

THE FIFTH HORSEMAN OF THE APOCALYPSE

UFOS: A HISTORY

1957 November 3rd – November 5th

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTES

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“UFOs are the Fifth Horseman of the Apocalypse.”

--- Dr. Lincoln La Paz

“Supplemental Notes” consist of material under consideration for any revision of the original UFO history volume covering this time period.

3 November. Abilene, Texas. (2- 4:00? a.m.)

Aerial "Whatnik" as seen from ACC Hill.

A press report tells us:

"Another greenish, flashing 'Whatnik' light has been seen in Abilene.

"A woman who lives on ACC Hill, and asked that her name be withheld to avoid publicity, said Tuesday the flashing light was so strong it woke her up between 2 a.m. and 4 a.m. Sunday morning.

"The light could be seen northeast of her home and 'looked like a great flashlight turned on the city,' she said. She told her family about it Sunday morning at breakfast, and did not learn about similar lights being seen near Levelland until Sunday afternoon.

"It looked about the size of a washtub, she said, and seemed to be just above the trees." (xx.)

(xx.) Abilene, Texas. *The Abilene Reporter-News*. 6 November 57.

This Abilene report is typical of many "strange lights and objects" sightings made during this period. Most often there was too little data to be recorded and reviewed. One could say people were just worked up over the satellite excitement, but if some strange objects were visiting Texas, one should expect numerous, low grade, reports.

The main action that morning, however, occurred 170 miles northwest of Abilene at the city of Levelland.

3 November. Levelland, Texas. (early morning)

The Levelland case revisited.

Missing evidence?

It would certainly help if more information were available to researchers. It may exist. Here is something found in a news clipping:

"A writer and photographer from *Life Magazine* moved into town Wednesday to cover Levelland's 'saucer' story and the U.S. Air Force debunked the idea that the objects might be real.

"These were the latest developments as excitement from Saturday and Sunday's reported sightings near Levelland faded....

"*Life* writer Bayard Hooper warned against any real anticipation that the story and pictures he and photographer Carl Iwasaki were preparing here would appear in *Life Magazine*.

"He said there was a chance they might, but he suggested that residents might avoid real disappointment if they didn't expect it.

"He said the magazine was preparing a feature on the sputniks and other scientific matter and there was a possibility coverage of Levelland's phenomenon might be included, if it were considered significant enough." (xx.)

- (xx.) Newspaper not identified. No news service mentioned. No date on clipping. Probably the *Levelland Daily Sun News*. Type face is similar that of another clipping on the same photocopy sheet that is from the *Sun News*. The reference to the Air Force Fact Sheet indicates the date of the article was either November 5th or 6th.

Don't be in hurry to ask *Life* for access to its files. Researchers have tried and the response has been very negative. They won't even acknowledge having any back files.

Antonio Rullan.

Researcher Antonio Rullan took a hard look at the series of Levelland reports and came away with the opinion that there was no compelling evidence of "aliens from space." (xx.)

- (xx.) Rullan, Antonio. *The Levelland Sightings of 1957 (Analysis of the Evidence and of the Ball Lightning Hypothesis)* Privately published: El Paso, Texas, October 18, 1999 (Edited V2 – March 26, 2000)

His effort was restricted to an extent: "Levelland sightings are defined in this study as only those seven reports where a bright ball of light was within 500 feet of the witnesses' vehicle and led to engine and headlight failure." (xx.)

- (xx.) Ibid, p.4.

In brief, here are the problems with the evidence: "...there is a lack of consistent data amongst the reports, a lack of consistent investigation procedure, and a lack of details on four of the seven reports." (xx.)

- (xx.) Ibid, p.26.

Just because Rullan is critical of a case that is popular with "pro-UFO" crowd doesn't mean he is "pro-Air Force." Much of evidence problems could have been cleared up if the Air Force had done a better job and Rullan acknowledges that fact.

Everyone, Rullan included, concedes something very odd happened the night of November 2/3 on the roads around Levelland. Rullan rejects the Ball Lightning explanation but where does that leave us?

Anomalous observations:

While Rullan points out the lack of "consistent data," there is some. No matter how one determines the worth of each man's testimony, parts of each account compare well with others. Taking the testimony at face value, the data, such as it is, suggests that the glowing bodies emitted energy other than visible light. There is no cast-iron evidence connecting the electrical failures to the glowing bodies but the failures occurred when the autos apparently reached a certain distance, or when the bodies passed near the vehicles. There is little data to enable one to make a good guess at what the exact distance might be, but, according to one account, fluctuations in the light put out by the UFO matched fluctuations in the autos' electrical power.

Another correlation is that engines restarted, and headlights went on, right after the glowing masses left the area. The odds of all these electrical problems being coincidental is not impressive, to say the least.

Do the electrical problems denote intelligence? No, but they do not rule it out either. Harder to explain is the apparent reaction to witnesses leaving their vehicle. It would seem only an "intelligence" could detect and respond to such activity. Coincidence again?

While no landing gear, windows, or other such details were seen, Newell, considered the best Levelland witness, did say the thing was "like an egg, flat on the bottom, and seemed to be of an aluminum-like material."

Dr. Donald Burleson.

Burleson investigated the Levelland case in 2002, a difficult chore since many of witnesses were long dead. He did, however, locate an Allan Haney who had once interviewed Clem's son Mike. Haney also claims to have asked the sheriff personally about the case when the lawman was still alive, but that Clem replied that the FBI had admonished him from discussing the case. (xx.) Over the years, however, the admonishment didn't always hold true if we can believe the

(xx.) Burleson, Dr. Donald R. "Levelland, Texas, case revisited." *Mutual UFO Network UFO Journal*. Number 409. May 2002. p.3.

people Burleson spoke to. An interesting assertion that came to light is that the 1957 Plymouth Fury driven by Clem had experienced electrical problems like those reported by the other Levelland witnesses. Burleson's sources for this are Mickey Palmer, Dick Tubbs, and a real estate agent named Sam Langford. (xx.)

(xx.) Ibid, p.5.

Another person Burleson contacted was Ginger Sims, Clem's daughter, who recalled her father showing her a spot about six miles east of Levelland where there was a burn-ring on the ground. According to Ginger, her dad said: "That was where it landed." (xx.) It has not been established

(xx.) Ibid.

that Clem was talking about November 2/3 1957, but there was an interesting news story dated November 6, 1957, which mentions a mechanic from Farmington, New Mexico, who claimed to have been driving nine miles north of Levelland the night of November 2/3, 1957. The mechanic, Marion Smith, said he and some dozen other motorists on the highway noticed a 200 foot long, gun metal colored, dirigible on the ground 600 yards from the road. He said his auto lost power and stopped. At that point the "thing" took off and turned into a "ball of fire." (xx.) According

(xx.) Farmington, New Mexico. *Times*. 6 November 57. (Also see the monograph: *UFOs: A History 1957 November 3rd-5th*, page 2)

to Smith: "Some of us went over where it had rested and could feel the ground was warm. There was smell of gasoline or ozone in the area." (xx.) The location does not match very well with

(xx.) (Ibid.)

Ginger's story but it is the nearest thing to a ground trace to be found in the Levelland file.

Odds and ends:

Levelland witness Ronald Martin's story is told a bit differently in different news accounts. In a story published in the *Amarillo Daily News* the UFO, when first seen, was a light orange in color and traveling at great speed. It then stopped and came "straight" down. Instead of 300 to 400 "yards" away, it was 300 to 400 "feet" away. Also, the *Daily News* said there was no loss of electrical power, unlike the account in the *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*. (xx.) Moreover,

(xx.) Amarillo, Texas. *Amarillo Daily News*. 4 November 57. Also: Lubbock, Texas. *Avalanche-Journal*. 4 November 57.

Antonio Rullan wonders where Max B. Miller obtained his information that asserts Martin's truck re-started by itself. (I agree. We deserve a better footnote than "Saucers" magazine which is edited by Miller. Did Miller contact Martin or not?—L.E. Gross)

Donald Keyhoe mentions two UFO witnesses without much detail: Wallace Scott and Milton Namkin. It seems the two men's testimony is not that vital. Their story is that on the morning of November 3rd, between 2:00 and 2:30 a.m., they spotted a greenish light speeding through the clouds northeast of Odessa. (xx.)

(xx.) Amarillo, Texas. *Amarillo Daily News*. 4 November 57.

3 November. White Sands incidents. 1st report.

Odds and ends:

The location of the UFO sighting was at the northern end of the 100-mile long White Sands missile test range, an isolated area. The countryside is flat desert where it is possible to see quite clearly for many miles but the roads in the area are so few (Claimed Cpl. Toy), a complete search of the terrain was not possible. When first spotted the UFO was just a light "far up" in the night sky. The light descended slowly, and when it stopped at a height of 50 yards, it gave off a brilliant reddish-orange light. To quote the soldiers, the object looked: "...as bright as the sun, [and] the light was contained within itself and did not light up the sky around [?]." (xx.) The angle at which the UFO descended the final 50 yards to the ground was 45 degrees. Further-

(xx.) Albuquerque, New Mexico. *Albuquerque Journal*. 6 November 57.

more, Cpl. Toy remarked: "It looked like a completely controlled landing. I didn't see any glow from the object when it landed." (xx.) The soldier's Commanding Officer at Stallion Site was

(xx.) Ibid.

Lt. Miles F. Penney of Port Jervis, New York. No electrical problems with the Army vehicle

were reported but in both White Sands sightings the witnesses were miles away from the UFO.

3 November. Scotia, Nebraska. (6:00 p.m.)

Roger Groetzinger's "revolving aircraft." (See the monograph *UFOs: A History 1957 November 3rd-5th*, page 14)

Dr. James McDonald contacted Roger's mother in 1968 in an to attempt to confirm the details of this sensation case. (See McDonald's letter and Mrs. Groetzinger's reply on pages 6-7)

3 November. Highway 9, near the Alberta-Saskatchewan boundary, Canada. (about 7:00 p.m.)

It had no wings. The car started acting up.

According to a Canadian press account:

"An unidentified flying object was seen over eastern Alberta Sunday evening by a Calgary woman. The *Herald* learned today as results of similar sightings filtered in from all over the continent.

"Not since the first flurry of UFO sightings burst upon the world eight to 10 years ago has there been so much activity about mystery objects in the sky.

"Majority of the sightings in the U.S. have been near secret military installations and of a nature which almost exactly duplicates the experience of 28-year-old Calgarian Edna Ireland.

"She as driving back from Saskatchewan with two women friends Sunday evening when she saw the object about 7 p.m.

"They were about 15 minutes inside the Alberta-Saskatchewan boundary on highway No.9 when it appeared in the sky.

"It was a blinking light, almost centered over the car above them, and about 15 times the visual size of a star. 'I thought it was a lane at first but it had no wing lights as a plane would have.

" 'It looked like the blinking beacon at the airport fixed up in the sky.

" 'It was moving very fast in a curve which carried it toward the northwest horizon. By the time it reached the horizon it had blinked 15 times from the first sighting.'

"As it curved over the car 'the car started acting up...[not clear] coughed and the headlights flickered. We chalked it up to loose wiring.'" (xx.)

(xx.) Calgary, Canada. *The Calgary Herald*. 6 November 57.

3 November. Deming, New Mexico. (7:30 p.m.)

CBS-TV films UFO.

An item in the *APRO Bulletin* said:

"On 3 November, 1957, at 7:30 p.m. CBS-TV News cameraman Russell B.

Day filmed 35 or 40 feet of film of a UAO [UFO] at Deming, New Mexico, while perched atop the fire station in the GOC tower. Day had spent six nights on watch for a UAO. With him were Bob Toby, owner of the local radio station, a GOC observer and two teenage boys. The object, a light described as larger than the bright planets, but smaller than the moon, came into sight, maneuvered about, changing from yellow to orange occasionally. There were no clouds, and visibility was good." (xx.)

(xx.) *The APRO Bulletin*. November 1957. p.1.

3 November. Near Deming, New Mexico. (8:00 p.m.)

UFO follows car.

In a reference to a UFO report mentioned above, the APRO editor mentioned this: "What is believed to have been the same object followed the automobile of Kenneth Clear with his wife and two sons for 15 miles on State Road 26 at 8 p.m. the same evening." (xx.)

(xx.) *The APRO Bulletin*. November 1957. p.1.

3 November. Ciudad Trujillo, Venezuela. (no time)

Hovered over coffee factory.

Also in the *APRO Bulletin* was this:

"Huge objects estimated to be about 5,000 [!? Must have been a translation error] feet in diameter hovered about 300 feet above a coffee factory in Barahona for about two minutes. Numerous individuals observed the objects, said that after hovering, they sped off to the east, making no noise." (xx.)

(xx.) *The APRO Bulletin*. November 1957. p.1.

3 November. Mrs. Mary Agnes Ferraro.

Wild rumor or fact?

A Dallas, Texas, newspaper interviewed a Mrs. Mary Angas Ferraro who said she was a former member of the Texas Astronomical Society. According to Mrs. Ferraro, four Texas radar sites had tracked a mysterious object "three weeks ago," but she claimed she was not free to reveal her source of information. The mysterious object, she asserted, was detected at an altitude of 200,000 feet where in hovered for nine minutes before zooming off at an estimated speed of 10,000 miles per hour. (xx.)

(xx.) Dallas, Texas. *News*. 4 November 57.

Mrs. Ferraro's story sounds pretty wild even if we cut the numbers by half. It may interest the reader to know about the following.

In a book by Bill Green, *The First Line, Air Defense in the Northeast 1952 to 1960*, there is a couple of paragraphs that mention the UFO subject. Green interviewed jet pilot Dave Stein who was stationed in Vermont in the 1950s. Stein told of one particular flight directed by a GCI radar site code named "Moscow." Green quotes Stein:

"One night,' Dave Stein recalls, 'I was scrambled on a UFO by Moscow. They had tracked it at speeds in excess of 5,000 mph. I did get a lock-on with my airborne radar in one of its slower moments over Burlington. Both Moscow and I tracked it at speeds well beyond the capability of any aircraft of that day and making square turns. They tracked it off radar at 100,000 feet.'" (xx.)

(xx.) Green, Bill. *The First Line, Air Defense in the Northeast 1952 to 1960*, Wonder-House Publications: Fairview Pennsylvania, 1994. p.253.

4 November. Near Hobbs, New Mexico. (7:30 p.m. & 11:00 p.m.)

Mysterious glowing light/object under the overcast. CAA report. (See the monograph *UFOs: A History 1957 November 3rd – November 5th*, page 83)

Car motor stops as light/object passed directly over vehicle. (See the monograph *UFOs: A History 1957 November 3rd – November 5th*, page 89)

These two cases (See above) may involve the same light/object that loitered in the area.

5 November. San Antonio, Texas. (7:30 p.m.?)

Calls flood switchboards.

Prior to the widely publicized Lon Yarborough sighting at San Antonio at 9:30 p.m., there apparently was UFO activity in the area. A press report states:

"About two hours [7:30 p.m.?] before Yarborough made his sighting, calls flooded newspaper and radio switchboards in San Antonio from persons who saw strange things in the sky.

"Mrs. Martha Garza of Alamo Heights said a red, blue and yellow cigar-shaped object was visible for about 20 seconds.

"Mrs. Nathan Persky, at Wicita Falls, said she and her maid saw a huge bright light come through the clouds yesterday [the 5th] morning. She said it wasn't the sun, since it was raining and cloudy at the time." (xx.)

(xx.) Fort Worth, Texas. *The Fort Worth Press*. 5 November 57.

5 November. Marfa, Texas. (between 8 and 9:00 p.m.)

Egg-shaped glowing object.

A press accounts tells us:

"A 'fireball' was spotted over the Marfa area between 8 and 9 p.m. Tuesday by four teenagers, who reported seeing an egg-shaped glowing object over the western end of town.

"It disappeared in a southwesterly direction toward Ruidosa, Texas.

"Oscar Elmendorf, 17, Marfa High School junior, said that the fireball 'blinked on and off and, when I stopped the car, it began moving towards us.'

"The object then turned and flew slowly away, he said.

"Others in the car were James Hewitt, Nolan Oatman and Wayne Greenup, all students in Marfa High School.

" 'We were scared,' they said.

"Mrs. Eugene Elmendorf said that she also saw the fireball after it was pointed out to her.

" 'It appeared to move in a definite flight pattern. It looked like a very bright star.'

"A red glow in the western sky also reported by A. Z. Bell of Marfa. It, too, vanished in a southwesterly direction, he said." (xx.)

(xx.) El Paso, Texas. *The El Paso Times*. 7 November 57.

5 November. Near Durango, Colorado. (no time)

"Strange, silvery."

A press account states:

"A 'strange, silvery' object was reported sighted near here today by a man and a farmwife.

"Richard Schaeffer, of the Thompson Park area, saw the object and walked a half-mile to a neighboring ranch to report it.

"Mrs. Harold McCabe, the ranch wife, said the object looked 'like a moon' except it was travelling 'quite rapidly.'

" 'After about 30 minutes,' Mrs. McCabe said, 'the object turned in what appeared to be end over end (fashion). Then it looked like an egg. Then it vanished.'" (xx.)

(xx.) Clovis, New Mexico. *Clovis News-Journal*. 5 November 57.

Satellite Gag Stirs Howls of Laughter At Russian Circus

MOSCOW, Nov. 5 (AP).—The Sputniks have even hit the Russian circus.

Every day thousands of Muscovites roar their appreciation of world famous clown Karandash's Sputnik gag.

Karandash enters the arena with a small balloon which promptly explodes.

"What's that?" asks the stooge.

"That's a Sputnik," the clown answers, and the astonished and incredulous audience howls with laughter.

"You do not understand," says Karandash quickly, "that is the American Sputnik."

Air Force 'Mystery Man' Leaves City

Actions, Identity Cloaked in Secrecy

An official Air Force investigator—as mysterious as the objects he came here to investigate—left Levelland Tuesday night after talking to eye witnesses about the phenomenon which set information-hungry newsmen knocking at Levelland's door for three full days.

Any secrets about what he may have learned went with him.

Anonymous from the moment he arrived at Reese Air Force Base from Air Defense headquarters, Colorado Springs, he remained that way as he left.

"Well, I'm gone," he told Sheriff Weir Clem, then walked out into a dark, drippy night and drove away in an Air Force vehicle.

He was in civilian clothes, and there was never any hint as to what he found or whether he was really a civilian or an Air Force officer.

The investigator first showed up at the sheriff's office here about 11:45 a.m. Tuesday and remained until 12:15 p.m. He returned at 2:30 and stayed until 3, headed toward Lubbock and came back to Levelland at about 6:30 p.m.

He successfully dodged all newsmen until his last return to Levelland, when he was cornered by a Levelland Daily Sun News reporter.

Admitting that it was the first time he had failed to elude newsmen, although at least one Texas paper had been "hounding" Reese AFB all day, he said the Air Force had authorized him only to say that he is investigating the case. He said he could not give his name or any identification.

INVESTIGATION—

and Levelland was losing out to other areas, as a rash of other sightings were reported in New Mexico and over the Gulf. A Californian even reported that he went inside a space object and talked to its occupants.

A United Press story also told of a Fort Worth chemical engineer, Arthur P. Ticknor, who said he and two companions had happened onto a secret American airfield while on a hunting trip in the vicinity of Clovis, N. M. in 1953.

They were suddenly surrounded by U. S. Soldiers, carrying drawn weapons. Then, Ticknor said, the first thing he knew a flying object "so enormous it blotted out the stars" took off.

"Almost immediately another went up," he said. "there was no noise, only the swish of air."

The engineer said he was sure the objects seen in Levelland were American inventions.

Meanwhile requests for copies of the Levelland Daily Sun News issues with coverage of the phenomenon were pouring in.

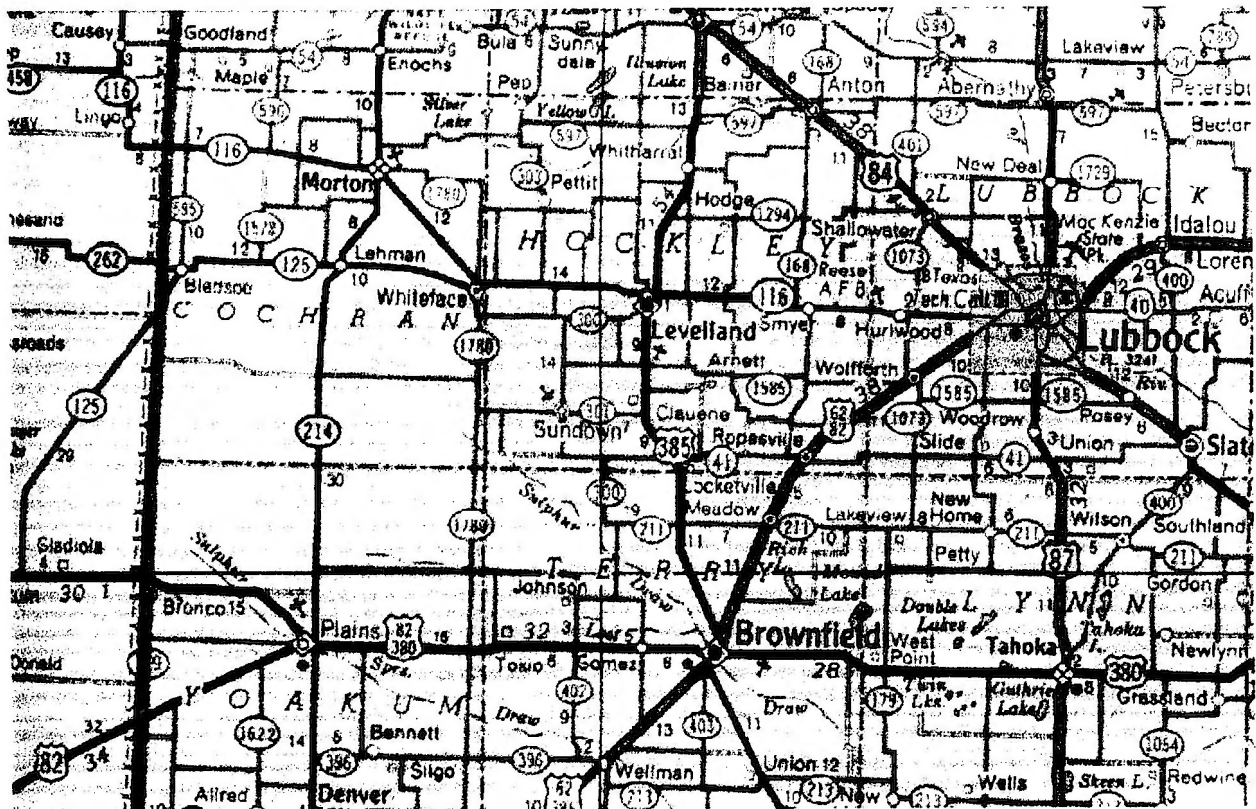
The Aerial Phenomena Research group in Seattle, Washington, asked for reports and names and addresses of witnesses, while other requests came from such places as La Puente, Calif.; New Orleans, Childress, Tex.; Azusa, California; Birmingham, Ala., Oregon and others.

Levelland Daily Sun News staffers had received calls from reporters of papers as far away as the London Daily Telegraph, as the world indicated a hunger for more facts about what they referred to as Levelland's "mystery object," "fireball," and "blazing sky object which stalled cars."

The last reporter for a big-city daily had packed his bags and departed Tuesday night, however, (See INVESTIGATION—Page 5)

The Levelland Sightings of 1957

(Analysis of the Evidence and Evaluation of the Ball Lightning Hypothesis)

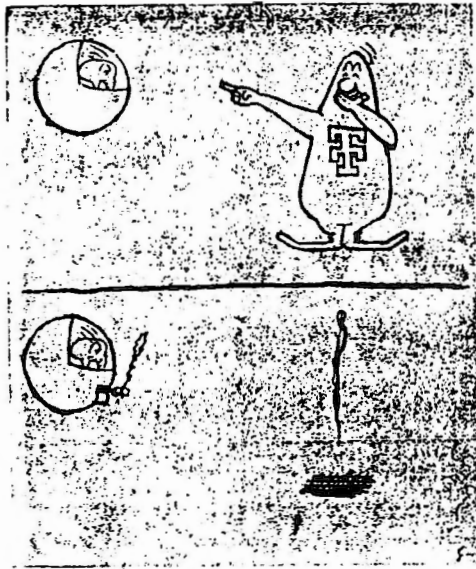


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WHATNIK!!!

'Whatnik' Was No Joke To Wright, Tech Frosh

by DALE JOHNSON
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Shades of "The Day the World Stood Still."

"I wanted to leave," but the car would not move," said Tech freshman Newell Wright of his encounter with the strange, white colored "whatnik" near Smyer early Sunday morning.

Wright, 19-year-old resident of Levelland, was one of at least 11 persons who said they saw the "whatnik" in Hockley County late Saturday night and early Sunday morning.

FOR ENGINEERS EXPLANATION, SEE PAGE 8.

WRIGHT SAID the motor, lights, and radio of his automobile all ceased functioning when he approached the object about a mile west of Smyer shortly after Saturday midnight.

After he discovered the car

would not start, Wright said he sat there on the highway for what he thought was about five minutes watching the motionless, egg-shaped object.

WHEN THE thing did leave, however, Wright said, he was able to start the car motor and proceed on his way.

Wright described the as-yet-unidentified "thing" as being egg-shaped and flat on the bottom so far as he could tell. It looked about 75 feet long, but I don't know how close I was to it.

"IT WASN'T brightly colored," Wright continued. "It was white with a little greenish tint, but that might have been caused by the windshield (which is tinted green)."

Wright said both he and the object remained motionless for the time it was near, or on, the ground, but when it departed it vanished from view rapidly.

THE OBJECT went almost

straight up, Wright declared, but at a little bit of an angle.

"I could see no means of motivation," Wright continued.

The second semester freshman said he watched the object rise from the ground until it rose above the line of his windshield.

WRIGHT SAID by the time he moved to where he could look higher into the sky through the windshield, the object was gone. It could have been hidden by clouds because the night was overcast, the 19-year-old stated.

THE OBJECT was "solid, with a very definite form," Wright declared. The student said he did not see any doors, portholes or openings of any kind in the "whatnik." Neither were there any protrusions, such as wheels, or legs, continued Wright.

Wright said the whiteness of the object might have been "paint or the metal itself." However, he did not think it to be lights of any sort.

Wright's description of the object makes it smaller than that of other persons who saw the thing up close.

Most others, including a Mexican farmhand, a Lubbock truck driver and a Waco man driving in the Levelland area said the object looked about 200 feet long.

Hockley County Sheriff Weir Clem, two highway patrolmen and two CAA control tower workers in Amarillo also reported seeing unusual flashes in the sky about the time others reported seeing the object.

Too, three Chicago policemen reported seeing a bright cigar shaped object early Monday morning. Two men reported seeing a bright object in the sky about 16 miles west of Brenham early Monday also.

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Techsans Select Queen In Thursday Election

by MARY ALICE ATCHISON
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Tech's Homecoming Queen and her four attendants will be chosen in a campus-wide election Thursday.

Vying for the honor are Jo Ann Bethany, Mary Catherine Birkelbach, Arleen Durkee, Judy Ecklund, Peggy Miller, Marilyn Morris, Sharla Pepper, Pat Ruiner, Sandra Shields and Gaynele Williams.

Ballot boxes will be open from

8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Administration Building, Tech Union, Home Economics Building, East Engineering and Agriculture Buildings. Boxes will be placed in the dorms between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

THE CANDIDATE receiving the most votes will be crowned Homecoming Queen at the bonfire and pep rally Friday night at 7 in the Science Quadrangle.

Oscar Power, formerly a Tech student, Saddle Tramp and member of Kappa Sigma, will speak at the rally. Power is employed by the CNA Life Insurance Company.

Friday night the Broadway entrance will be lighted by Spanish lanterns—candles in paper bags.

Between 8:15 and 8:45 p.m. Friday, the displays made by the dorms will be judged. A trophy will be presented Saturday during halftime for the best all-around display.

BEGINNING SATURDAY'S activities will be the Homecoming parade at 10:30 a.m. The parade will assemble on Main St. between Ave. M and Q.

The route to be followed will take the parade east on Main to Texas St., then south to Broadway. The procession will then move on Broadway to the college and the floats should be parked in the Ad Building parking lot.

Three awards will be given in each division—fraternity, sorority and campus organization—for the best floats. Judges will be an-

nounced after the parade in the Ad Building parking lot. There will be no ties.

FLOAT AWARDS will be presented during half-time Saturday. Also to be awarded is the Thomas trophy for the best all-around float. Sigma Chi, social fraternity, received the award last year. This award must be won for three consecutive years in order for one organization to keep it.

The game between Tech and the University of Tulsa at 2 Saturday afternoon will be followed by open houses and social events from 5 to 8 p.m.

CHARLIE BARNET'S orchestra will provide music for the Homecoming dances at 8 p.m. Saturday in the Coliseum. Tickets may be obtained in the Union or from people wearing tags stating "I have Homecoming tickets." Prices are \$3 per couple for students and \$4 per couple for ex-students.

Activities for ex-students will begin at 10:30 Friday morning with a meeting of the executive board of the Ex-Students Assn. in the Tech Union.

Ex-students will have their annual council meeting at 1:30 p.m. Friday to elect officers. Current association officers are: Culver Hill, Lubbock, president; Curtis Sterling, Brownfield, vice president; Bob Dean, Midland, second vice president and L. C. Walker, executive secretary.

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