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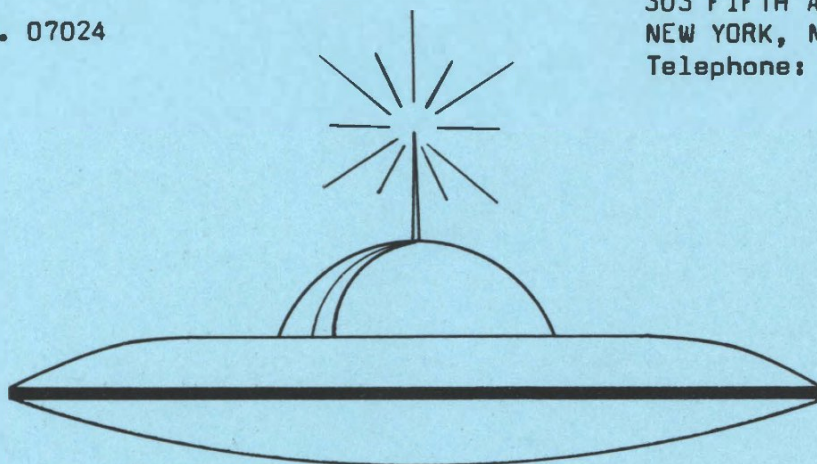
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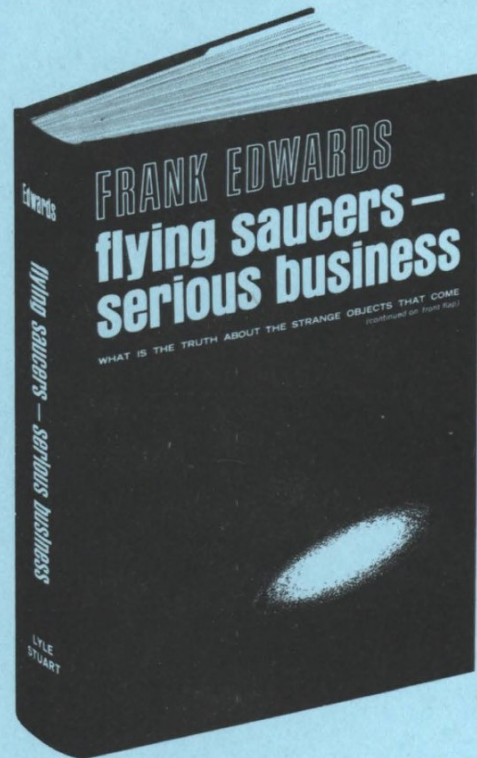
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# Editorial

CLEVELAND'S ANNUAL SAUCER CONVENTION WILL MOVE TO NEW YORK NEXT YEAR: The Third Annual Congress of Scientific Ufologists was held in Cleveland, Ohio from June 23rd to 25th this year. The "closed sessions," attended only by delegates from the various regional UFO clubs represented at the Congress, were quite successful, and several important resolutions were passed. The single "open session" was held at a high school auditorium in a Cleveland suburb. Although attendance at the public session was slightly up from last year, neither the size of the audience nor the quality of the lectures was as high as might be hoped for. (See centerfold of this issue for photos taken at the Congress.)

Among the more important resolutions passed at the "closed sessions" was a motion to have the delegates, as a body, endorse the "Resolution for a Better NICAP" which appeared in our March 1966 issue of SAUCER NEWS. Also, by a unanimous vote, the delegates decided to move the Congress to New York City for 1967, and to make the Editor temporary chairman of the convention committee.

Plans for the 1967 Congress are still in the formative stage as of this writing. However, at least four open sessions are planned, plus the usual closed ones. All sessions will be held at a midtown New York hotel, and the dates will be arranged so that the main session falls on Saturday, June 24th, 1967 - the 20th anniversary of Kenneth Arnold's sighting. In addition to Arnold, Ray Palmer, Howard Menger and other out-of-town speakers are being invited, as well as Long John Nebel, Ivan Sanderson, James Randi, Gordon Evans, Stewart Robb, and other well-known saucerers from the New York area.

In all, this should be quite an historic event. Not only will it be the first UFO convention ever held in New York City, but it will probably turn out to be the largest indoor saucer convention ever held. We'll have details in our Winter issue, telling you the name of the hotel, the tentative schedule of speakers, etc. A nation-wide publicity campaign is planned, starting about the first of next year, in hopes that a maximum number of people will come from other parts of the country, making this a truly national event rather than merely a regional one.

## EDITORIAL NOTES

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NEW MEMBERS ON OUR STAFF: Since the June issue went to press, Mary Robinson, the wife of our Assistant Editor, John J. Robinson, has joined the staff as an Associate Editor. For many years, Mary and Jack Robinson have worked together in their research. They are co-authors of the lead feature article in this issue.

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Also, Pamela Spelman has joined us as a Research Associate; and Michael Generelli, formerly with our Discussion and Lecture Committee, is now our Ro-ving Correspondent.

WE WISH TO THANK KENNETH LARSON of Hollywood, California, for the flying saucer cover design on the cover of this issue. After having tried two other designs that we were not quite satisfied with, we have decided to adopt this one as our permanent emblem.

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ABOUT OUR NEXT ISSUE: As usual, space limitations have caused us to postpone some of the good material we had intended for the present issue. Among this material is an excellent article by long-time saucer researcher Gray Barker, and two timely book reviews.

Please don't let your subscription lapse, as it just means extra trouble for you and for us. If there is a renewal notice enclosed with this issue, we hope you will attend to it as promptly as you can. On the other hand, if you have renewed very recently and have nevertheless received a duplicate notice with this issue, just ignore the notice. You can rest assured that your renew-al is correctly recorded in our files even though, in some cases, we were un-able to stop a duplicate notice from being mailed out.

# Letters to the Editor

Regarding the article in your June issue entitled "Bobby and the Space-men": In an era in which many of us serious UFO researchers are categorized as crackpots, why do you accept and print material that is presented in a style or manner which substantiates the skeptic's belief in our membership in the lunatic fringe? If Mr. Renaud is serious, let him submit an account of his experiences in a manner that will interest those who are potentially serious researchers....However, on the whole, I find that your publication contains highly interesting and legitimate contributions to the UFO field....

RICHARD J. PHILLIPS, St. Catherines, Ont., Canada

Jimmy, baby, somehow I get the unmistakable impresshun that you done took my "article" "out of context." You said "this article is not satire...." Pray tell, what WAS it? Certainly it wasn't serious!....

I take myself very seriously, as do I also treat the saucer movement. However, there is a vast difference between serious and dogmatic. Nothing is so holy and sacred that it cannot be made the target of acidulous wit.

The type of contactee work in which I am engaged, unlike that of the late George Adamski and similar individuals, does not require that I go out into the world with a solemn expression, a bookful of the space masters' perspicacious commentaries, and a holy and crusadish mission to save mortal man from his own undoing. My purpose is, rather, that of a news media, a spokesman, so to speak, for the Korendians, whose operations on this planet are entirely independent of cooperation from the masses. It is not my task to convert the human race from its present state of apathetic ignorance to a brotherhood of enlightened souls who parade about, spouting profound philosophies and living by the infinite light of the Creator of All, etc....

BOB RENAUD, Washington, Mass.

(We fully appreciate Mr. Renaud's delightful wit, but nevertheless agree fully with subscriber Phillips that the material would have made a much better impression if it had been presented more seriously. - Editor)

I enjoy your publication. I like and agree with you on the Resolution regarding NICAP. I once helped them and never had a letter of thanks. You would think that they couldn't spend a nickel for a stamp!

ROD DYKE, President, UFO Research Committee  
3521 S.W. 104th, Seattle, Wash. 98146

The letter from Major Keyhoe is amusing, but not so funny when carefully studied, as I'm afraid it shows that the writer may not be in good mental health....Keep up the good work.

GLENN GODWIN, Binghamton, N.Y.

Although this writer does not find NICAP faultless, I am convinced that the organization (including the Staff) deserves a great deal more than you have offered. Your rebuttal editorial on Page 3 of your June issue reflects the bitterness of this entire affair. The reference to an "aging director" carrying out his "revenge" has connotations I hesitate to elaborate upon. Let me ask you something, Jim: After some of the hash you have printed in your publication (whether endorsed by you or not), did you expect Keyhoe to offer his kindest regards?

I have no objection to criticism directed at NICAP, for they certainly are not above it, but much of what you have printed goes beyond this; constructive criticism is one thing, but destructive is quite another....

LEONARD HUMMEL, NICAP\*Chicago, Ill.

The Keyhoe outfit, NICAP, is indeed a "front" for the Air Force. I suppose the Air Force thought that the public would listen to such a seemingly sincere group. The Air Force pays Keyhoe to distort the facts and keep the saucers in the air, because whenever anyone says they saw a saucer land, Keyhoe, using his warped methods, immediately takes the story apart and says it was a hoax, misinterpretation, or another very poor excuse. But thank goodness that there are groups such as yours that publish the truth to those who are willing to listen. Gentlemen - take a bow.

JEFFERY S. TARBELL, Silver Spring, Md.

We are interested in researching various facets of Richard Shaver's claims, and we are asking for people of like interests to join their efforts with us...We are not just a correspondence group (although we certainly welcome any serious correspondence), but we propose to do experimentation on concrete lines, as hinted at by Shaver, and buttressed by solid scientific findings. No scientific training is necessary - just an ability to think things out! Interested people should write to William G. Caple, 4848 University Court, Niagara Falls, N. Y. 14305, or James L. Capots, Jr., 158 N. Middle St., Columbiana, Ohio 44408.

JAMES L. CAPOTS

In regard to the latest SAUCER NEWS: The Dexter, Michigan photo on Page 19, in my opinion should have been accompanied by the Air Force explanation - which was in the article on Page 23, as you know. In other words, both should have been on the same page. This might have avoided confusion. (A friend of mine saw SAUCER NEWS and said that the photo shown and the photo explained by the Air Force were different pictures.) There were also some references to Hillsboro instead of Hillsdale. This was obviously a misprint, but it added to the confusion of my friend (poor soul). Also there was given as a source the Battle Creek, Wisconsin Enquirer and News - another misprint, of course.

I hope you don't mind my bringing up these trivialities, but I delight in giving people headaches...

JOHN C. SHERWOOD, Marshall, Michigan

(No matter how hard we try, a few mistakes always creep into our issues. This was especially true of the June issue, which was written at the height of the Michigan flap, under severe limitations of time and personnel. - Editor)

Persons interested in joining the Pennsylvania and New Jersey Two-State Study Group or wishing information about the group should write to Mrs. Dwight C. Brown, Secretary-Treasurer, Pa. & N.J. Two-State UFO Study Group, RD #2, Ravenswood Road, Allentown, Pa.

I like your new format but....I still think you should publish more information on saucers and less on the NICAP feud. I've found NICAP "A-OK", myself, in my dealings with them....

GEORGE D. FAWCETT, Easton, Pa.

I should like to become acquainted with anyone residing within the vicinity of my home who might share my interest in the UFO question. I am mainly interested in sharing my library of data and publications, perhaps exchanging, on a loan basis, some of these for our mutual benefit. My interest has been of long duration. In particular, I would be interested in contacting anyone who has actually viewed a UFO....

DAPHNE S. REED, Middle St., South Amherst, Mass.

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THE CASE FOR EXTRATERRESTRIAL LITTLE MEN

- by Jack and Mary Robinson -

In the course of this article, I will not attempt to disprove the validity of the various contact claims. Rather, I hope to place before the discerning reader a scientifically feasible biological hypothesis which advances the case for little men.

The oft-repeated stories of golden-haired, beautiful, wise and benign spacemen are generally recognized as an extension of early religious ideas, and later philosophies. But is this conception accurate? The possibility is slim. Here on Earth, we are busily engaged at perfecting space travel, but the men and women who finally attain this goal will not look or act like angels, even though they will rank high in intelligence and physical prowess.

Because of our efforts to develop a space technology, it is quite logical to assume that the UFO phenomenon represents a similar effort on the part of reasoning beings from another planet. This being so, it is highly probable that the world from which they come has supported life for ages. It takes many eons for a thinking being to evolve, which is capable of mastering space travel. Such a race must have an extensive knowledge of science, and the ability to construct the complicated mechanisms that the flying saucers seem to be.

In the light of present-day knowledge of physiology and body chemistry, it is reasonable to assume that the most efficient life form is that which is carbon-based. The craft they have developed far surpasses anything we have invented in terms of speed and maneuverability, even when traveling in our own atmosphere. Thus, we can safely rule out all of the exotic life forms the exobiologists have imagined. Planets with silicon or crystalline-based life forms, as we shall see, would be highly inefficient.

The building blocks of life are atoms, which form into molecules. To form into the molecules necessary to ultimately develop into a highly complex intelligent being, we must have the proper combination of atoms. Here on Earth, we have life forms based on carbon atoms, using water as the solvent to create the biochemical hydrogen-oxygen reactions essential for the necessary development.

Here the exobiologist may bring up the chlorine-fluorine-methane cycle, or the possibility of a fluorine breather. First of all, the chlorine-fluorine-methane cycle is hardly explosive, and the probability of smelting metals to manufacture a spaceship under such conditions is extremely slim. A hydrogen-fluorine combination is also ruled out. While we will concede that such a combination would afford one and a half times the energy reaction of our carbon-hydrogen-oxygen cycle, it is still true that a great deal of energy is required to break up this compound into its respective elements.

On Earth, plants use the heat from the Sun to convert water back into hydrogen and oxygen. But the heat is not sufficient to break apart hydrogen-fluorine, for it requires more energy. To get this additional energy, the planet would have to be closer to the Sun to receive the necessary Ultra-Violet rays. But we have, of course, the problem of ever-increasing heat as we get closer to the Sun. A fluorine atmosphere, if too hot, will simply boil away. Such an atmosphere would have to be cooler than the presumed average temperature of Mars, but not quite as cold as scientists believe Jupiter to be. If the Sun emitted more Ultra-Violet rays, as in the case of some of the blue-giant stars, we wouldn't have to get so close to the Sun, so the fluorine atmosphere would not boil away.

Now we seem to be getting somewhere. However, we still face the paradox of the fluorine atmosphere screening out all of the Ultra-Violet rays, so we are back where we started from. The most logical life form is that which is based on carbon. We can assume, therefore, that the pilots of the elusive flying saucers breathe air, and are a carbon-hydrogen-oxygen protoplasmic life

form, just as we are.

The planet of their origin could, within reason of course, be somewhat larger than Earth. There would be the matter of greater mass, which would result in a denser atmosphere, creating a more compact type of life form.

Now let us consider what shape this life form would take. The shape of our own bodies is not the result of an accident of evolution. The rules of biological construction state that, for a being to develop an advanced technology, it must have a certain basic form.

These rules were first propounded by Christian Huygen, a Dutch mathematician and physicist who lived in the 17th century. Since then other scientists have examined and refined Huygen's original hypothesis until the point where they can now determine, within obvious limitations, what form such beings would take.

The theory states, first of all, that the being must breathe air. Aquatic creatures could not smelt metals under water.

Next, the being would be subject to the square-cube law. Accordingly, the spacemen would not be much larger than the largest human, and might very well be smaller. The square-cube law applies the limiting factor. If you double the height of a being, and still maintain the same proportions, the weight will increase at least eight times.

If this sounds a bit strange, let's take the average 150 pound man as an example. For him to increase in height, he must also increase in mass and width. The formula reads  $150 \times 2^3$ , which equals 1200 pounds. This would make for a rather cumbersome weight for a being to carry about, and would create the obvious difficulties in the handling of small tools. You can't repair a watch with a large Stilson wrench. Small parts require delicate handling, for which the mechanic must have reasonably small, sensitive fingers, and use small, light tools.

Such a being would have to eat both plants and meat. The plant eater must spend all its time finding and consuming low protein foods. As the reader probably knows, animals that graze spend all day in the field, while the carnivore, or meat eater, spends a great deal of time resting after the kill, for meat can satisfy its hunger quickly. The type of being that can consume both plants and meat is far superior to either of these. It can survive famine more easily, because it can adapt to either plants or meat.

If such creatures band together into a tribe, and defend each other from larger, more ferocious animals, or hunt together to feed the entire community, they will also soon acquire the ability to cultivate plants. Logically, this type of being will find the time needed to attempt to satisfy its curiosity about its environment, and will ultimately develop an advanced technology which could build spacecraft.

The space being will have to weigh at least 40 pounds. It is a scientific fact that the brain of any advanced intelligent being must have a high mental capacity, and must weigh at least 2 pounds. This gives us the minimum possible size of the UFO pilot. At least a 40-pound body would be necessary to contain such a brain. The body of the extraterrestrial may, of course, be larger.

Since the brain is the most important possession of any intelligent being, nature will have created a form of capsulation for it during the evolution of the species; a type of armour to protect it from injury. The most natural answer is a skull made of bone matter.

Biological construction also answers the questions of sight and hearing. Two eyes are most logical. One eye would prevent the being from estimating distance, and would limit side vision. Proper side vision allows for only a small portion behind the head which cannot be seen, and a slight twist of the neck allows this to be partially compensated for. Two eyes combine to form the proper three-dimensional perception. Additional eyes would only confuse

the messages reaching the brain, so they are not likely to afford any additional advantage.

As for the ears of our extraterrestrial, two are required for the most efficiency. Two ears can afford proper awareness of the direction of the sound impression, as well as an approximation of the distance from which it emanates. More ears would only confuse the messages reaching the brain.

It is obvious that the creature which lives the longest, and which becomes the dominant being in any habitat, is that being which can react swiftly when danger threatens. Our space being must have its eyes and ears situated in its skull. When threatened with danger, the information received through the sense organs must reach the brain rapidly, for the organism to be able to survive. Nerve transmission is, by its very nature, slow. The time lag between reception of the danger signal and the proper reaction must be shortened as much as possible. So, the eyes must be near the capsulated brain, and the head must be able to swivel about to survey the surrounding area, for which a neck is required.

As for appendages, the spaceman must be able to move about, or it could not gather material for the construction of its spacecraft. It will have some form of legs and feet. It will have to have a pair of hands with bending fingers and thumbs, to make for the most efficient use of tools. In early evolution, the creature may have had four legs, but it will soon learn to stand erect, and the two unused limbs will evolve into hands, if it is to acquire the ability to construct things. No appendage other than a hand will suffice for this purpose. A claw or beak or talon will not suffice. Nor would a tentacle, since it can only pull, not push.

We have discussed the various forms science feels the advanced intelligent being will take. While there may be slight differences, one can rest assured that the extraterrestrial being's form will fulfill the basic requirements we have outlined.

This creature will be basically like an ape, a human, or, perhaps, like the frequently reported little men observed in connection with UFO sightings. We rest our case!

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PERSPECTIVE:FLYING SAUCERS - PHYSICAL OR PSYCHIC?

- by Peter Kor -

Used correctly, language is a great revealer of knowledge.

Used incorrectly, it is a creator of confusion and misinformation.

Nowhere has semantic confusion been more evident than in the debate about whether flying saucers are "physical" or "psychic" in nature. Proponents of both sides have, for the most part, been so imprecise and dogmatic in their approaches, that their conclusions have little value.

Perhaps a fresh perspective of this problem will help clear the air. We will not attempt to evaluate the saucer evidence to determine the nature of the phenomenon. We will merely inquire into the language and concepts which have been used to make such determinations. We shall not seek to prove or disprove specific frameworks. Rather, we shall set out to test their consistency and, thereby, determine their worth.

"Psychic" is one of the most misused words in the English language. It has become a "catch-all" word for anything which has no obvious explanation. The word is derived from the Greek root "psyche," which means mind. So, in its most natural form, "psychic" refers to mental activity.

Mental activity reveals itself as imagery. Imagery implies perception. The perceptive function of Man is self-awareness. Awareness is rooted in and - from all experience - depends upon some kind of organism.

We know everything - thoughts, feelings, external objects, dreams, etc. - through our awareness. So, in a sense, all of our "reality" is psychic in nature. It is Man's image-producing system - his brain/nerve complex - which receives, interprets, and transforms subatomic stimuli into human awareness of himself and the world. The problem is to differentiate between stimuli generated by the organism itself from stimuli which has an external origin.

If we must use the "psychic-physical" terminology, it would be logical to refer to self-generated stimuli as "psychic" and to external stimuli as "physical." Using these designations, just what are "psychic phenomena?" They cannot be self-existent entities since, by definition, they are manifestations of organisms. To be strictly logical, they must be products of (a) Man's own mental activity or (b) the mental activity of some extra-human source. In either case, the phenomena would be subjective in nature - their detection would depend upon the psychological states of "observers." Are flying saucers "psychic phenomena?" Yes, if you think they are someone's or something's thoughts! No, if you conceive the saucers to be independent, self-existing entities!

Conservative researchers will applaud the foregoing analysis. They will see it as an endorsement of their belief that "reality" is "physical" and that everything which isn't "physical" must be the product of a deluded mind. They will conclude that, since flying saucers are real, they must be physical - and, since they are physical, they must be spaceships from another world. This kind of logic is riddled with erroneous assumptions. Let's take a close look at some of them.

To begin, the concept of "physical" is misused by equating it with "tangible," and then by identifying "tangibility" with "reality," But all external stimuli are not tangible! So, if we persist in the nonsense that reality is only what we can touch, then a great portion of our world is relegated to the unreal. We cannot touch light or sound. We cannot feel or otherwise directly sense certain radiations and electromagnetic forces. Scientific inquiry is constantly discovering new existential elements which fall into this category.

It is obvious that tangibility is no criterion for reality. The criterion should be whether the phenomena in question generate repeatably demonstrable effects! This is the test of objectivity. All repeatably demonstrable phenomena have one quality in common: Regardless of their relative tangibility, they all have inherent structure - they can be quantized!

The structure of some phenomena is readily noted. For example, the structure of a chair can be directly known through our sense of touch. In the same way, we know that the wind is real. The wind is not as tangible as the chair, but both have inherent structure. That structure exerts repeatable effects which can be measured!

Other phenomena are even more intangible, but they still pass the basic test of inherent structure. You can monitor the force distribution of an electromagnetic field and plot its structure on a suitable co-ordinate system. You can probe the energy gradient of a gravity field. You can chart the energy density of a radiation belt. The more relatively intangible the phenomenon, the more indirect the detection, and the more abstract is the representation of its structure. The spectrum of representation reaches all the way from human touch to mathematical formulae. Reality is proved by structure. Structure is demonstrated by measurable patterns of effects.

If conservative saucer researchers mean to say that flying saucers are physical in the sense that a table is physical, that is one thing. But if they mean to exclude from the realm of reality all phenomena less tangible than the table, that is quite another thing. As used, the word "physical" is irrelevant to reality. We must either (a) exclude it from our concepts, (b) expand its meaning to include less tangible quantities, or (c) recognize that it refers to only a relatively limited aspect of reality.

The consequences of these conceptual frameworks are basic to an understanding of saucer experiences. If flying saucers are true psychic phenomena, for example, "sightings" of them would take place wholly in the minds of "observers." If flying saucers are physical phenomena in the sense that tables and chairs are physical, then they would obey the same physical laws that tables and chairs obey. We would expect flying saucers to occupy space, be amenable to forces, have momentum, and to leave ordinary traces of their tangibility. Sightings of them would take place solely through usual human sense perception.

Most conservative researchers hedge when it comes to matching the ordinary properties of matter to certain saucer characteristics. They like to dream about a "super physics" of a "super space race" which would effectively bypass physical laws. They usually end up by saying that flying saucers are physical but can appear to be intangible. This kind of conjecture may be convenient, but it is hardly more than an intellectual game. It is more honest to ascribe an intangible nature to things which don't act tangible, than to save the fetish of tangibility by invoking speculations about a super physics.

Are flying saucers intangible phenomena? If so, what laws would govern observations of them? Let's detail some of the consequences this explanatory framework would involve.

1) There would be no objectively demonstrable proofs such as dramatic saucer landings, sheared-off saucer domes, or the charred bodies of "little men."

2) Being substratic in nature, a saucer intrusion into our immediate environment would be accompanied by substratic effects which could be monitored by our electronic probes. These effects would include gravity distortions, light aberrations, radioactivity, ionizations, radar echoes, and electromagnetic disturbances.

3) While the effects of flying saucers would be objectively detectable, the actual forms behind them would not! This would be due to the fact that the saucers would exist in a realm which was substratic with respect to ours.

It would be a case of not being able to see the forest from the trees. "Observations" of the actual forms would involve a sensing and representing of them to the observer's awareness. This would enter a subjective component - to varying degrees - into saucer reports.

4) A corollary to point three would be that you could photograph the saucer effects, but not the forms. Thus, it would be relatively easy to predict which saucer photos are faked. Paradoxically, the better the photo, the more suspicious would it be.

These consequences of an intangible saucer phenomena could be greatly multiplied and tested. But it is not our purpose here to argue for or against specific saucer concepts. The point to be made is that there are basically three possible frameworks of explanation for saucer phenomena: 1) Psychic. 2) Conventionally physical. 3) Substratic (intangible). Each of these frameworks has unique consequences which can be tested by fundamental trends in the saucer evidence. Which one do you think best fits the history and facts of the flying saucer saga?

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# RECENT NEWS

**AIR FORCE TO EXPAND UFO PROGRAM:** Because of recommendations by Dr. J. Allen Hynek and others, the Air Force has finally decided to expand its very limited investigative procedures regarding UFOs. This change in attitude apparently came about partly as a result of recommendations made by a six-man Air Force scientific advisory committee, which has worked for several months on a careful review of Project Bluebook's procedures. Impetus was no doubt given by the well-publicized March saucer flap in Michigan, and by Dr. Hynek's remarks to an open hearing of the Armed Services Committee of the House of Representatives, on April 5th.

We have a copy of the above-mentioned scientific committee's recommendations, which read in part: "It is recommended that contracts be negotiated with a few selected universities to provide scientific teams to investigate promptly and in depth certain selected sightings of UFOs. Each team should include at least one psychologist....and at least one physical scientist, preferably an astronomer or geophysicist familiar with atmospheric physics. The universities should be chosen to provide good geographic distribution, and should be within convenient distance of a base of the Air Force Systems Command. (AFSC.) At each AFSC base, an officer skilled in investigating....should be designated to work with the corresponding university team for that geographical section.

"The scientific reports of these selected sightings, supplementing the present program of the Project Blue Book office, should strengthen the public position of the Air Force on UFOs. It is therefore recommended that these reports should be printed in full and be available on request. Suitable abstracts or condensed versions should be printed and included in, or as supplements to, the published reports of Project Blue Book."

The gist seems to be that there will be more Air Force investigation and less secrecy in the future. However, the document from which we just quoted gets off to a bad start by stating, on its first page: "Reproduction of this document in whole or in part is prohibited except with the permission of the office of origin." We unfortunately have not gotten permission from said office of origin, and patiently await the resulting dire penalties, if any.

Incidentally, we should mention that we were apparently too hard on Dr. Hynek in our write-up of the Michigan sightings (Page 24, June issue.) Dr. Hynek's remarks to the Armed Services Committee of the House indicate he believes UFOs to be a genuine scientific puzzle, worthy of further study. We also know of other statements, public as well as private, which show his open-mindedness on the UFO question. Furthermore, we have made new efforts to substantiate our charge (same page, June issue) that Dr. Hynek gave in to Air Force pressure in making his rather absurd "marsh gas" statement in Detroit. The result of these efforts is that the alleged "violent argument" between Hynek and Air Force authorities may never have taken place; or, in any event, we have not been able to pinpoint anyone who actually overheard it. In short, whereas Dr. Hynek may not be what we "believers" would call a friend of the UFO, he is by no means a foe of the UFO in the sense that Dr. Donald Menzel is, and he is to be commended for having encouraged the Air Force to expand its saucer investigation.

**RECENT LECTURES SPONSORED BY SAUCER NEWS:** The past few months have seen the size and enthusiasm of our lecture audiences grow tremendously - partly due to the Michigan saucer flap, but mainly due to publicity received on the Long John Nebel radio program (WNBC, in New York, midnight to 5 a.m.)

On March 22nd, Gordon Evans lectured and showed slides of the Mars canal photographs featured in our June issue. These pictures are the first such pho-

tos ever released to the public, and as such, they may well be of tremendous importance.

On April 22nd, our speaker was John Fuller, author of the current best-seller "Incident at Exeter." The following month (June 17th), we brought back Gray Barker from Clarksburg, W. Va., for another of his popular slide lectures; and on July 17th, the well-known disc jockey Art Ford showed a fascinating sound movie about his investigation of the mysterious disappearance, in 1945, of six Navy planes off the coast of Florida. Our attendance

at the July meeting topped 400 for the first time, and crowded the Grand Ballroom of the Hotel Woodstock to overflowing. Long John Nebel made a brief personal appearance, and many other notables were in the audience.

Our lecture series has become so popular that we no longer have any trouble booking speakers several months in advance. The list for the next few months is an impressive one: On August 19th, Stewart Robb, the noted psychic authority, will give another of his lectures on spiritualism; on September 16th, Dominick Lucchesi will relate his experiences with the Space People; on October 21st, Bob Golka, an engineer from Massachusetts, will give his concepts concerning the mode of propulsion of the UFOs; on November 18th, UFO researcher Richard Basile will discuss the philosophy of the Space People; and on December 16th, the world-famous naturalist Ivan T. Sanderson will lecture on UFOs, monsters, and other Fortean subjects.

According to present plans, all of the above-mentioned lectures will be held at the Hotel Woodstock, 127 West 43rd St. in New York City. If you wish further details, send your name and address to us, so that we can place you on our special (free) list for lecture notices. These are mailed out a week or so before each lecture.

The present admission fee at our meetings is \$1.50 to the public, and \$1.00 to members of the S.A.U.C.E.R.S. (See our advertisement on the inside back cover of this issue for membership information.)

**RECENT NEWS:** As a footnote to the Michigan flap (related in detail in our June issue), we should state that Hillsdale County Civil Defense Director William Van Horn has issued a very thorough 32-page analysis of the Hillsdale incident (night of March 21st), to which he and more than 80 college girls were witnesses. He takes point by point exception to the Air Force's investigation and conclusions, and states the results of his own inquiry into the incident. In this investigation he found, among other things, that there was an abnormally high amount of radioactivity in the immediate area of the sighting. If interested in reading this excellent report, send 75 cents to Mr. Van Horn at 40 South Manning St., Hillsdale, Michigan 49242....

Al Chop, former Pentagon UFO spokesman, and currently employed by NASA, has resigned quietly from NICAP in protest over that organization's policies. Back in 1953, Chop was close enough with Major Keyhoe to have written a complimentary but carefully worded letter for the back cover of "Flying Saucers From Outer Space."....

In analyzing the 1965 Tulsa, Oklahoma UFO photo which appeared in our March issue's centerfold, the Air Force has, for the first time, "hedged."



Their official analysis, sent to us by I.I.O.U.F.O. Director Hayden Hewes, states in part that "we can neither confirm nor deny" the authenticity of the picture. The report goes on to state, however, that "the image bears a resemblance....to the effect....obtained by photographing a multi-colored revolving filter flood light of the type used to illuminate and color aluminum trees during the Christmas season."....

An Earth-made flying saucer is in the works, this one having been built by Bob Fees, a Florida beautician and part-time inventor. He has a small balsa wood model which he says is capable of flying 1,200 miles per hour. He also claims that a model 50 feet in diameter could reach speeds of 10,000 mph. The strange part of this story is that the instructions on how to build this craft came to Mr. Fees in the form of mental "messages," over a period of several months. (Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. News, 6/10/66)....Another inventor - a college professor named Paul Moller, has a man-carrying flying saucer already built, and is working on a second one. The saucer, pictured in the news article in our files, is a circular vertical-takeoff aircraft, intended to replace the helicopter. The present model is 14 feet in diameter, stands 4 feet high, and weighs only about 300 pounds. When a larger version is mass-produced a couple of years from now, Professor Moller envisions it will cost no more than \$3000 to \$4000. (New York Times, 4/1/66)....

Airman 3rd Class John Prytz, a saucer enthusiast of several years standing, has conducted an opinion poll among Air Force personnel, and has achieved rather startling results. Of 590 Air Force members of varying ranks who were questioned, 480 said they believe in unidentified flying objects; 571 said UFOs should be taken seriously; and 507 felt that the Air Force is withholding information about UFOs....In contrast to Prytz's poll, a recent Gallup poll shows that only 46% of our population believes flying saucers are real, and only 34% believes that "people somewhat like ourselves" are living on other planets in the universe. 95% have heard or read about flying saucers, and 5% (i.e., more than five million people) have actually seen an unidentified object at some time in their lives....Incidentally, Airman Prytz, who is Director of the Oyster Bay (N.Y.) UFO Investigative Committee, has recently announced his engagement to saucer researcher Patricia Morgan of Devon, Pa. They are to be married next summer....

Knut Hammarskjold, nephew of the late Secretary General of the United Nations, revealed recently that he believes flying saucers exist and come from outer space. The statement was an unexpected shocker which Hammarskjold injected into an otherwise routine speech at a convention of the Aviation-Space Writers Association in New York. (N.Y. Daily News, 5/24/66)....

Dr. Frank E. Stranges' movie, "Phenomena 7.7" finally had its world premiere last June 17th, after many delays. The premiere was held at a Los Angeles theatre, and seems to have been successful. The figure "7.7" in the title is the percentage of unsolved UFO cases which the Air Force admitted to, at one time. The film is a good one, according to our information, though slanted toward the contactees. (Credit: Kenneth Larson)....Incidentally, Rev. Stranges has published a blast at NICAP for that organization's condemnation of his movie without ever having seen it....

AFSCA's third annual flying saucer convention was held in Reno, Nevada, on the 8th-10th of July, and included speeches by many of the leading contactees, including Wayne Aho, Orfeo Angelucci, Michael "X" Barton, Dan Fry, George King, Gabriel Green, Laura Mundo, Dr. Frank Stranges, George Van Tassel, and others....

Our old friend Dr. Leon Davidson has just brought out a third edition of the Air Force's famous Project Blue Book Special Report #14. This edition includes an enlarged section of commentary by Dr. Davidson, and is available at local bookstores, or through the publisher - Ramsey-Wallace Corp., 88 West Main St., Ramsey, N.J. 07446....

Saucer researcher George Fawcett informs us that during the years 1964-66, there have been 71 UFO landings reported throughout the world, of which 49 were in the United States. Of these 71 cases, 14 involved "little men."....

New efforts are being made this summer to photograph the elusive Loch Ness monster. This time it is an American named A. Rush Watkins who, together with other members of a group called "Loch Ness Phenomena Investigations Bureau," plans to set up camp at the Loch during August and September. The monster watchers must each pay their own expenses, but if a successful photograph is taken, it could easily be worth as much as \$100,000, according to Watkins. (The N.Y. Post, 5/19/66)

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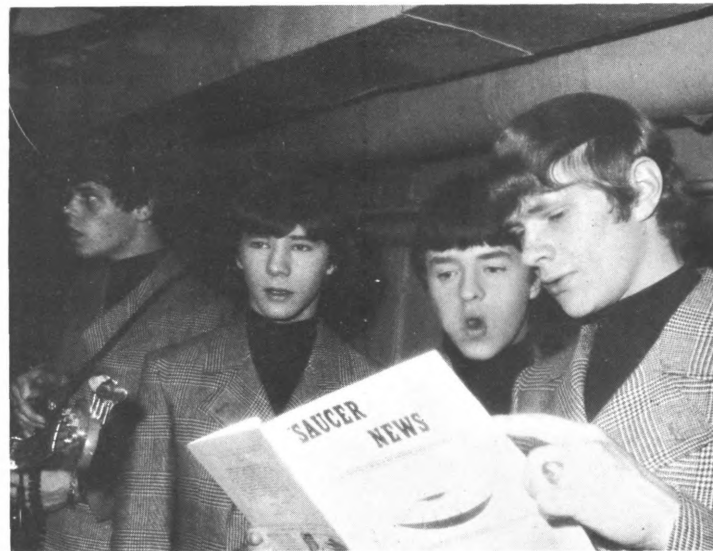
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- April 1st - Long John's all-night WNBC show, with Fred Pohl and others.
- April 1st - Bob Zanotti Show, WFMU, with James Randi, Ivan Sanderson, and John J. Robinson, discussing saucers, ancient civilizations, etc.
- April 4th - Taped interview on CBS radio network.
- April 5th - Interview on the Carmella Candela Show, WHBI-FM.
- April 7th - Long John's all-night WNBC show, with Fred Pohl.
- April 9th - Interview on the Red Benson Show, WPEN, Philadelphia.
- April 17th - WPIX-TV (Channel 11 in N.Y.C.): Taped interview on Terry Bennett's show, called "Let's Have Fun," seen the following Sunday. (About 5,000 letters resulted from this and the other two shows we did with Bennett.)
- April 21st - In-person debates at two locations in Rumson, N.J., opposing arch anti-saucer Lester Del Ray.
- April 23rd - Gray Barker interviewed on Red Benson's WPEN show.
- April 24th - Taped interview on the Terry Bennett Show, WPIX-TV.
- April 27th - Live interview on WNYC-TV (Channel 31 in New York City.)
- April 28th - Taped interview on the Frank Ford Show, Channel 48 in Philadelphia (WKBS-TV).
- May 7th - Taping session with Jerry Verbel for a syndicated 5-minute talk show series, to be heard on several radio stations.
- May 14th - Taping of Bob Zanotti's WFMU show, with John J. Robinson and others.
- May 16th - Taped interview on WSB radio, Atlanta, with Don Cook of the Civilian Saucer Intelligence Agency.
- May 17th - Live interview on WAII-TV, Atlanta, with Allen Greenfield of the above-mentioned CSIA.
- May 17th - Taped interview on radio station WIZE, Atlanta.
- May 17th - Taped interview on WGKA, Atlanta.
- May 17th - Taped interview on WQXI, Atlanta.
- May 18th - Lecture to the Civilian Saucer Intelligence Agency of Atlanta
- May 19th - Interview in Detroit on station CBE of the Canadian Radio Network.
- May 19th - Interview on WJR news, in Detroit.
- May 19th - WJBK radio, Detroit (Bob King "Assignment Detroit").
- May 19th - WJBK-TV, Detroit.
- May 19th - WWJ radio, Detroit.
- May 19th - CKLW radio news, Detroit.
- May 20th - WXYZ-TV, Detroit.
- May 20th - WJR radio, Detroit (J.P. McCarthy's show).
- May 20th - Interview on Ed McKenzie's "After Hours Show" on WXYZ-TV in Detroit.
- May 20th - Lecture for the Engineering Society of Detroit, attended by approximately 800 members, and covered by three major newspapers.
- May 22nd - Taped interview on Terry Bennett Show, WPIX-TV.
- June 8th - Taped interview on Barry Gray Show (Allen Ludden, guest host) WMCA, with Joe Hixson, Science Editor of Newsweek, and Lt. Col. William Anderson, USAF, Ret.
- June 9th - Taped interview on Peter Lind Hayes Show, WOR.
- June 10th - Long John Show, WNBC, with Frank Edwards and others.
- June 10th - Eugene Steinberg and Pamela Spelman of SAUCER NEWS appeared on the Alan Burke Show, WNEW-TV, asking questions from the audience.
- June 13th - Taping of an interview for WVNJ.
- June 15th - WEVD, with Eugene Steinberg and Mel Stiriss of SAUCER NEWS.

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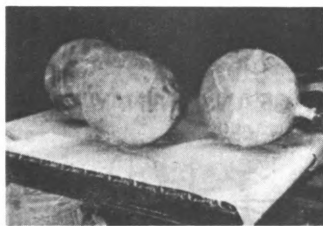
ABOVE LEFT: A general view of the UFO displays at the 3rd Annual Congress of Scientific Ufologists at Cleveland.

ABOVE RIGHT: Lawrence Blazey, one of the speakers at the Congress, chats with saucer researcher Laura Mundo

MIDDLE: John J. Robinson, who taped all the activities of the Congress, is shown (foreground) at one of the closed sessions with his recorder. Al Manak and Rick Hilberg (left to right) are in the background. Not shown in the picture is Mary Robinson, who accompanied her husband to Cleveland, and was also one of the key delegates at the closed sessions.

BOTTOM: The famed singing group The McCoys "hang on" to SAUCER NEWS during a break in their performance at the Cleveland Arena.

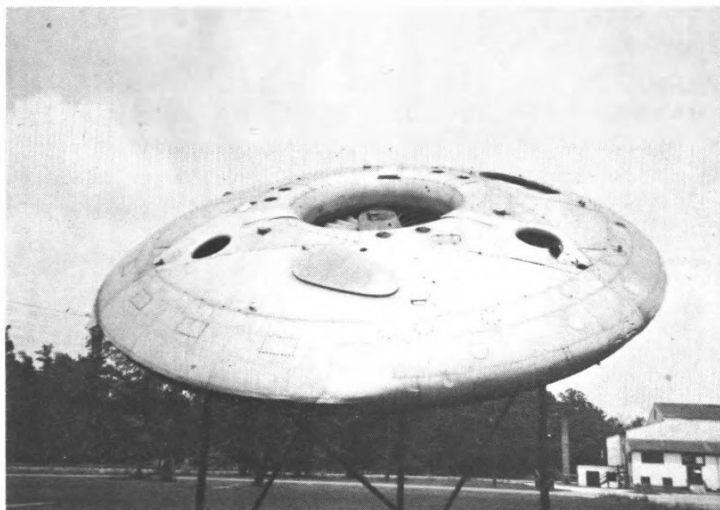
(Photo of the McCoys by Pamela Spelman; Congress photos by the Editor.)



ABOVE AND RIGHT: Thanks to subscriber Ignacio Darnaude of Seville, Spain, we now have these exclusive (in the U.S.A) photos of the 3 mysterious objects which fell onto different parts of Spain in December of last year. The story was carried in a brief A.P. dispatch last January, and was written up on P. 29 of our June issue. The objects each weigh 31.74 pounds, and each is 14.9 inches in diameter. They are obviously artificially constructed, but there has been no explanation of their origin.

MIDDLE: A recent photo of the ill-fated AVRO flying saucer- the American and Canadian governments' attempt in the late 1950's to build a circular aircraft. The AVRO saucer is now in the U.S. Army's transportation museum at Fort Eustis, Virginia, and can be seen by the public. (Photo courtesy of Richard Caruso, via James Randi.)

BOTTOM: Photo taken Feb. 25th, 1958, aboard the Brazilian Navy I.G.Y. ship Almirante Saldanha. It is considered one of the most authentic UFO pictures ever taken, as it is vouched for by the Brazilian Navy. This and other photos are available from Michael Mann of 140 East 2nd St., Brooklyn, N. Y. 11218.



# Book Reviews

- by Richard E. Wallace -

FLYING SAUCERS: SERIOUS BUSINESS - by Frank Edwards (Lyle Stuart, \$5.95)

Frank Edwards' new book is the first one he has written that is devoted solely to flying saucers. It presents such a great variety of up-to-date information on the UFO mystery that even the most determined skeptic should be convinced that it merits investigation.

One chapter is devoted to describing the amateurish attempts on the part of the Air Force to explain away the UFO phenomena. Although we have been inclined to believe that the Air Force's UFO policy results primarily from confusion as to the nature of the elusive discs, Edwards has compiled a remarkable case that points to a possible far-reaching conspiracy. We were not totally convinced, but we were certainly intrigued.

Another chapter compares the methods employed by the Soviet Union to discount saucer reports with those used by our own government. The similarity is striking and, indeed, shocking.

Perhaps the most interesting portion of the book is the chapter that deals with UFO sightings in connection with the U.S. and Soviet space programs. There is even a suggestion that the "race into space" might have been inspired by the urgency of finding a solution to the saucer enigma. It is by no means an original idea, but one which certainly deserves further study.

Edwards gives evidence to indicate that the general design of the saucers has undergone modifications through the years, to ensure that they will always be superior to terrestrial aircraft in terms of speed and maneuverability. Here we would like to register somewhat of a disagreement with Edwards. The theory about the evolution of the design of the UFOs is predicated on the assumption that they are solid, metallic craft. There are, however, sufficient reports by reputable witnesses of apparently unsolid objects to give cause to wonder whether the UFOs are really spacecraft, pure and simple.

The book carries an excellent re-hash of many of the "classic" UFO sightings, including the incidents where famous personalities and noted scientists have observed flying saucers. There are descriptions of the various electromagnetic effects which UFOs evidently generate, and also a summary of the better-known "little men" cases.

Every reader will appreciate the two sections of illustrations. They not only contain some of the best of the seemingly genuine UFO photographs ever taken, but include other items of related interest.

Edwards has spared no effort to make his book commercially palatable. Each chapter begins with a pair of contradictory official statements, to illustrate the extent to which officialdom will deceive the public. But by far the most sensational feature is carried on the book jacket itself: A warning by Edwards to be extremely cautious when in close proximity to a UFO. The results of these gimmicks can best be observed by looking at the sales figures. Some 50,000 copies were sold almost overnight! For which we heartily commend both Edwards and his publisher, Lyle Stuart.

Experienced students of the UFO mystery might find the large amount of familiar material a bit tedious, but Edwards somehow manages to add just a little more sparkle, though still remaining true to the original account. "Flying Saucers: Serious Business" is an excellent introductory volume for newcomers to the flying saucer field. Yet, it contains just enough new material to nourish the thirst for knowledge of the seasoned veteran of UFO research. The book ranks high on our list of UFO literature, and we consider it a valuable addition to our library.

INCIDENT AT EXETER - by John G. Fuller (G. P. Putnam's Sons, \$5.95)

John Fuller is the noted author of the "Trade Winds" column for the august literary journal, the "Saturday Review." He is hardly the type of person usually involved in the field of flying saucer research. Actually, Fuller approached the study of UFOs first as a curious outsider, who rapidly became convinced that there was substance to the world-wide observations of strange flying objects.

In his book, Fuller has selected the Exeter, New Hampshire UFO flap to serve as a microcosm of the entire saucer picture. Whereas most UFO books contain only brief and perfunctory glimpses into tantalizing tales of UFO encounters, Fuller has provided an in-depth study of a single case, only to find it far more complex than most saucer researchers ever imagined. In truth, the well-publicized case involving Norman Muscarello and police officers Eugene Bertrand and David Hunt, constituted only a small part of a considerably larger and more fascinating story.

A grand total of 60 witnesses were methodically interrogated by Fuller as he spent several weeks exhaustively investigating the Exeter area. The author even entered into a sky-watch of his own, along with a friend, and was rewarded by a sighting of a flying saucer similar to that seen by the residents of Exeter. Suffice it to say that he was quickly transformed from an intelligent skeptic into a dedicated believer in what he is convinced are visitations from intelligent beings of another planet.

Throughout the book, one finds in evidence the standard conservative approach to the UFO subject, as best exemplified by NICAP. It was that organization, in fact, which received the most plugs in the book, and Fuller frequently sought their assistance in checking upon supplementary UFO reports. The author expresses the typical skepticism of the popular contactee claims, saying they do a great disservice to UFO research.

The tenor of Fuller's narrative is a cautious, almost timid attitude towards the study of UFOs. Rather than dealing with the ultimate questions posed by the advent of UFOs to any degree, Fuller retains the detached view of an experienced reporter trying to amass all sides of the story. He knows full well that he is risking his hard-won reputation as a competent and reliable reporter by becoming connected with an off-beat field such as ufology.

With this in mind, we cannot quite understand Fuller's intense interest in the utterly fantastic Hill case. In this incident, a couple had encountered a UFO back in 1961, yet were so affected emotionally by the ordeal that it was virtually blotted out of their mind. Through the efforts of a noted psychiatrist, using hypnotic regression, the Hills began to recall the startling details of their experience. Where Fuller seems to shun most contact cases as unreliable, it is surprising to note that the Hill incident that so impresses him is the wildest contactee tale of all.

After several sessions with the psychiatrist, the Hills, under hypnosis, began to reveal that they had been brought aboard a flying saucer, and were subjected to a physical examination by the pilots, who were humanoid in appearance. As the sessions progressed, the Hills brought forth more information about their traumatic experience. The case has so intrigued Fuller that he has prepared a separate book on the subject, which will be released before the end of the year.

We can only hope that the Hill case will awaken Fuller to the fact that the UFO situation is quite complicated indeed, and is not subject to any easy solutions.

As a whole, the book is well-written and carefully paced, though Fuller's preoccupation with seemingly irrelevant minutiae may grow a bit tiresome to some readers. But, in general, "Incident At Exeter" is a very good book, one which makes a valuable contribution to UFO research.

# RECENT UFO SIGHTINGS

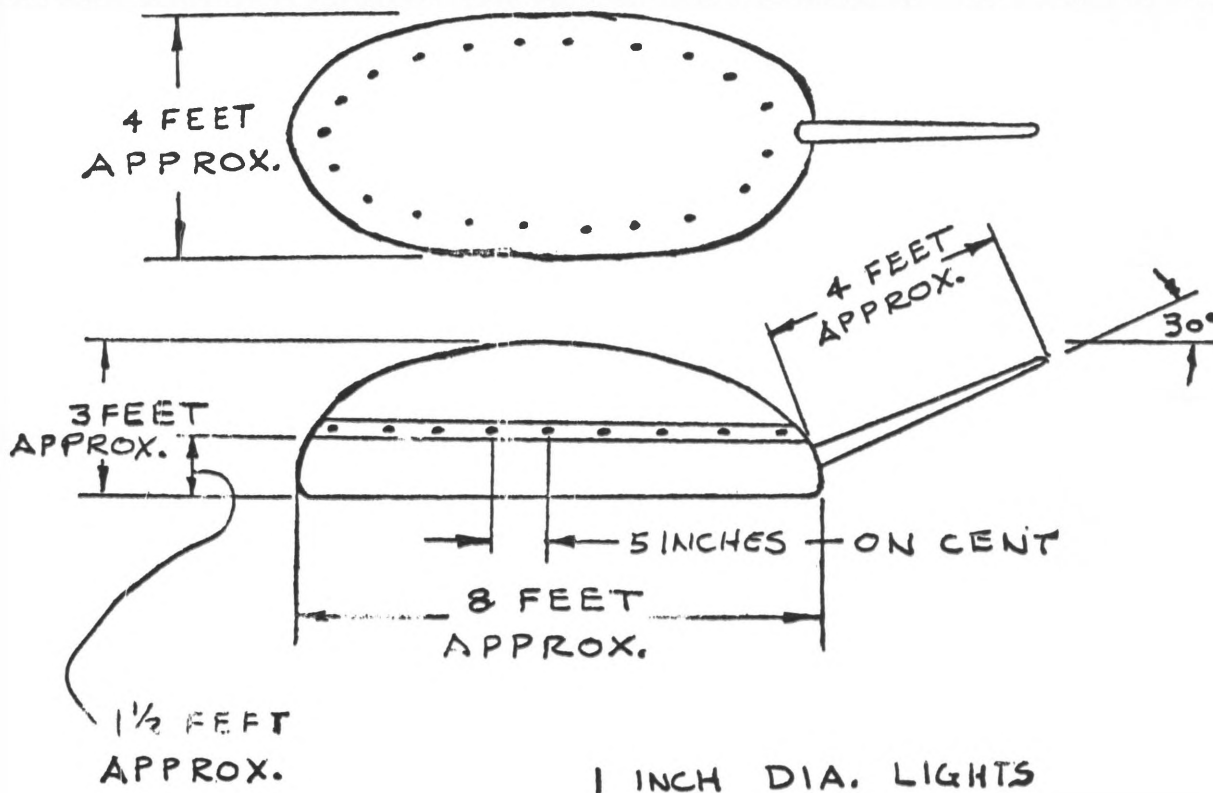
**CANADIAN BOY BURNED BY FLYING SAUCER:** On the night of March 26th, a 13-year-old boy named Charles Cozens, of Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, saw two strange "ships" land in a field behind a police station in a residential section of town. The objects were eight feet long, four feet wide, and three feet high, as indicated in the drawing below. There were "red, blue and green lights set into the rim and flickering like a computer." Charles added that the objects lit up the grass around them and were making a "buzzing sound" of some sort.

Charles walked up to one of the objects and touched it. He said it was hard and smooth, and seemed to be about body temperature, as it felt neither hot nor cold to his hand. One of the machines had an antenna, which he touched. As he did so, he received an electric shock, and a three-foot flash of electrical discharge shot out. Charles ran away in panic, thinking he would tell the nearby police; but when he looked back, the objects were gone; so, fearing the police would not believe him, he continued to his nearby home to tell his parents.

James Cozens, father of the boy, took his son to a doctor about 48 hours after the incident, at the suggestion of the boy's school teacher. The doctor treated Charles for a curved burn on his hand which apparently was caused by the mysterious landed craft.

Mr. Cozens, who is a draftsman in Hamilton, says that he questioned the boy carefully, and is convinced of the truth of his story. So is the newspaper reporter who wrote up the incident for the local paper. This lady reporter was interviewed on the Long John Nebel radio program by telephone, several weeks after the landing. She said that she had always been a saucer skeptic, but that she was greatly impressed by the boy's sincerity and by his reputation as a serious-minded youngster.

The following night, (March 27th), Laverne Emery and his brother Owen, teen-aged sons of a Hamilton engineer, made a sighting of two objects very



similar to the ones described by Charles Cozens. A check with Air Canada revealed that no aircraft flew across Hamilton at the time the objects were viewed, which was about 11:15 p.m.

On the night of April 4th, three Hamilton youngsters returning from a cub scout meeting saw a saucer 300 feet above the ground, and described it as being six feet in diameter. The object was traveling across the city at fairly high speed, and suddenly stopped not far from them.

These sightings and others caused Dr. William Howe, M.P. for Hamilton South, to ask the Canadian House of Commons for a special committee to look into the existence of flying saucers. He was ruled out of order by the Speaker, however. (Hamilton Spectator, 4/4/66; 4/5/66.)

**AUSTRALIAN ROUND-UP:** On the night of April 4th, R. N. Sullivan of Maryborough, Australia, had a fantastic experience while driving along a lonely road. As he went up a slight rise in a straight stretch of highway, his car's headlights suddenly lit up a fence near the road, "as if they (the headlights) were being dragged by a giant hidden magnet." The driver hit the breaks as hard as he could, and saw, in the middle of a nearby field, a giant column of light about 25 feet high, shaped like an ice cream cone. It was 3 feet wide at the top and 10 feet wide at the bottom, which seemed to rest on the ground. As Mr. Sullivan watched, the column rose from the ground with tremendous speed. As the column rose, his headlights returned to normal, and once again focused on the road.

The next day, a saucer-shaped depression, 3 feet in diameter and 2 to 3 inches deep, was found at the location of the sighting. Mr. Sullivan, in checking his headlights, found they were in perfect working order.

Three nights later, tragedy struck at exactly the same location. Within a few yards of the UFO sighting spot, another night driver named Gary Taylor was killed when his car unaccountably crashed into a tree along the same straight stretch of highway. Many people speculated that the automobile was lured from the road by the same mysterious UFO, though there was no proof of this.

Elsewhere in Australia, another flying saucer "nest" has been found, similar to those described on Page 27 of our June issue. The latest "nest" is in a swamp near Bankstown, and consists of an almost symmetrical 20-foot-diameter circle of flattened reeds. A local woman and her neighbors claimed they saw mysterious white lights in that area for several nights in a row.

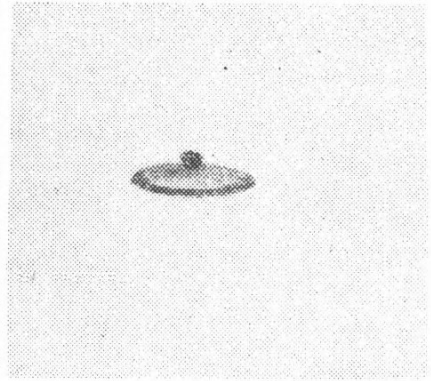
Finally, Peter Norris, vice-president of the Victoria Flying Saucer Research Society, has released a color UFO photo taken in early April by a person who wishes to remain anonymous. The picture was taken when a flying saucer swooped down briefly over the home of one of the Society's members. We have not yet obtained a copy of this photograph. (Hobart, Tas. Mercury, 4/12/66; The (Australian) Sun, 4/12/66; The Wellington Dominion, 4/13/66, and other sources.)

**NEAR-LANDING IN NEW YORK STATE:** On April 5th, a noiseless disc hovered not more than two hundred feet from the ground, over a farm owned by Joseph Powers and his family, near Castleton, New York. There were blue and red lights on the object, and a short tail of blue flame spouted from its rear, according to the witnesses. They also reported that it appeared to have windows, and was 75 to 100 feet wide. The woods were aglow from the lights of the craft. As in the now-famous Exeter, N.H. cases, the object headed for electrical wires as it approached closer to the ground. After about five minutes, it disappeared. (The Knickerbocker News, Albany, N.Y., 4/6/66; The Albany, N.Y. Times-Union, 4/6/66.)

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**QUESTIONABLE SAUCER PHOTO FROM NEW JERSEY:** Last March 30th, a 13-year-old boy living in Wall Township, N.J. took the UFO photo shown here. He later turned the negative and pertinent information over to Army authorities at nearby Fort Monmouth. On May 11th, the Army released the picture, having found no evidence of retouching of the negative.



The boy, named Robert J. Salvo, claimed that he saw something strange in the sky, diving out of a cloud. He took several pictures of it before it disappeared from view. However, doubt as to the authenticity of the photos was cast by a young man named Michael Sidoric, who lives in a nearby town. By taking pictures of an earthen bean pot suspended from a radio aerial, he was able to make an almost exact replica of the Salvo pictures. One New Jersey newspaper displayed the two photos side by side. (Newark, N.J. News, 5/12/66.)

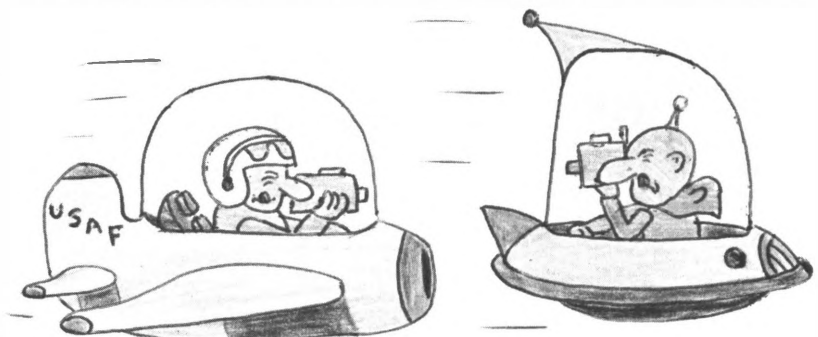
**CONNECTICUT BOYS ATTACKED BY SAUCER:** On the morning of April 6th, two 12-year-old boys on their way to school in Norwalk, Connecticut were attacked by a silvery ball, eight feet in diameter, which dove four times to within 15 feet of the ground. They further described the UFO as having alternating red and white lights on its bottom, and a red blinking light on its top portion. Two men in a parked car, to whom the boys ran for help, drove away quickly upon spotting the object. The youths then hid under a bridge abutment, while the UFO again returned and seemed to look for them under the bridge. After five minutes, it finally disappeared.

Immediately thereafter, the boys ran home, where their parents reported they were "white as ghosts." They repeated their story to their school principal, local police, and others, each time with the facts unchanged. (The Norwalk, Conn. Hour, 4/9/66.)

**SAUCER LANDING IN COLORADO:** On April 8th, six Denver-area youths picnicking in rugged territory saw several flying saucers and a very tall creature, apparently from one of the craft. A group of four or five objects was seen rising out of a gully, and several of the youths also described what appeared to be a "really, really tall man" who was in view for just a few seconds, in the same vicinity.

One of the UFOs was described as looking like a "huge car," with red and white blinking lights. It wasn't long before this object took off, at the same time that several other weird-looking craft rose skyward from the same area. In all, it was a highly unusual camping trip! (New Haven, Conn. Register, 4/9/66.)

**ANOTHER SAUCER "FLAP" IN THE MID-WEST:** On the night of April 17th, two sheriff's deputies in a patrol car chased a low-flying UFO from the town of Atwater, Ohio, all the way to Freedom, Pa., a distance of 85 miles. They said it was 30 to 45 feet in diameter, and was traveling at speeds of 80 to 100 miles per hour. It was definitely under intelligent control, according to the witnesses. They reported that it was about 1000 feet in the air, and so extremely bright



that it hurt the eyes when looked at directly.

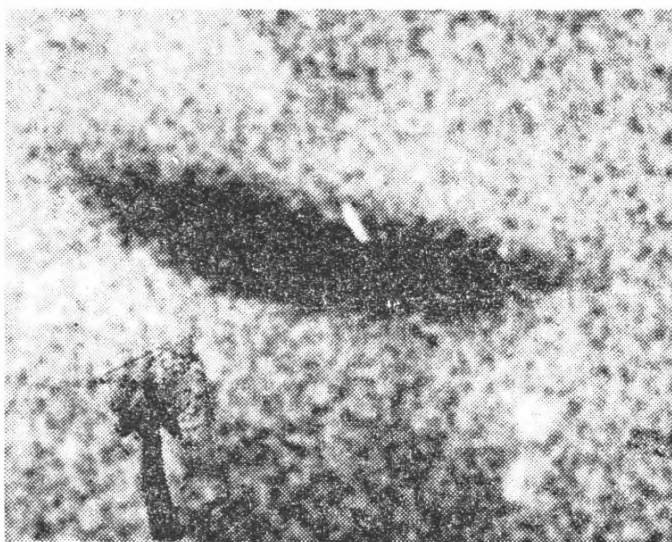
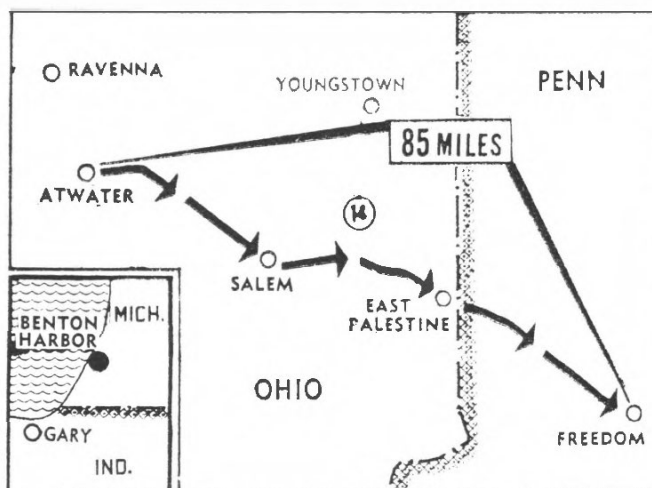
At East Palestine, Ohio, a third deputy named Wayne Huston joined the chase, at speeds as high as 100 mph. He stated that the object appeared larger than an airliner. It traveled in a straight line, but would change altitude suddenly, in a strange way. It also appeared to stop and wait for the patrol cars when it got too far ahead of them. At one point, the UFO hovered for a short time over one of the police cruisers. It seemed to have something like an antenna protruding from the bottom (as was the case in the March Michigan sightings.) The chase lasted about fifty minutes, during which the object was seen by at least six other police departments in the two-state area.

On the same night, Police Chief Gerald Buchert of Mantua, Ohio took a picture of this or a similar object. (See photo at right.) A rather startling report came over many radio and television stations the next evening, to the effect that the Air Force had told Buchert not to release the picture. The Air Force strongly denied this. The truth about this alleged "hush up" was learned by SAUCER NEWS through a telephone call to Chief Buchert, who said he had made two calls to the Air Force. On the first, he was asked not to release the picture, but on the second he was told it would be alright to do so. In any case, the controversial picture has appeared in many newspapers, together with a strong plug for NICAP - who visited the Chief very shortly after the sighting.

The Air Force later explained away the UFO chase as a case of misinterpretation of the planet Venus, and said that Chief Buchert's picture was due to photographic defects. However, an Associated Press dispatch states that Air Force reserve pilots based at Youngstown, Ohio attempted to follow the UFO, but were unable to do so because of the low speed of the object in relation to their jet trainers. It seems highly unlikely to us that these pilots would not have been able to recognize Venus!

Another incident in the same flap involved three rubbish collectors, several policemen and a newsman in Benton Harbor, Michigan, who observed a UFO moving slowly near the downtown section. Joseph Franklin, head of the rubbish crew, said it was about 150 to 200 feet in the air, and had a steel-like shell. It was cigar-shaped, and had a brilliant light at one end. Franklin and his crew reported this early-morning sighting to local police, who also saw the object, as did the news director of radio station WSJM.

Another sighting was made by Benton Harbor Police Chief Merle McCarroll and his wife, who watched a silent flying object with "a large red blinking dome light" near their home. The object was not more than 100 to 150 feet above the ground, making no noise whatsoever. (UPI, 4/18/66; AP, 4/18/66; The



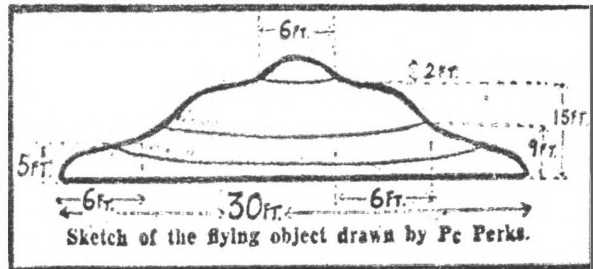
Youngstown, Ohio Vindicator, 4/18/66, 4/19/66; UPI, 4/20/66; The Long Island, N.Y. Press, 4/24/66; and many other sources.)

LOW-FLYING SAUCER SHAKES HOUSE IN MASSACHUSETTS: A terrified 11-year-old girl in Dorchester, Mass. reported that at about 4 a.m. on April 25th, a flying saucer of some sort banged into the side of the house and rocked her bed. The girl, named Judy Kalnicki, sketched for her mother the object she had seen through her third-floor bedroom window. The UFO was oval in shape, and about the size of an automobile. It had a round "bubble" on top, and red lights around the perimeter. It seemed to be made of a silvery gray metal, with no doors. At the same time the incident occurred, all the lights in the house went out temporarily. This blackout occurred throughout the entire area.

To prove that this is not some child's nightmare, the same object was seen earlier that night by the girl's mother, simultaneously with another brief blackout. She made an identical description of the UFO. Other sightings were made near Boston's Logan Airport, as well as over South Boston and near Belmont's Waverly Square.

Two weeks earlier, there was a power failure blacking out some 2,000 homes in Dorchester, and in that case too, a UFO was seen. The object was observed in considerable detail, and at one point appeared to land on the roof of a four-story school. It was an oval craft with a dome on top, according to several children and others who saw it, and there were colored lights on the bottom. (Boston Record-American, 4/13/66, 4/25/66; Thanks to Ronald Tarr.)

SAUCER BRIEFS: The latest contactee tale comes from a Ballard, Washington automobile mechanic who claims to have been aboard a craft from outer space last February. The interior of the saucer was not as modern looking as most such interiors, and the occupants had no message of peace or love. They said their home planet is in another solar system, from which the journey takes 18 to 20 years, according to the mechanic, who gave his story to skeptical newsmen last March. (Seattle, Wash. Times, 3/21/66)....



At about 4 a.m. one morning in early March, in a suburb of London, England, a policeman named Colin Perks observed a 30-foot long flying saucer, sketched above. It was about 30 feet in length, and was hovering not more than

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20 feet above a field. It was making "a peculiar humming sound," and soon thereafter shot over the roof tops at fantastic speed. A newspaper science editor blandly stated: "Strange electrical conditions of the atmosphere sometimes lead to sightings of this sort." We wonder what sort of electrical condition would have dimensions as precise as those in the sketch! (London Daily Mirror, 3/3/66)....

On March 24th, an astronomer named Munoz Ferrada was among numerous startled people who saw a UFO in Valparaiso, Chile. The strange yellow and blue object made circular passes for a period of about six minutes, and definitely could not have been a satellite, according to Ferrada....Other sightings continue to come in to us from various parts of South America, but none are as detailed as those we received in previous months....

In late March, a series of UFO photographs was taken over England by a woman passenger of a British United Airways airliner, in full daylight. The pictures, showing an oblong fuzzy-looking outline, were given a front-page spread in London's mass-circulation newspaper, "News of the World," and the story was widely reprinted in this country. The photos, said to show "a mysterious object moving at tremendous speed," were later duplicated by a man using the same kind of camera in the same kind of plane, who attempted to show that the UFO was merely a reflection from the tail section of the aircraft. This debunking was later used in a CBS network documentary in a shotgun-blast attempt to discredit all saucer films and saucer believers. (London News of the World, 4/10/66; Reuters, 4/11/66; UPI, 4/11/66)....

On the night of March 31st, more UFO sightings were made not far from Wanaque, N.J., scene of last January's big saucer flap. This time it was Jefferson Township, N.J. which reported low-flying silent objects seen separately by several residents. In one case, the UFO hovered just above treetop level and then suddenly took off, straight up. A check with nearby air bases was of no help in determining the nature of the objects....

On the night of April 1st, a Frontier Air Lines pilot en route from Denver to Salt Lake City interrupted his flight to check out a UFO report. The request for the check was made by Lowery Air Force Base, which said it had received a number of telephone calls about objects over the area. The pilot, named Warren Heckman, spotted colored lights about 20 miles away, and closed to within about three miles, whereupon the lights, which seemed to be attached to a moving object, suddenly went down as if the object had landed. Other sightings were made elsewhere in the general vicinity. (Los Angeles Herald-Examiner, 4/2/66, thanks to Kenneth Larson)....

Several residents of Calgary, Alberta, Canada, reported sighting a UFO at extremely low altitude over the city shortly before midnight on April 4th. One man claimed the saucer passed directly over his car as he pulled up to a stop sign. He described it as metallic, giving off "very beautiful lights" of red, blue, orange, and green. (Calgary, Alberta Herald, 4/5/66)....

At 11 p.m. on April 16th, Captain Al Zwink of Northeast Airlines made a radar observation of a fast-moving UFO while flying from Boston to New York.

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He radioed New York for confirmation, but got none. We include this fragmentary report just to show that, contrary to uninformed opinion, airline pilots are still seeing UFOs, just as in the early 1950's. But many reports, like this one, never reach the newspapers. (Thanks to Bill Lutters of Orange, Connecticut, who, incidentally, has just become member #1 in our new S.A.U.C. E.R.S. club.)....

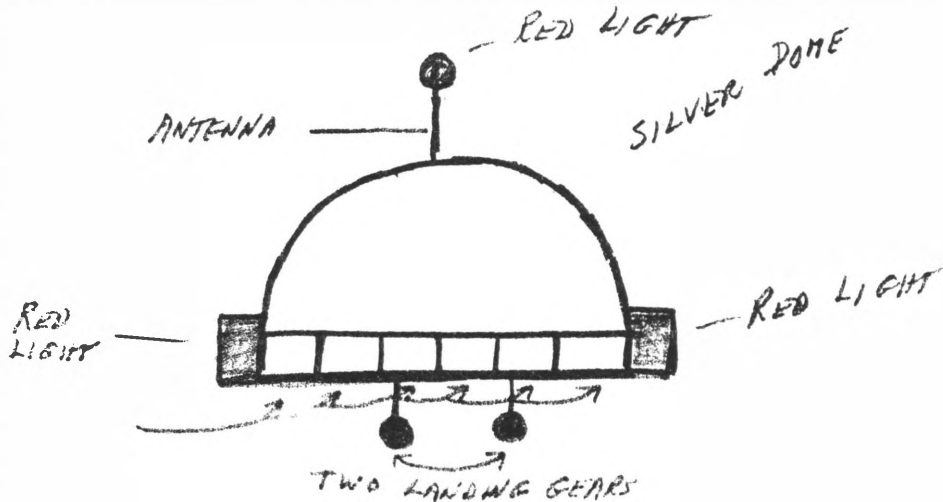
On the night of April 18th, a 50 to 60 foot long flying saucer apparently landed in the driveway of a home in Conway, New Hampshire, not far from the scene of last year's big flap in Exeter, N.H. Herman Banfill told authorities that he was awakened by a sharp blast followed by what he described as a sound like a snowplow. When he got up, he saw a huge bullet-shaped object moving eastward over the tree tops. It was a "glittering gold" color, and had a greenish undercarriage. Later that morning, Banfill found a strange slag-like material in the driveway. This evidence he then turned over to a man named David Baker, who is a local UFO investigator. Nothing further has been heard. (UPI, about 4/19/66)....

On the night of April 19th, a mysterious object fell from a UFO flying overhead, damaging a house trailer in High Point, North Carolina. At the same time that nearby children were startled by a loud noise at the trailer, they looked up and saw a round, black object sailing away into the night. The missile that caused the damage could not be found. (High Point, N.C. Enterprise, 4/20/66)....

On April 25th, Governor Haydon Burns of Florida saw an unexplained aerial object while flying through the state on a political campaign. The encounter occurred while the Governor's private plane was at 6,000 feet over Ocala, Florida, and involved a lighted UFO at some distance from the aircraft. The Governor, who was accompanied by several newsmen, attempted to give chase to the object; but it quickly pulled away, rose steeply into the air, and disappeared from sight....

Another "ball lightning" case, possibly unconnected with UFOs but nevertheless mysterious, occurred in Woodbury Connecticut last May. A family was eating in their dining room one night, when someone noticed a ball of fire hovering near the ceiling. Thereupon, the object sped toward a window and disappeared. No marks were left on the ceiling, or any other physical indication that the object had been there at all! (Waterbury, Conn. Republic, exact date unknown)....

On the evening of May 5th, a close sighting was made by five people in Belvidere, New Jersey. As indicated in the diagram below, six square windows were seen on the bottom of the object. Eerie red and green flashing lights could be seen coming from within, through these windows. The craft made a sound like a "swarm of locusts," and appeared to be about the size of a one-story house. The frightened eye-witnesses added that the UFO was hovering not more than 600 feet from the ground. (Thanks to researcher George Fawcett of the Pa. and N.J. Two-State Study Group, who sent this and other worthy items)....



On May 6th, a real estate salesman named Bill Keralas was chased by a "blue-green light 100 feet across" while driving near Naples, in Florida. To escape the object, he sped up to 115 miles per hour; but the thing followed him for nearly 10 miles before pulling ahead, circling his car, and vanishing into the moonlit night. Police reported that Keralas seemed genuinely frightened by the incident, and they therefore tended to believe his story. (The Miami, Florida Herald, 5/7/66)....Apparently, according to detailed information we received just before press time, there is a continuing flap going on in southern Florida. Space does not permit us to include the other incidents here, but readers interested in further information would be well advised to write to Joan Whritenour, 6464 34th Ave. North, St. Petersburg, Fla. 33710....

On June 12th, a family of five living in a rural area near York, Pa. observed a flying saucer hovering over the treetops within 700 yards of their home. The object had "compartments" that glowed with "soft-colored lights," and was in the shape of a flattened triangle. It made various zig-zag motions in the sky that definitely eliminated the possibility of it being a satellite, according to the witnesses, who watched the UFO through binoculars off and on for 25 minutes. (The York, Pa. Gazette and Daily, 6/13/66)....

The photo at the right was taken on June 24th, by Richard Manning of Bladell, New York. He and a friend were taking pictures with a Brownie camera at about 8 a.m. when they saw a silvery disc rise from behind some trees to their left. It hovered for about ten seconds and then sped away, making no sound. The picture was snapped as the object was leaving, according to Mr. Manning. We have no confirmation of the sighting....



The Gemini 10 astronauts, John Young and Michael Collins, spotted two UFOs during their first orbit on July 19th. Minutes later they reported that the objects, which had been in their orbital path, had disappeared. The Pentagon had to admit that no identification of the mysterious sky objects was possible. It should be added that UFOs of one sort or another have shown up during a great many of our past space shots, indicating that our visitors, whoever they may be, take a healthy interest in these activities. (The New Haven, Conn. Register, 7/19/66; The N.Y. Times, 7/19/66)....

SAUCERS PHOTOGRAPHED IN AUSTRALIA: On the morning of May 8th, three mystery objects were photographed in the pre-dawn darkness over New Plymouth, Australia. The pictures, which have baffled local experts, were taken by a 16-year-old boy named Brian Pollock, from the bedroom window of his home. The objects, which were hovering low over nearby power lines, changed shape during the course of the observation; and this, to Pollock, was the most amazing part of the sighting. - Mr. D.W. Daniels, director of the local astronomical observatory, admitted that he had no explanation for the UFOs; and the possibility of the objects being balloons was also ruled out. (Credit: Gladys Fusaro)



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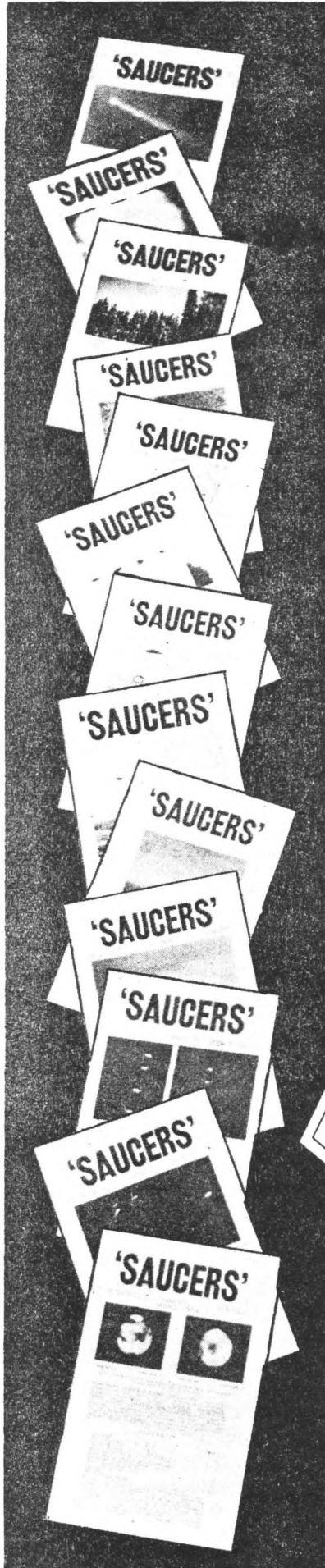
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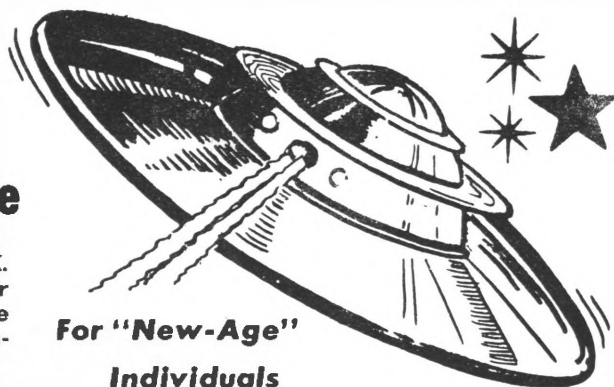
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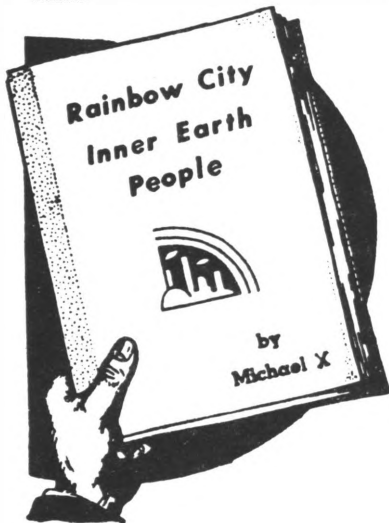
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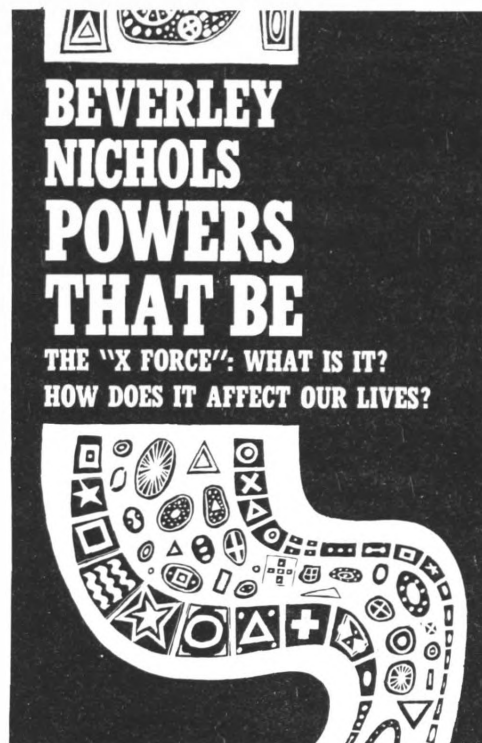
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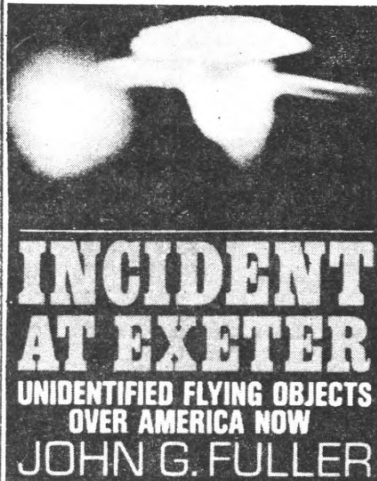
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