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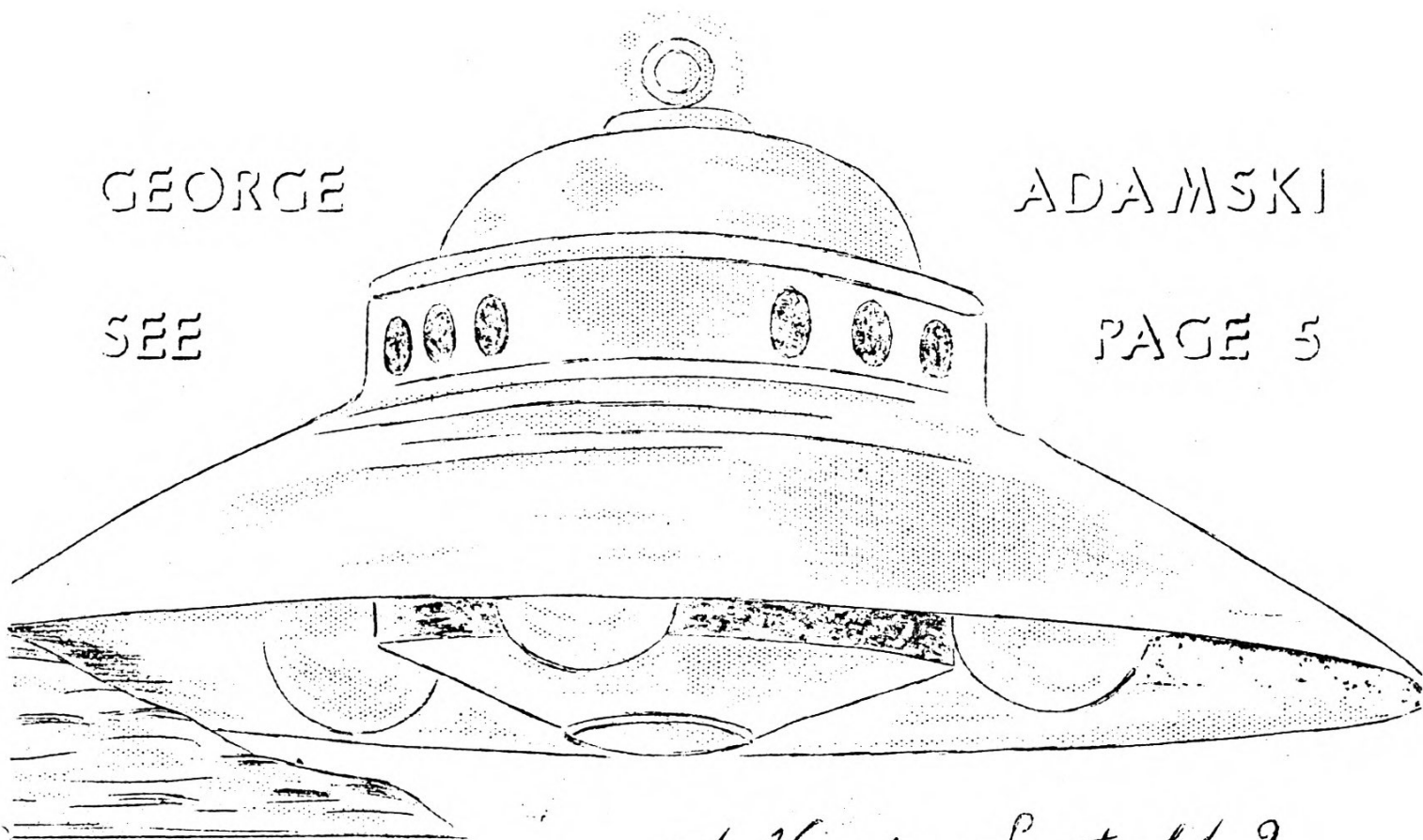
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PUBLIC PRESENTATION

Our first public meeting, held in a city hall on Monday 18th April 8-10.30 pm. was a most encourageing success. All Auckland members were notified by circular letter, advertisements were inserted in both City Dailies. Circulars were also posted to prominent Auckland personalities by our Hon Sec., Mrs Joy Yeldon & Hon Treasurer Mrs P. Leach. The President toured city & suburbs in his car, leaving circulars at milk-bars and other business places. Most shop-owners kindly displayed them in their windows. Still further circulars were distributed by the North Shore Branch Committee.

Mr. Forman, a new member of CSI committee, did a most creditable job with organizing the sound system, tape recording presentation and as Master of Ceremonies during the evenings' programme. Close friends of Mr. Forman are thanked for their assistance with the sound system technicalities. North Shore Branch President Mr. D.W.G. Saunders, and Committee members Mr. Ray Thomas, Mr. & Mrs Bridle are thanked for their able and welcome assistance.

Some 300 odd Aucklanders attended the meeting; a charge of 2/6 was made to support our general expenses and research funds. Speakers were Mr. H.H. Fulton, President CSI (NZ) & Mr. D.W.G. Saunders, with introductions & announcements etc., by Mr. D. Forman. A Disc-recording of a radio interview with one of the three Top Dressing Pilots who together witnessed some 15 "Unidentified Flying Objects" in daylight on 24th May 1954 was presented to the meeting. Following a short interval, the programme continued with a 20 minute tape recorded address by George Adamski. This tape had only recently been received by Mr. Andrew of Auckland from USA. Mr. Andrew kindly loaned the tape to CSI for public presentation. The programme concluded with 30 minutes question time, a panel of 4 experts (different fields) answered questions invited from the public.

The audience represented a good cross-section of the community, was most attentative; all appeared sincerely interested and responded most favourably and enthusiastically at question time. More than a dozen members of the audience spontaneously spoke of their convictions on flying saucers from outer space, while still others gave brief details of their personal "sightings" of "Unidentified Flying Objects".

The N.Z. Herald, Wednesday 20th April gave quite an extensive report on the meeting. (picture page). The report was favourable to CSI although not an accurate presentation of our views, findings or policy. However the press is thanked for their generous mention and interest. A young lady reporter representing "N.Z. PICTORIAL" attended the meeting. Her impressions, reproductions of Adamski's saucer photos as compared with other like observations etc., will appear in 16th May issue of N.Z. Pictorial, a fortnightly magazine.

The public display of CSI evidence (Mr. Fulton's private collection), books, magazines, press & magazine articles of note etc., on show in the Epsom Branch of the Bank of New Zealand's business front window, attracted wide attention. The display of this material was made possible by the kind permission of Mr. Forman, Senior, a prominent Epsom business man. Our Secretary, Mrs Joy Yeldon dressed the window, varying the display from time to time, during the fortnight showing. Thanks are due our Secretary and the others who provided avertising display material.

VIKINGS FROM DISTANT WORLDS

BY
PROF. HERMANN OBERTH

PROF. HERMANN OBERTH IS AN INTERNATIONALLY KNOWN AUTHORITY ON GUIDED MISSILES AND THE CONQUEST OF SPACE. HIS TECHNICAL WORKS, ACCORDING TO ANDREW G. HALEY, PRESIDENT OF THE AMERICAN ROCKET SOCIETY, WERE OF VITAL IMPORTANCE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE GERMANS' FAMOUS V-2 ROCKET. HE IS RECOGNISED ALSO AS A DARING THEORIST AND HIS PRESENT SPECULATIONS ON INTER-STAR TRAVEL ARE IN SOME RESPECTS IN AGREEMENT WITH THE CALCULATIONS OF ARTHUR C. CLARKE, A LEADER OF THE BRITISH INTERPLANETARY SOCIETY.

It is my thesis that Flying Saucers are real and that they are space ships from another solar system. I think that they possibly are manned by intelligent observers who are members of a race that may have been investigating our earth for centuries. I think that they possibly have been sent out to conduct systematic, long-range investigations, first of men, animals and vegetation, and more recently of atomic centres, armaments, and centres of armament production.

They obviously have not come as enemies, I believe their present mission may be one of scientific investigation.

After all the official enquiries into the mystery of flying saucers, the fact remains that many of the observed effects still are formally described by the United States Airforce as "Unidentified Flying Objects". Many theories, therefore, are being suggested as an explanation of why the saucers cannot be real.

Some of those who have seen saucers are said to have been self-hypnotized. Others are said to have been the victims of optical illusion, light aberrations, or mass hallucination. I have seen no proof from any satisfactory source to substantiate these suggestions.

Russian papers even have claimed that the United States Airforce purposely started "the big saucer bluff" to obtain more funds for space research and armament. No proof of this, either, has ever been offered.

The radar screen often has confirmed the fact that observed phenomena were not light aberrations. Any experienced pilot ought to be able to distinguish the difference between optical illusions and real flying objects. Attempts to explain the phenomena as Fireballs or Meteors do not meet with scientific standards.

Speculations that the saucers are secret American or Russian missiles have been supported by no facts. Any man-made object flying faster than sound would cause a tremendous noise when breaking the supersonic speed barrier, while most eye-witnesses report that the saucers they have observed, unlike jets, fly silently.

Far too many observations of saucers have been made between 1946 and 1954 for their presence to be dismissed merely by the statement that the observers have been the subjects of mass hallucination. I have examined all the arguments supporting the existence of flying saucers and denying it, and it is my conclusion that the "Unidentified Flying Objects" do exist, are very real and are visitors from outer space.

While believing that the saucers are a reality, I do not conclude, as some investigators have, that they come to us from one of the other planets in our own solar system. It is my theory that they are directed by living beings from another solar system, and I call this race of visitors "Uranides". I have taken the liberty of making up the word from the Greek word for Heaven, "ouranos".

We know too much about conditions on our neighbouring planets in our own solar system for us to say that the Saucers can come from one of them. The only one that seems to be fostering life, even in the form of plant growth, is Mars, and its surface is not habitable by any creatures that we can imagine as having a brain more highly developed than our own, or a culture immensely broader than ours.

With the planets of our own sun system ruled out, I suggest that the home base of the Saucers may be a planet, or planets, revolving around another sun, or suns. Probably this other sun - or star - is one of those nearest to our own sun, which of course is a star. Despite the immense distance between our own solar system (including the earth) and the nearest other solar systems, a journey from one system to another is theoretically possible, once an unlimited source of power is developed.

I do not, however, believe reports that some Saucers are manned by beings resembling men, although we cannot prove this is untrue. I do not believe that the visitors resemble any living beings known to us. Even if they came from a carbonate acid atmosphere and, in our eyes, might be the strangest creatures ever imagined, they still could, theoretically, think logically and develop a highly super civilization.

Reports that Saucer men have been seen who are "beautiful human-like beings" have no factual support, I think, and probably that is fortunate for us. Creatures who could move around in our atmosphere without a kind of divers outfit might be able to settle here. It is more comfortable for us to speculate that Saucer men come from an atmosphere far different from our own and are so outlandish in appearance that they do not resemble us at all.

If they do come from a quite different atmosphere, they might find it as difficult to exist on earth as we would find it difficult to exist at the bottom of the sea. The Uranides, I think, have been examining the earth for centuries. People call their craft Flying Saucers and say that the phenomenon is new. It's far from that, for as long ago as December 9th, 1731, there was evidence that we on earth were being visited by travelers that seemed to come from space.

Observers then reported that 'strange globes of light' maneuvered over Florence, Italy, and there were similar reports from Switzerland on November 2, 1761. In London on March 19, 1845, and elsewhere in England in 1855, 1859, 1860, and 1864, the same kind of lights were seen aloft as the kind we now speak of as Flying Saucers. They buzzed Bloomington, Indiana, on September 7, 1877, ships in the Yellow Sea in 1893, and ships in the Atlantic in 1904.

Why, then, if space creatures have been coming to us for a long time, have they not communicated with us? I believe the reason lies in the conclusion that, just as we do not know anything about their sense organism, they do not know anything about ours. It is possible that they would react to rays still unknown to us. Perhaps they are trying to reach us with a ray unknown to us. We can only wait. For their means to communicate may be anything from a ray to para-psychological power revealed to us occasionally in human manifestations of telepathy.

Just as a starter, we might try to communicate with them by radio signal. Mathematical symbols might be interpreted by them. A mutual mathematical understanding might be the forerunner of written words and sounds. We may be sure that they are not slow-thinking.

Their intellectual powers, no matter how strange the creatures' appearance may be, are great. I believe they are demonstrating this by bridging the space between their planetary home stations in a distant solar system and our own. To come to us from that vast distance they must have achieved the dream of human astronauts. That is, they have been able to travel almost at the speed of light. This seems to us, now, almost as far beyond our means as our own present rockets would have been beyond the ability of men who made the first steam engines. Yet we speculate about ways to reach the stars and the Uranides, long ago having passed the stage of speculation, apparently have reached one. That is, having left their own star, or sun, they have come to our own sun, and it's planet, the earth.

Our own Mathematical theorists believe that one way in which this could be done, if unlimited power were available, would be through an achievement of a kind of suspended animation on the part of the travelers. Medical science might make this possible. Travelers not only would think of a long trip through space as a short one but, once finished, they would know also, that their physical and chemical processes had been slowed down almost to a stop.

They would think of the trip as short because if they moved at almost the speed of light, there would be what might be called a "contraction" of time. Mathematicians, expert in relativity, believe they can demonstrate this. They say that if one were to travel at immense speed, months might seem like minutes. This is, of course, theory. It is apart from what I think of as reasonable demonstration of something observed. The thing observed is called a Flying Saucer and it is my thesis that Flying Saucers are space ships coming here - in one way or another - from outside our solar system.

While we are trying to hasten the day when we can send a ship to one of our sister planets in our own planetary system - our own solar system, the Uranides have got the jump on us. They have broken free of their planetary system far, far away, and have come to us. How can we turn their venture to our own profit? If we can make them understand some kind of message, we should welcome them. We should try by every scientific means that seems feasible to get into contact with them.

Perhaps they can disclose secrets to us that otherwise we might not lay bare in a hundred thousand years. (The American Weekly 24th October 1954)

BRITISH FLYING SAUCER JOURNAL

FLYING SAUCER SERVICE LTD. has been registered, capital £100 in shilling shares, to produce and publish a quarterly journal devoted to the scientific study of the phenomena commonly known as "flying saucers" or "unidentified flying objects". The new journal will have 12 pages on glossy paper and will carry illustrations. It is hoped to publish the first issue in January 1955. Editor of the journal is Derek D. Dempster, who was a correspondent for the Daily Express. A number of scientists have promised to contribute. Subscribers to the new company are Ian W. Girvan (Waveney Girvan) Tudor Lodge, Denham Bucks, publisher; Desmond P.A. Leslie, 36 South Lodge, Grove End Rd., N.W.8. London, author. Benjamin J. Herrington and Derek D. Demster, writer. Sub is 21/- per annum. (stirling) address your orders to "Flying Saucer Review", 1, Doughty St. London W.C.1. England. (This magazine is highly recommended to all CSI associates, it has a professional editorial staff and will be the first national publication on the subject in the English theatre, outside flying saucer club magazines. Ed.)

THEY HAVE TOLD ONLY THE TRUTH

By: DESMOND LESLIE.

CO-AUTHOR OF "FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED".

I see that during my absence in America there has been a brisk conversation in your columns concerning Flying Saucers. Foremost in the discussion appears my friend Randall-Stevens, who would undoubtedly relish an appearance of a book called "Flying Saucers Haven't Landed After All". Unfortunately I cannot oblige him by writing such a tome.

Randall-Stevens obtains his information mainly, I believe, through some intelligence, other than his conscious mind, operating his writing arm. In this process his own intelligence is in abeyance. Automatic writing is rather like radio (but with far less known about its workings). Some days you get good reception, some days you don't. I have the greatest admiration for some of the early teachings given through Randall-Stevens in this way. But because one series of receptions was good it does not necessarily follow that every series will be of the same quality. Any more than we can always depend upon good radio reception. So many conditions intervene and have their place in this complex phenomenon.

Against his information which was received without his conscious mind fully participating, I have the testimony of at least three reliable and good-living Americans - Daniel Fry an Engineer, Truman Bethurum a Mechanic, and George Adamski an Astronomer-philosopher, that while fully conscious and in the physical body, they not only saw Saucers land, but entered them. This is concrete physical evidence and, I think, a little more reliable than evidence coming from an uncheckable, invisible, non-physical source.

I spent much time with these men. They were ordinary, down-to-earth people, neither deluded nor schizophrenic. They knew what they'd seen and they were prepared to go on oath to that effect. I also received from a high Military source the amazing information that last summer a Saucer landed in the desert and both a man and a woman entered it and were carried away from this planet. Their footprints in the sand and the marks where the Saucer's ball landing gear had sat were photographed and measured by official Air Force personnel.

FROM OTHER PLANETS:

A lot has been written about Saucers dematerializing, or consisting of matter not of our plane. This is incorrect. The Saucers are made of a crystalline metal many times harder than steel. Their crews are PHYSICAL beings from other PHYSICAL planets. They themselves have said that many times to those they have contacted. Their sudden appearance and disappearance is due to other causes than dematerialization. One of them is their ability to raise their atomic frequency so as to pass out of the range of visible light waves. Even we can do this under special circumstances. However, even while "invisible" they would still prove pretty solid if you had the misfortune to bump into one.

Electromagnetic vortices of energy? Certainly! The Saucers carry around them a vast forcefield, powerful enough to divert or disintegrate any other solid body coming within their range. A Government physicist in New York told me that the reason for all Air Force pilots having been forbidden to approach within a thousand feet of any "unidentified flying object", was that reason. This forcefield is only a mechanical copy of the forcefield surrounding every planet. For these intelligent

people (unconfused by our incomplete and so-called "laws" of gravity) have studied their planet, found out what makes it move, and what power keeps it floating and travelling in space, and have then constructed a miniature imitation capable of being directed at will. We suffer no ill effects within our own planet's force-field from travelling around the sun at about 18 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles per second, nor do the space pilots suffer any ill effect from colossal speeds and accelerations when within their own miniature "planet's" force-field.

There is nothing psychic or mysterious about it. It is merely the next chapter in the "book of physics", of which we have barely read the first page. So at this stage I think we should be wise to listen to the people who have had first-hand contacts and experience than to go chasing off listening to every wandering spirit or astral entity who sets himself up as an authority on things he knows very little about. Psychic phenomena have their place. So has astronautics. But why muddle the two together? You might just as well use an ouija board for plotting aircraft, or a medium for calculating engine-thrust and wing-loading. Let's try and not get confused!

I must confess falling into this error myself at one time. But since my most enlightening visit to America, much has been clarified for me. I see now that there is no need whatever to make a mystery out of something which in a few decades will be as commonplace as television. But imagine if someone had demonstrated a television set a hundred years ago. He'd have been accused of necromancy when in reality he was demonstrating laws of physics not yet visualized by the crowd.

Today Saucers are doing just the same thing; they are demonstrating natural laws, and also making it obvious that it is high time we asked ourselves the pertinent question, "Are Newton's laws of Motion the whole story, or just the first few lines of it?" Newton has been considered the last word on these "laws" for nearly three centuries. Isn't it about time we moved on and found out what follows his first statements? For there can be no end to learning or progress.

"NO", SAID DOCTOR:

Much was voiced about Mr. Adamski this summer by people who had never met him. It is true that we cancelled his first Albert Hall meeting. I was with him the day his doctor forbade him to leave California, for he was in a state of complete exhaustion, and one of his lungs had almost ceased to function. To have come to damp England this autumn would not only have endangered his health permanently, but owing to his fatigue, he would never have been able to fulfil his demanding engagements properly. Therefore we decided not to bring him. However, his health is improving, and it is our hope that he will be with us by May of next year when he will be able to fully answer all these critics who gleefully accused him of having "cold feet".

Another correspondent wrote that I said the Saucers were piloted by "Elder Brethren" from Atlantis. If he would do me the kindness of reading my book he would see that all I suggested was that SOME Saucers thousands of years ago, may have left Atlantis. I based this partly on a very strong hunch and partly on the evidence in the ancient Sanskrit books which tell us clearly that Atlantéans were for a time in communication with other planets. It was therefore quite a shock when I spoke to Mr. Daniel Fry (see above) who in 1950, was working at White Sands Testing Ground, New Mexico, when a Saucer landed and gave him a ride.

On the interior of this ship he noticed a curious emblem - the snake coiled round the tree - and was informed that the ancestors of this particular people had, in fact, come from earth. I do not think Mr. Fry had taken this idea from me, for I found him in every way an honest and reliable man.

But this is not to say that all space people in our system had their origin on our planet - far from it. However, they have told us that many souls, after a period of incarnations on Terra, do graduate to other planets, and that many of those now coming our way are rather like "old boys" visiting their former school; and possibly like most earthly "old boys" they share the same feeling of relief that this painful period of their evolution is now over and done.

However, all these questions, plus the workings and interiors of the space ships will be dealt with in our new book, "Inside the Spaceships", which (we hope) will be ready for the public early next summer. I am sadly behind on my own section of the manuscript. My telephone is off its hook, my mail is unopened, and the cat (I have no dog) is let loose on all callers, so it is no use anyone trying to engage me in correspondence or discussion until my work is done.

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BEHIND THE IRON CURTAIN!

Seen any UFO lately? You know, "unknown flying objects," more commonly called Flying Saucers. They seem to have stopped operating in our skies, and the reason may be that they've moved over behind the iron curtain, where they're giving the inhabitants - and Communist Government functionaries - one fit after another.

From Warsaw, Prague, Budapest and East Berlin comes word that Red Security Officers have been given special orders to combat a Flying Saucer psychosis which has been spreading rapidly in Poland, Czechoslovakia, Hungary and Communist Germany, on the wings of reports from all over that the Saucers have been seen.

When the Western world was all in a swivet over Flying Saucer reports, the Red propagandists told their people that the whole thing was a "proof of Western decadence and a lot of eyewash for the masses". There are no Flying Saucers, they said, so forget it. But now the people who have 'seen' the UFO think their rulers were kidding them; that they were denying the existence of the objects because they didn't have them, and didn't know the first thing about them.

What makes it all the tougher on the Communist Authorities is, that they don't know - any more than we do - whether there are Flying Saucers or not. Some of them are afraid maybe there are, and that they are secret weapons from the West. So they issued orders to the Poles, Czechs, Hungarians, and Germans not to look. Specifically, they are forbidding the use, possession, borrowing or lending of "military telescopes", whatever they are, by civilians, in all the areas afflicted with Flying Saucer nerves.

The Reds are slipping, they could have told the people, "Sure, you saw the things. They're ours. Just another Communist invention, you know, proving how far ahead of the rest we are in all developments for the protection of the people's democracies."

By the way, do you suppose -- ? Oh, of course they aren't - are there?

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BOOKS TO READ:

"THE MOON PUZZLE" By:- N.O. Bergquist. Sidgwick & Jackson Ltd.
1 Tavistock Chambers, Bloomsbury Way, London W.C.1. Price 16/-.

"SPACE, GRAVITY AND THE FLYING SAUCER" By:- L.G. Cramp. (A theory on the motive power of flying saucers, illustrated with photographs and the author's drawings.)
T. Werner Laurie Ltd. 1 Doughty Street, London W.C.1. Price 10/6d.

SHREDS OF DOUBT?

ADAMSKI MEETING WITH VENUSIAN "PRE-ARRANGED".

A SENSATIONAL TURN TO THE FLYING SAUCERS MYSTERY IS GIVEN BY A REMARKABLE LETTER WRITTEN BY JERROLD E. BAKER, ONE-TIME SECRETARY AND CHAUFFEUR TO GEORGE ADAMSKI, CO-AUTHOR OF "FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED". THIS THROWS SERIOUS DOUBTS ON ADAMSKI'S CLAIMS TO HAVE SEEN A SAUCER LAND IN THE CALIFORNIAN DESERT AND TO HAVE SPOKEN TO THE OCCUPANT, SAID TO HAVE COME FROM THE PLANET VENUS. THE CONTACT WITH THE VENUSIAN, SAYS BAKER, WAS ARRANGED BEFOREHAND.

Baker has made a sworn statement declaring that he did not take the alleged photograph, with a Brownie camera, of a Saucer as accredited to him in his book. This, together with other pictures, was taken by Adamski. Baker has also written to Desmond Leslie, co-author of the book, stating:-

"VICTIM OF A SHAM"

"He (Adamski) reeks with exaggerations and misinterpretations of fact - and all of this he accomplishes under the guise of a metaphysical wizard. My position with Adamski at the time (of his alleged contact with the Venusian in the Californian Desert) was everything from handyman to secretary and chauffeur.

"Do not let yourself be the victim of a sham", he adds, and gives a list of questions directed to testing the credibility of Adamski's claims. He continues:-

"Let me quote from a letter I received from Adamski long after I requested his restraint in using my name in connection with the controversial Brownie snapshot:

"DO YOURSELF GOOD"

"You know that the picture connected with your name is in the book too, the one taken by the well with the Brownie. With people knowing that you are interested in the Flying Saucers as you have been, and buying the book as they are - I understand it is a best seller already - you could do yourself a lot of good.

For you have plenty of knowledge of these things, whereby you could give lectures in the evenings. There is a demand for this. You could support yourself by the picture in the book with your name. For remember, you are as much publicised in this book as I am, as far as the pictures are concerned.

Having the knowledge you have of these things, you have your break right here; at the same time serving the public by promoting the knowledge of these visitors. Such lectures could net you a few cents right along as an income."

But this is not the end of the story: writing in the January issue of "Nexus", an American publication, James W. Moseley, a Flying Saucer researcher, quotes these extracts from a letter written to him by Baker.

"I did NOT take the Brownie snapshots accredited to me, this was NOT the only Brownie picture taken. George Adamski was the other photographer, and the other Brownie pictures were destroyed at his request. (continued over-leaf.

Desmond Leslie has answered these charges by Jerrold E. Baker, see next issue of this magazine for his vigorous reply.

RECORDED BEFOREHAND:

"The photograph was not taken on the date indicated. The desert contact was pre-planned and Adamski related the details to me of what was to take place there previous to the venture".

Moseley also quotes from a letter written by Baker to Frank Scully, a well-known investigator of Flying Saucers, concerning the alleged contact with the Venusian.

"I accidentally heard a tape-recorded account of what was to transpire on the desert - who was to go, etc., - several days before the party left."

"Though this recording was a 'communication through psychic means' the account as presented (in the book) is entirely untrue. Regardless of the reasons presented to you or me, the witness, or the reading public, its manner and presentation has been misleading."

METAPHYSICAL DISCOURSE:

In another letter to Scully, Baker expands on this point: "The tape-recording I heard was a metaphysical discourse received through Adamski approximately one week before the desert contact.

"I had heard about ten minutes of the tape-recorded talk. From this brief behind-the-scenes listening, I was able to determine that the desert contact was not a mere stab in the dark or a picnic on the desert, but a planned operation."

In this detailed analysis of Adamski's story, Moseley adds, "How did the Venusian's footprints turn out so well in the desert sand, in an area in which, according to a West Coast informant, there had been no rain for several months?"

Moseley points out that the six witnesses named by Adamski in the book as confirming his story were not impartial. Two were close personal friends and the remaining four ardent believers in Saucers before the events narrated by Adamski were said to have occurred. Moseley, summarizing this investigation, states that the flaws in Adamski's account raise serious doubts about its authenticity.

GAD SIR! 300 SOLDIERS SEE A FLYING SAUCER: A "WHATSIIT"
Nov. 1954

Three hundred Swiss soldiers saw a Flying Saucer on Thursday, the Swiss Army announced today. The men were on manoeuvres near Grandvillard, south western Switzerland, with an anti-aircraft unit, when a disc-shaped object with a red glow on its silvery surface appeared about 10,000 ft. above them and remained motionless.

"It was first thought it was some kind of balloon ", said an Army spokesman. But suddenly it moved away very quickly in a southern direction and disappeared behind the clouds. The quick horizontal movement showed it could not have been a balloon ... "Everybody left his position at the guns to gaze at the object through telescopes and other instruments at the observation post of the battery."

Unidentified flying objects have been seen over Switzerland repeatedly in recent years, said the spokesman.

SEE "NZ PICTORIAL" 16TH MAY, THERE WILL BE A FEATURE ON CSI'S FIRST PUBLIC MEETING

FLYING SAUCERS.

FACING ESTABLISHED FACTS. THE CONTRADICTION OF THOSE FACTS
BY CERTAIN PHENOMENA. THE QUESTION OF COINCIDENCE. EMERGENCE
OF A REMARKABLE HYPOTHESIS.

It would seem appropriate at this stage in the "Flying Saucers" controversy to check a few salient points forming the nucleus of debate between the two opposing schools of thought.

These objects or phenomena are realities existing inside and/or outside our atmosphere. They are NOT hallucinations. Many hundreds of sightings are now on record, and in most cases have been witnessed by more than one person. Mass suggestion and mass hysteria are possible. The idea of mass hallucination verges on the ridiculous. Fraud is ruled out, on the grounds that it would involve a wide scale conspiracy or falsification amongst people whose dispositions, both socially and intellectually, are entirely different.

THE EVIDENCE OF RADAR:

Radar contact and tracking of unidentified objects has occurred. Whilst it is possible that a few atmospheric phenomena, such as special cloud forms or individual vortices, could convey the impression of solidity, the probability of such conditions being prevalent is very doubtful. Indeed, if such conditions were at all frequent, the utility of radar would be nullified. Special atmospheric forms are not in the habit of racing back and forth across the sky in neat formations, nor of sudden ascent and descent, nor do they possess circular windows from which a strong steady blue light is emitted.

Radar hitherto has not recorded patches of reflected light, yet many people hold tenaciously to the idea that "Saucers" are such patches. Their dilemma is obvious. They must either give up their "light Saucers" and listen to the oracle of radar, or they must concede radar the ability to track the movement of reflected light. It is true, they may shift from one foot to the other, from light patches to atmospheric forms and vice versa, as the circumstances may demand; but, as a result, their hypotheses will take on the complexion of convenience first, with actuality a poor second. They will not convince themselves nor their listeners.

METEORS & METEORITES:

Astronomical bodies in the form of meteors and meteorites enter the earth's atmosphere at great velocity and are either vapourised by air friction, or reduced drastically in size before crashing into earth. Meteors are minute bodies similar in size to grains of sand. Their life in our atmosphere is one blaze of glory, extinguished in a few brief moments. They do NOT remain hovering over cities for lengthy periods. Meteorites, the much larger bodies, are somewhat longer lived. They may "clip" the atmospheric shell and escape, with little reduction in size due to vapourisation. To be capable of making such a passage the meteorite must possess a tremendous velocity. In most cases, earth's gravity hauls the wanderer down in a curving path of flame, to his final resting place.

Meteors or Meteorites do NOT possess return tickets, nor are they allowed to change their direction, once they are grasped by the gravitational force of our planet. They burn out or crash - and they do so quickly. They do NOT play hide and seek around mountain tops, nor reverse their direction of travel alongside flying airliners. A stationary "mother" Meteorite with a flock of mini-meteorites frisking about her and signalling to each other, is unknown to the science of astronomy.

*By
Theorist.*

SOME INTERESTING HAPPENINGS:

Having looked at the reasonable limits to which natural and undirected phenomena aspire, let us glance at two or three pieces of information, submitted in innocence by trained observers. These men, qualified in one of the most noble of the sciences, had no axe to grind, nor any pretensions towards becoming preactical jokers or hoaxers. They witnessed these happenings, and faithfully recorded them.

On January 16th, 1818, Astronomer Loft of Ipswich, observed a strange object near the sun's disc. It remained visible for close on four hours.

From September 6th to November 1st, 1831, Dr. Wartman and his observatory assistants recorded the presence of a luminous body. It was not observed in other parts of the world. This implies the close proximity of the object to the point of observation.

In March, 1868, Venus projected a narrow beam of light out into space. A similar phenomenon was witnessed by Webb during April. In June of the same year the staff of Radcliffe Observatory, Oxford, noticed a luminous object in the sky. It changed direction, halted, and behaved in general as though controlled by a reasoning being. Round about this time Venus was near the earth. It displayed a vivid red spot.

In June, 1873, apparent projection flashes from Mars were observed by Astronomer Galle, also by Dr. Sage, of Rybnik, Poland. An explosion occurred in our upper atmosphere. (Could this have been an unmanned experimental rocket from another planet? The odds against hitting a target the size of the earth, by sheer chance, at a distance of some 40,000,000 miles, are TRULY astronomical. It is comparable to taking a random shot at a tennis ball, situated a quarter of a mile away.)

There are many records of strange happenings out in space, long before this century dawned, and long before the era of high-flying aircraft and routine release of meteorological balloons. There are instances of bright objects leaving the moon and moving at great velocity out into space, long before present-day controversy over such assumptions. Many of these reports cannot be explained away by hiring terrestrial phenomena, or by the arrival of meteorites. To do so is asking too much of the overworked expression, "optical illusion".

FLYING SAUCER LANDINGS:

Editorial reviews are usually well reasoned and impartial. Such was the review given recently in "PRACTICAL MECHANICS" concerning the book "Flying Saucers Have Landed". This article in no way presumes to contradict or supersede that review. It is aimed solely at eliciting facts which cannot be ignored in speculating about "Flying Saucers" or similar phenomena.

The joint authors of the book referred to, Mr. Desmond Leslie and Mr. George Adamski, have come under heavy fire from all sides. Their integrity has been challenged, in so far as the space ship photographs are concerned. Nevertheless, it must be admitted that few inroads have been made on the convictions which they so stoutly defend. Discoverers and pioneers, or just ordinary mortals with an extraordinary story to tell: all have met with doubt, ridicule, and even worse, from the general public. It cannot be a pleasant position to be in. Certainly not one to strive for at least.

A photograph of bright objects leaving the moon, or positioned between the camera and the moon, is claimed to have been taken by Adamski. Critics of its authenticity have pointed out that two of the objects do not come within the field of vision - therefore they give the impression of being INSIDE the telescope. Why a

person should strive for such a result is not mentioned. Neither is it mentioned that the two offending "Saucers" appear very blurred compared with their companions. The lunar surface which forms the background to the line of objects, is very faint and it is certainly not in true focus. Is it possible that the brightly shining objects ARE in correct focus - and much nearer to the earth than the moon?

The opinion that the Palomar Observatory (Adamski lives in the vicinity), of all places, has never reported any "Saucer" activity, whilst Adamski has been plagued with them, is amusing but misleading. The 200 in. reflector has mightier game to hunt for than a few Solar System "Saucers". Perhaps they may eventually tag on to an extra-galactic type - but nothing less!

Two sisters in a remote district of Europe encounter a strange man with long, dark hair reaching to his shoulders. They try to converse with him in two or three different languages. He does not understand them. He tries to explain himself by gestures and drawings. The girls do not know much about astronomy. Frustrated, the stranger reluctantly departs in a machine similar in form to the one reputedly photographed by Adamski.

Had these two young ladies just read a copy of "Flying Saucers Have Landed" and decided to play a practical joke? Only they know, but if they had never heard of Adamski or his visitor, then the case for a visitor from space is considerably strengthened.

A peculiar fact associated with "Saucer" reports is that they often mention the machines creating a noise similar to a large humming top or an organ. No flying machine so far disclosed has this characteristic. A previous report in Europe made by a man and child, the report by Adamski, and one other report originating in North America, all mention one thing in common about "Flying Saucers" encountered on terra firma. In each case the small ships appeared to be manned by a crew of TWO. Now whether TWO is a favourite number for practical jokers is highly questionable.

A QUESTION OF MASS:

To continue our short experiment in factual analysis, let us for the moment grant the Palomar Venusian an existence and consider part of the evidence submitted by Mr. Adamski.

The main point, overlooked by most critics, is that relating to the footprints of the visitor (he apparently took great pains to communicate their importance to his host). Adamski asserts that the impressions left by the visitor were in all cases deeper than those left by himself. As the stranger was described as being slightly below average height and Adamski appears to be quite heavily-built, it suggests a marked difference in the physical constitution of the two men. This difference, coupled with the stranger's clear assertion that he came from a planet in the second orbit, is held out as proof of the visitor's Venusian origin. It is assumed that an inhabitant of Venus (whose mass is 0.817 that of the earth), would automatically weigh more on the earth than a native. This in itself is a false premise from which to argue.

All matter possesses mass and is attracted to the earth with an acceleration of 32 ft./sec./sec. This acceleration is usually termed g . The force with which the earth attracts an object is expressed as the object's mass m times g . This force is known as the WEIGHT of the object (mg). As the earth is an oblate spheroid in form (flattened slightly at the poles); the value of g varies from place to place on the earth's surface, being greater at the poles (983.216 cm./sec./sec.) than at the equator (978.03 cm./sec./sec.) The main cause for this difference is due naturally to the polar surface being nearer the earth's centre of gravity than the

equatorial surface. Polar diameter: 7,900 miles. Equatorial diameter: 7,927 miles. A body weighed (by spring balance, of course) on the equator and then again at one of the poles, will register an increase in weight at the latter. The weight of a body varies with the value of g, but not its mass. The mass of a body is invariable and indestructible, whether the body be placed on the earth or any other planet in existence.

If two beings, say a Venusian and an Earthling, are of the SAME MASS, then provided they are weighted in the same place, their weights will be equal. If human beings anywhere in the Universe are the SAME DENSITY, then Adamski's visitor, being the smaller man, should have been lighter than Adamski. The idea that a Venusian possesses greater mass than an Earthling is incompatible with their respective planetary characteristics. The earth's mass is decidedly greater than that of Venus, therefore, if a difference in mass did exist between their inhabitants, it is logical to attribute the greater mass to the Earthling. Thus, on a second count, the Venusian's footprints should have been shallower than those of his temporary host.

The only alternative which meets the evidence submitted by Mr. Adamski is to concede the stranger a greater mass than an inhabitant of our planet, and thus originating from a planet of a larger mass than the earth. Mercury, Venus, and Mars, are immediately ruled out. Uranus, with a mass 14.6 times that of the earth, seems to be the only reasonable proposition in the solar system. This planet, however, lies in the SEVENTH orbit - not in the SECOND, as the stranger apparently insisted. Yes, we know, there must be a vast number of second orbit planets, scattered amongst the 100,000 million suns of our stellar universe. Many will possess just that sufficiently greater mass than the earth, to suit our rather startling hypothesis - but for the present, our speculations are confined to interplanetary not interstellar possibilities.

The process of extracting and segregating the probable and impossible from the evergrowing accumulation of "Flying Saucer" stories is a difficult task - but well worth the effort involved. That there are phenomena occurring inside and outside our atmosphere cannot be denied.

Practical Mechanics, Feb. 1955.

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MOTOR-CYCLISTS TALKED TO "SAUCER" PILOT.

Toulon, October 18th, 1954.

TWO FRENCH MOTOR-CYCLISTS SWORE AT TOULON TODAY THAT THEY TALKED TO THE 'PILOT' OF A FLYING SAUCER PARKED IN THE MIDDLE OF THE HYERES-TOULON ROAD LAST THURSDAY NIGHT.

The two men, Mario Rapellini and Pieree Ottoviani, told police that they found the Flying Saucer was a circular object, with two legs resting on the ground. It had a bulge on the top and two ear-like openings at the side. As they gingerly approached, they said a medium sized man, "dressed in grey overallâ of some strange material," stepped out. The following conversation took place in French. Rapellini: "Are you a Martian"? Stranger: "No, I'm French. Where am I?"

They told the "pilot" where he was. He re-entered the machine through a "triangular opening", a stream of vapour issued from the Saucer, and it rose slowly, vertically, into the air as its motor roared up. It then moved off at great speed, leaving an orange glow in its wake.

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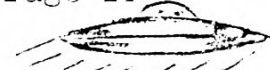
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SAUCERS OVER



THE HOLY LAND

ALTHOUGH FLYING SAUCERS OF MANY SHAPES INVADED THE SKIES OF THE HOLY LAND DURING OCTOBER, NO ONE CLAIMS TO HAVE SEEN A MARTIAN, OR EVEN A GROUNDED MACHINE. A PHYSICIST, POLICE AND ARMY OFFICERS, OFFICIALS OF AVIATION COMPANIES AND A JOURNALIST WERE AMONG THE PEOPLE WHO WITNESSED THE VISITS OF THE FLYING SAUCERS OVER JERUSALEM, BETHLEHEM, THE SEA OF GALILEE, AND ALONG THE COAST. SIMULTANEOUS REPORTS ABOUT THE SAUCERS CAME ON TWO SUCCESSIVE EVENINGS AND THERE WAS ONE DAYLIGHT 'FLIGHT' IN BETWEEN REPORTED FROM SAFAD, IN GALILEE.

Two men, one an Army Officer, walking towards a bus stop in a Jerusalem suburb, saw a broad band of very bright light overhead, travelling rapidly from east to west. "It was something like a rocket, but much faster and brighter", they said. Four seconds later the light faded and smoke could be seen against the low clouds. The light looked yellowish to the Army officer, but bluish to his friend.

Mr. A. Kabli, a Jerusalem physicist, reported that he saw, at the same time, in the centre of the city, "a brilliant object which zig-zagged above, lighting up the sky for a few seconds and then disappearing. "It was not a meteor, he insisted. Another witness in yet another part of the city, reported the same evening that he had seen a "circular object" flying at great speed from north to south at an altitude of about 300 ft.

The previous night, a brilliant object flying at great speed, was reported to the Jerusalem police. Witnesses described it as disc-shaped, light brown in colour. Smoke was seen escaping through two holes in the disc. One witness said that it looked "like a flying house floating above and smoke billowing from its windows."

From Bethlehem came reports of a "Flying Saucer" shrouded in powerful blue light leaving behind a trail of smoke as it disappeared in a south-easterly direction towards the Judean Desert. On the coast, cigar-shaped objects were seen by a crowd leaving the local cinema in a suburb of Haifa. Mr. Shrimshon Schwartz, a reporter on a local daily newspaper, said that the cigar was covered with red and blue light and was flying in a northerly direction.

Further south on the coast, people in Tel Aviv bombarded newspaper offices with reports about flying cigars. One couple from a suburb near Tel Aviv reported, "We saw a queer lighted object appear in the east, flying westwards at great speed. As it came nearer, the light grew and we could see clearly two tails of fire emitted behind it, until it suddenly made a sharp turn north and disappeared." The following evening, an official of the Israeli National Aviation Company El Al, Mr. A. Holander, said that he saw an "ellipsoid-shaped object" which appeared on the horizon in the north and travelled at great speed, leaving behind a shining white band resembling the tail of a meteor.

That same evening, Flying Saucers were reported from Midgal Ashdalon, the ancient Philistine city of Ascalon, further south on the Mediterranean coast. A report about an egg-shaped object travelling rapidly and shrouded in powerful, clear light, came that same evening from Eilath, Israel's southern-most village, on the shores of the Red Sea. A green "aura" surrounded a Saucer which was seen by several witnesses at Tiberias, on the shores of the Sea of Galilee. There, a crowd saw a round object shining with a blinding green light and flying at a great speed from east to west. Witnesses said that it remained in sight for about 15 seconds. The only daylight flight was reported, residents, including an engineer, saw from Safad in Galilee, several flying cigars.

A SPACE FREIGHTER SHAKES OFF TERRESTRIAL ICE

Source.

"The World News"

1950.

SCIENTISTS ARE STILL PUZZLING OVER THE MYSTERIOUS
MISSILES THAT SHOWERED FROM THE SKY.

By: Michael Hervey.

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By Editor

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Meteorological and aeronautical scientists in Britain are still puzzling over a strange phenomenon that occurred late in 1950, when a shower of big blocks of ice crashed from the sky over various parts of Britain.

Many theories have been advanced and investigated including one that the icy missiles were a bombardment from another planet. It was suggested that the missiles were launched from Flying Saucers, reports of which were particularly prevalent at the time. Whatever the theories and conjectures, there is no doubt about the facts.

During November and December, 1950, at least 12 cases were reported of these missiles, which ranged from a foot to a yard across, and weighed from a few pounds to several hundred. One block of ice, about a foot wide, landed at Loudwater, near High Wycombe in Buckinghamshire. The same day another crashed down at Vigo Village, Gravesend, Kent.

A few days later another chunk of ice fell from the sky in London, near Tooting, Broadway, striking a Miss Douglas on the head as she was alighting from a tramcar. She happened to be wearing a thick scarf around her head, which cushioned the impact, and she escaped serious injury.

A much larger piece crashed, to the accompanied noise of an explosion, through the roof of a garage belonging to Messrs. Fisher & Stacey, at Wandsworth, London. It made a hole in the roof more than two feet long, and narrowly missed a number of employees who were at work below. The ice in this case, according to the report, had a brown hue.

On November 9th, blocks of ice weighing over 14lb. were found scattered over a wide area of Exmoor. One of them had killed a sheep. Three days later a lump more than 12in. long landed on the grass verge of a roadway, uncomfortably close to a Royal Automobile Club patrolman, Mr. D. Tumore of Braughing, in Hertfordshire. He stopped a number of passing motorists to show them the frozen mass.

A Mr. Butcher, living at the Downs, Stebbing, near Dunmow, Essex, found outside his own door a peculiar-looking large piece of ice, which was later turned over to an Air Ministry Inspector.

In quick succession reports came in from Chelmsford and Wandsworth of similar bombardments from the sky. A huge chunk weighing more than 100lb. also fell in Ardencaple Drive, Helensburg, Dumbarton, Scotland, scattering jagged splinters of ice in all directions. Mr. Daird Paterson, who resided in the neighbourhood, was struck by one of the splinters. All these strange incidents were investigated by the police and meteorological experts.

They established that the weather conditions prevailing at the time were not conducive to the formation of abnormally large hailstones. An Air Ministry explanation was that the ice must have fallen from aeroplanes. It was suggested that water draining from a wash-basin in an airliner normally disappeared as spray, but in freezing conditions it was possible for it to form ice on the

underside of the fuselage. If the plane then flew into a layer of warm air, the ice might loosen and fall. A weakness on that explanation was why hadn't blocks of ice descended from the skies in previous years, and also, why should they only have dropped over the British Isles?

The matter was raised in the House of Commons towards the end of December by Sir John Mellor. Mr. Beswick, then Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Civil Aviation, admitted no proof had been found for the assumption that the waste water outlet of aeroplanes was the cause of the blocks of ice falling from the skies. The real explanation of this icy bombardment from above is still a mystery.

True, many strange objects have fallen from the sky in various parts of the world through the ages - frogs and fishes, for instance - and even reptiles. It has even rained blood, and red snow, and also manna.

In Limerick and Tipperary there have been many showers of a soft fatty substance that resembled butter, which was of a dark yellow colour and always fell at night. It is reported that one enthusiast in the United States made it his life's work to collect data from the four corners of the world concerning curious objects descending upon us, which he claimed were the residue of another planet. At the time of his death he had filled two large books with these reports.

Those who have advanced the theory that the blocks of ice were in reality missiles from another planet, had plenty of followers who believed that the mysterious Flying Saucer reports were bound up with the ice bombardment. No further similar phenomena have been reported since, which leaves the strange visitation still a mystery.

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ADAMSKI AT THE — ALBERT HALL —

George Adamski, the American who claims to have photographed flying saucers and to have talked with a man from Venus is reported to be coming to London this Spring (England). The man who has made the arrangements is Mr. Waveney Girvan, literary editor of T. Werner Laurie. The Albert Hall in London has been provisionally booked for a lecture by Adamski. "Flying Saucers Have Landed", the book written by Adamski & Leslie has been published in several languages. The Japanese version is just out. The English edition is in its 60th thousand. Now Mr. Girvan has also written a book about the saucers, it was published in Feb., this year. "Flying Saucers & Common Sense". Does this mean he is a believer? "Most definitely, we are being visited from another planet," said Girvan. Mr. Girvan bases his beliefs on personal investigations of hundreds of "sightings" in Britain. He is a chartered accountant and a Scotsman, not the type one would suspect of flights of fancy. (Darwen News, 28th January 1955, England.)

FLYING SAUCERS STARTED A PANIC !

Rio De Janeiro, 21 Nov. 1954, The pilot of a Brazilian airliner said today that a fleet of 19 flying saucers flew at tremendous speed less than 300 yards from his plane. His passengers panicked. Members of the crew had to act "Most violently" to overcome their fears. (Daily Sketch London.)

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LITTLE-MEN

Flying
Saucers

VISITED VENEZUELA

On December 16th, 1954, President of the United States Dwight D. Eisenhower, told a Press Conference that Flying Saucers are not from outer space and exist only in the imagination of the viewers. On the night of that momentous announcement, a young man of San Carlos, Venezuela, was set upon by a small hairy man-like creature and spent the night in a hospital under the care of physicians for treatment of shock. The most believable part of the San Carlos incident is the reason for young Jesus Paz being where he was when he was when the whole thing happened. Here are the details:-

Paz and two friends had dined at a restaurant at San Carlos, then proceeded home. When the party neared the Exposition Park of the Ministry of Agriculture, Paz asked the driver of the car to stop while he went behind some bushes, apparently to relieve himself. His friends, still in the car, heard a piercing scream which literally raised the hair on their heads. They rushed toward the spot where Paz had entered the brush, came upon their friend unconscious on the ground, and were just in time to see a hairy dwarf running toward a flat, shiny craft which hovered a few feet from the ground. One of the men, Luis Mojia, a National Guardsman, reached for his gun but remembered it was back in his barracks at Guard Headquarters. Mejia then picked up a stone and futilely threw it at the craft which had taken the dwarf in and was rising into the air with a deafening buzzing sound. At last report, Paz was under the care of doctors, and all three men were telling a convincingly hair-raising story to the authorities. Paz is not only suffering from shock, but has several long, large, deep scratches on his right side and along his spine, as if clawed by a wild animal.

HAIRY CREATURES

Just six days prior to Eisenhower's announcement that Saucers do not exist, Lorenzo Flores and Jesus Gomez, of Carora, Venezuela, related their experience with four little hairy creatures near the Trans-Andean Highway between Chico and Corro de las Tres Torros. The boys had been hunting, and when they sighted a bright object off the highway, they thought it was a car. Upon approaching, they saw an object which appeared like two wash-bowls placed one on top of the other, and hovered about two and a half feet from the ground. They estimated the size as about nine feet in diameter, and said it gave out fire from the bottom.

In the boy's own words: "Then we saw four little men coming out of it; they were approximately three feet tall. When they realized we were there, the four of them got Jesus and tried to drag him toward the object." "I could do nothing but take my shotgun, which was unloaded," says Flores, and thrust hard blows with the butt of the gun at one of them. The gun seemed to have struck rock or something harder, as the gun broke into two pieces."

Could they notice any features in the little men, they were asked by reporters. "No", said Flores, "we could see no details but what we did notice was the abundant hair which covered their bodies, and their great strength." Gomez could remember little of the incident, for he had fainted from fright when the creatures grabbed him. When asked if they saw the Saucer leave, the boys said no,

that when they broke away they ran as fast as they could for the highway about 150 feet away. Exhibiting scratches and bruises, their shirts torn to shreds, the boys rushed to the nearest Police precinct and told their story.

Investigation by authorities showed signs of the fright and where the Saucer had rested. They were examined by psychiatrists, found to be sane, responsible young men. But the United States Air Force and the President say that Saucers do not exist

FOLLOWED CAR!

An unnamed (by request) teacher and director of an important educational institution of Barquisimeto, Venezuela, relates how he was pursued by a glowing, disc-shaped object while driving along the highway to Guanare.

Respected and well-liked, the individual involved in this incident states that while driving one evening, he noticed a bright object which, at a cursory glance, he thought was the moon. However, when approaching the town of Guanare, he noticed that the object was moving towards him, and huge in size. The Professor, seized with panic, took out his gun and fired twelve times at the object while it manoeuvred around his car.

Thoroughly frightened, the man then pushed the accelerator to the floor hoping to meet another car. He soon met another car which he managed to stop, and in which was a lawyer, the sheriff of a nearby town, and a policeman. The party of men then turned around and headed back to the spot where the disc was last seen. When they arrived, they were in time to see the disc disappearing to the south, leaving a bluish trail behind. The Professor has recently consulted a psychiatrist regarding his delicate mental condition since the incident.

But the United States Air Force and the President say the Saucers do not exist

LOADING BOULDERS

Yelling, without his shirt, and with a terrified look on his face, Jose Parra, 18 year old jockey of Valencia, Venezuela, arrived at the offices of the National Security in the early morning of December 19, and related his hair-raising tale of how a hairy little man tried to kidnap him.

Immediately upon his arrival, Parra was detained by Mr. Lopez Ayara, Commissioner of Criminology, until his nerves could calm down. Detectives detailed to examine the place where the incident happened, found tracks which they were not able to identify as either those of a man or an animal. Parra, out doing road work to lose some extra poundage, stopped near a cement factory on the highway, where he was surprised to see six little men, all very hairy, who were engaged in pulling boulders from the side of the highway, and loading them aboard their disc-shaped craft which was hovering less than 9 ft. from the ground. Parra, startled and frightened, started to run away to call someone else to watch the sight. At this point one of the little men spotted Parra, pointed a device at him, which gave off a violet light. Parra was unable to move, and stood by helplessly while the little creatures ran to their ship, and leaped aboard. The craft then disappeared into the sky.

One hour after Mr. Parra's experience, a brightly lighted disc was seen hovering a few feet from the ground near the Barbula Sanatorium for Tuberculars at Valencia. Two hospital employees saw the object at different times, one at about 12 midnight, and the other at about 3.15 a.m. The fellow who witnessed the earlier incident, notified no one for fear of disturbing the hospital patients. The man involved in the latter incident attempted to approach the craft for a better look but it moved away and ascended into the air.

A QUESTION UNANSWERED

At 6.30 p.m., December 10, a well known and (by request) unnamed physician of Caracas, Venezuela, witnessed a strange sight while out driving with his father in the vicinity of La Floresta. The doctor in question has been interviewed by members of the Press so his identity is known. His story rings true, and he had a witness. While driving between La Carlota Airdrome and Francisco de Miranda Avenue, his father suddenly pointed and exclaimed "Look!"

Upon looking in the direction in which his father was pointing, the doctor stopped the car in order to observe better. He watched two little men who were running into the brush. Shortly after they disappeared into the thickets, a luminous disc-shaped object emerged from in and with a sharp 'sizzling' sound, darted off into the sky at a rapid rate of speed. The doctor, a former skeptic, isn't laughing any more.

During the period in November and December in 1954 when many strange sights were seen in South America, including the foregoing incidents, the most reliable of people including a bishop of the Catholic church, Professors, Astronomers, Physicists, law enforcement officers and members of the military, beheld the strange goings on in the Heavens and on the ground.

Stranger than the strange sightings themselves, perhaps, is the strange absolute absence of any mention of them in the wires of the international news agencies, and in particular, the Free Press of the United States. Heretofore, the Director and close associates had begun to feel that perhaps press silence on Saucers was due to their conviction that the Saucers really don't exist. However, if (and it is a certainty that all news agencies throughout the world are aware of headlines which made front pages in Caracas for weeks on end) the news wire services don't think the foregoing items newsworthy, they need some new blood on their editorial staffs. If the reason for clamming up regarding these particular sightings is because they don't want to cause hysteria, then this is, to us, evidence of censorship and the authenticity of the sightings themselves.

Let's all hark back to the European sightings — some of them obvious hoaxes, others actual sightings embellished by imagination. But — they received pretty good coverage in National Publications in the United States, although in a humorous vein. Somehow, we feel that the powers that be have decided that the South American sightings couldn't be publicised at all, for the evidence is all against any conventional explanation, and considerable had feeling might result if the President insinuated that these hundreds of observers were suffering from over active imaginations.

The extra-ordinary Venezuela incidents are direct quotations from the 15th January 1955 Aerial Phenomena Research Organization (APRO Bulletin). Hdqrs 519 New York St. Alamogordo New Mexico, USA. This organization is a very steady and reliable source of information.

ALL THOUGHT IT WAS GOING TO LAND

RANTON, STAFFORDSHIRE, ENGLAND; October 21st 1954

By Gavin Gibbons, Roving Investigator of
the B.F.S.B. & F.S.C.

Mrs. Roestenberg, of Vicarage Farm, her two sons aged eight and six, and her little girl aged $2\frac{1}{2}$ yrs. were in the house when, at about 5.45 they heard a terrific hissing noise, just as water had been thrown on the fire, only much louder. They all rushed out and were astounded to see a strange object in the sky above them. "It's a jet!", cried one of the boys, and they rushed to the back, ready for it, but it didn't come. Turning round, they were amazed to see it hovering just above one of their chimneys. "It seemed to be moving very slowly for an aeroplane", said Mrs. Roestenberg, when I asked her what her first impression had been when she had run out of the front door, at the first sound of the thing.

It consisted of a dome over a saucer. (see sketch) The dome part was divided vertically and horizontally, thus making four sections. The front two sections were of some transparent material, and the back two were metallic. The upper side of the saucer itself was revolving (she couldn't remember which way) and the lower part remained stationary. Mrs. Roestenberg did not herself see the underside, but the boys said it stuck out a little. They were definite that there were no landing spheres as on the Adamski and Coniston Saucers. The colour was brilliant aluminium silver. She could not remember the colour behind the two men in the transparent panel

The Saucer tipped at an angle, presumably so that the crew could look at Mrs. Roestenberg and the children. All thought it was going to land and the children flattened themselves out as they would in an air raid. The two men in the Saucer appeared to have skins much the same as ours, but they had high foreheads, the features being in the lower half of the face. Their hair came down to their shoulders, she said, and they were dressed in what seemed to be ski-ing suits. They never moved, and looked stern and forbidding. They had "glass bowls" over their heads, and the boys thought they could see breathing apparatus. After the terrified foursome had stared at the spectacle for about 15 seconds, the machine ascended at an angle of 45° - making no sound as it moved.

A flashing, purple-blue light (flashing at about the rate of the red aircraft beacon on the Wrekin) - mounted on the 'front' end of the Saucer came into action when the thing moved, and kept on all the time. Thinking the craft had gone, Mrs. Roestenberg dashed into the house to draw what she had seen. But after ascending in a Southerly direction, it suddenly began to circle the house in an anti-clockwise direction and left a trail like that of a jet-plane. When it had circled the house one and a half times - by which time the boys had called her out again - and it suddenly streaked up at 60° in a northward direction until lost to sight. "I've never seen anything move as fast," said Mrs. Roestenberg, "much faster than the fastest jet."

"ONLY WHEN MOVING HORIZONTALLY DID IT LEAVE ANY TRAIL."* Mrs. Roestenberg thought it was a jet at first - and one was in the sky at the time. It was just beginning to get dark, and the Saucer's trail appeared like a pencil line against the blue sky. It was a perfect day, with not a cloud in the sky.

Intrigued by his wife's experience, the following Sunday, October 24th, after lunch Mr. Roestenberg climbed up to the chimney over which the Saucer had hovered; partly to see if there were any trace of anything interesting - which there was not - but mainly to see if he could see anything in the "space-ship" line.

Believe it or not, his wish was almost immediately granted. Suddenly, to the south-east, he saw a cylindrical, sausage-shaped thing, aluminium coloured and divided into four or five segments. His wife, called out to look, said it was the same colour as the Saucer, but a friend staying with them insisted that there were dark patches where the wings ought to have been (the object being about the size of a fighter plane). However, Mr. Roestenberg examined it intently and could see neither wings nor tail; only the lines around it separating it into segments. It appeared south-east of where they were and about 30' high. It flew round in an anti-clockwise direction, and then went into a cloud bank.

* EDITOR'S NOTE: Contrails are normally only produced by aircraft flying at fairly high altitudes, (apart from certain American jet types such as the Sabre) which emit a smoky (burnt paraffin) trail. This, however, is quite tenuous and disperses quickly.

Excerpt "Flying Saucer News", England.

FLYING DISCS EXIST, AVIATION TROPHY WINNER ASSERTS:

William P. Lear, chairman of the Board of Directors of Lear Inc., of Santa Monica, California, told a news conference today he believed the so-called Flying Saucers really exist.

Lear, who was presented with the Robert J. Collier Aviation trophy by President Truman in 1950 for developing an automatic pilot to fly jet planes, said he believed the flying saucers came from outer space and were piloted by beings of "superior intelligence". He said he believed the Saucers probably came from some planets outside the range of observation from the earth.

Lear, who developed the F-5 electronic automatic pilot, came here on a goodwill visit. He said he would stay through Saturday or Sunday. He plans talks with Government and Aeronautic officials.

1,500 NOW CHECK FLYING SAUCERS:

The British Flying Saucer Bureau, which was formed a year ago with Headquarters in Bristol, now has 1,500 members, it was disclosed at the annual meeting at Carwardine's Restaurant, Baldwin Street,

It was stated that the primary aim of the Bureau, which had recently united with the Flying Saucer Club at Hove (Sussex), was one of research and dissemination of information.

It was stressed that members of the public can attend the Bureau's meetings, which are held at Carwardine's on the first Wednesday of each month. An appeal was also made to people to send all information about their "sightings" to the Bureau for investigation. Dr. R. Irving-Bell was re-elected President.

Mr. G.F.N. Knewstubb was re-elected vice-president; Mr. H.L.G. Copley Treasurer, and Mr. E.L. Plunkett, 71 Chedworth Road, Horfield, Secretary.

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NEW ZEALAND Spies

XMAS & NEW YEAR FLURRY OF STRANGE SIGHTS
FURTHER C.S.I. FORECAST RINGS TRUE.....

Near the conclusion of the address given at C.S.I.'s 4th General Meeting on 1/12/54, the President stated that he expected a flurry of UFO sightings bridging the Xmas and New Year. This was also mentioned in the report on the Meeting sent to the "Auckland Star". Although the Press kindly made small mention of C.S.I. current findings, the forecast was not published.

Perhaps this is an appropriate moment to warn all interested parties to watch the Press in mid 1955 for the elusive UFO's renewed activities in the countries of the Southern Hemisphere.

"UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS" (UFO) OBSERVATIONS FROM 8th December, 1954 to 31st March, 1955.

"Shooting Moon" At 10 p.m on the 14th December, 1954, Mr. T. Hogan of Khandallah saw a brilliant white half-moon-like object shoot towards the horizon. It left a luminous trail which remained visible for 15 seconds.

More Mystery Threads: 16/12/54 Christchurch.

"Star-Sun", 17/12/54. Large masses of substance closely resembling cobwebs have been drifting in the Christchurch skies for three days. Greatly increased quantities were sighted in the St. Albans area this day. Mr. R.J. McLaren, 227 Cambridge Terrace, tried to gather some, but it vanished when touched. The material more closely resembled snow-flakes than cobwebs. A number of C.S.I. members in Christchurch also reported this substance.

Mrs. H. Ward, Secretary of the N.Z. Interplanetary Society Inc., first notified C.S.I. by telegram, and followed this with a written report. Apparently a large quantity of the substance fell, and many people saw it and noticed its strange characteristics. Mr. H.E. Ward also forwarded a report. There is little doubt that the substance was dropped from a flight of UFO's which passed over during the night at great altitude.

Hovering UFO Climbs Radially Away: 20/12/54. Dallington, Christchurch.

At 10.21 p.m. on the above date, I was seeing a friend off at the gate of my home, when my attention was drawn to some dull light flickering on the sides of the houses across the street, not unlike the reflections from the flames of a far distant fire. I quickly turned around and saw at an estimated elevation of 60° West South West, a disc object of the diameter half that of the moon, glowing with a dull dirty yellow light. It fluctuated in intensity and then gave an impression of shrinking very rapidly, and finally disappearing from sight. The time was of the order of two to two and a half second's duration. The weather was cool, and the wind was from the North East direction. Sea fog was fairly prevalent in patches and interfered slightly. No motion in direction was observed, and any movement was radial, i.e., directly away from the observer.

Further, the chances of seeing a fireball moving radially are remote, precluded the surmise of meteoric origin. Electrical phenomena are also not prevalent and no thunder clouds were seen. No sound was heard. I cannot so far

the observation with any astronomical phenomena, and conclude that it must come under the heading of an "unidentified object".

Signed: G.R. Nankivell. F.R.A.S.

"A Strange Sight"

Late December, 1954, Onehunga. Mr. H.W. Nicholson reports, "While watching what I took for a bright star low on the horizon, I was very surprised to see it suddenly turn red and travel upwards and across Auckland. I heard a low hum which did not resemble noise from conventional aircraft.

"Three Brilliant Lights in Night Sky"

26/12/54 Onerahi, Whangarei. Three people, Mr. A.E. Meinhold, Mr. M. Meinhold, and Mr. T. Woods claim to have seen three UFO's at 3.3 a.m. A brilliant object glowing with the power of a very bright star, hovered in the Eastern sky, at approximately 30° elevation, while two other smaller red objects were stationary in the South East and Northern skies. The light from the larger object went on and off three times, giving the observers the impression it was revolving on an axis. It also cast two silvery discs of light in the harbour.

Mr. Meinhold photographed the objects with a 35 m.m. colour plate. The objects disappeared with the dawn. Mr. Jack Flower, our Whangarei representative, has been unsuccessful to date in an effort to contact Mr. Meinhold. No further data has come to hand on the sighting. The President of the C.S.I. studied a map of the area, and when taking times and directions given, feels that these good people may have been taken in by the planet Venus, which was indeed a brilliant object in the early morning Eastern sky at that time. We are still interested to learn whether Mr. Meinhold obtained anything on the film.

"White Light With Blue Centre"

29/12/54. Nelson. Mr. Ellis Dudgeon reports seeing this unusual sight at 11.20 p.m. whilst observing Jupiter. The light suddenly swung in a concave arc, and was visible for one second. The phenomena was seen in the same direction and area of the Mr. Gibbon's 9th September, 1954, experience and photographic evidence, and the two vertical shafts of light that were observed by a Mr. Hall on 20/3/54, to shine down through a thunderstorm then in progress.

"Unusual Cloud Formation"

30/12/54. Taupiri. 8 p.m. Mr. A.B. Jones reports sighting two Lenticular clouds. These could of been Vortical cloud formations.

"Hovering UFO Seen"

31/12/54. Dalmore, Dunedin. For 20 minutes after 4 a.m. a woman living at Rinchill Road watched a large peculiar white object hovering directly above Opoho. Only when the object suddenly moved off with gathering speed and gained altitude, did she waken her husband and 18 year old son, or feel convinced that she was really seeing something real. The three memebers of the family then watched the object for five minutes until it finally disappeared in the disance. The object several times passed behind cloud, to be dimmed and shine brightly again as it appeared in the clear spaces. There are no sceptics in the household now!

"Hovering Disc Seen"

3/1/55. Christchurch. Mr. H.E. Ward reports sighting a disc-like object side on. The object was below Jupiter and fairly close to the horizon. Just

as his wife was about to procure binoculars, the object appeared to turn on edge and disappear.

"Flying Anchor-Shaped UFO"

4/1/55. Whangarei. Mr. Bagley, his mother, father, sister, and cousin, saw a brightly lit anchor-shaped object slowly fly over to disappear in a Westerly direction. The object was first seen shortly before 9 p.m.. Mr. Bagley said he saw what appeared to be a tail; the object appeared to be flying very high, made no sound, and gave off an ordinary coloured light. It was about the size of a half crown but anchor-shaped.

"Cone-Shaped Object"

7/1/55. Whangarei. Mrs. E. Morgan of Houto sighted a cone-shaped object at 3 a.m. The object appeared the size of an orange, and gave off a dazzling yellow light. Mrs. Morgan and her brother watched the object for 15 minutes. Twice it was seen to suddenly drop - come nearer, and leave a trail of light like a tail. When daylight came it was higher in the sky.

"Another Cone-Shaped Object"

7/1/55. Christchurch. Five people living at New Brighton watched an object throwing off a bright orange light for 30 minutes from 9 p.m. At times the object faded, and then brightened up in a cloudless sky. At regular intervals it emitted yellow sparks, and through binoculars, the light appeared to belong to a cone-shaped object. At 9.30 p.m. it vanished behind a solitary cloud.

"Star-Like Object"

8/1/55. Christchurch. Mrs. M. Butler of 117 Durban Street, Sydenham, saw a star-like object in the sky at 4.25 p.m. (Saturday afternoon) It looked like something white floating in the sky, which appeared to go higher and higher and finally disappeared.

"Like a Ball of Fire"

10/1/55. Christchurch. Mrs. E. Percy, her husband and son saw what appeared to be a bright ball of fire hanging stationary in a clear sky. The object was twice as big as the Evening Star, and at one time was seen to dart to their right.

"Twin Spheres"

9/1/55. Waipukurau. Mr. H. Stott, a Waipukurau resident, stated that at about 8.10 p.m. he and about 30 other people were in the motor camp at Otaki, when an object giving the impression of twin spheres joined together and forming the silhouette of a figure eight was seen travelling silently across the sky. It was travelling from East to West with a swinging motion, and appeared to be gaining altitude. Suddenly the object burst into flames and disappeared.

"Brilliant Object in Sky"

12/1/55. Taumararui & Te Kuiti. Mrs. Lawre confirms the observation of a brilliant object seen in the night by she and others. She claims that the brilliant light woke her household up. Because of the intense light, the shape of the object was indistinguishable.

"Cigar Globe-Shaped UFO"

18/1/55. Quite a number of people from Whangarei, Onerahi, Kaitaia and Ngunguru, witnessed the passage across the sky of a brilliantly lit cigar-shaped object, flying in a Westerly direction. Most described the object as looking like a large and brightly lit up aircraft. The glow was yellow in colour

and brightest at the tail like exhaust end. The light radiance was described as outshining the sun. A Mrs. Purchase described it as looking like an electric light bulb with the thin end trailing a brighter glow. It was in sight for more a minute from 7.55 p.m.

"Sphere-like UFO With Ice-Cream Cone Shaped Tail"

21/1/55. Whangarei. Mr. H. Edge reported that the sight of a Flying Saucer nearly caused him to drive his taxi off the road. The brightly lit sphere with a tail shaped like an ice-cream cone flew slowly past him, circled around Mt. Parahaki, and disappeared in the direction from which it had appeared. There were other witnesses to the object, which was visible for several minutes. Mr. Edge estimated the object's size as approximately that of a fighter aircraft at 2,000 ft. flying at a speed of 200 M.P.H. Mr. Edge served as an Aircraft Engineer Mechanic in the R.N.Z.A.F. during World War II, in the Pacific area.

"Disc UFO Maneuvres Around Dunedin Skies."

22/1/55. Wakari. A. Mosgiel, Dunedin school teacher, said he leapt out of bed when something "swished" over the house in a terrific rate and illuminated the bedroom. He went outside and was in the act of rolling a cigarette when "the thing" came back over the same route at low level, as before. The object was a greenish colour. About a minute lapsed between the time he heard the first noise and the time he saw it disappearing in the distance.

While at Mosgiel on Sunday, 23/1/55, at 10.40 p.m. six people watched a glowing object circling the sky over the Taiere Valley at terrific speed for almost an hour. The object had two beams of light shining from it, fore and aft, would shoot across the sky, hang motionless with fluctuating lights for some minutes, then travel on. It was flying a flat trajectory and was still about when the watchers went inside. They noticed the release of a Met. Balloon whilst the object was under observation.

"UFO On Regular Route"

Onerahi, Whangarei. 27/1/55, 10/2/55. (Our Whangarei Representative, Mr. J. Flower, interviewed Mr. X who wished to remain anonymous. Mr. X is an officer of the Armed Services.) Between 4.45 p.m. and 5.30 p.m. in the morning on at least three occasions, Mr. X has seen a similar strange sight. On looking up with a weather eye, he was amazed to see a brightly lit cigar-shaped object flying in a Southerly direction overhead. The object's bright glow was yellowish in colour, and was accompanied by a noise somewhat similar to a jet but much quieter and easier on the ears. Mr. X had witnessed the same thing exactly on two previous occasions in the early morning up until the 10th February. He claims he can set his watch by it. Mr. Flower, our representative, states he has every confidence in Mr. X, who was formerly most sceptical.

"Shooting Moon UFO"

Dolson, West Coast. 28/1/55. A number of people reported seeing a brilliant green object of large dimensions, surrounded by creamy circles, flash past them at low altitudes. The object disappeared in the direction of Stillwater, and seemed to just clear the hills. Another reported seeing the object break up like a meteor and then go out.

"Large Discs in Daylight Sighting"

Ashburton. Reported in the Timaru Herald 1/2/55. Last Tuesday morning (25/1/55) at 9.30 a.m., an Ashburton businessman and his two daughters were motoring from Hakatere to Ashburton. It was a bright sunny morning without

a cloud in the sky. His daughters suddenly saw an object in the sky, which at first glance appeared to be a parachute slowly descending. On closer examination it was apparent that the object was not a parachute, although the shape was similar to the semi-spherical silk bowl of a parachute. The bright sun was reflecting strongly on the object, and it was obvious that it was made of metal similar to aluminium. It was also much larger than a parachute.

The motorist said he immediately increased his speed to come closer to the object, which was still gradually descending. Soon afterwards however, the object stopped its descent and slowly moved horizontally in a northerly direction. A few seconds later it suddenly increased its speed and in a few moments, was travelling at a phenomenal pace. In a few seconds it had disappeared from sight. To have pursued it in his car would have been hopeless, said the driver.

From the time the occupants of the car first saw the object to the time it disappeared, would be about three minutes, he concluded.

Three Ashburton residents visiting Hakatere on Sunday reported seeing another strange object in the sky. On this occasion (about 11 a.m.) the object was much higher than the one sighted on Tuesday morning. In appearance it was like a bright star and remained quite stationary during the 30 minutes it was visible. The object appeared to be just below high clouds. Occasionally, when the sky cleared or when a dark cloud passed above the object, it shone with great brilliancy. It was too high in the sky for its shape to be seen.

"Large UFO and Sky Quake" 6/2/55. Greymouth.

Was There a Link? REPORTED EXPLOSION AND "STRANGE OBJECT" IN WEST COAST SKY. A Mysterious explosion of terrific force, linked by time and observation with a strange object in the sky above the West Coast yesterday afternoon, caused much speculation throughout the district last night. So far there has been no explanation of the explosion nor of the object with which it apparently was linked.

RESPONSIBLE OBSERVERS AT WIDELY SEPARATED POINTS GAVE SIMILAR DESCRIPTIONS OF THE OBJECT IN THE SKY.

It was stated to be cigar-shaped, bright silver in appearance and travelling at a speed too great to estimate. It appeared to be losing altitude as it moved inland. Two observers, one at Dobson and one at Inchbonnie, claimed that the object was in two parts with the leading portion considerably larger than the other. The relative sizes were stated by the Inchbonnie observer to resemble a 44-gallon drum with a large saucepan at the rear, the whole emitting a dazzling light.

Inquiries indicated that the explosion, at approximately 5 p.m., was heard and felt over an area of several hundred square miles and the strange object in the sky was observed at the same time from at least four different places - the mouth of the Taramaukau River, Greymouth, Dobson, and Inchbonnie. The explosion was heard by many people in Greymouth and Nelson Creek, 20 miles North-east. It was as violent as a clap of thunder. At the Ten Mile, on the coast, it was also very loud and there was a pronounced trembling of the earth.

The line of flight of the object in the sky was approximately Wouth-west to North-east. It came in from the sea at a point about ten miles south of Greymouth, and its course would take it into the foothills of the Southern Alps somewhere about 25 miles inland from Greymouth. This was borne out by the observation at Inchbonnie. One observer reported a huge column of smoke in the foothills of the Alps at the time of the explosion.

Ashburton businessmen on the opposite coast also reported seeing a brilliant light travelling high in the sky above the Alps. It was like a Magnesium flare and appeared to be travelling towards the hills. Time of observation, 4.56 p.m., coincides with the West Coast observations.

C.S.I. recalls the 19th March, 1954, Nelson sky explosion, and the fast moving UFO that came low with loud swishing noises. Three thunderous explosions followed at minute intervals, and the intruder climbed away to rapidly disappear with altitude. For the following four days all kinds of UFO's dived, circled and hovered in the Nelson skies during night and day. Until Air Force Vampire Jets made a dramatic high altitude appearance on the 26th and made a terrific display of vapour trails in the skies - the first time most Nelsonites had seen such a sight.

Space does not allow more detailed observations, so here they are in brief:-

DUNEDIN STAR - 10/2/55 - Woman awakened by strange sound in sky.

12/2/55: Private report from Mrs. P.B. Jolly of Hamilton:- "Object shoots across sky then reverses direction."

NORTHERN ADVOCATE - 17/2/55: "Mr. Baker sees UFO in sky"

19/2/55: Private report from Christchurch representative, Mrs. E.E. Hamber, "Mr. Hobbs and party witness strange night phenomenon. No moon in the sky but brilliant light suddenly shone through the clouds to light up area.

HAWKES BAY HERALD-TRIBUNE - 21/2/55: "Brilliant sky object seen from Otamauri."

SOUTHLAND TIMES - 26/2/55: "Brilliant light in sky."

22/2/55: Private report obtained by the President of C.S.I. "Air Force Freighter Aircraft N.Z.5911 on night flight gathers strange sticky substance on windscreens and front fuselage. Flying at 6,000 ft. in Kaitaia area. The mystery substance, unlike the Mystery Threads, did not disintegrate on touch. Crew heard dull thuds on aircraft just before appearance on screen of sticky substance that wipes only smeared like grease. Aircraft compass went wrong at same time. Crew forced to return to base (Whenuapai) early. Sticky substance not a bit like insect or bird remains, crew puzzled.

23/1/55: C.S.I. member at Otahuhu reports "Bright light in sky, changed direction."

4/3/55: Napier member forwards reports, Mr. & Mrs. L. Giles sighting of a disc shaped dense orange coloured UFO at 1 a.m. heading from South-East to North-west over Hastings. Weather excellent for observation.

Southland Times 30/12/54

This press report just received from Mr A.T. Smith Invercargill member.

FLYING SAUCER SIGHTED OVER BLUFF

29/12/54. Five men saw what they believed to be a flying saucer high over Ocean Beach. Much bigger than a star, it remained stationary for 60 minutes from noon to 1 pm. The men described the object as a "bright shining silver disc", after looking at it through strong binoculars. They could see no markings or apertures on the disc. The object was sighted at noon by a bluff resident who wishes to remain anonymous. He summoned Mr. E. Wixen, J.P., Mr. J.P. Wyatt, labour party candidate for Awarua at the recent election, and two others. They all observed the object at a high altitude over the west end of the Bluff. The men made thorough checks with all appropriate departments, conventional explanations were all completely rejected.

21/3/55: Hawkes Bay Herald-Tribune reports, "Green sheets of light seen over Hastings by two women."

NEWS! - JUST RECEIVED

Major Keyhoe's new book "Flying Saucer Conspiracy" is to be published in the U.S.A. in May, 1955.

Frank Edwards, Washington Radio Newscaster, also expects to be publishing a book in May, 1955.

"London Illustrated" articles by Waveney Girvan, from his book "Flying Saucers & Common Sense", commence 29th January, 1955, issue.

INTERPLANETARY COMING OF AGE.

Britain's Interplanetary Society celebrated its 21st birthday on October 16th in London. Looking to the future as well as the past, the Society laid on lectures, film shows, and an exhibition at Caxton Hall, Westminster, and sent invitations to schools and other educational bodies in and around London to secure the attendance of the generation which is most likely to see space flight achieved. The response was so great that a second Hall had to be taken and a duplicate set of lectures laid on: the combined audiences totalled 800.

Exhibits included the D.H. Sprite, models and sections of rocket components, and drawings of imaginary astronomical scenes of the future, including some striking paintings by a new "space" artist who is beginning to make a name for himself. He is David A. Hardy, aged 17, entirely self-taught until the Society's Midlands Branch persuaded him to attend Birmingham Art School. Recently he has been called up into the R.A.F. He shows a remarkable technique for putting across the three-dimensional emptiness of space, and uses poster colours to great advantage in his backgrounds of lunar scenery and especially of the Earth seen from outside. But like most every artist in the same line of business, he still makes the mistake of giving our terrestrial clouds the same shape, size and distribution over all parts of the globe.

Guests at the dinner included Mr. Phillip Cleator, who founded the Society on the 13th October, 1933, Professor Hermann Oberth, the pioneer, and the Secretaries of the Royal Astronomical and Aeronautical Societies. (Incidentally, when the latter Society came of age, heavier-than-air flight was only 16 years ahead.)

Mr. K. Hoie, of the Norsk Interplanetarisk Selskap, gave the toast of the B.I.S., and Mr. Cleator, in replying, described the efforts needed 21 years ago to confine membership of the Society to only one kind of lunatic - that which believed it possible to send a rocket to the Moon. Among other toasts was that of "The achievement of space flight", proposed by the past chairman, Mr. A.V. Cleaver. He was "Sure it will happen" before the end of this century, and meanwhile, "one has the sense of belonging to a very superior sort of club - the best club in the world.

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ABOUT THE AUTHOR:

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"FLYING SAUCERS FROM MARS"

By CEDRIC ALLINGHAM.

An old Scots prayer asks divine protection from "long leggitie beasties and things that go bump in the night". The author of this book claims that, on 18th February, 1954, he had a personal interview with a long leggitie (6 ft. tall) Martian, who emerged from a Flying Saucer that bumped down near him in broad daylight, while he was strolling along the coast near Lossiemouth. Far from being afraid, he believes that such visitors from space may try to protect us from ourselves now that we have learned to play with thermonuclear toys.

If the reader believes that George Adamski (author of "Flying Saucers Have Landed") and Cedric Allingham are merely clever hoaxers, he will note that the only sharp, entirely convincing photograph in this book is the frontispiece of the author himself. Indeed, his "Martian" looks awfully like an Englishman in a frogman's outfit, and pictures of the Saucer look decidedly artificial.

If, on the other hand, the reader is numbered among the believers, he will be pleased to learn that the great astronomer, Charles Messier, reported seeing strange things "like ships, yet like bells" in the sky in 1777. Then, of course, there were the "Saucers" seen in June of this year by Capt. Howard of B.O.A.C. and his crew; others reported by the eminent astronomer, Dr. H.P. Wilkins, and that photographed by two schoolboys at Coniston three days before Mr. Allingham's "meeting with a man from Mars".

Mr. Allingham quotes another "famous astronomer ... (who) holds a Chair at a British University" as saying that: "We think our Saucer photographs are good, don't we? Well, it's a pity we can't see the files of the Royal Air Force, or the collection they've built up at Palomar. Believe me, they've really got some marvellous ones!"

Surely, if this is not true, it would be easy and worthwhile for the Air Ministry and the authorities at Palomar to say so, officially; Otherwise the editors of aircraft recognition books will tend to become very depressed about the future; for the only external difference between interplanetary aircraft built millions of miles apart in the solar system seems to be that the Martian Saucers have their portholes in groups of three and Venusian in groups of four.

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