resembled what he saw, Gammie said some were similar but none fitted the description exactly. After taking notes, the two then prepared to leave. But before doing so the officer told Gammie that if their visit received any publicity, the air force would deny they were ever there!

Objects 'Brighter than Sun'

by Karl E. Vernhardsson

President, Hin islanska rannsóknarstofnun opekktra natturufyrirbriogo (Icelandic institute for research in phenomena of unknown nature).

This is the first report in English from H.I.R.O.N. It is an independent and, we hope, quarterly publication for study of phenomena of unknown nature, not the least of which are UFOs. H.I.R.O.N. was founded in a rather unusual manner and place, aboard an Icelandic trawler, November 8, 1974, 64° 36'N and 35°06'W, by Karl E. Vernhardsson and three of the crew. H.I.R.O.N. has been rapidly expanding ever since, and today there are 50 members. We know of 25 other UFO organizations around the world and all information from UFO groups will be most welcome. Address all information to H.I.R.O.N., Box 574, Akureyri, Iceland. We hope to hear from you soon. Officers are: Karl E. Vernhardsson, president; Geir Agustsson, secretary; Sigurdur Hlodversson, treasurer.

On the morning of January 9 at approximately 11 o'clock, Sighvatur Asbjarnarson, farmer on a farm called Gudmundarstadir in Vopnafjord on the east coast of Iceland, was coming from his barn when he saw a very bright light south of the farm. The light filled a little valley and made the whole surroundings glow like silver (the valley was about five miles from the barn). From the middle of the valley came a tremendously bright lightball, as Mr. Asbjarnarson described it. The lightball was about the size of the sun but much brighter. It slowly went straight upward to about 1,500 feet. There it stood still for about one minute and went down again very slowly. It got under the horizon and disappeared. After that the valley glowed like something which Mr. Asbjarnarson had never seen before. The shining of that ball was so bright that the farmer almost got blind. He was so shocked that he was not able to talk for a few minutes. The weather was a little foggy, visibility about 10 km. and cloudy. There was no wind at the time. This all lasted for about three minutes,

and no other person saw this phenomenon.

January 10 Karl E. Vernhardsson and Halldor Johannesson (HIRON) were walking the streets of Akureyri. The time was 22:57, and the night very dark, but stars shining. Suddenly they saw a very bright lightball coming from the north heading south with speed approximately Mach 3. The lightball had no meteor-like tail, and was not bigger than a coin. Estimated altitude of this phenomenon was 2,000 feet, but nothing can be said for sure about speed and height because of the short time this scene lasted (about three seconds).

On January 26 hundreds of eye witnesses saw from a town called Husavik in northern Iceland (like Akureyri is) an aerial phenomenon in direction WSW of Husavik at about 40 km. distance, and at a height of about 5,000 feet. Mr. Kev (HIRON) talked to one of the witnesses who said, "It was about 20:30 when we saw four lights, big as the sun and very bright, WSW of town. One of the lights was under the other lights and a little reddish. They were all ball-like and seemingly individual, but a thread of light connected them. They were never steady and drifted slowly away. This lasted until 21:00."

Then on March 4 came a report from Armann Gunnarsson, from Svarvadardal, which is a big valley about 25 km. from Akureyri (north of AK). His report is as follows: "I was driving in the valley, going to a friend of mine. The sky was clear and temperature about minus 15°C and no wind gusting. Suddenly I saw a 'fireball' coming from the south at about 6,000 feet, heading very fast downward, (the mountains are 5,000 feet at most) and coming toward me. When I first saw it, it must have been five km. away. I drove on and kept looking at it. After about two minutes I stopped the car and went out. Then this phenomenon was at about 500-600 feet and one km. straight ahead, flying straight level, but suddenly it changed its course into a little valley west of me, then it flew slowly over the mountains and disappeared. This phenomenon was absolutely noiseless and like a football in size. The light which was coming from it was like a light coming from two windows where light is shining through, but much brighter. No light fell on the

hills from it. I am certain that this phenomenon was flown by some intelligence. This lasted for about 20-30 minutes. The day after I talked to the tower at Akureyri airport, and was informed that no airplanes had been over this area at that time."

We have heard many other stories of UFOs but they are too unreliable to distribute. They are kept in our files though.

You and Me

by Brinsley Le Poer Trench
(President, Contact International)

In the early fifties and even in the sixties, the theory that the UFOs came from extra-terrestrial sources was the favourite one. It is true that even in those two decades there was a minority view among ufologists that these extraordinary craft emanated from extra-dimensional sources. In those years I was in constant touch with the late Meade Layne who was probably the leading exponent of the extra-dimensional concept then. He headed an organization called Borderland Sciences Research Associates. He considered that the UFOs came from the etheric plane - a supra physical dimension.

In recent years the extra-terrestrial point of origin for the UFOs seems to be going gradually 'out of the window.' I might add that I do not think it will necessarily fall to the ground. In my opinion this is just a trend, and the time will come when it will be recognised that both the ET theory and the ED theory are both valid.

I have always accepted both these theories, and have recently gone overboard to the point of accepting the even more controversial hollow earth theory, along with the idea that many of the UFOs seen in our skies come from under our own feet.

It is my opinion that all three points of origin for the UFOs are correct. Now, let us take a cool, hard look at them. Maybe, you will see what I mean.

First, let us consider the much maligned extra-terrestrial theory. There are about 100,000 million stars in our own galaxy - the Milky Way - with a high probability that a large portion of

them have planetary systems. Furthermore, there are billions of galaxies in our universe!

Consequently, it would seem like the mad caprice of a Creator to form all those trillions of planets without intelligent life on them. It is far more reasonable to suppose that the Creator made all these habitations for various kinds of life to evolve and live upon them.

Now, it has often been stated that people on other planets could not travel to ours because of the immense difficulties involved. For instance, the number of light years it would take to reach us. One light year equals 5,880,000 million miles.

We were also told that Einstein said that no one could travel in excess of the speed of light which is approximately 186,000 miles per second. He never said any such thing. The late Ivan T. Sanderson who was a well-known UFO writer had a tape proving this. It is possible to travel faster than the speed of light but at that point you and I would be converted into energy.

We are a hybrid race here on Earth. In my Book "The Sky People" I explained how some of the Elohim (gods) manufactured the human race. At first it was just animal man. Then, when some of the galactic race (Beings of Light or Angels) inter-bred with animal men, Cross Man came into being. Other writers, including the late Otto Binder, have since taken up this theme.

In my book I also pointed out that there are two entirely separate creation stories in Genesis, chapters one and two. Not separate stories about the same event but relating to two different events. The first was the creation of Galactic Man (Angels) made in the image and likeness of God. Male and female created He them. Whereas, in the second story, the creation of animal man, there is no mention of both males and females being made. Only Adam. It was a long time afterwards that Eve was created by a genetic operation. Furthermore, this second creation was downgraded to guard and keep the Garden of Eden, and for a long time Adam was given the company of animals.

The Galactic Race created first was the Angels or Beings of Light capable of flying anywhere in the

universe almost instantaneously. The Speed of Light makes no difference to them at all. They are also able to operate in extra-dimensional universes, too.

In my last article (CUFOR Vol. 3 No. 3) I discussed the hollow earth. I postulated that the gods who ruled Atlantis came from outer space. Actually, in "The Sky People" I pointed out that some of the Elohim did not agree with their fellow gods over the manufacture of animal man. I had placed the original Garden of Eden on Mars, and at the time of the 'Fall' not only was animal man taken back to the place from whence he had originally been taken - planet Earth - but his creators were expelled with him. They became the rulers and gods of Atlantis. In my last article I discussed the hollow earth idea in some depth and do not wish to repeat myself.

Suffice it to say that the Atlanteans lived both on the surface and inside the earth. After Atlantis went down under the ocean waves, those inside the earth lived on and their descendants are still there today, complete with space craft and an advanced technology.

Probably, most of the UFOs seen by us are from inside the earth as their point of origin is right here under our feet. However, as I have indicated, some space craft come from extra-terrestrial and extra-dimensional areas. To paraphrase the Bard, "there are more things in the omniverse than are dreamt of by us earthlings."

The 1,936 Civilizations of Jupiter

by Dr. Franklin Ruehl Jr.

(Dr. Ruehl, whose articles have appeared before in these pages, was graduated from UCLA in 1970 with a Ph.D. in theoretical nuclear physics and has been associated with the physics departments of UCLA and the California Polytechnic University. He has published recent technical papers in *Nuclear Physics*, *Acta Physica*, *Chinese Journal of Physics*, and the *Indian Journal of Physics*. We welcome him as a continuing contributor to *Canadian UFO Report*.)

The universe is teeming with life! So certain am I that this statement correctly characterizes the prevailing cosmic state of affairs that I gladly stake my scientific reputation on its innate accuracy. And, if this is indeed the case, then any and all UFO sightings can be readily accounted for.

However, such an unending spate of criticism of the UFO experience has been forthcoming from various scientific, political, and military arenas that the gauntlet they have cast down before all ufologists must be taken up, and taken up now!

Probably the severest challenge, at least superficially, to UFO sightings is their wide diversity, what with UFO sizes ranging from 20 feet in diameter to 2,000, UFO shapes varying from spherical to prolate spheroidal (cigar-shaped) to oblate spheroidal (saucer-shaped), and UFO occupants including green midgets, handsome mesomorphic humanoids, and towering giants. However, this particular criticism is in reality quite easy to counter.

Consider the relative sizes of earth and its gargantuan cousin, Jupiter: earth's diameter measures 7,900 miles whereas Jupiter's extends approximately 11 times farther, at 88,700 miles. The surface area S of a sphere of diameter d is given by the formula, $S = \pi d^2$. Hence, Jupiter's surface area exceeds earth's by proportionately 11 squared, or a factor of 121, assuming the two planets are perfect spheres, which they are not quite.

Although there are over 200 nations on earth, only two in the United States and Russia developed the technical capacity for interplanetary space travel. Accordingly, Jupiter, or an earthlike planet the size of Jupiter elsewhere in the universe, could harbor over 20,000 civilizations, with 242 possessing a space-travelling capability.

But the earth's surface consists of roughly three-fourths water, so that an oceanless, earthlike Jupiter might provide habitation for four times as many advanced societies, or 968 out of a total of over 80,000 nations. And, on earth, it is conceivable that beyond the USA and the USSR, one or two countries (e.g. Britain, Canada, Japan, France) might develop space programs on their own hook, or join in a united European or

Asian venture. Therefore, another factor of 2 enters the scenario, presenting us with a planet that can theoretically play host to 1,936 civilizations with the potential for space travel.

Now, I am not asserting that the planet Jupiter itself necessarily harbors 1,936 such advanced societies, but that a far-distant earthlike Jupiter might. Indeed early in 1970, Sproul astronomer Peter van de Kamp announced the discovery of not one, but two, planets of Jovian dimensions revolving about the nearby Barnard's star. While these figures of 1,936 and 80,000 may sound absurdly exaggerated, they are totally consonant with a planet of Jupiter's girth. While we earthlings, inhabitants of a medium-small planet, are conditioned to accepting only as natural the 200 or so societies we encounter on earth, it is only our parochial viewpoint that prevents us from thinking in terms of an 80,000-nation planet.

And, the contributions from the science fiction arena, which generally serve to expand our outlook, have been none too elucidatory in this respect, either. Typically, when foreign worlds are depicted, mention is made of only one or two alien societies, whereas greater diversity should be expected. However, the **Flash Gordon** serials deserve special commendation for venturing past the simple-minded and delineating forest, aerial, aquatic, cave, polar, and urban cultures in a complex admixture on the mythical planet Mongo.

Admittedly, the figure of 1,936 may be inflated, as many nations on such a vast planet might merge into larger units, pooling their extraplanetary space programs, but certainly a more conservative number of four or five nations from a planet engaging in space research is not at all unreasonable, and that is the point I wish to emphasize. If life was pinpointed on earth by an alien probe, would not all of its advanced nations thereupon dispatch scientific missions in an unrelenting surveillance and reconnaissance of our planet?

Compare the situation with that on earth. If the 1976 American Viking probe discovers life forms on Mars, will not America and Russia pepper the Martian environs with a staggering array of exploratory vehicles, both manned and unmanned? Witness the

vast differences in style and function among the U.S. Mariner, Pioneer, and Viking space probes, and still their marked contrast to the Soviet Luna and Venera vehicles. If five nations from an alien planet are carrying out systematic surveillance of earth, then it is probable that there will be exhibited sufficient diversity among their spacecraft to account for the entire spectrum of variety in size and shape reported in the majority of UFO sightings.

With regard to the varying physiques and pigmentations of UFO occupants, one need only refer to homo sapiens, who, on earth, range from the homuncular Pygmies to the mesomorphic Nordics to the titanic Zulus, with skin hues in white, black, brown, red, and yellow. Inductively, should we not expect an analogous diversity among the races of another planet? Again, I assert that the one-planet postulate is more than adequate to account for virtually every UFO sighting ever reported.

There is one school of thought, however, which has advanced the theory that societies from several planets are involved in an on-going reconnaissance of our fair planet, thereby accounting for the diversity inherent in flying saucer reports in a more complicated fashion. This theory is not without a logical foundation, either. There exist at least 100 sextillion identifiable stars within range of our earthbound telescopes, with each possessing the potential to give vitalization to its own planetary system, meaning that a possible one septillion planets can be presumed to exist in the near cosmos. Assuming that modern man debuted on earth 10 million years ago, the first time he might have been of interest to alien intelligences; then, if at the rate of once every million years, different planetary expeditions discovered life on earth, still ten separate planets might be surveying us today. That is an insignificant number compared to the aforementioned potential. Of course, this theory supposes that all would continue to find earthlings intriguing and would not have annihilated themselves into oblivion through nuclear warfare, but, otherwise, it does account for the diversity of UFO sightings in a wholly reasonable fashion. I personally subscribe to the

one-planet hypothesis, but the multi-planet theory is also acceptable.

Beyond accounting for the multifarious nature of UFO reports, however, it should be stressed that their inherent inconsistency actually attests to their validity. If, for example, three individuals witness a robbery being committed, three similar but distinct and partially inconsistent versions will be narrated. And, so it is with UFO sightings. Six different observers will relate six noncongruent descriptions of a particular UFO episode they witnessed concurrently. And, distinct sightings of the same UFO in neighboring communities will yield additional accounts, some with vital details altered. Thus, the inconsistencies and consequent diversity in such reports across the nation and even worldwide are not grave indictments of the UFO experience, but rather consistent with a genuine phenomenon.

If individual publicity hounds hungering for personal acclaim were responsible for most UFO reports, then their narrations would probably be verbatim transcripts of previously published UFO incidents, and if a group of citizens were collectively seeking recognition for their township, their individual accounts would indubitably consist of identical versions, committed to memory. Diversity of description is in reality an index of the veracity of the multitudes of UFO reports pouring into UFO investigation networks annually.

Serving to further minimize the sting of the challenge of contradictory UFO descriptions was a landmark UFO episode that occurred in Turin, Italy on November 24, 1973. Its significance to ufology has been largely ignored. The case was characterized by the typical elements of such sightings: a mammoth, luminous object, about the size of a DC-8 airplane, complete with pulsating, multicolored lights, was witnessed by ground observers and pursued by two commercial jets, which it eluded by accelerating almost instantaneously to 3,500 miles per hour from a near standstill position in the night sky.

Fortuitously, a 23-year-old University of Turin biology student, Franco Cantin, snapped two photos of the craft: one was an end-on view, showing a luminous sphere, while the other was

a lateral shot, depicting an opalescent, elliptically shaped vehicle. Thus, depending on one's vantage point, the same UFO may appear either elliptical or spherical, truly a contradictory observation for an unaided sighting! But this inconsistency was recorded by an impartial, completely objective camera lens.

Accordingly, the same UFO may be reported by some witnesses viewing it end-on, as a sphere because its lateral dimensions are not discernible, while other observers may report it strictly as an ellipsoid, being blind to its spherical nature. Perhaps with this evidence in hand, considerable reduction can be made in the number of apparent inconsistencies in UFO reports.

Thus, just as UFO reports must be substantiated by concrete evidence before they can be taken seriously, so their critics must present something more tangible to challenge their authenticity than merely the old bugbear about a diversity of inconsistent descriptions in the reported sightings.

New UFO Film Group

By Seattle Reporter

A film company for production of UFO pictures has been formed in Seattle. Headed by a former design specialist of Boeing's super-sonic transport and 747 projects, it includes three TV newsmen.

Overlords of the UFO will be the company's first production. It is now in the cutting stage and will be distributed internationally next year.

Featuring UFO still and motion pictures from around the world, the film discusses the question of UFOs' origin and includes statements by a high U.S. government agency that alien intelligences are involved in the UFO phenomenon. It also raises the issue of hazards that may affect commercial airline safety as a result of powerful energy fields emanating from alien flying objects.

Energy manipulations by the psychic Uri Geller, as they affect the crystal structure of metals are also examined, as are various telepathy and tele-transportation cases. The film's purpose is to

study areas beyond established scientific knowledge and to indicate the need for organized UFO research.

We are indebted to John Schuessler of Houston, Texas for sending in these two items carried recently by United Press International:

Mountain View, Calif. (UPI) - An American spacecraft far out in unexplored space is twisting mysteriously and may have encountered some unknown force in the universe, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) said.

The Pioneer 10 spacecraft, now 745 million miles from Earth and halfway between the orbits of Jupiter and Saturn "is making some small unexplained orientation changes," an announcement from NASA's Ames Research Center here said.

Scientists at the laboratory, where Pioneer 10 is being tracked, said the spacecraft's axis of rotation is changing position about one-twelfth of a degree per day, or roughly one degree every two weeks.

The announcement said project officials don't know the reason for the changes in spacecraft orientation.

They could be due to very slight malfunction or to some kind of interplanetary phenomenon, it said.

The spokesman said NASA scientists think it likely the spacecraft, launched in March 1972, is going through a layer of some kind of space "dust" which is causing the twisting.

However, he said, the spacecraft is not acting according to the expected pattern in that case, and therefore some unknown force has to be considered a possibility.

One of three UFOs seen by a terrified pilot in Mexico, was seen on the radar by two air traffic controllers, while it followed Carlos Antonio de los Santos Montiel, for about 10 minutes, according to a UPI story.

De los Santos Montiel said three UFOs followed him as he flew at 15,000 feet, en route to Benito Juarez Int'l. Airport, May 3rd.

The ATC men said they saw the *radar image* of the reported UFO, which terrified the pilot.

"I observed the plane from the moment it was over Tequesquitengo, (50 S of Mexico City) until it landed," ATC Julio Interian told newsmen.

"When it was above the Ajusco (a mountain on the edge of the Valley of Mexico) I noticed another mark on the screen move rapidly away from the plane." It was at that very moment, de los Santos Montiel radioed the UFOs had left him.

The pilot claims he was unable to control his plane during the time he alleged the UFOs were close. "The controls did not respond. I tried to lower the gear to hit one, but the mechanism did not work."

"I started to cry out of desperation," he said later. He made a perfect landing, gear down, controls responding.

Dr. George M. Low, Deputy Administrator of NASA, told members of the Aviation/Space Writers Ass'n. in annual news conference at D/FW, Tx., May 7th, he believes there is intelligent life on other planets.

"I believe there is intelligent life elsewhere in the universe. I don't know where or how long it will take to find them," he said, "but I believe they will be found, perhaps in our own solar system."

"We will find out if there is life on Mars, as some believe, with our Viking launch this August, which will land next July."

For Your Bookshelf

Overlords and Olympians. By Wm. Gordon Allen. Health Research, PO Box 70, Mokelumne Hill, CA 95245 [Soft cover. Illustrated. 178 pp. plus appendices. 11" x 8 1/2" format. \$7.50.]

More than most books this one merits comment in any UFO book review section because in scope it extends far beyond a discussion of alien flying craft and pushes deep into a study of those areas beyond present scientific knowledge. Yet for that very reason it almost defies review.

How, for example, can one make a single judgement of a book that has this variety of chapter headings? - The

Super People (on psychic gifts); The Stendek Encounters (Dr. Rudolf Steiner explains invisibles and alien intelligences); A Vicious Cosmic Game (on conditions that reduce our potential, and a study of Nicola Tesla's techniques); Spengler and Steiner (those "incredible prophets"); UFO Epilog and the 1973 Sightings log-book (on the U.S. Air Force Academy text, "androids," and selected 1973 cases.

More comprehensive than any review could be is the sub-title which called this stimulating book an "introduction to para-psycho-physics."

The author concludes with this provocative thought: "Nothing in the universe can resist the cumulative ardour of a sufficient number of enlightened minds working together in an organized group(s). The same cosmic facts available to the intelligence of the UFO are also equally available to human intellectual interpretation and utilizations."



Illustration in Dr. Allen's book is this photo of cup-shaped flying object taken by Scott Syltie, 14, in 1968 near Seattle-Tacoma International Airport. Scott's photo followed three weeks of sighting in the area. Object, 50-60 feet wide, had "portholes" around its rim.

The Mothman Prophecies. By John Keel. Saturday Review Press/E. P. Dutton & Co., Inc., 201 Park Ave. South, New York, N.Y. 10003. [Hard cover. 269 pp. \$7.95]

In a field crowded by would-be writers who are apt to mistake their eagerness for inspiration, John Keel always comes as a welcome difference. He is such a proficient craftsman, he can move with authority into the most unlikely aspects of this already incredible subject and emerge with a spell-

binding story.

In this case his setting is the town of Mount Pleasant, West Virginia, and his story is about weird events there that were climaxed by the collapse in December, 1967, of a bridge across the Ohio River, causing many fatalities.

"Something unnatural was stalking the hills of West Virginia," he writes. "A dark force was closing over the town."

One of the symbols of that force was the creature that appeared before the disaster, giving the book its title. Here is how one woman saw it while driving on a Sunday morning.

"As she slowed, her eyes fixed on the apparition, a pair of wings unfolded from its back. They seemed to have a span of about ten feet. It was definitely not an ordinary bird but a man-shaped thing which rose slowly off the ground, straight up like a helicopter, silently. Its wings did not flap in flight. It headed straight toward Connie's car, its horrible eyes fixed on her face, then it swooped low over her head as she shoved the accelerator to the floorboards in utter hysteria.

"Over one hundred people would see this bizarre creature that winter."

Other strange incidents, of which UFO sightings are a part and in which Keel himself is involved, fill out this eerie tale. One may wonder why Keel personally should be a target of the dark forces he writes about, yet that apparently had been his life experience and we are not going to question it.

After all, why did any of us become involved in this bewildering business?

Le Proces de Soucoupes Volantes [The Trial of Flying Saucers]. By Claude MacDuff. Editions Quebec-Amerique, PO Box 96, Montreal, P.Q. [Illustrated. Soft cover. 254 pp.]

This French-language work done by one of Canada's most diligent students of the UFO mystery adopts an unusual and effective approach to the flying saucer question. It puts the entire subject, along with its protagonists, on trial, and offers as evidence some of the significant UFO events that have occurred through history.

In a letter to us about his book the author said: "You see I have tried to interest people in the subject by

involving them in this court case, or trial of the Flying Saucers, by making them members of the Grand Jury. I don't know if you can call this method of writing a psychological means of involving the reader but I have had readers tell me that they quickly became involved in the trial and that they entered the game by listening to the Defense Advocate (i.e. me) bringing in the evidence for the defense of his client (i.e. the UFO subject)."

Inevitably but reasonably, in face of the evidence that MacDuff skillfully produces, the Court gives its verdict in favor of the accused. It says in part:

"The time for direct and effective action has come: all those who are concerned with ufological research, whatever their point of view, should have the same goal in their common effort. In this way our society can take another 'giant step'."

How To Be Kidapped by UFOlk. By Dan Clements. CLEMCO Publishing, Box 1362, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266. [Illustrated. Soft cover. 105 pp. \$3.95]

A quick glance suggests this book is going to try to be funny and nothing else, a difficult thing to do with UFOs. There are plenty of good cartoons, e.g. "Let's shoot them down and see if they're friendly," but sustained humor does not come easily in discussing our visitors.

However, that is not the author's method. "...we begin with the premise," he writes, "that real beings from other worlds and perhaps other universes operate strange craft that can swoop down and heist us poor humans to far away places, even if it's just inside one of the ships. Further, we presume that being kidnapped is a good thing and we offer suggestions on universal etiquette that might spare pain for all parties.

"The approach is lighthearted and perhaps lightheaded. The intent, however, is serious and the basic facts, though synthesized and dramatized are not fictionalized."

The result is a basically serious book full of interesting incidents and reports on UFO behavior. Amusing illustrations are provided by the author's wife, Grace Simpson.

Quarter Century Studies of UFOs in Florida, North Carolina, Tennessee. By George D. Fawcett. Pioneer Printing Company, PO Box 407, 1905 North Main St., Mount Airy, North Carolina 27030. [Illustrated. Soft cover. 90 pp.]

Although its title may give the impression of a limited field of interest, this book successfully manages to embrace a large segment of the UFO subject and present it in readable capsule form. Chapters other than those indicated by the title are: The Massive UFO Wave of 1973; America's UFO Wave of 1974; Global UFO Wave of 1974.

The author is a veteran of 30 years of UFO research and investigation.

The UFO Wave of 1896 and The Mystery of the Ghost Rockets. By Loren E. Gross. Privately printed, Fremont, California. [Both illustrated, soft covers. 30 and 52 pp.]

Letters

Sir:

The picture enclosed was taken by Francis J. Barrow who spent years of his life in his boat collecting Indian material which went to the Provincial Museum on his death, also other museums before. What a collection!

Mae John, who founded the Sidney Museum and was a good friend of the Barrows, had loaned me this snap to send to you. The drawing on the rock could be a UFO?

Dick, my grandson, and a friend camped overnight on Cordova Bay beach. Sitting around their campfire they saw an object suddenly appear over James Island. It was red and appeared to explode. Then it was a bright light which just hovered for a time. Before it moved slowly west, Dick said it changed shape. This took place in April.

Mrs. W. H. Cross,
Sidney, B.C.

Mrs. Cross, a keen ufologist and collector of native artifacts, enclosed a

copy of the *Canadian Geographical Journal* of Feb., 1942, in which Barrow recounted his trips along the west coast. It said in part: "However, they [the Indians] had no written language, but, at a very distant date, one might conjecture, an outstanding event so impressed an individual, and it seemed of such special importance, that passing on the story only by word of mouth was not enough, and it occurred to him that he could perpetuate this event either by a carving or painting on rock for future generations to see..."

"One might wonder, however, whether these Indians brought this art from another part of the world, or whether some one from a distant land imparted this knowledge to them [bold type added]."

The photo [no. 1 below] sent by Mrs. Cross shows a centuries-old rock drawing remarkably like a UFO sketch, including what might be a superstructure often seen. This drawing is unlike any other seen by Barrow.

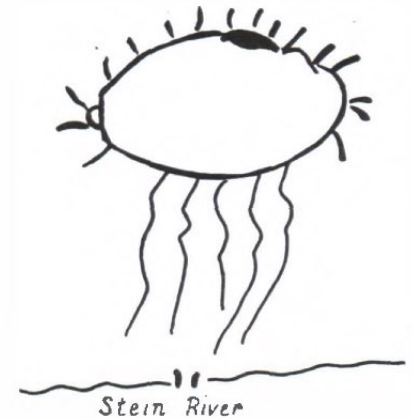
For a previous issue [vol. 2, no. 6] Mrs. Cross submitted a sketch of a pictograph [no. 2] that also might have been a flying object, this one apparently emitting light rays and exhaust. Among other curious Indian drawings in that issue, there was one that appeared to show human figures under a high aerial craft. [no. 3]. Both are in B.C.

The drawings raised the same question that occurred to Barrow: "Apparently it was the subject... that was moving about, not the artists... Transportation being what it was in those days, we wonder if he had some remarkable device that could whisk him about."

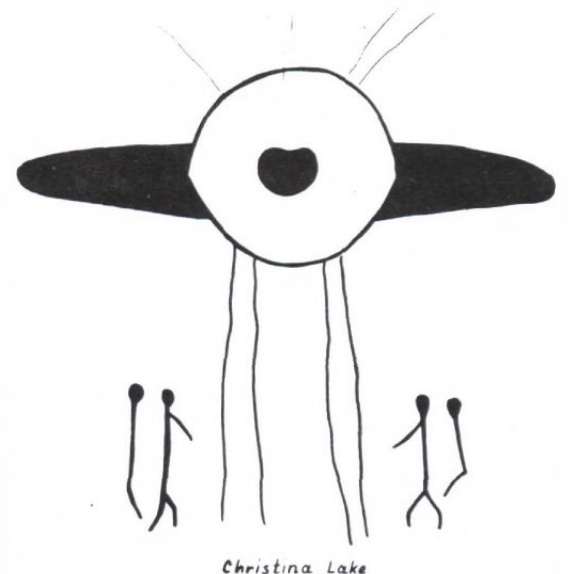


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Sir:

In reading your Issue No. 20, I found a letter on page 20. The subject was "Zeitoun (Cairo) Egyptian Apparitions."

I have been working on a project dealing with this subject. It is basic research into Apparitions. (Please note - your letter was in error. The Apparitions began April 2, 1968, went on thru '69. The letter said 1916.)

Much data has been gotten together in an attempt to bring together the entire situation. There was much witness, photographic evidence done. Much of this material has not reached the U.S.A. or is not easily available.

A briefing is that an Apparition appeared over the church (Coptic Orthodox) in Zeitoun, Cairo, Egypt

beginning on the above dates. She appeared with various phenomena. The little weird glowing birds, (of which I have photo documentation showing them close up and flying in formation over the city), clouds of perfume, sometimes other figures, Christ (baby) etc..She would put on displays sometimes as long as a few hours at a time. One showing lasted from 2:45 a.m. till 5 a.m. on April 30, 1968.

There were also many, many miraculous cures. Cures also took place after the apparitions stopped. All one had to do was go to the church area and the manifestation power was still there to be used (for miraculous cures).

I am also very interested in the land of Apparitions and have done much digging for this field.

All in all The Library (see below) has been able to collect about 40 documented photos and various publications, books, original interview tapes, communication with direct witnesses to the phenomenon etc..

This research is leading into much bigger area though. The Marian Apparition has been around for a long time. She is truly a "functioning environmental phenomenon." She has been appearing for a long time. This is pointed out and discussed by A.U.M., in the book Fatima Prophecy.

As to what it all could mean, I don't know. I am keeping an open heart and mind to all this that I uncover. The Apparition could be a direct Act of God". Mary has told us (according to various apparitions) that God will intervene again as he once did with the Great Flood, unless we mend our ways. I have a hard time dealing with "direct intervention of God", but I'm trying to remain open on it.

If anyone wishes to communicate, write: Page Research Library, 5707 Colgate Ave., Cleveland, Ohio 44102, U.S.A.

Dennis Pilichis
Cleveland, Ohio

Sir:

For a long time I have felt that either our government in Ottawa was exceedingly dumb or that they were deliberately withholding information which should be made available.

For instance, in March of 1974 it

was mentioned in the Toronto Star that there was an area in the western Arctic with an abnormally high magnetometer reading, that the area was increasing in size, that a scientist was going up to spend a month taking daily readings and that a report would be made.

As time went by and no report I wrote to the Ontario Sciences Center in Toronto. I was told by them that this was out of their field but was given the proper address in Ottawa. My letter was not answered.

J. Hetherington
New Liskeard, Ontario

Sir:

It was very intriguing to read of Joseph Smith, the founder of the Latter-day Saints Church, in connection with visitors from space, in the last issue of Canadian UFO Report.

Having a copy of the Mormon Bible, I find on scanning it that *if* it is a fairly literal translation of the tablets, they are a history of a people who lived from 600 B.C. to 421 A.D. and it is difficult for me to think of spacemen preserving or proppagating such a history. It is obvious, however, that some leadership beyond the ordinary was directing the affairs of the people portrayed in this history.

There is a continuing motif through much of the legendary history of early peoples, of wise men regarded as 'Gods' appearing at crucial moments and bringing new laws and wise teachings to these various peoples, and it would seem reasonably logical to think that this leadership was from the hierarchy of wiser intellects whose duty it is to foster growth and evolution among people of earth.

Some time ago, perhaps a year back, I read of such a leader, presumably, who had been working with those people who developed the cities recently discovered in the jungles of southern Mexico. This man was regarded as a 'God' and was said to have taken some sacred tablets 'north' for burial and safe keeping.

Time-wise this bit of legendary 'history' appears to fit in very well, the narrators on the plates seeming to end soon after 400 A.D., and it was soon after this that the people who built the great cities of ancient Mexico rather

suddenly disappeared.

These plates seem to fall into four categories, judging by the foreword in the Book of Mormon, and at least the one group made of brass came from Jerusalem and I wonder how and by what route.

In Fate magazine for January, 1974, Charles H. Hapgood, under the title "Mystery in Acambro", tells us of the enormous collection of artifacts in the Julsrud collection. This collection, while notable in many ways, seems quite unique in the range of time it covers and cultures evident in it. The author thinks they include artifacts from the Mediterranean area, and that the whole collection was carefully buried there for safekeeping. Could this have occurred at about the same time the Mormon tablets were buried in New York State?

That Joseph Smith was a contactee seems very evident and it would be an interesting field of research if we could sort out these contacts, for to my mind the very many contact stories involve an assortment of intelligences. Perhaps not always "other world intelligences" but master minds at least.

George H. Williamson writes of "The Wanderers" in his book "Other Tongues, Other Flesh." He found evidences enough to convince him there are thousands of these beings at work among us. Curiously enough, I find that in his book, "Secret Places of the Lion," he lists some of the previous incarnations of Joseph Smith - a very long and impressive list if one can believe it!

Perhaps, Mr. Editor, there will be others who can amplify or correct some of these suppositions.

John Squance
Victoria, B.C.

While we have no idea how Williamson traced his "reincarnational patterns," this listing as referred to above may be of interest to readers, particularly those associated with the Mormon Church:

Almose 1, 1580-1529 B.C., first Pharoah of the Eighteenth Dynasty, Egypt; the Ruling Prince of Lemuria 12,000 years ago at the time of "merk" and "lady of the Sun"; Amraphel or Hammurabi, ca. 2000 B.C., contemporary with Abraham; Joseph, 1761 B.C., of the "coat of many colours"; King

David, 1580-1540 B.C., of Israel; **Rekhmire**, ca. 1501-1447 B.C., Vizier under Thutmose III; **Maya**, 1428-1338 B.C., royal treasurer and Prime Minister from Amunhotep III to Horemheb; **Moses**, 1313-1193 B.C., Hebrew of Egypt who led the Children of Israel out of Egypt; **Almose II**, 569-525 B.C., of Egypt; **Daniel**, ca. 606-538 B.C., Babylonian captive, one of the Major Prophets of the Old Testament; **Joseph**, ca. 44 B.C., of Galilee, father of the Master Jesus; **Joseph Barnabus**, ca. A.D. 92 of Cyprus, who worked with Paul; **Merlin**, ca. A.D. 500, the magician of King Arthur's Court; **Religious Leader at Mesa Verde**, Indian who came from the south, A.D. 1200; **Montezuma**, ca. A.D. 1500, Aztec of Mexico; **Joseph Smith**, A.D. 1805-1844, organizer of the Mormon Church.

Sir:

Regarding Stuart W. Greenwood's article on the 'disorientation of Flight 19' (Vol. 3, No. 4), I would like to point out a few disturbing factors in the disappearance of these five Avenger aircraft that have been omitted which I believe to be crucial in the solution of the mystery and the fate of the crews.

Before Flight 19 broadcast its first report of difficulties, the teletype system for the Naval Air Stations along the Florida coast failed to operate for no apparent reason and returned to operation after Flight 19 had been lost. Also, when Lt. Robert F. Cox, senior flight instructor at Fort Lauderdale Naval Air Station, was providing instructions to Lt. Charles C. Taylor, flight instructor in charge of Flight 19, he lost contact with Lt. Taylor when his radio transmitter in his aircraft blew out on the frequency that Lt. Taylor was using. The aircraft in Flight 19 were equipped with IFF gear (radio Identification Friend-or-Foe signalling equipment), but even though instructed to turn this equipment on several times none of the radio stations received signals from them amid conflicting reports that Lt. Taylor stated that they were on.

Further I would add that when Lt. Cox first intercepted Lt. Taylor's radio conversations that they must be lost, it was 1605 hours; and the last radio conversation intercepted from Flight 19 was between the aircraft at 1904 hours. The time that elapsed from the first

report of their being lost and their last messages for Flight 19 was three hours!

In those three hours, Lt. Taylor tried to keep his flight intact and kept his head during the last three hours while desperately trying to fly his pilots back to Fort Lauderdale Naval Air Station. He asked repeatedly if radar was available that could guide him or at least locate him, though none was available at that time. Seven HF/DF (high frequency directional finder) stations spent about an hour taking readings from the lost flight in an effort to locate them by radio location; but a great deal of interference hampered their efforts. The bearings taken indicate a location of in the general area of 29 degrees 15 minutes North and 79 degrees West at 1750 hours; but heavy static and interference from a Cuban station made analysis of the bearings difficult. During the three-hour ordeal, radio conversation between FT-28 (Taylor's aircraft) and NHA-3 (Air Sea Rescue Task Unit No. 4), few of the messages lasted long enough for any vital information to be broadcast to Taylor. Instructions were broadcast to Taylor when they learned he was still in the Bahamas to fly west and towards the sun, but it was obvious that Taylor never heard these as he was heard directing and re-directing his pilots to fly east believing that they had flown past the Keys into the Gulf of Mexico (wherein the only land would be to the east). The Naval Board of Investigation concluded the loss was due to Lt. Taylor's "temporary mental confusion" and listed equipment failures as contributing factors, but this decision was reversed by the Naval Board of Correction which stated that the flight "disappeared for reasons and causes unknown".

Radio reports were received that evening from ships and shore of several aircraft flying in formation which could only be identified as the lost flight. The most amazing of these was a report from the U.S.S. Solomons, an aircraft carrier equipped for landings for these Avenger aircraft: "Four or six planes, no IFF, at 1900 altitude, 2935 on longitude, 8128 degrees west, Course 176, Speed 120. Estimated altitude 4000 feet." And though the Avengers were with only ten minutes of estimated fuel left, could they really miss sight of an

aircraft carrier while looking for a place to ditch their aircraft together?

Another incident of this nature took place on October 22, 1973, when a Navy A-7A Corsair (No. 153204) and a Marine Corps EA-6A Intruder (No. 156980) were lost off the U.S.S. Midway 127 miles east of Okinawa (near the Japanese Devil's Sea). The Corsair was lost from radio and radar, the Intruder was sent out and located the Corsair, but on their return flight both aircraft disappeared. And despite ideal flying conditions and calm seas, neither survivors nor wreckage were found in what was termed an "apparent mid-air collision"; but I await the findings of the Naval investigation before commenting on the strange circumstances reported to the U.S.S. Midway when the Intruder found the Corsair. Perhaps Mr. Greenwood could find an undersea trench that would fit this case as well, though I doubt his theory entirely.

M. X

(Name withheld on request)
Kingston, Ontario

Sir:

On April 21, 1975 about noon I noticed a large, wide, white vapor trail from my kitchen window. I went outside with my camera to take pictures of it. The vapor trail could be seen from above the mountain horizon to the northeast and it went out of sight over the mountain horizon to the west. At the time my husband Don was raking the yard and he did not hear any kind of sound or he may have looked up. Any sound from a jet or airplane should have been heard even inside my house but there wasn't any type of sound. Jets come in from the west and go towards the north and are easily heard inside the house even though they are further away.

Whatever made this vapor trail was far to the west before I noticed the trail. Had I been looking out the window from dining-room I would have had a very close look at the head of the white trail, but unfortunately I was not looking up. I took three colored pictures of the vapor trail and one black and white. The trail was not very high. It was almost like the trail left by the "meteor" that traveled across the west in 1972. I had seen the 1972 "meteor" trail and it was almost

identical. That was the reason this one made such an impression on me.

The vapor trail was visible for about an hour and a half. It traveled in a straight line except for one arc to the east. If the object making it continued to travel in a straight line it would have been heading in the direction of Spokane, Washington. It was a nice warm day with a clear sky and just a very slight breeze. The area the object came from is mountainous with only tiny towns and if it went straight the area it would cross is also unpopulated. If anyone saw anything like this on April 21 I would to hear about it.

Mrs. Betty Jones
636 10th Avenue West
Kalispell, Montana 59901
U.S.A.

Sir:

I have something to tell you about UFOs. There was a night around mid-March when I was having my tea and listening to my radio. Suddenly a very strong interfering signal in form of static sounds started coming through my radio. It was so strong that at one moment I was afraid my radio would blow up.

As I am very interested in UFO reports, I know what sort of thing could cause such interference. So I rushed out to see if I was right. And so there it was, a bright yellow-orange flash hanging in mid-sky! It's hard to say what shape it looked like. However, it started to move back and forth and sideways, just like the book said, in a strange way. It moved straight without curves. I have a hunch they were doing some sort of measuring.

It kept up that sort of motion for about 10 minutes. Suddenly a beam of light shone from the flashing thing. I was afraid that the beam might land on me, so I hurried back into my house because I didn't feel ready for a trip in the universe yet! When I sneaked back to have a look, everything was quiet again.

Erik Tsui
Wellington, New Zealand

Sir:

I am writing to report a sighting I heard about a while back. A friend of

mine told me of a sighting reported in or around September, 1974. It was up Forster Creek about 12 miles from Radium on the west side of the Columbia Valley (Rocky Mountain Trench region).

My friend said it was reported that an object came across the mountain and let out three small objects which proceeded to fly just above the tops of the trees, apparently looking for something. Then after a few minutes they went back to the first object which then took off over the mountains.

William Cox
Radium, British Columbia

Sir:

Several years ago, while studying the dynamics of athletes, my insights gradually led me to develop a comprehensive theory explaining all dynamics. Eventually this theory produced a conception of the physical universe being constituted of pure radiation interacting in an infinite number of wavelengths at all phases. These harmonic interactions produce standing waves, and these waves form structures analogous to a hologram. The finest waves are measured as particulate matter according to the equations of De Broglie, while the longer waves produce the structure of space we measure as fields. This corollary of my general theory is a Unified Field Theory.

An indefinite number of waves interacting randomly to produce a hologram structure will form a vortex. This is why all dynamic structures conform to the vectors of a vortex, from the atom to the spiral galaxy, and latest theories propose that subatomic particles can be explained as even finer vortices. I deduced from this theory that all rectilinear motion must be associated with a vortex in its wake, and all spiral motion must be associated with a rectilinear thrust through the centre. If this is true, then it becomes possible to design a radically novel kind of drive that will make space exploration not merely possible, but practical, and this space drive accounts for the observed reports of Flying Saucers.

Since arriving at my conception, I have heard of several other people working from different concepts towards an identical mechanical con-

trivance to prove the point. The best known of these is Professor Eric Laithwaite of The Imperial College of Science and Technology in London, England, who was reported by the press, radio and television last November when he demonstrated a device claiming to generate an antigravitational thrust. The Professor has refused to divulge the calculations to prove the operation of his machine, but from his hints about "magnetic rivers" I infer that he is formulating a geometry of space similar to mine, but immensely more complicated. As his design is essentially identical to my conception, I can describe it here very simply.

The precession of a gyroscope is believed to be forced by the acceleration of gravity. It is believed that if gravity were eliminated, a gyroscope would not precess. In fact, there is no way to eliminate gravity, so my theory proposes that both precession and gravity are produced by the structure of space in the locality. This makes it possible to define antigravity and recognize it as a common phenomenon, but to go further in this definition would be a digression here.

The precessional force is at right angles to the vertical acceleration of gravity. If you overcome the vertical acceleration of gravity by mounting the gyroscope on the end of a horizontal centrifuge, the axis of the precessional rotation will be shifted by 90 degrees, producing an antigravitational lift while it swings above the centrifugal plane, and supplementing gravity when it swings below. Professor Laithwaite's engine proved my theory, but unfortunately, the Professor insisted that the upward thrust of the precessional force exceeded the downward, a statement he would not prove by his figures, and could not demonstrate with his working model; as a result of promising more than he can deliver he has suffered some professional embarrassment. According to my theory, two further components are needed to make the upward thrust exceed the downward. One of the dynamic components must be made to follow a helical trajectory relative to the direction of useful thrust, and a rectifier must be introduced to reverse the lower phase of the alternating precessional force. Following Professor Laithwaite's patent on his

prior model, I have initiated patent proceedings to claim my improvements.

At this point it is possible to visualize a rotating disc functioning as a centrifuge, and a number of high-speed gyroscopes mounting around the circumference. This would be a primitive Flying Saucer that really flew. In order to generate a powerful antigravitational thrust, however, the centrifugal velocities required of the gyroscopes would strain the strength of the flywheels, the weight of the flywheels would absorb most of the useful lift, and the material would likely disintegrate from centrifugal force before the thrust would become practical. If, however, the flywheels in each of the gyroscopes were replaced with a toroidal raceway in which electrons were accelerated to relativistic velocities, the centrifugal force the electrons could generate would be limited only by the capacity of the magnetic field required to hold the electrons in their raceways. You will recognize this structure as conforming to the eye witness descriptions of Flying Saucers, not only in conformation but also in characteristics of operation.

To begin with, the electron flywheels have negligible weight at rest. Therefore it is possible to get them up to operating velocity and stop with a flick of a switch. In this way the UFO can alter direction of flight instantly.

Highly accelerated electrons in a raceway ionize the air in the vicinity. This accounts for the way electrical circuits short out when a UFO is close overhead.

Highly accelerated electrons produce a corona discharge. This is seen as the ring of lights around the outer rim of UFOs. Because the antigravitational thrust is produced only when the centrifuge is operating, the ring of lights is seen to rotate when the Saucer is about to rise from the ground. A less intense corona discharge surrounds the entire Saucer in flight, appearing as the glow that is so noticeable at night.

According to an article in "Science et Avenir" (a French publication like "Scientific American") there is research for a means to reduce the sonic boom of SSTs by ionizing the air in the flight path. If this concept is perfected, the ionization produced by the operation of the "vortex drive" (as I call my engine design) may also contribute to

the silence of UFO flights.

This same means of propulsion may also produce field effects and charges that would distribute acceleration equally throughout the craft and crew to make it possible to sustain sharp changes of direction at high speed.

High velocity electrons also emit microwaves. These have the property of heating all material containing water. This would account for scorched vegetation found where a UFO has landed, certain rocks (containing water of crystallization) blasted, and luckless animals cooked from the inside out. Polished metal is a perfect reflector of microwaves. A well-published photo of a UFO-naut wearing an aluminized plastic flight suit indicates that the crewmen protect themselves from the radiation of their engines by this metalized garb.

Electrons accelerated to relativistic velocities also emit high frequency radiation of lethal energies, and we have not yet developed a magnetic bottle capable of holding subatomic particles accelerated to this level. This is, however, an engineering problem, not a theoretical one, and the progress made towards developing a magnetic bottle to contain hydrogen fusion will also make the vortex drive feasible.

With the single exception of the magnetic bottle, all the hardware needed to produce a real Flying Saucer has been available from the Sears catalogue since the end of the Second World War, which is, coincidentally, the same time that UFOs began to be reported around the world in great numbers. Since I have learned of several independent inventors discovering the essential principles of the vortex drive during the last few years, it is reasonable to surmise that some secret think tank perfected the design during the last war. Certainly, any society of any planet that proceeded beyond tentative shots into space would perfect the vortex drive for their craft because its operation is a function of the very structure of space and no more efficient design is conceivable.

The efficiency of the vortex drive in a strong gravitational field is poor, but in open space in a state of free fall, the efficiency approaches absolute because once the flywheels are all wound up, there is no way that fuel energy can be

lost except through the negligible friction on the bearings in a weightless state and precessional thrust - and thrust is the way the ship is going. No combustion productions are ejected to produce propulsion by reaction, so the range of the craft is not limited by the amount of mass that it can carry as jet fuel. As the same theory also indicates a means to generate power by fusion without heat, pressure or pollution, the range becomes indefinite. Not having a reaction jet, the top speed of the space ship cannot be limited by the velocity of the jet particles. Even conventional mechanical gyroscopes could generate a precessional thrust of a few millimeters per second on low power which would accumulate to relativistic velocities after a few weeks of constant acceleration. This brings the outer planets, if not the stars, into the reach of our people. Electron gyroscopes are needed really only in shuttle craft between a larger space craft moored in orbit and a sizable planet. The reports of UFOs indicate that this is just the way the Flying Saucers are operated.

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