
"There are objects coming into our atmosphere at very high speeds. The way they change position in formations and override each other would indicate that their motion is directed." Adm. Delmer Fahrney, U.S.N. Ret.

Dear Member:

Unidentified flying objects did not cause the massive power failure that blacked out most of the Northeast United States on November 9--or did they? The official report attributed the blackout to a broken relay at Sir Adam Beck power plant No. 2 at Queenston, Ontario, Canada. There has been considerable UFO activity near the Beck plant recently. Residents of Erieau, Ontario, Canada observed a large UFO overhead about the time of the blackout. According to witnesses, the object had appeared for at least a week, almost every night, turning the black night sky as bright as day. This, of course, is no proof that the flying objects were the cause of the power failure. There was considerable UFO activity in the area around Syracuse, New York on the night of November 9. Deputy City Aviation Commissioner Robert Walsh was piloting a plane about 1,500 feet over Syracuse when the lights went out. When he got back on the ground, Walsh said, "a strange thing happened. I was sitting on the ground near the runway with others when we saw a sudden ball of fire south of us. It appeared to be about 100 feet in the air and 50 feet in diameter. All I could think of was a mushroom effect." About 10 minutes later, Walsh said the group saw another ball of fire answering the same description.

Two men in an airplane above South Bay, New York reported seeing a huge fireball shortly after the lights went off at 5:22 p.m. Weldon Ross, part-time flight instructor with the Syracuse Flying School and his student, James Brooking, reported seeing a "ball of orange-reddish fire which flared up bigger than a house fire." Ross said he and Brookings were about over Three Rivers "when the lights went out. We were over the high line (electric power line) which runs from Clay, New York to Niagara Falls New York when we saw the fire flash. It looked like a barn fire--a barn full of hay and lasted for perhaps 10 seconds. I know I was over the power lines. I couldn't see them but I knew where they were." Ross said he knows the area where he saw the fireball very well. He said the location of the sighting is north of Hancock Field. Ross has been teaching flying on weekends and nights for 15 years. Another man, Tom Doxsee, Town of Manlius, New York reported seeing a "ball of fire" sometime within an hour of the time the lights went out. He described it as looking "like the sun setting," only in this case it was setting in the east. He said he saw the object "between an opening in draperies" but had no intention of saying anything about it until he read of Commissioner Walsh's experience. Doxsee also reported a woman neighbor said she saw a bright object described as "yellow but which stood on end, was oval rather than round, stood up and down rather than crosswise." Mrs. John Clary of Onondaga, New York sighted a mushroom "ball of fire." Leon Carpenter of Fayetteville, New York said he also saw a "ball of fire" from his shower room. A Camillus, New York housewife and three of her children reported they saw a "huge, dome-shaped fireball in the sky just before the lights went out." Mrs. Dewey Boshers said a mushroom-type ball of light appeared

in the southeastern sky that stayed for at least five minutes, Mrs. Boshers said the strange light rose over the moon. As she and her children Dewey, 17, Suzette, 14, and Howard, 9, watched, the fireball began to move forward. As it did so, the house lights dimmed. Then, Mrs. Boshers reported, it moved backward and disappeared in a flash, simultaneous with the loss of electric light. Another Camillus woman, Mrs. Everett B. Jones said she saw a huge ball of fire hanging over Camillus Plaza on Route 5 shortly after the lights went out. She said she saw a huge orange ball of fire sink below East Hill just outside Camillus. Several unimpeachable witnesses in scattered areas of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania reported seeing a "curious cloud, shaped like an upended coin with a handle," in an otherwise cloudless sky at almost the exact moment the power failure occurred. One of the witnesses, Walter Voelker, a research engineer, said: "The most curious aspect was that by the time my wife and I saw the 'cloud' and could stop the car in traffic for a better look, it had shifted to the other side of the sky. We saw it in three different locations. Later we learned of others who had had similar experiences in sighting it." Mr. and Mrs. John A. Dorr of Somerville, New Jersey reported that just after the blackout occurred, they were looking out their kitchen window when they noticed a large light in the black sky. At first it was stationary, then it moved vertically and horizontally, making an almost complete square. It then moved at great speed to the northeast. FCC Commissioner Chairman Joseph C. Swindler has said that the electric power blackout may never be fully explained, and that there is no guarantee it could not happen again. How about that?

The Province of Ontario, Canada has attracted many UFOs recently. On October 21, George McLean and his wife observed a flying object near Arnprior while driving home and then in their car about 11 p.m. They described it "like an all-white cloud right in our yard, dancing and moving all the time" and "the size of a good sized kitchen table, but not completely round." Mr. McLean got quite close to the object when he walked under it as it hovered a little above the garage. He felt nothing and heard no sound. Barb Fraser and Marg Baker, of pembroke, were driving down the street the same night when a bright object appeared before them "like a whirling massive illuminated ball." It seemed to follow the car, hover over it when they got out, and then hover over the house next door to Miss Baker's car. Robbie McCuaig, also of Pembroke, got too close to it for comfort. As he crossed Memorial bridge the UFO appeared very close to him. "It seemed close enough for me to touch it with my hand," he said, and it followed him home. That same night, a large UFO was sighted over Ottawa, Canada. According to the witnesses, it was white in color, about 20 feet in length and moved up and down 100 feet to 30 feet. It was said to have made no noise nor to have given off any heat. According to Mrs. Mike Scissons, "It just seemed to hover over the house for about 10 minutes going around and around." It was also reported by Barry Lemoine

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who said he was lying in bed looking out the window when he saw a strange "egg-shaped" object whirling in the sky. "It was five to ten times the size of the moon as seen from the ground, he said. "In fact, it looked like the moon on a foggy evening." The UFO stayed overhead for about seven minutes and then moved east. Eight persons witnessed a UFO near Essex, Canada on the night of September 5. It came up in the south slowly, stopped, started going fast, stopped, and then moved swiftly in a northerly direction. A red-orange fireball with a bluish-green tail which "looked like a comet and seemed to be very close to Lake Ramsey" was seen the same night by Fred Wood near Sudbury, Canada.

On November 16, about 150 UFOs were observed in the skies over Whchita, Kansas. David Faidley, 25, and Alan Handley, 23, said they watched brilliant green spheres--some as large as a full moon--streaking through the predawn sky for more than an hour starting about 4 a.m. They said the spheres would glow the most brilliant green they had ever seen and then fade out. Each had a swirling, vapor-like trail. When the colorful light faded, the "vapor trail would be left hanging down like a ribbon in the sky." The spheres--which were always seen one at a time and never in pairs or bunches--streaked in all directions, but never was seen in the northern sky. Faidley and Handley said the spheres streaked horizontally, vertically or diagonally across the sky, but none ever seemed to go into the ground. "I never saw one go below tree level on the horizon. One got down that low, leveled off and went on a horizontal flight," Faidley explained. "It was no comet or anything like that--the way some were on level flight just like an airplane, but a lot faster, until they went out of sight." The men said their wives, Marjorie Handley and Carol Faidley, also saw them. "We saw the first one," Handley said, "while we were driving home from work...it streaked east to west on a horizontal plane. It was going very fast. They'd go from one side to another in three or four seconds. The bigger they were the slower they were going." Most were small, but about ten were as large as a full moon. As they stood in Handley's yard, one shot straight up in the east. "It glowed real bright green. It was fantastic. It lit up the whole sky." Handley went inside after 5 a.m. Faidley remained outside. "I was standing out there alone. One came straight down. It was so big it just practically knocked me over." The men said the spheres were not constantly in view. There would be periods of three to five minutes without any sign of them. Then, all at once they would appear. About every 15 minutes, they said, an outstanding one--large and brilliant--would streak across the partly cloudy sky illuminated by the moon. A Brainiff International Airways pilot on a flight from Chicago to Wichita said he saw about 100 of the objects during the flight.

Mr. and Mrs. Burton Ross and their three youngsters moved into their new home in Mirramount Estates on December 1. Mirramount is located on Tiger Mountain about five miles south of Issaquah, Washington--15 miles east of Seattle. The west wall of their home is all glass, which faces west--and gives them an excellent view of a long, flat ridge just south of Squak Mountain. On Sunday, December 5, it became apparent to the Ross' that something not very earthly was taking place over that flat ridge. "Things" began to appear in the sky--fluorescent white balls, sometimes glowing red, rotating and darting about, jumping up and down like celestial yo-yos, turning a ten mile-long ridge blood red with flashes of light, each time they landed. On December 8, the UFOs put on their biggest show. About 6:30 that night, Mrs. Ross, and four other witnesses--one a deputy sheriff--watched the UFO approach from the south. The white object swooped low over the ridge south of Squak Mountain, maybe five miles from the Ross front porch as the crow flies. It began glowing

on the bottom. It appeared to rotate, being partly visible one minute and fully visible the next. It was a steady, bright light, and then, suddenly, it appeared to land on the ridge. With a tremendous flash, the object illuminated the entire ridge with a brilliant red light. A few minutes later two similar objects swooped onto the scene from the south. They joined the first one on the ridge, bouncing up and down in the air, darting around, then hovering perfectly still. There was no sound. Periodically, all three emitted reddish glows. News of the UFO activity hit the newspapers on December 10. That night, several members of N.I.C.A.P. went to the area, only to find the sky above the ridge swarming with helicopters and small aircraft. The UFOs did not show that night. The following afternoon, N.I.C.A.P. members returned to Mirramount Estates and interviewed Mrs. Ross. She was obviously shaken by her experiences of the previous week of UFO sightings. Mrs. Ross was most cooperative and disclosed that whenever the objects were in sight, they could not get a picture on their television set. That evening, N.I.C.A.P. members returned to the Ross home. Once again, the UFOs did not appear. I learned that night that the Air Force was investigating the case--through the King County Sheriff's Department. There were standing orders that two deputies would report to the Ross home each evening to observe any and all UFO activity. It was also learned that the deputy sheriff who witnessed the landing on December 8 was visibly upset when he left the Ross home that night. This could account for the visit--on the following night--of three supervisory officers from the sheriff's department and an un-named scientist. Further investigation disclosed that Seattle City Light department has a microwave relay station on Squak Mountain and, that during the period of the UFO activity over that area, considerable interference with the microwave was recorded. In fact, it became so frequent at one point, the entire system was shut down so that the equipment could be checked. Everything was found in working order. The UFOs were explained away as being the planet Venus by an un-named spokesman at the University of Washington, Seattle

The case of the two Texas deputy sheriff's whose car was chased by a UFO near Damon, Texas on September 3 (The Reporter, December 1965) has been explained by the Air Force. It was a "Refraction of the star Antares distorted due to inversion." Further investigation of the case by N.I.C.A.P. has disclosed that additional witnesses in the same area have been seeing more refractions. A.P. Walker of Old Ocean reported he saw a lighted object moving at fantastic speeds, then hovering overhead like a helicopter while he was taking readings at the Phillips Petroleum Co. about 8:45 p.m., September 6. He said the object traveled from horizon to horizon, southwest to northeast, in about 30 seconds and went out of sight. Then, all of a sudden, the bright light came back and hovered overhead for a brief period, with the light pulsating and brighter than Venus, then took a 90-degree turn to the west. Next the light made another turn to the north and appeared to be traveling slowly. "I was on the job--I wasn't drinking. I don't drink--but I felt like I needed one after that. I never believed anything like this before, and I believe other people are seeing the same thing but will not tell for others will think they are 'loco'," Walker said. Mr. and Mrs. W. Calhoun, and five other persons observed a maneuvering UFO in the Sweeny area about 8-8:30 p.m. on September 18. Describing what they saw, Mrs. Calhoun said: "It had a really bright light that seemed to change color. It moved a little to one side, in almost a circular motion, then made a sudden drop. When it stopped, we could see the blue light change to an orange cast. It went back and forth slowly, then rose upward at a slower rate than it came down. After moving back and forth there, it came down again in a circular motion (corkscrew) til it went out of sight on the horizon.

Similar sightings have been reported in the skies over the state of Michigan. Three Branch County sheriff's deputies watched a maneuvering UFO high in the sky over Coldwater for a lengthy period on October 4, about 8:00 p.m. "We've no idea or theory on what it was. We didn't hear a sound. All we saw was a bright white and green oscillating light that would remain stationary, and then in a fraction of a second move a quarter or half mile and again be stationary," said Deputy Larry Fraser. He and Sheriff's Deputy Keith Weage went outside to the rear of County Jail after receiving several calls about the object. "We looked at it through binoculars. It appeared to be about a half mile high in the sky. We could see no shape or form of a craft, just the red, white and green light oscillating," said Fraser. "The light seemed to be about as bright as the landing lights of an airplane approaching a landing strip. It seemed almost like the twinkle of a star. It would remain stationary three or four minutes, then in a split second it would move up to perhaps a half mile and remain stationary for another three or four minutes." Fraser said he and Weage saw the light change position twice and that it remained visible when they left to return inside County Jail. Sheriff's Sgt. Lewis Griffin also saw the object. The UFO was observed again on the following night by members of the sheriff's department. It remained in the area for about a half hour and then disappeared swiftly toward the east. Sheriff's officers said as they watched the object it shot straight up at great speed. When the object finally headed east, it disappeared in a few seconds, indicating terrific speed, according to the officers. On the night of October 6, the UFO returned. It was observed through binoculars in the northwest sky about 8 o'clock by Lt. Obert Trana of the Coldwater Fire Department. Trana said the object "appeared to be round and seemed to be spinning."

For those who are interested, the following newspapers contain pictures of unidentified flying objects: The Herald--New Britain, Conn.--10/12/65. The Independent--Onamia, Minnesota--11/11/65. The Journal--New Ulm, Minnesota--11/23/65. Send 25¢ to the Circulation Department.

A large UFO landed near Upham, North Dakota on the night of October 28. Six Upham school students had been at play practice and were driving around when they saw the UFO out in a field. It was round in appearance, had three supporting legs in tripod-style, a center shaft, a ball-type antenna, windows and flashing lights. The students said the object took off north at great speed. Officers investigating the landing site found three holes in the ground, in triangle shape. They were about eight feet apart, and each one about a foot in diameter. The center hole was about eight inches across.....Members investigating the landing of a missile-like craft near Long Prairie, Minnesota on October 23 (The Reporter, December 1965) uncovered another important sighting in Southeast Minnesota that same night. The strange craft was sighted about 8:00 p.m. by Mrs. Donn Reinhardt at her rural home about 11 miles from Lake City. She observed an egg-shaped object in the sky and said lights flashed on and off through "little square windows."

Four Milwaukie, Oregon policemen sighted "fast-moving, bright lights" in the sky on November 16. Officer Thomas Reid on routine patrol in the Ardenwald area of Milwaukie called in, to Dispatcher John Brown, a report of some bright lights in the sky to the northwest. Brown said that three or four minutes later, Reid called again and said, "I know it's not me, there they are again." It was approximately 3:30 a.m. This time, Brown, who describes himself as an amateur satellite watcher, ran out to the parking lot behind city hall and looked for himself. Sure enough, he said, there were two perfectly round objects to the northwest at an

"extremely high altitude moving with a perfectly flat trajectory at very high speed." Brown said that he was with the First Marine Air Wing as a radar operator for three years during the war, and he said, "I've never seen anything like this before." When asked if he thought they might be comets or meteors, Brown said, "No. The trajectory was too flat. They left no trail like a meteor leaves. They came in groups, almost in formation. And they were much too high and fast to be an aircraft. Two of them were cigar-shaped," he said. "I called the weather bureau, which had sighted the objects, but they would make no comment." Sgt. Larry Laws and Officer Robert Miller also reported sighting the objects. Scores of Portland, Oregon area residents reported a series of bright lights moving at a high altitude over the city the same morning. Callers told the weather bureau the lights appeared from the southwest moving northeast across the sky between 3:40 and 3:50 a.m. About the same time, John Smith, night watchman at Central Oregon College west of Bend, Oregon spotted a string of nine UFOs heading toward the Three Sisters mountains. Several hours earlier, Al Qualman said he saw two blinding flashes of blue-white light followed by vapor trails in the sky over Coos Bay, Oregon. The first, he said, came at 1:30 a.m. The flash was to the west, apparently over the ocean and at about a 45 degree angle to the north. The vapor trail which followed immediately appeared several times as thick as that usually seen after airplanes and was luminous enough to light the sky. The vapor trail disappeared in about 20 seconds. The second flash came eight minutes after the first. This one was to the east and seemed brighter than the first. The vapor trail, also luminous, possibly lasted as long as 30 seconds and stayed parallel to the earth while visible.

The area around Bend, Oregon has had more than its share of UFO activity. On the night of November 6, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Rodgers, their daughter Jean, and Reby Sipe, were driving on an isolated stretch of road heading toward Bend, when a bright light suddenly appeared ahead of them. Little attention was paid until the light began to fluctuate from one lane to the other, casting no reflection then or at any other time, alternately dimming and then brightening until an accurate estimation of distance became an impossibility. Several stops were made, along with just as many very pointed remarks concerning the character of such erratic driving. At times, the bright light was dimmed and a red one dominated which seemed to resemble a tail light, but when both a bright white and a red appeared, a definite unanimous conclusion was reached that no ordinary vehicle could be coming and going at the same time. There was much relief when the light apparently turned into a side-road and normal speed was resumed. But a close inspection showed no side-road and the bright, oblong light immediately appeared behind, on a straight stretch of road where no light had been visible a split second before. Jean stopped the car, and the light neared rapidly, and then abruptly hovered, vibrating, approximately 100 yards away. After watching the light for about five minutes, it suddenly disappeared. A similar case occurred on a road near Grafton, North Dakota on November 3. Diane Dymowski, and a companion, said a large UFO, with two headlights, approached their car about 11 p.m. As they watched, it appeared to be floating, with the lights zig-zagging from side to side. The object then split, with one disappearing in a field and the other going south on the road across Highway 17, apparently into a field, and turned around. It remained there for about half an hour before it disappeared.

While the Air Force continues its policy of denial and ridicule; The priests and ministers conveniently ignore the subject; And most politicians refuse to discuss the subject of UFOs, reliable citizens continue to see non-terrestrial objects moving through our atmosphere.

On October 11, a "disc-shaped object with a design of a spider on the bottom and a large red glowing eye in the middle," was reported by more than 10 Racine, Wisconsin residents who said they viewed the object through binoculars. Mrs. Evelyn Carpenter said the UFO "looked like a ferris wheel and appeared to waver and move about." She said it changed color from green to blue to a bright white as it moved, never closer than about 500 feet from the ground. The next night, a large oval-shaped object--which changed color from green to blue to yellow--was sighted over Lake Michigan from Racine by Jonathan Cave and James Eckblad.....Mrs. Hilmer, of Deer Lake, Minnesota writes about the object she sighted on October 23: "At 9:30 p.m. my family and I sighted a strange flying object. It was very long and it seemed to be all fire. It was red and orange. It appeared on the southern horizon and it was not very high. It traveled very fast in a west-northwest direction and had a hissing sound. It disappeared to the north over Deer Lake. It was so low it went behind the trees and we could not see it anymore. But we watched it at least 1-1/2 minutes after we first saw it." On October 20, James Lundquist watched a UFO move across the sky at 9:36 p.m. near his Deer Lake home. At first he noticed a bright white light quite low traveling very rapidly from southeast to northwest. When he went outdoors he noticed the light was undulating up and down and he said there was a red blinking light. He heard no sound.....Bill Cronenwett reported that he saw two tremendous lights in the sky on November 15, one at 1:40 a.m. near Pistol River, Oregon and the other at 1:47 a.m. from Cape Sebastian. He said they swept swiftly across the horizon, leaving smoke trails behind them, then plunged into the Pacific Ocean.

Four UFOs scooted from the southeastern to northwestern sky about 11:30 p.m., November 14, according to Charles Bartlett, 21, Cheektowago, New York. "There were four of them all right," said Bartlett. They were flying in a V-formation. Had there been five of them, they would have formed a perfect V. They were an orange-red, but the colors were not pronounced.".....Don Messinger saw a white disc in the sky over Indiana, Pennsylvania at 11:05 a.m., October 29. A former pilot, Mr. Messinger reported seeing a jet plane at about 25,000 feet. The white disc was about 3,000 feet below the jet plane. He said it took the plane four minutes and 13 seconds to cross the horizon and one minute and 23 seconds for the UFO.....Paul Holt was on his way to work when he saw a large, metal object suspended in mid-air, hovering near tree-top level in southern Shelby county, Indiana. It stayed there a minute or two before leaving, Mr. Holt said. He described it as having several red lights, one or two green lights and a white light. He saw the object between 9 and 9:30 p.m.....On October 26, Stephen P. Adams sighted a large UFO--about 12 feet in diameter--flying east to west over Painesville, Ohio at 7:10 p.m. He said the disc portion of the object revolved in one direction while an antenna revolved in the opposite direction. The antenna reportedly was three pronged, with a light on each prong.....An un-named power line employee sighted a UFO near Port Orchard, Washington on November 11 at 1:25 a.m. The object appeared flying northwest to east. It emitted a yellowish light and flew at a slow rate of speed. No sound was heard.A large glowing object lit up the western sky of Santa Clara county, California on November 21. "The bright white object" was described by some as traveling nearly vertically towards earth. It left a luminous trail. Sheriff Sgt. Ken Hart said he observed the object while he was driving west on Highway 17. "It was much, much brighter than a meteor," he said.....A UFO--moving at terrific speed--was observed about 5:30 a.m. over Adrian, Michigan on October 29. According to Mrs. Edwina Sanders, "I was up early. Suddenly from the west the round object, larger than a jet and glowing yellow, appeared on the horizon and moved rapidly east-

ward, much faster than a jet. There was no noticeable sound.".....On October 14, Anthoty Maestas and Anthony Gonzales sighted a large UFO descending from the Poncha Pass area southwest of Salida, Colorado. It was described as being egg-shaped and silver in color. Rings in the form of mouldings on the object were also reported. They reported it was in view about 20 minutes.

Shortly after sundown on December 9, a bright orange UFO or UFOs, flew from Michigan over the tip of Ontario, Canada and Western Lake Erie, and then the northeast corner of Ohio, apparently landing on a densely wooded area about 30 miles south of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Its passage was noted by a large number of people on the ground and by several experienced commercial and private pilots. Bits of it fell near Lapeer, Lorian County, Ohio, and near Midland and Kecksburg, Pennsylvania. Something also blew up in the air over Lake St. Clair, east of Detroit, Michigan--Windsor, Ontario, Canada, rocking planes in the area with sharp shock-waves. Pinpointing these observations on the map shows that the object or objects passed in a straight line from somewhat east of Flint, Michigan, over Lake St. Clair to Oberlin and Elyria, near Cleveland, Ohio, in a southeast-by-southeasterly direction and then made a 25-degree turn to the east. From that point the line of travel was again straight, via Midland to Kecksburg. There is no possibility of converting this course into any form of geometric curve. The fall of material on the ground pinpoints the passage. And meteors do not make abrupt turns in their direction of flight. Further, this "thing" was seen in Northeast Indiana, a minimum of 120 miles southwest of its line of travel over Erie, Penn., which is 95 miles northeast of said line; and in extreme western New York and northern West Virginia. So far, no computation of the height at which the thing passed overhead has been made and the only indication of its size was a statement by a lady in Elyria near Cleveland who saw it, or a part of it, fall into a wood where it set grass afire over a 1,000 foot area. She said it was as big as a volley ball. Thus, we do not know if it was possible for it to have been seen at these distances from its line of travel. But if it was indeed seen at these distances, a number of other odd points arise.

The exact time of the fall at Elyria was 4:44 p.m. Observation of it at Erie was at 4:50 p.m. The distance between the two points is 115 miles as the crow flies. However, there is no evidence that the thing passed directly over Erie: it was seen from there at that time and it may have been seen traveling its straight course which was just 95 miles southwest at its nearest point. This would be about Salem, Ohio. Salem is 70 miles from Elyria, so that the object took 6 minutes to travel 70 miles, or only 11.5 miles per minute. Similarly, the nearest point to Indiana on the thing's line of travel is the town of Utica, Michigan, about 25 miles east of Pontiac. This is just 95 miles from Elyria as the crow flies, so that if this was the point where it was seen from Indiana--at precisely 4:40--it took 4 minutes to cover the distance, or about 23.3 miles per minute. Now, should it have been spotted from either or both northeast Indiana and Erie, either before or after its nearest point of passage, the distances, and thus the speeds, would vary but within only small absolute amounts. Compounding the two distances we find that the Thing appears to have traveled along at about 16.5 miles per minute. Astronomers said the object was a meteor. The minimum speed of a meteor ever recorded is 7.5 miles per second. The maximum speed 40 mps.

N.I.C.A.P.'s regular monthly meeting will be held at 8 p.m., Friday, January 7, on the 7th floor of the Fischer Studio Building--1519 3rd Av., Seattle. Admission: 25¢ Membership cards no longer required for admittance. Families purchasing more than one membership for admission to meetings will receive full credit. Please notify Seattle office.