

THE FIFTH HORSEMAN OF THE APOCALYPSE

UFOS: A HISTORY

1957 August - September

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTES

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"UFOs are the Fifth Horseman of the Apocalypse."

--- Dr. Lincoln La Paz

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Mid-summer, 1957. Near Stroud, Ontario, Canada. (after midnight)

"It was a very frightening experience." (But what happened?)

A letter to Dr. James E. McDonald from a George Morrison related an "event" that took place about eight miles southeast of Barrie, Ontario, just east of the small community of Stroud:

"It was after midnight, and I was returning from a movie in Barrie with a girl friend. We had driven south on Highway 11 (shown in red on the map) to one of the concession roads which run straight east to Lake Simcoe at one mile intervals, in the vicinity of Stroud. It was most likely the road at Stroud, but it could be either the one before or after Stroud.

"It was the middle of the week and, being late, traffic had been very light on Highway 11 and we saw no cars at all after leaving the Highway. But for a few seconds, we sure thought that we did.

"You know what it looks like on a long, straight road when you first see the lights of a car in the distance? You just see light ahead, without seeing two, separate headlights for a while, then, as you get closer, you do.

"Well, when I first saw the light on the road ahead, I naturally assumed that it was a car, and expected to see the separating of two headlights as we approached each other. However, this did not happen.

"The light ahead was growing in size; its growth in size was proportionate only to our speed—it was not moving towards us, but was stationary on the road ahead. I eased up on the gas, because what I saw ahead was concerning me. Not wanting to frighten the girl beside me, I did not express concern. I slipped my left hand away from the steering wheel to lock my door without her noticing—and was surprised to hear the click of her locking her door before my hand had barely left the steering wheel. I looked up at her face—she was leaning forward with a nervous look on her face—her face, by the way, being illuminated by the light on the road ahead.

"It was obvious that the light was occupying the entire two-lane road. It was bright and it was white—no other colored lights were visible. Still assuming that the cause of the light was natural, I blinked my headlights, but got no response. I turned my lights out momentarily to confirm that the body was self-luminous rather than a reflection of my own lights—and the bright light continued.

"At about the same time that I realized that the light ahead was not a car, I got a rather funny feeling about the light—because the color temperature of the light was not typical of a car's tungsten lights (I was very experienced and interested in photography at that time, and that accounts for the color temperature observation). The light was a 'whiter' white—i.e., light of a higher color temperature, although there was no 'blue' quality to it. The light was constant, too. It did not vary in intensity. It was a very bright light, but not blinding. I had the feeling that it was shining 'at' me for a while, but this could have been because I was expecting to see a car with its lights shining 'at' me.

"The light source was horizontal in shape, with a width/height ratio of about three to one. If I had to use a word to describe its shape, I would say 'oval,' but I would qualify that by saying that the light was bright and it was not possible to observe much in the way of detail. Just as car's headlights appear above the road, this light was above the road—seemingly by about three to six feet, although I

could not see any supporting structure.

"By the time we had approached to within a thousand feet or so, my passenger was on the edge of her seat and obviously very upset about the light ahead, although I had said nothing and tried to prevent nonverbal communication of my concern. I had down-shifted to low gear and was half-hoping for a driveway or something to let me turn the car around (the road was flanked by ditches). I have always been very oriented towards science and natural explanations, so I fought the impulse to stop or turn around, telling myself that there was a very natural explanation for the sight ahead. Camp Borden is only about 16 miles to the west, and I thought that we would probably come upon a military exercise being conducted in conjunction with the light (Although I have seen the large, typical searchlights with their blue-white light and knew that what I was seeing was 'different' in light, and much, much larger.) I thought of the oval effect one would get from seeing a searchlight turned partly skyward, but I had seen that effect many times and what was on the road ahead was much different.

"The last few hundred feet were frightening. I was now, to be very frank, very much afraid of that thing on the road. I regretted that I hadn't turned around when I had the chance, but I still half-hoped for a natural explanation. A glance at my passenger revealed a clenched hand before her mouth, positioned to suppress the scream that was probably going to come very soon.

"I didn't know whether I was going to hit the brakes or the gas at the last moment—or swerve into the ditch.

"Now for the strange part of my story—the part that frightened me most. You know what it looks like when your car descends momentarily into a dip into the road. As you mount the other side of the dip, you can see the glare of the headlights in the air above the crest of the hill you're ascending. And then, as you come over the top of the hill—you see the car—usually a split second before the two cars pass one another.

"Well, during the last few hundred feet, this was the impression I got. It seemed that our car descended into a dip in the road and the bright light could be seen shining over us [Instead of the car dipping, perhaps the light source rose?—L.E. Gross]. Climbing the other side of the dip, the light halo ahead became brighter. Then, it was time for us to at last be confronted with the stationary light. Our headlights—and our gazes—fell onto the spot where the big light would be—and it was gone! Stunned, we coasted through the spot it had been sitting. For a couple of seconds, we continued to roll along at low speed, speechless.

"Then, with a very strong feeling that the object was above and behind us, I accelerated. A rather nervous glance into the rear view mirror revealed nothing but total darkness behind.

"In a few minutes, we arrived at the cottage we were staying at. Fortunately for nervous us, the lights were still on and we wasted little time setting in.

"My parents were quick to notice that our facial expressions were not quite normal.

" 'What did you see???' they exclaimed when they saw us.

"Next morning, I returned to the scene of the sighting and looked all over the road surface and in the adjacent fields for clues, but found nothing. There were no nearby buildings or lights that could help me find a natural explanation. The girl, by

the way, refused to return to the scene with me.

"I returned to the cottage, walked in and began to tell everybody that I had found nothing. They silenced me in mid-sentence—they were listening to the news on the radio—and the announcer was telling of reports of strange lights moving in the skies last night, near the Bradford, Holland Landing, Newmarket area—some 16-20 miles SSE of the cottage.

"My parents urged that I report our sighting, but I knew of no category for such a report: we saw no flying object, and I knew that most authorities would be highly skeptical of my report—especially in view of it being made after a newscast mentioning lights in the sky.

"About seven paragraphs ago, I described how the object seemed to disappear behind the road surface as we descended into a dip—and how we could see the light shining over the crest of the hill. This was precisely how I perceived the last few seconds of our encounter. The trouble is the country in the Stroud area is relatively flat...However, if the bottom of the object was not lighted, and if the object were tilted away from me as I approached, this would give the same impression...." (xx.)

(xx.) Letter: To: Mr. James E. McDonald, Senior Physicist, Institute of Atmospheric Physics, The University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona, 85721. From: George R. Morrison, 11 Marlebon Road, Rexdale, Ontario, Canada. Date: 20 January 57. Photocopy in author's files.

August? 1957. Shabani (?), South Africa. (night)

"God has come!"

An overseas news dispatch published in an American paper said: "A flying saucer or some other kind of heavenly manifestation so terrified native night shift workers at the Sabi gold mine, near Shabani? [name of town not clear], South Africa, that they cried 'God had come!,' quit work, and huddled together in the engine room." (xx.)

(xx.) Beverly, Massachusetts. *Times*. ? [exact date on clipping not clear] August 57.

Note that there had been another UFO report from Africa back on July 22th.

1 August. Smith River, California. (9:34 a.m.)

"The meteor that stayed up." (That's how the headline reads. See clipping on page 4)

1 / 2 August. Ontario, California. (9:30 p.m. – 1:00 a.m.)

"Real big, red, fireballs."

A news story informed the public:

"They may have been the only citizens who saw them, but 'fireballs' kept two of the city's younger set up way past their bedtime last night.

Deputy's Report

The Meteor That Stayed Up

Special to The Chronicle

SMITH RIVER (Del Norte county), Aug. 3—The "meteor" that flashed over Northern California Thursday night was seen to hover over this small border community, a Deputy Sheriff reported today.

"I watched it for eight to 10 seconds, standing motionless in the air. It may have been a flare, but it certainly wasn't a meteor," said Del Norte County Deputy Sheriff Allan Morris.

Morris said he was driving south on U. S. 101 just south of town when he noticed a blue light illuminating the highway.

It was 9:34 p. m.

"I looked up and saw this bright blue object about 100 to 125 feet in the air," Morris said in an official report.

"It was perhaps two feet in diameter—a little smaller than a wash tub. Small bluish articles were falling from it. There was no sound," he said.

Morris looked away for a moment. When he looked back, the object was gone.

Hundreds of other persons reported seeing what they thought was a meteorite flash

across the skies just about the time Morris saw the small bluish object.

"I'm not the only crazy one," he told The Chronicle. "I talked to two other people in Smith River and a man in Cave Junction, Ore., who all saw the same thing."

"I know this object couldn't

have been high in the sky like a meteorite. I was in a valley and this object was definitely below the rim of the hills surrounding the area."

Morris said he made a complete written report to his office and to the Air Force at Klamath Air Force Base.

San Francisco, California.
San Francisco Chronicle.
7 August 57.

"Larry Smith and Tim O'Neil, both 11, told *The Daily Report* this morning they were up from 9:30 last night to 1 this morning watching high-flying pyrotechnics.

"The youngsters' fireball apparently was for them only. No other reports were called into either *The Daily Report* or the Police Department.

"And Larry and Tim aren't about to share their fireball with the folks up north. Stories from San Francisco this morning said residents of California, Nevada and Oregon reported a 'greenish-white light with the speed of a jet' in the skies over the three states at 9:30 last night.

"The local youths say their object was 'real big and red—just like a meteor.'

"Tha amateur sky-watchers were in Tim's backyard at 750 E.D. D Street when the show began.

" 'It came right over Tim's house,' Larry said.

" 'And little bitty yellow things were following it,' Tim said. Tim and Larry say the smaller objects were about 300 feet apart and 'sort of danced around' for a long time. Finally, the lads say, 'they climbed real high and disappeared.'" (xx.)

(xx.) Ontario, California. *The Daily Report*. 2 August 57.

2 August. Greymouth, New Zealand. (3:00 p.m.)

Teacher/ pupils watch cigar-shaped object.

The New Zealand press mentioned the following report:

"A large number of pupils and one of the teachers of the Reefton District District High School, Mr. John McKenzie, saw a strange phenomenon on Friday.

"While at the recreation ground at about 3 o'clock they saw a bright silver object, cigar-shaped, rise from the hills in the direction of the Reefton saddle and travel at terrific speed straight into the sky.

"As the day was perfect without a cloud in the sky, the pupils and Mr. McKenzie were able to watch the flight of the object for about a minute.

"Once it reached a certain height it leveled out at a sharp angle and traveled due east, where again it changed direction completely and went west." (xx.)

(xx.) Greymouth, New Zealand, Sunday, 4? August 1957. (PA)

3 August. Northern California coast. (1445Z-1524Z)

Can a UFO generate an electronic pulse?

This UFO report was filed by personnel of the 552nd Airborne Early Warning and Control Wing based at McClellan AFB, California. The aircraft involved was on a surveillance mission out to sea off the California coast. An official summation of the incident states:

"On 3 August 1957, at 1445Z while on a routine Airborne Operation Center mission, (1st Lt. Robert J. Springer Jr., Senior Director.) T/Sgt. Giles detected an

unidentified object on his scope on IFF only. The object appeared to be the same type object as had been detected previously, several times in the past. At 1456Z the object became a skinpaint. The object was observed continuously until 1515Z at which time the AEW&C aircraft started a right turn. At the time of commencing the turn, the object was 10 miles distant. It suddenly turned toward the northwest at a high rate of speed resulting in loss of contact at 58 miles. Object was re-sighted at 1518Z at 22 miles. At 1520Z it closed to a distance of 8 miles and turned to fly parallel with the AEW&C aircraft. Contact was lost at 1524Z at a distance of 15 miles. No visual contact was made at any time during the encounter.

"This report is considered significant since it is the first time such a detection has been made as an actual skinpaint. All previous detections have IFF paints. A suggested explanation is given in enclosure #2." (xx.)

(xx.) *Air Intelligence Information Report*, by 1st Lt. Johnson W. Ackiss Jr., Intelligence Officer, Hq. 552nd AEW&C Wing, McClellan AFB, California. 5 August 57. Photocopy in author's files.

Here is the suggested explanation of the odd radar return:

"This type of track has been picked up numerous times on Mode II IFF paint but this is the first report of actual skin paint. Before on the IFF paint it has been on Mode II only but not coming in as a Mode II blip. The IFF paint was similar to a skin paint.

"A suggested answer to this is that the object in some way generates a frequency the same as the Mode II frequency which would be picked up by the APX VII receiver and painted on the scope. This theory is borne out by the report that on previous pick ups when the object remained more or less stationary, the intensity of the paint weakened, as the object began to move the intensity increased." (xx.)

(xx.) Ibid. Enclosure #2.

5 August. Near? Anapolis, Brazil. (no time)

Beam of light from UFO?

The following report suffers a bit in the translation but it gets its point across:

"Strange sightings has been happened over 'Gabirola' farm (district of Niquelândia, State of Goias), belonging to Srs. Antonio Santinoni and Sebastiae de Oliveira.

"At the door of the farm's house, the owners were chatting with some friends when a throwing light from the space blinded them. They thought the light was coming from some plane, but since there wasn't any noise, the most audacious amongst them attempted to approach at a strange craft, round-shaped and quite beaming [Was the craft at a very low altitude?]. But at just that moment such an object wiped out its lights, and disappeared.

"From the UFO, the beam [was?] about 32 inches [in diameter?] showed a green color at the core, and a ...[not clear] yellow one around the periphery." (xx.)

(xx.) Anapolis (State of Goias, Brazil)—Meridional Agency, August 5, 1957. Translation apparently by J. Escobar Faria, *Editor of the UFO-Critical Bulletin*, which was published in Sao Paulo. APRO files.

5 August. Madaket, Maine. (7:23 p.m.)

"Like a cigarette standing on end." (See clippings on page 8)

5 August. Hickory Township, Minnesota. (6:45 a.m.)

Dog looked up and started barking.

A press account states:

"What was it; where did it come from; and did anyone else see it? These are the questions Mrs. Arnold Helgen of Hickory township, would like to have answered.

"Here is the story as told by Mrs. Helgen to a *Times* reporter.

"At 6:45 Monday morning she and the family dog went into the field to bring in the cows. It was cold and foggy. As she was returning from the field, the dog looked up and started barking. Wondering what the barking was about Mrs. Helgen looked up too. Then she saw it.

"It was a strange object floating over a wooded area about a half mile away [Why would a dog bark at something that was silent and a half mile away?]. She described it as being shaped like a football, only the ends were pointed and hung down toward the ground. It was still quite foggy said Mrs. Helgen, and its' hard to judge size at that distance, but it appeared to be about eight feet long.

"She first saw the shiny, noiseless object above the Neptune bridge, it was drifting in an easterly direction and passed slowly out of sight over the Indian reservation.

"Mrs. Helgen said she is sure it isn't a flying saucer and thinks it might have been some type of weather balloon." (xx.)

(xx.) Hickory Township, Minnesota. Three Rivers (?) *Times*. 8 August 57.

5 August. Nanking, China. (shortly before sunset)

Egg-shaped object.

A source in the Far East tells us:

"Mr. T. Young of Shanghai, reported that shortly before sunset, while returning home from a market Mrs. L. Chang and her son, and Miss C. Sheng observed an egg-shaped object in the sky over Nanking on August 5. It was about two times the size of a beer-barrel and colored grey-white. The object moved slowly at first, suddenly flashing [light?] and ascending with [a] white-pink trail, after two minutes.

"The report said [a] very similar object [was] observed by more [than] 5 witnesses around the nearby Nanking area." (xx.)

The ship was described by Dr. and Mrs. Bishop and Miss Gray as similar to one seen near Mount Kilimanjaro in Africa. These gigantic "mother ships" are believed to be carriers for the smaller cargo and scout ships known as "flying saucers." Mary Jane Ashman, who is currently writing a series of articles about "flying saucers" for "The Inquirer and Mirror," said in June, when she talked with Howard Menger as described in her column last week, he promised he would endeavor to have a ship appear over Nantucket.

Next week Miss Ashman's column will give more details of the object seen over Madaket as described by Dr. Bishop. He stated it was bright white, with a dark streak down the center. When first seen it was standing on end, as a blimp would never do, and then moved almost imperceptibly until it was in a horizontal position. Dr. and Mrs. Bishop and Miss Gray watched the "mother ship" for approximately 17 minutes. Dr. Bishop later drawing a detailed sketch of the scene in which he indicated the object's height and direction.

Dr. Bishop, a medical practitioner in Manhattan, said, "Part of it looked almost transparent, as if we were seeing through part of it."

Agreeing with Dr. Bishop's description, Miss Gray, who teaches in the Buckley School for Boys in New York City, said the object "definitely was not a blimp."

"No, it was definitely not a blimp," Mrs. Bishop agreed. "It was something in the skies we'd never seen before."

Dr. Bishop added, "A blimp would disappear slowly. This came down slowly, moving into a horizontal position, but then disappeared suddenly. As I said to a friend of mine, Dr. Vogel, later that evening, 'We saw a visitor from outer space!'"

The "mother ship," according to Dr. Bishop's estimate, was about 20 degrees above the horizon and appeared to be suspended over a cleft in the sand dunes about a mile to a mile and a half from the end of Smith's Point. If any other observers saw this object, they are requested to get in touch with "The Inquirer and Mirror" office.

NANTUCKET ISL., MASS.
INQUIRER & MIRROR

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3 Visitors, Viewing Sunset, Report 'Flying Cigar' Off Smith's Point

Theory of inter-planetary "flying saucers" took a dip Monday when three Summer residents, enjoying a sunset at Madaket Monday evening saw what they described as a "cigar-shaped" object in the sky in a distance off Smith's Point.

Was it a "flying saucer?" A spaceship maybe?

Dr. Phillip Bishop of New York confesses readily he doesn't know what his wife and their hostess, Miss Adden Gray of New York, saw in the sky. But they admit readily they're puzzled about the "flying cigar."

Could it have been a dirigible?

Well, Dr. Bishop remarked cautiously, "I have never seen a blimp standing on end in vertical flight." Just before the "flying cigar" disappeared, Dr. Bishop said, it went into a slanting and then a horizontal position. When the trio first saw it, the object had flown in an arc.

Asserting it was a long way off! Dr. Bishop volunteered the size of the "flying cigar" might have been five stories high—building stories, that is.

Center of the "flying cigar" from end to end was dark and its flanking edges were "snowy white," said Dr. Bishop.

Dr. Bishop said he and his two companions watched the "flying cigar" change from its flight in vertical position to a slanting and finally a horizontal one in the sky show from 7:23 p.m. to 7:40 p.m. So engrossed were they in the unidentified object that they forgot all about the enchanting sunset.

The three spectators later reported, in casual conversation, their experience to a friend, Roger Williamson of Cliff Road, a Summer visitor. A "flying saucer" fan, Mr. Williamson is greatly interested in the "flying cigar."

Does Dr. Bishop believe in "flying saucers?"

The cautious Dr. Bishop said he doesn't believe or disbelieve. His reading doesn't include stories about the "flying saucers" or "flying cigars" for that matter, he said.

NANTUCKET ISL., MASS.
TOWN CRIER

AUG 9 1957

'Flying Saucer' Sighted Monday By Summer Residents.

Last Monday evening, August 5, three summer residents of Madaket sighted what may have been a space craft of the "mother ship" or carrier type in the western sky, just as the sun was setting. Miss Adden Gray, who has spent summers at Madaket for 15 years, and her house guests, Dr. and Mrs. Phillip Bishop, of New York City, declare that what they saw definitely could not have been a plane or the blimp seen off Sconset on Thursday.

Miss Gray and her guests say they enjoy the sunsets as viewed from Madaket, and are in the habit of playing a little game every evening, making "non-monetary" bets as to the time and place the sun will disappear. Last Monday about seven o'clock they were sitting on the terrace as usual, one betting the sun would set at 7:18, one at 7:22, and one at 7:23.

A plane was going over at the time, and soon after it had passed, they noticed what at first appeared to be a vapor trail in the sky, considerably to the south of the sun. But even as they watched, it appeared to grow more solid. They say it looked like a cigarette standing on end, with the lower end distinctly rounded, as if the object were pointing down toward them while the other end seemed to fade off into space.

(xx.) *UFO News Report*. Official organ of the Flying Saucer Research Group in Japan, Yokohama, Japan. No. B-7. (No page number available)

6 August. Old Greenwich, Connecticut. (9:26 p.m.)

"Scalloping" flight.

A Mrs. Madeleine Copper of Old Greenwich notified the CSI New York group and told them to contact a Mrs. Hope Hurd about a sighting of something strange on August 5th. Here is the Mrs. Hurd's experience:

"Mrs. Hope Hurd, of Old Greenwich, Connecticut, was standing on her front porch, which faces south and overlooks Long Island Sound. It was 9:26 p.m.; no trace of daylight was left in the sky. Her attention was caught by the sudden appearance of a large oval object in the sky due south of her; it was approximately 25 degrees from the horizon. Although elliptical in shape, the object was roughly equivalent to the full moon in angular size. The color was luminous yellow and it was about as brilliant as the headlight of a car a block away. The edges of the object were sharp and clearly defined.

"Mrs. Hurd had barely noticed this object when she saw it suddenly execute a series of most unusual hops to the west, a maneuver which she described as 'scal-
loping:'



"After about ten 'scallops,' it disappeared in the southwest as suddenly as it appeared. It had not faded from view or grown appreciably smaller as it moved away, and she thought it must have entered a scattered cloud layer in the southwest.

"Her impression was that the object was small and nearby, rather than large and distant; however, if it did disappear into the clouds, it was evidently larger and farther away than it appeared to her." (xx.)

(xx.) CSI/ NICAP Files. CUFOS archives. Photocopy in author's files.

7 August. Fort Wayne, Indiana. (morning)

Star? Planet? Meteorologist puzzled. (See clipping on page 10)

14 August. Baltimore, Maryland. (3:00 a.m. and 3:45 a.m.)

Red-glowing somethings. .

A Baltimore press report stated:

"Speeding objects glowing with a dull red light were reported high over Baltimore early to day, heading south and then turning west.

"Andrews J. Kraft, of 6108 Old Harford road, said he saw the unidentified objects at 3 a.m. and again 45 minutes later. He said they left a white trail, which lasted eight to ten minutes.

Chris Stanley

JOURNAL-GAZETTE

FORT WAYNE, INDIANA, SATURDAY MORNING, AUGUST 10, 1957



PINPOINTING THE MYSTERY — Don Semancik, meteorologist at the Fort Wayne Weather Bureau, points-out where the "star" he saw Wednesday morning appeared in relation to the horizon. After the unidentified object was sighted in various parts of the state, Semancik watched it for four hours as it changed from red to blue to white within about five seconds. Military authorities and Butler University astronomers have been unable to determine just what the object was. Hundreds of persons also reported the strange light in the sky.

"Mr. Kraft described the objects as silent, different from shooting stars and lacking the blinking lights normally carried by airplanes. Friendship Airport said there were no planes aloft at that time at the extreme altitude reported." (xx.)

(xx.) Baltimore, Maryland.
Sun. 14 August 57.

14 August. Forest Hills, New York. (2:30 a.m.)

A man and his dog. Could they both be wrong? (See clipping)

14 August. Near Joinville, Brazil.
(8:55 p.m.)

The Varig airliner case as it was originally written up by Dr. Olavo Fontes:

"On the night of August 14, 1947, a Varig Airlines C-47 cargo airliner—the PP-VCC—took off from Porto Alegre Airport, Rio Grande do Sul, en route to Rio de Janeiro. At the controls was Commander Jorge Campos Araujo, a veteran pilot. His first officer was co-pilot Edgar Onofre Soares, also an experienced airline pilot.

"The plane was over the state of Santa Catarina, flying at 6,300 feet, when co-pilot Soares first saw the UAO.

"'It was 8:55 p.m.,' Commander Araujo reported to the press. 'The plane had crossed over the town of Joinville just five minutes before. I was absorbed on the instruments control panel when my attention was called by co-pilot Soars, who was pointing out to a luminous object which was flying at the left side of the airliner.'

"'It was not another plane, neither an astronomical body. I am absolutely sure. When the co-pilot called my attention to it, the strange craft was placed far to the left of our plane. We were flying on a ten degrees course. There was no chance of mistake. Though there was a thick layer of clouds below us, at 5,700 feet, all the

On the Town

By CHARLES McHARRY

See Any Saucers Lately?

On Aug. 14 at 2:30 A.M., newspaperman Dick Engler switched off the TV set in his home at Forest Hills and took his dog, Esther, a boxer, out for her customary bedtime walk. As soon as she reached the sidewalk Esther stopped, growled and bared her teeth. She refused to go further. Engler looked around, and saw nothing out of the ordinary. He took the dog back in the house. He returned to the street and lit a cigaret. Then he was aware of an insistent humming noise. In the sky, in a southerly direction, he saw an object he took to be a falling star. It seemed as distant as the stars and of about the same brightness. It appeared to be falling toward the earth on a 45 degree slant. It stopped, remained motionless for about 10 seconds, then took off toward the east on a horizontal course. After 30 seconds it stopped again, once more hung motionless and then shot straight up. The object paused after five seconds of upward flight, then veered east once more, finally shooting out of sight. The humming sound was loudest during its horizontal flight. The noise faded when the object disappeared. Anybody except Engler see this thing?



Joseph Abarno, Al Malfatone and Carl Thomas, ambulance drivers for Kings County Hospital, were having cigarets on a bench outside the hospital at 2:37 A.M., on the 14th, and beheld an object "exactly like the one Engler saw." Mrs. Catherine Bailey of East Northport, L. I., was awakened from sleep at the same hour by "a sound such as would be heard when a musical string on an instrument is pulled and let go quickly." Three minutes later she heard it again and "it sounded as though it was right over the house." L. I., of Queens, was standing on the roof of his apartment house with his wife at midnight when they both spotted an UFO which "made a sound like the hum of a bee." Charles Clegg of Jackson Heights also heard a "powerful, deep humming noise." He raced out and looked into the heavens, but could not see the source.

New York, N.Y.
New York Daily News
20 August 57.

sky above that layer was absolutely clear. We had a visibility of about 80 miles.

“ ‘Suddenly, in an unexpected maneuver at unbelievable speed (apparently supersonic), the mysterious craft was ahead of us and crossed to our right side, following a horizontal trajectory that made it pass just in front of the airliner, at the same level. After this dangerous maneuver the strange object apparently stopped in mid-air, for a brief time—motionless. Then it abruptly went into a dive and was out of sight, lost into the cloudbank below.

“ ‘Besides the commander and the co-pilot, Radio Operator Rubens A. Tortilho and Stewarts Jose D. Souza Machado and Afonso Schenini also saw the mysterious object. They were called to the cockpit and came in time to watch the UAO. There were also passengers aboard but none of them witnessed the sighting. One of them, an Army officer, had been called by the crew to be a witness, but when he came to the pilot’s cabin together with other passengers, it was too late. The UAO had already vanished into the thick layer of clouds 600 feet below the plane. As it had cut of the way in front of the plane, the crew was sure it couldn’t be seen from the passenger’s windows.

“ ‘All members of the crew stated that the object looked like one of so-called ‘flying saucers.’

“ ‘It was shaped like a saucer with a kind of dome or cupola on top of it,’ reported Commander Araujo. ‘The whole cupola glowed with an intense green light. The flattened base glowed with a less intense luminosity, yellowish in colour. No windows or portholes were visible on the object. Since we didn’t know its real size, we cannot estimate accurately the speed—and how far that mysterious flying object was from our plane. Its apparent diameter, however, was about six feet and the speed was incredible—obviously supersonic. I believe it was about six miles from us [Emphasis in Fontes’ MS], but this was just an impression,’ concluded Commander Araujo.

“ ‘Soon after the sighting, Commander Araujo radioed a UAO report to Varig Airlines communications at Congonhas Airport, Sao Paulo city. Others heard about it and a few days later someone told a Sao Paulo newspaper about the sighting. The PP-VCC’s crew was interviewed and confirmed it. Commander Araujo’s report hit the headlines all over the country on August 20th. Despite this national publicity, the Brazilian Air Force refused to make any comment about the sighting—even to debunk it.

“ ‘Why?

“ ‘Because the story, as published by the press, was not complete. There was something more, something not told to the press—something ‘too hot to handle.’ Because of it, it would be unwise to apply any kind of pressure on the crew. They might get angry and talk too much...

“ ‘What was it?

“ ‘A few hours after the sighting, the Varig airliner landed at Sao Paulo Airport. There Commander Araujo met a man who was a close friend of his, a former airliner pilot who still works at the Airport as traffic chief for another airline. This man is also a close friend of mine [Fontes?]. He found them [Araujo and the Varig aircrew] seated around a table, silent and scared. He felt there was something wrong and asked about it. Commander Araujo reported the sighting. At the end they were silent again, the whole crew. My friend tried to break that uneasy

silence.

“‘I see that you are shocked about your uncanny experience, all of you. Don’t be so impressed. After all, it was only a saucer—not a ghost.’

“‘It was worse than you think,’ answered Commander Araujo. His hands were trembling. ‘There is something more. Make it confidential. When the object reached our right side and stopped for a brief time, just at that moment, THE ENGINES OF THE PLANE BEGAN ACTING UP—COUGHING AND MISSING. ALL LIGHTS INSIDE THE CABIN DIMMED OUT, AND ALMOST WENT DEAD [Fontes’ emphasis]. It seemed that the whole electric system of the airliner was going to collapse. But a few seconds later the UAO dived abruptly into the clouds—and everything was normal again. However, we cannot forget those terrible seconds when we were between life and death. I saw my plane crashed, everybody killed, it was like Hell...Damn it, it is not pleasant to play the sitting duck.’

“That as what had happened. No member in the crew had the courage to report it to the press, for obvious reasons. But they didn’t refuse to talk about it privately so that I was able to confirm the story through other sources.” (xx.)

(xx.) “Incident 1.” Original typed manuscript by Olavo Fontes. No date. In the author’s files

Mid? August 1957. Near Goreville, Illinois. (9:30 p.m.)

Circling egg-shaped objects. (See letter on page 14)

In a letter to CSI New York’s Alexander Mebane, Dr. Waterbury confirmed the information in the letter to New Zealand’s Harold Fulton, and even added a drawing. The letter to Mebane, dated December 6, 1957, said:

“Dear Mr. Mebane:

“Sincerely am anxious to contribute to this common denominator, hence am forwarding Mr. and Mrs. Ora Kirby’s sighting. There might be some ‘meat’ in their report. Being a neophyte I couldn’t say, but do feel that it is a better than average report. The integrity of these people can be vouched for by anyone in this town. He made a wonderful sheriff, and by popular request has consented to run again. In obtaining his tape recording last nite, I asked if his name could be used and he answered, ‘certainly, for it’s the truth, and they can kid me all they want to, even use it against me in the campaign.’ This sighting was in the middle of August. It was a light nite. About 9:30 C.S.T. (no daylight time). Ora watched the phenomena for 15 minutes, then called Helen out, asking her if she saw anything to the north over the pasture. (The farm is four miles west of Goreville. Ill.) She saw nothing at first, then these slowly moving, in circular motion, objects hovering [sic] over their north pasture. As they have an open view, with no trees, etc. [they] had good visual opportunity. Light reflections, jack-o-lanterns, etc. ruled out. Mr. Kirby said they looked about 200 to 500 feet off [the] ground. Helen said no—only about fifty feet off the ground. She ran inside to pack and [to] come back to Marion. Ora followed her in and chided her into staying, but he did say he felt uneasy. So unfortunately did not see the ending. Now he wishes he had tried to approach objects. After he found out [about] my in-

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Dear Mr. Fulton:

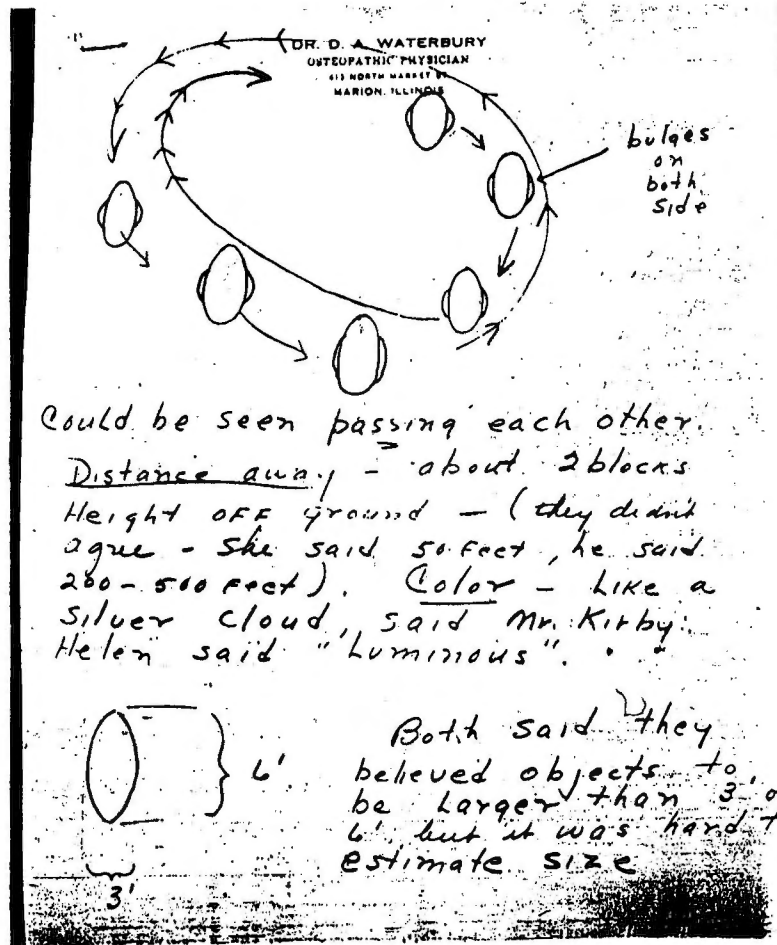
Finished reading your last issue of Flying Saucers, and find it is indeed an interesting bulletin. Am now sending an authorized account of a better than average sighting we investigated, and a interview we obtained with the witnesses.

The people were Mr. Ora Kirby and his wife Helen of Marion, Ill. Mr. Kirby is an ex-sheriff of Williamson County, and can not succeed himself. Was a tremendously popular sheriff and noted for his honesty. His wife Helen has been active in the Red Cross for years, and is a well known resident of this area. Anyone in this area can vouch for these individuals.

Due to the length of time it took for us to get around to the interview, the exact date is off a day or two, but was around the middle of August, 1957. The place was the farm of the Kirby's, situated about three or four miles west of Goreville, Illinois (which is 13 miles south of Marion). Goreville is a quite small town of 500. The Kirby farm is well isolated, and devoid of adventitious sounds when the sun goes down. The time was 9:30 pm and Ora had been sitting in his rocking chair, out in the yard, cooling off prior to retiring for the night. When off in north, some two to three hundred yards distant from the house, and out over his clear pasture land appeared six egg-shaped objects. It was a clear bright night, and visibility was excellent. He described them as translucent, or like a silver cloud. At that distance they appeared about 6 feet high and three feet wide, but could have been larger. They were hovering and circling in formation, but were divided into three's. Three circling one way, and three the opposite. They could be seen to pass each other. At no time was any noise audible, and it was certainly quiet enough to have heard any, and at no time was any light visible on the oblong, disc-shaped objects. They differed about the height off the ground. He said around two to five hundred feet. She said, "oh no, not more than fifty feet." As you well know that factor is easily misjudged. They watched this for a short time, and she went back into the house and prepared to leave for town. Ora followed and needless to say was concerned for her mental welfare, and did not (unfortunately) stay for the final curtain. Since that time both are sorry that they did not know then, what they know now, and they would have investigated it thoroughly. At that time though, she was frightened, and he was puzzled and slightly concerned, because, as he well put it, "it was certainly something he had never seen before, and did not fit any aerial craft he had read about, or had heard about."

terest he said he was certain he had never seen anything like that before. In running back the tape this morning it is strictly amateurish, their replies and my queries. Ha. But it's honest, and sounds fairly good." (xx.) (See drawing below)

(xx.) Letter: To: Alexander Mebane. From: Dr. D.A. Waterbury, 413 North Market St., Marion, Illinois. 6 December 57. CSI/NICAP files. CUFOS archives. Photocopy in author's files.



27 August. Lucy Floyd "special agent."

The use of what may have been civilians as "special agents" to investigate UFO cases, or make informal inquiries, is indicated by this Memo Routing Slip (See page 16) found in BLUE BOOK files, written at the time the Air Force was just getting around to officially investigate the August 21, 1955 "Little Men" incident at Hopkinsville, Kentucky. No papers showing the results of Lucy Floyd's activities is in BLUE BOOK files, but then her work might have been "unofficial" and "off the record," a neat trick which could foil critics like Donald Keyhoe. Something akin to this is in BLUE BOOK files. In November 1953 an apparent civilian, Alexander C. Wall, made inquiries into Canada's UFO project (the Shirley Bay affair) and personally investigated a UFO case at Hampton Bay, New York, interviewing the witness and local

police. Mr. Wall reported directly to General Garland at Wright Field. What official status Mr. Wall had is not evident. He wrote an ordinary letter to Garland on regular business stationery and signed off, "Alexander C. Wall, Assistant to Vice President, Engineering Division (American Machine & Foundry Company)." (See the monograph *UFOs: A History 1953: August-December*, pages 48-A, 57, 57-B, 60-E.



15 August. Cedar Point,
Georgia.
(8:30 p.m.)

Something "makes a pass."

According to our source:

"A flying saucer or something akin paid a brief visit to the H.G. Atwood home at Cedar point at about 8:30 on Thursday evening of last week.

"When I first saw it over the oyster factory I thought it was a shooting star," Mrs. Atwood said.

"but it kept coming and went right down into the yard. It was round and the light seemed to pulsate.

"I thought it was coming into the porch but it just missed and then shot up into the northeastern sky." (xx.)

(xx.) Darien, Georgia. *News*. 23 August 57.

18 August. Addison Township, Indiana. (between 9:00 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.)

MEMO ROUTING SLIP		NEVER USE FOR APPROVALS, DISAPPROVALS, CONCURRENCES, OR SIMILAR ACTIONS	
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REMARKS			
1. Little "Green men" case, which made Hopkinsville famous. 2. Source of info - A-1, A-2. 3. Recommend Lucy Floyd be appointed "special agent" to investigate, as she is familiar with that country, customs, traditions, and other aspects of "coconut-like" folks. 4. For informal coordination & typing			
FROM NAME OR TITLE <i>Capt Gregory</i>		DATE	
ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION		TELEPHONE	

DD FORM 95 FEB 50 Replaces DA AGO Form 895, 1 Apr 48, and AFHQ Form 12, 10 Nov 47, which may be used.

Descended vertically to within 100 feet of a cornfield. Dogs bark.

A report in the press said:

"A resident in neighboring Shelby County who declined to give her name because of possible disbelief of her story, told *The Shelbyville News* Monday she saw a "brightly illuminated" flying object descend vertically to within 100 feet of a cornfield, hover for a few seconds and then 'float away toward the southwest.'

"The Addison township resident said she was sitting on the front porch of her home between 9:00 and 9:30 o'clock Sunday night when she saw a flat, spherical object 'about 10 feet in diameter and four feet in thickness,' drop vertically from the sky and hover silently above a nearby cornfield. She said the unidentified object remained motionless for several seconds and then 'made a clanging noise just as it changed direction and floated away toward the southeast at about the same height from the ground.' She said her attention was attracted to the object when dogs suddenly began barking nearby. Lights on the object were located around its rim and appeared to be of varying hues of red, green and orange, she said." (xx.)

(xx.) Greenfield, Indiana. *Reporter*. 20 August 57.

30? August. Spring Lake, New Jersey. (12:15 a.m.)

"Blimp" flies a racetrack.

A CUFOS UFO sighting questionnaire states:

"In the summer of 1957, my father, who was a musician had his usual evening summer job playing bass in a Jersey shore hotel. As he also worked during the day, he was quite tired by 1:00 a.m. quitting time and it was an hour drive back home. As a new driver at age 17, I would drive down with him, arriving at 8:00 p.m., wait for him to get thru work, and drive him home. Usually I would go fishing off the Rock Jetty at the Shark-River Inlet (about two miles north along the beach).

"On (approximately) 8/30/57—near midnight, I drove from the inlet back to the hotel and parked about ½ block north of the hotel—facing south. I sat there (About 100 yards from the Atlantic), with the window down, listening to the ocean and waiting for a close parking spot. Weather was clear.

"As I sat in the car I noticed a blimp coming up the coast just offshore. In about two seconds I realized it was not a blimp. I had seen blimps all my life. This was a zeppelin I thought. I wondered how there could be a zeppelin flying when none existed in 1957.

"Just before it came abeam of my location it turned inland and all but flew directly overhead, making a 180 degree turn and headed back down the coast but now inland a bit. It had no fins, no horizontal or vertical stabilizers, no external protruberances of any sort. It did have lights on the side (The same, left side and right side). I cannot recall the exact color (not all the same). I cannot recall the exact number but would say about three each side. I do recall seeing them reflect off the sides below the spot they originated from. I would not say they came from a bulb, they kind of shone thru slits or holes in the sides. Looking at it in reflected light against a clear

sky I could easily tell its shape was round and long, about the size of a DC-3 fuselage if the DC-3 was 800-1,000 feet high. It turned flat, it did not roll into a bank to turn. It always followed its nose—no slips, no skips. It decelerated from what looked like DC-3 cruise speed (165 knots) to about 100 as it started into a five lap racetrack pattern, the north end over my location and the south end 1-2 miles away. I will call this the 'Main Thing.'

"As the Main Thing reached the 90 degree point in its first southern-end turn, a white light appeared at the stern end and rapidly headed inland. I will call this the 'White Light Thing.' The White Light Thing was always in sight. It went inland as much as a mile, and ranged as far south and north as the Main Thing.

"Its flight was of a constant speed but a VERY [Emphasis by the witness] erratic pattern. The best description would be of a Bat with a flashlight, or a Barn Swallow catching flies just before dusk.

"All the time the Main Thing stayed in the same pattern.

"This continues about five minutes.

"I got out of the car (1956 Ford Country Squire), at the first glimpse of the Main Thing, and I stood in the road the whole time—not a single car came by. Nobody came along at all. People were walking in and out of the hotel but they were under lights and apparently never noticed what kept passing over their heads.

"After about the fifth lap for the Main Thing, the White Light Thing worked it's way close to the south end of the racetrack pattern. As the Main Thing entered the south end turn, the White Light Thing started flying straight at the southern end of the pattern. In a smooth and coordinated manner, both objects arrived at the extreme south end at the same time. The Main Thing flew straight offshore, exiting the racetrack, and initiating a straight-ahead climb. It also accelerated smoothly but rapidly to match the speed of the White Light Thing, which disappeared as it got to the Main Thing (As if it flew inside the Main Thing). This flight maneuver took about a total of two seconds. I was impressed!

"After the recovery maneuver, the Main Thing remained in a straight-ahead climb, at about the same angle of climb as a modern (1994) commercial jetliner, although at about twice the speed. Educated guess about 350-400 knots. It remained in sight about three to four minutes and finally got too far away to see." (xx.) (See drawing on page 19)

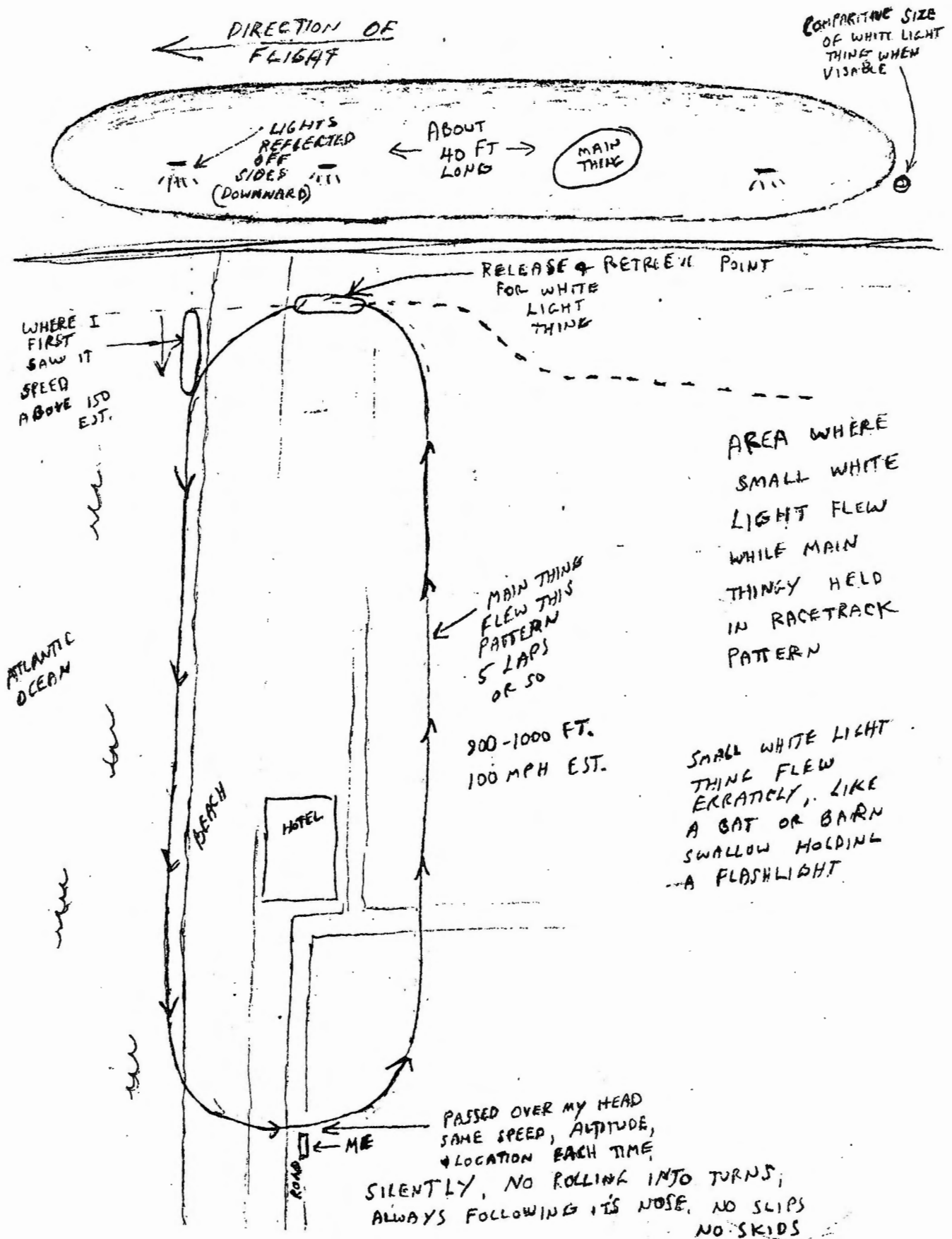
(xx.) *CUFOS UFO Sighting Questionnaire – General Form.* Lee H. Weber, Aircraft Mechanic/Commercial pilot. P.O. Box 561. Lebanon, New Jersey. Date form filled out: Not given. CUFOS archives.

7 September. Flatonia, Texas. (5:00 p.m.)

Fireball follows car 14 miles.

A press account says:

"The huge fireball in the news so much lately [date of clipping is November 3rd] was seen around here too, two months ago, Saturday, September 7th, according to Joe Polis who operates a grocery near Witte's on East Gonzales Street in Yoakum. Said



Joe:

"I saw it following me 14 miles from Flatonia to Schulenburg about 5 p.m. that day...there wasn't any other traffic on Highway 90 as I covered 14 miles, but it followed me just to the left of the road and about a mile behind..."

"Joe explained that it looked like a big fireball and that he kicked his speed up to 100 mph to try and get away from it. However it disappeared by the time he arrived in Schulenburg he said." (xx.)

(xx.) Yoakum, Texas. *Herald-Times*. 3 November 57.

9 September. Poughkeepsie, New York. (no time)

2,000 miles per hour? (See clipping)

12 September. Lead, South Dakota. (9:50 a.m.)

Motorists stopped their cars.

A local paper printed:

"An unidentified object in the skies over Lead and an official civil defense alert for the area Thursday night has aroused the curiosity of Northern Hills residents.

"Five Lead residents reported seeing a formation of six white lights traveling south in single file about 9:50 p.m.

"The lights were spotted while the persons were driving into Lead along highway U.S. 85 near the Whitetail Cabins. The motorists reported that they stopped their cars and got out but could hear no sound due to the altitude of the formation.

"The mysterious object was described as having several little lights in the glow around each of the larger lights[?].

"Ground Observation Corp officials refused to release any information on the reported 'Conelrad' which was received by municipal and forest service lookouts throughout the Northern Hills. The official alert was received about 9:30 p.m. Unofficial sources report GOC stations west and north of the Twin Cities area, well into Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota were also alerted." (xx.)

(xx.) Lead, South Carolina. *Call*. 13 September 57.

14 September. The Ubatuba, Brazil, case.

'Faster Than Jets

Saw Objects Flying '2,000 Miles an Hour,' Says Pleasant Valley Man

Unidentified flying objects traveling at extreme rates of speed were seen yesterday near Baird park, a Pleasant Valley man reported today.

Richard Holsapple, a self-employed builder and a member of the Ground Observer corps, told a reporter today that he and his father were working in Overlook road when they noticed three objects.

"They were flying faster than any jet I ever saw," said Mr. Holsapple. "My father and I both saw them. Two were silvery and another was somewhat darker. It was very hard to judge how far up they were."

MR. HOLSAPPLE estimated that the objects were traveling "at least 2,000 miles an hour." He added that it was hard to tell this since the altitude factor was so vague.

The objects flew around in circles, and military planes flying nearby "took no notice of them," according to Mr. Holsapple. When asked if the objects could have been high flying jets, Mr. Holsapple declared "no," explaining that as a Ground Observer, he was used to making such determinations. He added that the objects made no noise.

"AFTER THE OBJECTS were gone, a civilian plane flew around in the area for quite some time," said Mr. Holsapple. "I don't know whether the pilot of that plane saw the objects or not."

Mr. Holsapple said that strings of filmy material dropped from the objects and drifted earthward, to the south of him. The material descended too far away to warrant a search.

A spokesman at the Civil Aeronautics administration post at the County airport denied knowledge of the objects, as did Air Force Recruiter Elmer Bryans.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., NEW YORKER
Circ. D. 25,388, S. 25,685

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Status of the Ubatuba metal fragments as of 1985:

"Washington—An extremely rare fragment of metal that was found in Brazil has challenged a group of scientists and researchers for many years at the Center of Space Science and Astrophysics at Stanford University in California, which is still not able to establish the origin or composition of the material.

"The fragments were found on a beach at Ubatuba almost 30 years ago by someone who sent them in a letter to the columnist Ibrahim Sued, saying that they were fragments from an explosion of a flying saucer. The story of the flying saucer was ignored all this time, but magnesium of this purity attracts and maintains the curiosity of Brazilian and American scientists.

" 'It's a mystery, ' says the Vice-Director of the Center of Space Science and Astrophysics, Peter Sturrock, adding that, after more than four years of testing, they are still ignorant of the composition of the material." (xx.)

(xx.) Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. *O Globo*. 25 August 85.

Ibrahim Sued's article in the *O Globo* September 14, 1957. (From Dr. Olavo Fontes' UFO collection. Now in the author's files. Donated by Dr. Willy Smith) (See below) For the details of the Ubatuba case see the monograph *UFOs: A History 1957 August-September*, pages 75-76, 79, 84, 89.

UM FRAGMENTO DE DISCO-VOADOR!

RECEBEMOS: "Prezado Sr. Ibrahim Sued. Lector assíduo de sua coluna e seu admirador, quero proporcionar-lhe um verdadeiro furo jornalístico a respeito dos discos voadores, se é que acredita nos mesmos. Eu também não acreditava no que ouvia falar e somente li, até que, alguns dias atrás, perto de Ubatuba, em pescaria com vários amigos, vi um disco-voador! Aproximou-se da praia em incrível velocidade, parecendo prestes a abater-se sobre as águas, quando, a um impulso fantástico, elevou-se rapidamente. Atônitos, seguimos com os olhos esse espetáculo, quando vimos o disco explodir em chamas, caindo em milhares de pedaços que pareciam fogos de artifício — apesar de ser doze horas, ou seja, meio-dia —, com um brilho fortíssimo. Esses pedaços caíram quase todos no mar, mas muitos pequenos pedaços caíram perto da praia, tendo nós recolhido um bom número desse material, tão leve que parecia papel. Aqui junto uma pequena amostra desse material, que não sei a quem devo confiar para analisar. Nunca li que houvesse sido recolhido um disco-voador ou que se tivessem recolhido pedaços de um disco, a não ser que as autoridades militares o tenham feito e usado de sigilo. Estou certo de que este assunto bastante interessará ao brilhante cronista, e mando-lhe esta em duplicata, para o jornal e para a sua residência..." Da admirador, (assinatura ilegível), junto, recebi detritos de um metal estranho.

Photostats of Brazilian tests results. (See pages 22-24) (From Dr. Olavo Fontes' collection. Now in the author's files. Donated by Dr. Willy Smith. Dr. Peter Sturrock has the actual film strips of the metal's spectrum shown on page 24 [The last I heard—L.E. Gross])

18 September. Ipplepen, England. (afternoon)

Elliptic body seen.



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BOLETIM N.º 15 001

Em 24 de setembro de 1957.

Análise espectral de material indeterminado.

Protocolo: 571/57.

PROCEDÊNCIA: Ubatuba - São Paulo.

REMETENTE: Dr. Olavo Fontes.

A amostra recebida constava de dois fragmentos de aspecto metálico, cor cinza, baixa densidade e pesando, cada um, aproximadamente 0.6 gramas.

Resultado da análise de um dos fragmentos:

A análise espectral revelou a presença de magnésio (Mg) em alta concentração e ausência de qualquer outro elemento metálico.

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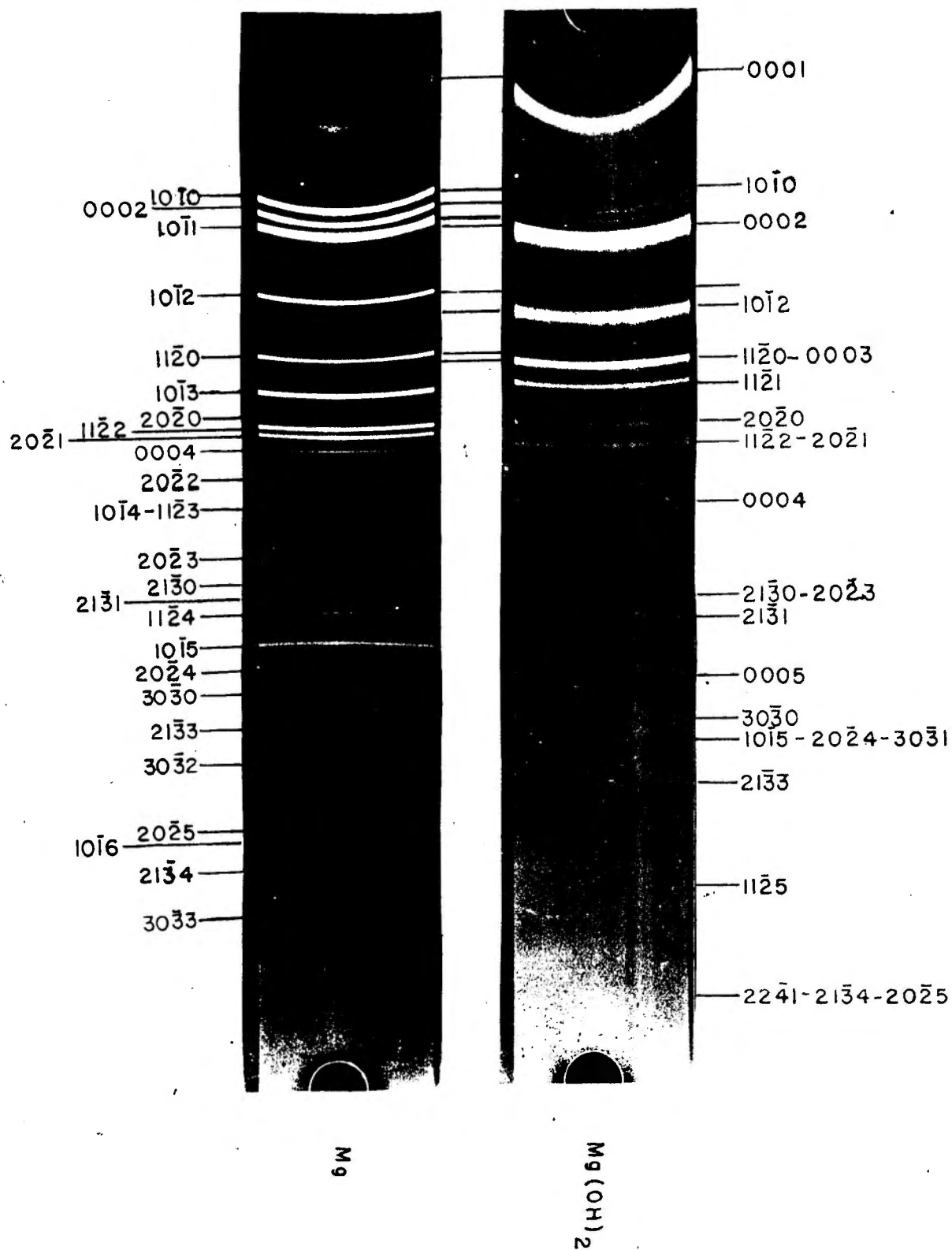
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Convenções:

* - Reflexão devida ao $Mg(OH)_2$
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 mtmtfrt - Reflexão muito muito forte
 mtfrt - Reflexão muito forte
 frt - Reflexão forte
 frax

md - Reflexão média
 frt - Reflexão fraca
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 mtmtfrt - Reflexão muito muito fraca



A press report tells us:

"A 24-year-old Reading engineer, Mr. Neil McMenemy, has reported seeing a large elliptically-shaped object travelling faster than the fastest jet at Ipplepen on Wednesday afternoon.

"Mr. McMenemy, who is on holiday at his home, Budleigh Barton Farm, Ipplepen, was standing in the Marlton Road, near Ipplepen, when he saw the object, silver in colour and glinting in the sunlight. He says it was 80 to 100 feet in diameter and was about 5,000 feet up.

"An ex-RAF mechanic, Mr. McMenemy, says he is used to judging heights and speeds. He added: 'I saw it coming very fast from the Totnes direction and apparently heading towards Newton Abbot.

"Mr. John Cooper, of Newton Abbot, who is chairman of Torbay Astronomical Society, says he had not been informed directly about Mr. McMenemy's sighting but it is possible what he saw was a slow moving meteor." (xx.)

(xx.) Newton Abbot, England. *Mid Devon Times*. 21 September 57.

Mid? September. Trelew, Argentina. (night)

A news wire from Buenos Aires tells us:

"Flying saucers or equivalent unidentified space objects which are fast becoming a regular feature in Argentina's Andean highlands, have now been reported in the low, flat stretches of Southern Patagonia.

"The most recent story came from Dr. Hugo Zamit and Mr. Manuel Altuna, a lawyer of Commodore Rivadavia, who while travelling by car near Trelew one night saw a brilliant object which appeared to travel in space heading for their own car but later changed its course and disappeared towards the northeast at meteoric speed.

"Two days later, the Mayor of Commodore Rivadavia, Mr. Alberto Garcia, who was travelling by car with some of his councilors, reported an identical phenomenon and saw the strange object hovering for several minutes over the coast before it dashed towards the horizon.

"Dwellers in the small town of Las Horas in the bordering province of Santa Cruz claim to have seen the object repeatedly and add that it landed on dry bushes, scorching them." (xx.)

(xx.) Auckland, New Zealand. *Star*. 19 September 57 (Buenos Aires-Reuters. No date.)

22 September. Evillers, Doubs, France. (11:00 p.m.)

Gendarmes spot huge white-orange luminous ball.

According to a brief English translation of a French report, a couple of gendarmes were on patrol in their mobile unit when they sighted a "huge white-orange luminous ball" flying across

the night sky. It appeared big, "bigger than the full moon," and was travelling from the north-east to the southeast. The two policemen estimated its speed as about 200 kilometers per hour. While in view, the glowing ball made an abrupt course change followed immediately by a vertical ascent at high speed that lasted until the "ball" disappeared. (xx.) (See art work. The UFO may have used the road as a landmark)

(xx.) *Lumieres Dans La nuit*, No. 106. June 1970. p.10. (Credit: Dominique Weinstein)

24 September. Hannibal. Missouri. (about 8:45 a.m.)

Is something following? (See clipping below)

24 September. Near Mendota, Illinois. (7:00 p.m.)

"Who would believe you?"

A news report said:

"Those cylindrical 'space ships' being reported all over the country were seen by a Rockford woman as early as September 24 [The date of this clipping is November 7th].

"Miss Edna Jones, 1512 22nd Street, executive director of the Winnebago County Heart association, reported her strange experience *The Morning Star* Wednesday.

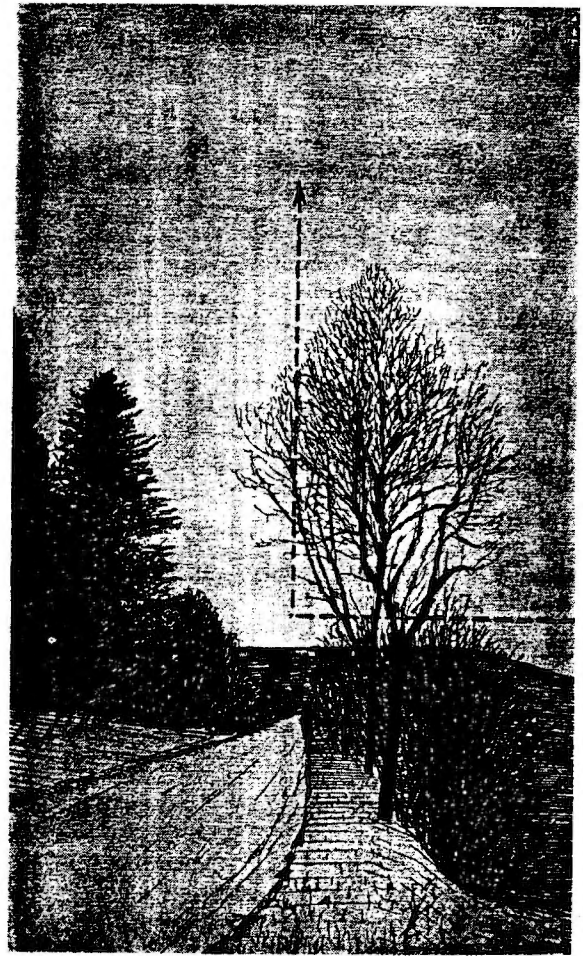
"She told a few friends about it after it happened, but she didn't make a formal report because—well, 'Who would believe you?'

"Now that similar sights are being reported elsewhere, 'I thought perhaps I'd been remiss in my duty.'

"It was about 7 p.m. and it was still light as Miss Jones was driving north on U. S. highway 51 about midway between LaSalle and Mendota.

"Suddenly in the clear western sky, she saw a bright object. She thought it was the new moon. She decided it was the wrong part of the sky for the new moon, however, and she looked more closely. It looked like a jet plane going down in flames.

"The object leveled off, went through the diving and



Strange Object Reported Trailing An Airforce Jet

Mrs. Denny Evans, post supervisor for the Civil Defense Ground Observer corps, stated today two persons have reported seeing a strange object in the sky which appeared to be trailing a jet aircraft.

The object, described as pale gray, was seen about 8:45 a.m. today by two persons who said it was following closely behind a jet plane.

Mrs. Evans said she has called the GOC headquarters in St. Louis who said they would try to track the object with radar.

Any person seeing strange objects in the sky should call the GOC post supervisor, Mrs. Evans said, at 4938.

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leveling off routine again, then floated off to the north.

"Miss Jones lived in Oklahoma City for four years and has seen her share of jets. This was no jet, she concluded. Jets don't act like that.

"Then out of the north, came two more of the strange objects. They joined the first one and all three cruised northward out of sight.

"Miss Jones said the objects looked like blunt-end goldfish or long, gold cigars."
(xx.)

(xx.) Rockford, Illinois. *The Morning Star*. 7 November 57.

25 September. Maralinga, South Australia.

First nuclear test in series code named ANTLER.

According to Australian UFO researcher B. Chalker:

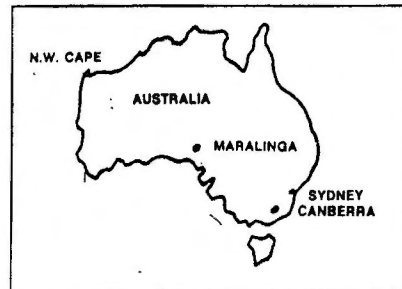
"...consider the following account, which comes at a time when its location is very much in the news. The report comes from a former RAF corporal [Derek Murray] stationed at Maralinga Airfield (South Australia) during October and November, 1957. The nuclear weapons test series code-named ANTLER were undertaken at Maralinga with kilotonne range nuclear explosions occurring on September 25 and October 9. The site was subject to intense security. However, during October/November, 1957, the integrity of the facility was challenged in an extraordinary fashion.

"Just before dusk one evening, the RAF corporal and some colleagues were called out of the Maralinga village canteen to witness a UFO hovering apparently silently over the airfield. It was described as 'a magnificent sight,' being silver/blue in colour, or a metallic lustre, with a line of 'windows' or 'portholes' along its edge. The corporal states that the object could be seen so clearly that they make out what appeared to be plating on its surface. The duty air traffic control-officer also ostensibly witnesses the spectacle. He allegedly checked with Alice Springs and Edinburgh airfields, who reported that they did not have anything over their areas. No photographs were taken, as it was alleged that the top-security status of the area required that all cameras be locked away. These had to be signed in and out when used. After about 15 minutes (as dusk began to fall) the aerial object left, swiftly and silently."
(xx.)

(xx.) Chalker, Bill. "The UFO Connection: Startling Implications for Australia's Northwest Cape, and for Australia's Security." *Flying Saucer Review*. Vol. 31, No.5, 1986. pp.18-19.

26 September. Yellow City, Texas.

This case is a hoax.
(See the monograph
UFOs: A History
1957 August-
September, p.86.)



28 September. Morris, Illinois. (late afternoon)

Golden egg. Mr. "X." Jets attack?

A local newspaper published:

" 'There must be at least two jet pilots who have an idea what that weird object in the sky is, for they made three passes at it in their planes west of Morris during the last week in September,' a rural Morris man told *The Herald* today.

"Like many others who have kept their silence because they did not want to face the 'kidding' of friends, *The Herald's* informant who preferred to be called Mr. X convinced a reporter he had really seen 'something.'

"The object, appearing to be a golden egg with the large end suspended down, was spotted in the western sky late in the afternoon. 'It could have been 30, 50, or 150 miles west of Morris,' he said. It appeared like a solid flame, yet there was no smoke, and it was definitely not the setting sun for the sun was visible in another direction.

"Through a pair of powerful binoculars Mr. X, his wife, daughter and a neighbor girl, examined 'the thing' for several minutes.

"Suddenly out of the southern sky two jet planes appeared, he said, and both made a diving pass at the object which immediately flattened out, more in the form of disc but still holding its brilliant golden color.

"While the planes circled for another pass 'the thing' sort of rolled and started moving about. With the planes approaching a second time, the object, still in the form of a disc, started a rapid ascent in a north-westerly direction and as it picked up speed, left a vapor trail behind it that was four or five times wider than those left by the jet planes. In a matter of moments it had outdistanced the jets and disappeared." (xx.)

(xx.) Morris, Illinois. *The Herald*. 6 November 57.

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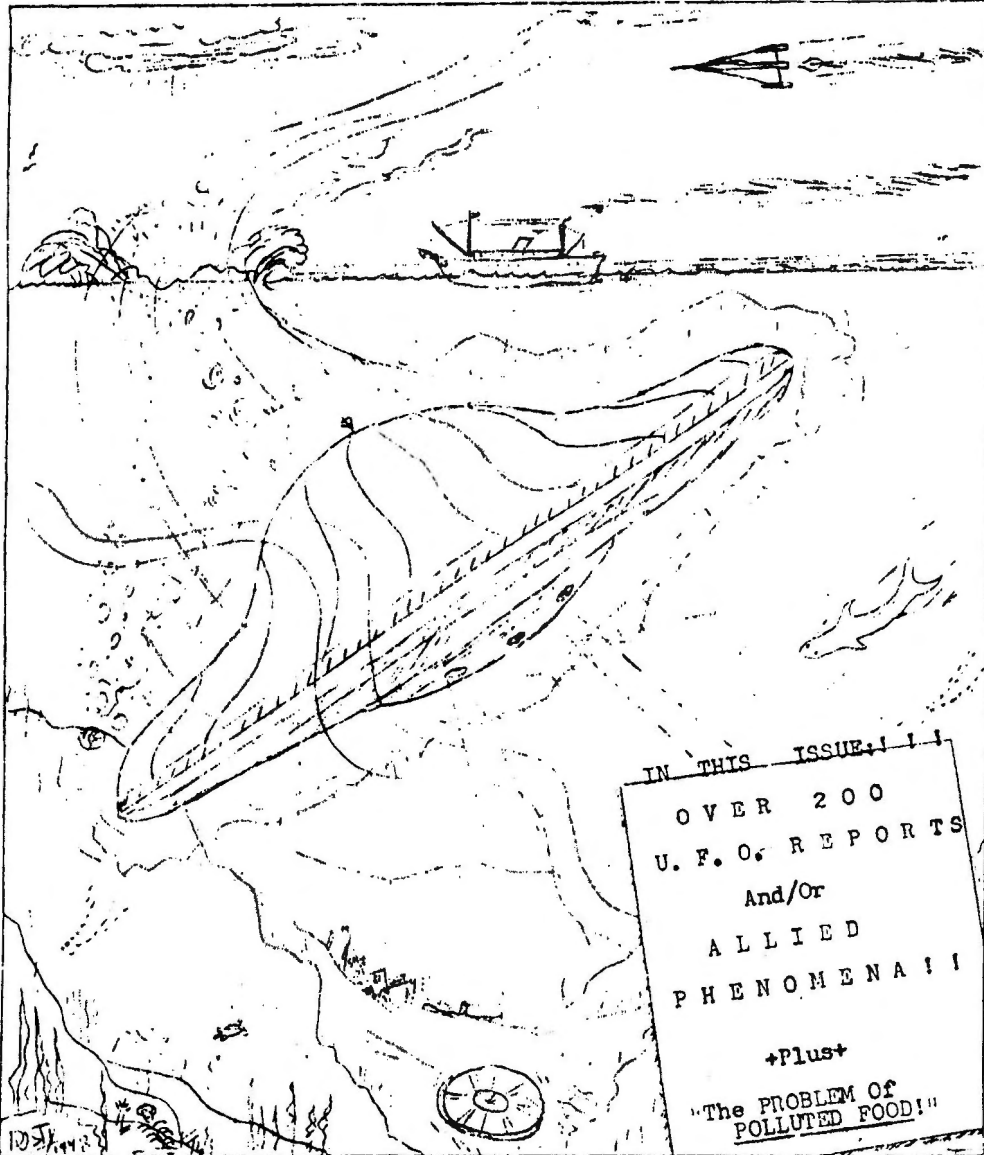
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