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"The more I study the evidence the more strongly I incline toward the view that UFO's are extraterrestrial surveillance devices of some type. I believe UFO's are the greatest international scientific problem of our time."--Dr. James Mc Donald

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A Message From Your Director

In recognition of the well organized Westmoreland County UFO Study Group, Stan Gordon, 6 Oakhill Ave., Greensburg, Pa. 15601, has been appointed State Director for Pennsylvania. He, in turn, has selected Co-State-Section Directors for Westmoreland County--Robert H. McCurry, 310 South Lincoln Avenue, and Jack W. Vogel, 2528 Skidmore Road, both of Greensburg, Pa. 15601. Jack has his B.A. in Journalism from Penn State University and is involved in the field of advertising, public relations and sales promotion. Bob is employed by Westinghouse and is also a citizen band radio operator.

Elmer Kral, State Director for Nebraska, has been systematically covering Nebraska searching for competent State-Section Directors and Field Investigators to represent MUFON. Elmer is very proud to announce the following new appointments as State-Section Directors for the counties indicated: Fred Drexler, Route 3, Fairbury, Nebraska 68352, for Thayer and Jefferson counties; Jerry L. Warfield, R.F.D. 2, Scottsbluff, Nebraska 69361 for Scottsbluff, Banner and Sioux counties; and Bobby Gene Cooper, R. R. 1, Oshkosh, Nebraska 69154, for Garden and Deuel counties. Fred is a Professor of Physics, a farmer, and has had additional training in education administration. Jerry is employed by the telephone company as a Central Office equipment Engineer and enjoys the hobby of amateur radio, with the call letters KØDFO. Bobby is a farmer-rancher and is also employed as a foreman of a fiberglass plant.

Brent Raynes, recently appointed a State-Section Director for Maine, has joined the United States Navy and is stationed at Great Lakes, Illinois. We offer our best wishes to Brent and his continued success in furthering his education. Brent has recommended the appointment of Jim and Linda Carey, RFD #1, Windsor, Maine 04363, to serve as State-Section Directors for Kennebec, Androscoggin, Sagadahoc, Lincoln, Knox and Waldo counties. They have both graciously consented to serve in this capacity. Jim is a former military radar operator and is an amateur astronomer. He is self-employed.

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Delphos, Kansas - An Interim Report by Ted Phillips

Investigation into the Delphos, Kansas landing of November 2, 1971 continues. The writer made his fourth trip to the site on August 8, 1972 accompanying a scientist from California to gather more samples of the ring soil for additional extensive study.

I will not, in the following report, go into great detail in describing the sighting as this information has appeared in numerous publications, including SKYLOOK. We will have a look at the various bits of evidence gathered over the past 9 months. As the Delphos report is 103 pages in length and not yet complete, the information must be presented in a most condensed form.

The report is based on four trips to the site--December 4, 1971, January 11, March 18 and August 8, 1972.

ANIMAL REACTION: The witness was accompanied by a small dog. It was noted that the dog was very quiet during the observation--did not bark or try to leave the area. That evening and the following day the dog would not return to the ring. The dog was observed by Sheriff Enlow and others as he ran into a barn and a fence. The dog had always spent the night outside, prior to the landing--since then he has damaged two screen doors in his attempts to enter the Johnson home and will not stay outside at night.

The Johnson sheep were bellowing loudly during the observation of the hovering object, but did not move during that period. After the incident, they jumped fences for a week. As of late July the sheep born since the event have given premature birth to lambs which have not lived.

Numerous physical effects on the witnesses have been reported. Mrs. Johnson, upon seeing the glowing soil, rubbed her hand on the soil surface and immediately noted a numbing effect in her fingers. She rubbed her hand against her leg and that portion of the leg was numbed. The numbing effect in the fingers lasted for several weeks; the numbed portion of her leg is still in effect. Mr. Johnson also touched the soil and noted a numbing sensation in his fingers, but this passed away in a few days. The primary witness, Ronnie, suffered considerable eye irritation for a few days and complained of headaches during that time.

PHYSICAL EVIDENCE AT THE SITE: At the landing site there was found an 8-foot glowing ring of soil. Portions of nearby trees also glowed with the glowing effect lasting for four nights. A color photograph of the glowing ring was taken by Mrs. Johnson minutes after the object had ascended. The ring width is an irregular 12 to 18 inches; the effect is wider on its eastern edge. It is interesting to note that the wind was blowing across the ring west to east--could it be that the wind acted as a spreading agent? The ring soil will not absorb water; plants will not grow in it. A white fibrous material is found in the ring soil but not in the soil in the center or in the surrounding soil. I have heated the normal soil, using various methods, including a microwave oven; the white material is not there. The drying effect and the white material was found to a depth of 14 inches on December 4th; it could be found at a depth of only four inches on August 8. Analysis of the white material is now under way. Numerous small branches were found lying near the center of the ring; the branches were green at the center yet dried on the outside. A tree several feet from the ring, along the

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flight path, was knocked to the ground. The tree is 7 inches in diameter and 12.5 feet long. It was broken off 7 inches above the ground; no impact marks could be found. A tree branch 3.5 inches in diameter is hanging near the western edge of the ring, broken at a point 8.5 feet above the ground. No large impact marks were found on the limb, however an area was noted where the bark had been peeled back; this area is one inch square. The flight path is to the south of the site. The object passed between two trees, the branches being 12 feet apart. The object then passed over a low shed and on to the south of the Johnson farm. A vertical ascent is out of the question because of a thick growth of tree limbs over the ring at a height of 12 feet. It was noted on August 8 that the portions of the trees directly above the ring are dead; the trees adjacent are normal.

WITNESS RELIABILITY: I quote from a signed statement from Sheriff Ralph Enlow: "The Johnsons are life time residents of Ottawa County and the Delphos community. They are well known and well respected by officers from this department. It is the opinion of this officer that the information given by them would be accurate to the best of their knowledge." I quote from a signed statement from Mrs. Thaddia Smith, a reporter with the "Delphos Republican": "The Johnson family having lived in the Delphos community their entire life are respected, truthful, conscientious, trustworthy and a well thought of typical hard working Kansas farm family." What else can be said? I talked with a number of people in the Delphos area and they all feel the same way. . a good, hard working family. I have no reason to doubt the Johnsons. I was most impressed with their reaction to the whole business; they are curious, but yet matter-of-fact about the incident. I believe that these are honest, sincere people who have had a most unusual UFO experience.

POSSIBLE ANSWERS: A number of questions have been brought to my attention over the past months and I feel that we have good answers for them. Could the ring have been caused by lightning? To answer that question, I contacted an expert on lightning, Dr. M. A. Uman, Department of Electrical Engineering, University of Florida. I described the ring to him and received the following reply: "I know of no lightning phenomenon that could have produced the effects described in your letter." The sky was clear at the time of the observation, but there had been a thunderstorm 18 hours earlier. How do we know that the ring was not there for an undetermined period of time before the report? When the Sheriff and others visited the site November 3, 1971 the soil was almost white; a photograph taken that day shows this clearly. When I visited the site 32 days later, the effect was bright but had diminished visibly. The ring was quickly returning to its normal state when seen on January 11, 1972 and again March 18, 1972. The August 8th visit proved this beyond any doubt. The ring was visible but only in small isolated spots. The drying effect and the white material was found to a depth of only 4 inches as compared with the 14 inch depth of December 4. I feel quite sure that the ring was indeed fresh at the time of the sighting. I would not at this time hazard a guess as to the cause of the ring. It is extremely difficult to imagine a drying effect of this magnitude which would not produce steam as it dried the damp soil. The boy was asked repeatedly if he could see steam while the object was at the site. He stated over and over again that he could only see a glow extending from the base of the object to the ground. I contacted a scientist at a southern university, presenting the report for his consideration as he

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had published an article in Science based on his work in weed control with ultra high-frequency electromagnetic fields. I received a two page reply and quote in part: "Microwaves in the range 1000-10,000 megahertz at power densities above 100 watt seconds /CM² can cause plant symptoms similar to burning and can definitely cause dehydration. Wilting and browning of soybeans (Van Horne, Iowa trace case) occurring very quickly after treatment, can be caused by microwaves in the range mentioned. Rapid drying with the green color retained often occurs with microwave exposures. The multi-colored lights, flowing of soil and trees and numbing sensations, could not have been caused by microwaves. All of these phenomena can be induced by energy in other parts of the electromagnetic spectrum--for example, electricity can cause numbing sensations, and light can be received by biological photoreceptors, e. g., chlorophyll, and later re-radiated at different wave length. Microwaves can cause breaking of trees and tree branches if the water contained therein changes to steam rapidly. I have observed this with smaller plants. In summary, some of the effects you describe could be attributed to exposure to relatively high power densities of microwaves; other could not. All the biological effects described could conceivably be caused by energy in some portion of the electromagnetic spectrum, but no one area could account for all the effects described."

SOIL ANALYSIS: The soil analysis is not done overnight; it takes a good deal of time and money. The "National Enquirer" has shown considerable interest in the case and certainly has done its part. Analysis has been done at a number of laboratories, some of the results are conflicting; all point to a very strange soil condition however. I feel that, while not trying to hold back data, we should wait for complete analysis before presenting the incomplete results. I can indicate the contrast between normal and ring soil with the following: Trace metals by atomic absorption following 0.1 N HCl extraction, given in parts per million:

	<u>Normal Soil</u>	<u>Ring Soil</u>
Calcium	912	2,400
Iron	6.8	28.0
Manganese	5.2	56.0
Zinc	0.18	20.0

I assure the readers that additional data will be presented as it becomes available.

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Tell your friends you read it in SKYLOOK. We'll appreciate it.

Mo Mo - That Missouri Monster

Editor's Note: The strange creature seen near Louisiana, Mo., and elsewhere in July received publicity in news media across the midwest. Reports and comments by the Press ranged from tongue-in-cheek to serious, charges of hoax, speculation that the creature may have been dropped by a space ship, claims that it is an "alien" from another planet, comparisons to other strange creatures--Nessy, Big Foot and others. Personally, your editor does not see any relation between the Louisiana creature and UFOs (no surprise to those knowing our conservative views) but there are others who do and we respect their views. Whatever YOUR opinion is, we believe you'll find a report of Mo Mo interesting reading.

The best factual report, in our opinion, appeared in the "Centralia Sentinel," Centralia, Ill., July 24, and was given in connection with a report of the MUFON skywatch and picnic held at Carlyle Lake.

Yesterday members of the Midwest UFO Network got the full run-down on the series of monster sightings which have attracted nationwide attention to the area around Louisiana, Missouri, where two children reported seeing a tall, hairy monster on July 11.

Although the children's report has received more publicity, John Schuessler of O'Fallon, Missouri told the assembled picnickers that a similar monster was seen at Quiver River State Park, near Troy, on June 30. The Troy sighting, plus two other reports from 1971, now lend more credence to the Harrison children's story, which has been regarded as a hoax by some.

Schuessler, who had just returned from the Quiver River Park, gave the following account of the earlier sighting. On June 30, two young men were fishing in the Quiver River at the foot of a steep bluff. One of the men looked upstream and saw a large hairy individual wading across the stream, about 150 feet away.

As he watched, the creature, which had been up to his armpits in the water, emerged on the other side; and he saw that it was not a hippie as he had originally thought, but a large hairy animal with sloping shoulders. Both he and his companion took off through the woods and immediately reported the incident to the park ranger.

About five minutes earlier, another couple who were fishing 250 feet upstream, heard "grunts and groans, like a man in pain" and were so unnerved by the sounds that they stopped fishing also and hastily left the woods. They too reported the incident, and a search party was organized. However, nothing was found except a large 3-toed footprint; and no one took a plaster cast of the impression.

The sighting of the monster at Quiver River Park may be related to the Louisiana case, which Walter Andrus, MUFON Director, says is "definitely not a hoax generated by children." Andrus had just returned from Louisiana, after interviewing the Edgar Harrison family; and he displayed a sketch done by Doris Harrison, 15, one of the children who saw the creature. From the drawing, it looked quite similar to the Quiver River animal.

The monster was first seen by Terry Harrison, 8, when he was out in the backyard which is near a heavily wooded part of town. According to Terry's story, the creature was about 7 feet tall, covered with hair and had no distinguishable facial features. It was carrying a small black dog under its arm; and the dog was bleeding.

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"Terry became so frightened," said Andrus, that he ran into the house. At about the same time, his sister, Doris, looked out the bathroom window, saw the creature retreating into the brush and became hysterical.

Since Mrs. Harrison was too frightened to stay in the house, she and some of her nine children slept at the family restaurant, while the men kept a two-night vigil hoping to spot the monster. Both nights, reported Andrus, the men heard howls and sounds of something crashing through the underbrush, but they were unable to spot the creature with their flashlights.

In trailing the beast, however, they noticed a sickening odor, "like a dead horse," which was so nauseating that one of the Harrison boys became ill. The following night, July 12, a group of hunters and 15 dogs turned out to assist in the search. But although the howls continued, the dogs refused to go into the woods.

Meanwhile, continued Andrus, Mrs. Harrison was still afraid to return home, but on July 14, following a Penecostal church service at the Harrison home, she consented to remain in the house. A short time later, blood-curdling screams were heard coming from the woods; and the entire Harrison family, numbering 11 people, piled into their 1968 Plymouth and sped into town, just as 50 more neighbors arrived for the nightly watch.

The following night 150 armed citizens showed up at the Harrison home ready to offer their assistance, but left at the request of the county sheriff who remained himself through the night without hearing anything.

The sighting of the Missouri Monster, or Mo Mo as John Schuessler has dubbed it, may be related to an incident which was published in SAGA magazine last year. Schuessler is presently trying to find the two young women who reported seeing a hairy monster while they were picnicking near Louisiana a year ago.

According to the article, Schuessler said, the animal came out of the woods, frightening the girls, who locked themselves in their car. While they watched, the monster devoured their picnic lunch; and was finally scared away after they repeatedly blew the horn.

Another similar incident was reported to Scheussler on Friday night following his appearance on a St. Louis television program. A woman caller told Scheussler that a year ago, her husband had been fishing near their cabin at Foley, Missouri, when he was terrified by a large shaggy creature which came up out of the water.

"We've been teasing him about it," the lady told Scheussler, "but now we're not so sure." / End of "Centralia Sentinel" quote. /

According to many news clippings, people living in the Louisiana area kept children at home and locked their homes at night. With so many "looking" for a strange creature, it follows that many and varied reports were made to the news media.

One man reported the creature walked up behind his small foreign car and lifted it up. He said the hairy black monster dropped the car and ran away.

Two young boys hiking told police they saw the creature, resembling a bear, standing in the woods. They didn't get a good look, they said, because the monster growled and they started running.

Shelby Ward, chief of the Louisiana Police department said no bears have been sighted in the county in recent years. However, your editor heard on a Sedalia, Mo. TV news report that a woman in Louisiana reported seeing a brown bear near her garbage cans, just two blocks from the latest creature report.

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A plaster cast was made of footprints, believed to be those of the creature, and described as being nine by seven inches with four or five toes coming out of a palm-like base. Lawrence Curtis, of the Oklahoma City zoo, examined the casts and said they are fakes "and not very good fakes, at that."

A woman reported she was aware of something walking past her window and she went outside, but saw nothing. She did notice a rank smell permeating the air.

Illinois State Police thought they might have cracked the case when two troopers reported seeing a green, long-tailed "something" disappearing into the woods near New Canton late July 27. An investigation netted authorities 12 young men and a dragon costume. Police later said there was no connection between the New Canton dragon and MoMo.

The FAA entered the case when MoMo was reported sighted near a private landing field close to Louisiana and again at Haerr Field at Taylor. The FAA told airport officials and pilots to watch for any unidentified object which might have brought MoMo to earth. "In our profession you have to check everything," said Philip Maxted, an official at the Quincy, Ill. flight station. "The general opinion is that the monster is a joke, but one never knows."

On Wednesday, July 25, an early morning jogger in Cairo, Ill., more than 200 miles down river from Louisiana, reported he had seen a tall, white monster. James Dale, police commissioner, and his men checked and found nothing. After this, Dale said, anyone reporting a monster will have to submit to a breath analysis test to determine whether he has been drinking.

On Thursday night, July 26, East Peoria, Ill. police said "two reliable citizens" reported seeing MoMo. "He had long, grey U-shaped ears, a red mouth with sharp teeth, thumbs with long second joints and looked like a cross between an ape and a cave man," they said.

We like the cartoon by John Fischetti in "The Chicago Daily News" showing a shaggy creature standing against a background of steaming garbage, foul stream, and black smoke pouring from factory smoke stacks. The creature says, "People saying I smell bad--THEY should talk." (Thanks, Mr. Miller)

To conclude, we have another article from the "Centralia Sentinel" pointing out that MoMo, if found is wanted by the Internal Revenue Service, the Selective Service Administration and the Bureau of Immigration and Naturalization. "It" will have to file a tax return; if between 18 and 35 years of age, register with Selective Service; and if an alien, will have to deal with the Bureau of Naturalization and Immigration. If MoMo is an alien from another planet, he could be subject to deportation--if NASA will help with transportation. Well, no wonder MoMo is looking for a better hiding place.

Source: Centralia Sentinel, Chicago Daily News, St. Louis Post-Dispatch, Sedalia Capital, Harrisburg Patriot, Kansas City Times, St. Louis Globe-Democrat, Decatur Review, Bowling Green Times and Tulsa Daily.

Credits: Carol Armstrong, Joe Brill, Rosetta Holmes, Thomas Miller, Ruth Baird, Ruth Gamble, John Schuessler, Walter Andrus, Lou Farish, Mamie Short, Joe Gurney and Maurice Thien--and many others who may have sent in news stories since this article was written for SAYLOOK. To all--if there is more news about MoMo, please continue to send in reports. Ye Ed.

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Hoax Suspected in UFO Photos

Editor's Note: In the May 1972 issue of SKYLOOK we , along with other ufozines, published a report of a "UFO Photographed Over Mart, Texas" from the "Waco News-Tribune" and the "Mart Herald" whose photographs showed a saucer-shaped, domed object above power lines.

Data-Net (7900 Harvard Drive, Ben Lomond, Calif., 95005) Jo Clark's fine ufozine, also published reports, but did some follow-up investigating (another reason it IS a "fine" magazine) and we quote from Jerry Johnson's report in the June issue of Data-Net:

27 May 1972 - After several hours of interviewing Les Roll of Mart, Texas and examining his photographs of a disk-shaped object made on 27 Feb 72 (see DATA-NET #57, p. 18, and #59, p.7), author and UFO researcher Ray Stanford came away convinced that the sighting was a hoax. Stanford asked me to convey his feelings to DATA-NET, which had given Roll's sighting much publicity in an article by Mr. Tommy R. Blann appearing in Report #59, May 1972.

Ray Stanford became interested in this sighting report after some personal communication from Tommy Blann, and Les Roll was invited to Stanford's home in Austin. Roll brought with him the original Polaroid prints of photographs he took from his porch of an object alleged to be 500 feet across and from 5 miles distant in the first photo to not closer than 1 and 1/2 miles in the later shots. A "man" is supposed to be visible within a "dome" on top of this object, although if the object's size and distance estimates were correct, this figure of a man would have to be enormous.

Stanford reports that the first thing he noticed about the witness' pictures was that they had been cut apart with scissors. The top 1/2 to 2/3 of one was missing. Another had its top cut off as well, plus the two sides of the print were cut at such an angle that the remaining portion was more narrow at the top than at the bottom. All of the photos had been cut in this manner immediately above the image of the "UFO." Stanford believes this was done to hide the support for a wire or string holding a small model disk.

There is no atmospheric diffusion in any of the photos (as there would be if the object were any distance away from the camera as reported by Roll). The lines are sharp, the shadows a dark black. The photographs, said Stanford, show an object apparently not more than 8 feet away. The photos also reveal an inconsistency with Roll's story of stepping off the porch while taking them. Power lines in the background of the later shots are at such an angle that the photographer must have stepped up onto something. The plastic dome of the "space ship" is almost unmistakably food wrap suspended by a bent wire.

Even after he had taken the photographs, Roll had told reporters that he did not believe in flying saucers, and had not read books on the subject. But in Ray Stanford's home, Roll compared his experience with those of George Adamski, Dan Fry etc. and exhibited some knowledge of UFO lore, particularly the contactee aspect.

Ray Stanford also interviewed Tommy Blann, who sent the reports on Roll's sighting to DATA-NET. Stanford said that Blann would be "predisposed to accept this type of claim as genuine, "due to what he describes as a "strong belief in cases of telepathic communication with space-men, witnesses who claim repeated close-range sightings etc." It came out that a power failure "exactly 25 minutes" after the sighting (see Blann's report in DATA-NET #59, P. 7) could be placed no sooner than several hours after the alleged incident, and no connection with UFOs

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is apparent. The "animal reaction" mentioned also seems to have little connection with any UFO incident.

Significantly, no other person in the area on this Sunday morning saw the huge object, as it "zig-zagged" in the sky long enough for Les Roll to reenter his house, get his camera, shoot and tear-off the three disputed photographs. The other central-Texas sightings mentioned in Blann's report have no connection with the photograph case, and just might be genuine.

No photographic evidence of UFO activity can be accepted unless it is supported by the integrity of the witnesses involved. Ray Stanford has interviewed the people directly involved with this case, and I am reporting his observations and opinions. Your Assistant Control reserves opinion on the matter until given an opportunity to examine the original photographs. I do feel at this time that \$2.00 for one of the copies being sold by Mr. Blann would be a waste.

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UFO in Wisconsin Reported by Press and Radio

Shawano, Wis., July 29, 1972--County authorities in Shawano and Waupaca Counties reported sighting unidentified flying objects and one deputy sheriff in Shawano County watched a glowing ball high in the air for more than 30 minutes, according to his desk sergeant today.

Deputy Sheriff Ted Mitchell, desk sergeant at Shawano, said one of his men reported seeing early today a UFO about 800 feet in the air at a distance of about two miles and said it looked like a "bright volleyball."

"From two miles away," Mitchell said, "our deputy said it looked about the size of a volleyball. It was moving in a zigzag manner and he couldn't tell how fast it was going."

Mitchell refused to give the name of the deputy because he had just gone home to bed after finishing his shift.

Source: "Kenosha News" Credit: Francis J. Reich, who informs us other newspapers and radio and TV stations gave the UFO coverage "which is the first time in years." Also, A. Routhieaux, of Green Bay, Wis.

UFO Reports Made on Boston Radio Talk Show

Barry Greenwood, of Somerville, Mass., one of our new subscribers, reports the following UFO sightings reported on WBZ radio in Boston recently and is trying to get more information on the brief telephone calls.

1949 - UFO's seen by three witnesses boating on Lake Mouranikok (phonetic spelling) in Winthrop, Maine. Reports published in Press.

July 26, 1972 - While playing Lacrosse in a school yard near Toronto, Canada, Rick Groove and three other witnesses sighted a spinning object with a series of lights around it. The object moved in a straight line as the lights blinked off and on. Time: 8:30. Duration: 5 minutes.

Objects also reported near Ottawa and in Ottawa Press.

Champaign, Illinois reported a sighting of a ring of lights.

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Do send in YOUR UFO report to SKYLOOK. If sending newspaper clipping, give name of paper and date of publication, please.

Large UFO "Launches" Smaller Ones Over St. Louis County

A large UFO was observed over highway intersection of I-55 and Union Road in the south St. Louis County area, about 8:30 PM July 22. Observed by three children, it was reported to Roger Meyers, an associate of the St. Louis UFO study group; and it was learned later that 13 telephone calls were made to radio station KXOK by others reporting the object.

Melissa Hamilton, 9, Nancy Dunham, 10, and Jackie Purdom, 8, were at Melissa's home (749 Regina) when they saw the objects. An object descended from the north, then hovered and appeared to rotate slowly as it launched separately five smaller objects. The large object was described by the children as "the size and shape of a football in the sky" and gold in color. The smaller objects, round and white, appeared to be about 1/12th the size of the large one. After hovering for a few seconds, the objects all left at the same time--the large one going straight up with a loud, cracking sound; one smaller object going north, another south and three east in the direction of the observers, but on a rising plane, so they disappeared before reaching the children.

The children immediately reported what they had seen to Meyers, who then contacted Wm. F. Christian, Sr., a MUFON State Section Director.

Scanning the sky with 10x binoculars revealed only the contrail of a high flying SAC bomber, not the plane itself. The sky was clear, temperature in the high 80's; the sun was setting and there was no wind at ground or tree top level.

A call was made to the newsroom of radio station KXOK at 8:55 and it was learned two other calls had been received, reporting the UFO seen from a ball field about a mile and half from the children's observation point.

On the following Monday another check was made at the radio station and the caller told that a total of 13 calls had been received Saturday evening regarding the sighting; but as no names had been taken, the investigator was unable to obtain their confirmation and possible additional description of the objects seen.

It was learned that nothing had been observed on radar, and there had been no SAC re-fueling over the city or parachute jumps (clearance must be granted for such from Lambert Field). A call to the City of St. Louis Air Pollution control brought out that the Metromex Study had not put up any gas balloons at that time.

At this time the objects seen remain unidentified. It is hoped further information will come in from others seeing the objects.
Credit: Wm. F. Christian. Also thanks to E. E. Dombroska.

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The OHIO UFO REPORTER, edited by Bonita Roman at Route 3, Yankee Road, Middletown, Ohio, 45042 appears infrequently, but is well worth waiting for. The January-February-March 1972 issue was delayed because reasons of health, and Mrs. Roman states publication will now be on a quarterly basis. The issue mentioned contains 36 pages of fine UFO reports, written in Bonnie's usual excellent style. A sample copy is 50 cents and a year's subscription is \$3. This ufozine has always been one of our favorites, and we hope it will be around for a long, long time.--Ye Ed.

Illinois Family Reports Strange Experience in 1968

The X family of Centralia, Illinois, recently reported a couple of unnerving UFO-related experiences on their farm in the spring of 1968.

As nearly as they can recall, the first happening was in May. It was about one o'clock in the morning when Mrs. X was awakened from her sleep by the strange action of the lights on the electric fence charger. On leaving her bed to investigate she found the entire area was bathed in a brilliant orange-white light apparently emitted by an object located almost directly over the house as it moved in from the northwest, then took a position due east of the house and hovered there approximately 10-15 minutes. It then moved due south of the house, hovered again for about five minutes, then simply vanished.

During the entire incident Mrs. X never actually saw the object itself, only the intensely brilliant light.

The next morning Mrs. X awoke with a fuzzy recollection of the incident, as if she had dreamed it. But when she went outside the house, she discovered some amazing evidence that quickly dispelled any notion that the incident had been a dream.

There is a treeline northwest of the house (the trees running east-west) and whatever caused the brilliant light had burned a path through the trees. All the leaves on the trees in the path wilted and died, as if they had been scalded. Later these trees grew new leaves and are still growing today. The same fate fell to some trees near a hog pen east of the house. Two of these trees died and a third has died since.

That morning the children missed the school bus because, as they discovered, all clocks and watches in the house were five minutes slow. But the next discovery the X family made proved to be the most important, as they saw the matter. One of their brood sows had vanished from the hog pen--the same pen over which the lighted object had hovered for at least 10 minutes. The X's did not try to suggest that possible occupants of a UFO had lifted the sow, but there was no evidence to indicate the hog had broken out of the pen and the X family cannot believe that anyone could have caught and removed it without causing alarm.

The second incident occurred less than a month later. Mr. X and a companion were in some timber northwest of the house where they had a close range sighting of a hat-shaped UFO. While not close enough to judge exact distance and size, they were near enough to observe considerable detail of the object.

It had portholes which were illuminated from within by brilliant white lights and there were red and white running lights on each end. When first sighted the craft was moving west and to the north of the observers. It stopped, hovered for a few moments, then retraced its path to the east and disappeared in the trees. Mr. X and his companion noticed that the craft emitted a high-pitched whining sound.

Mrs. X did not see this craft, but noted its presence when it obviously flew quite near the house. She said the house shook like a sonic boom had hit it and she also heard a high-pitched sound. When looked out an open window and felt some "invisible substance" float in the window and on to her arms. This caused a burning and tingling sensation, and she also became quite dizzy and to sit down for a few minutes until the adverse effects passed away.

Credit: Terry Turner.

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Aerospace Writer for CHICAGO TODAY Sees a UFO!

Peter Reich, aerospace writer for "Chicago Today" saw his first UFO Wednesday, July 19, 1972 and wrote a four-column article about it in the next day's issue of the newspaper.

He wrote: "I had turned out the light prior to retiring for the evening. I had set the alarm and the illuminated clock read 10:42 p.m.

"I looked out the window prior to closing my eyes when I saw it--a blinking red light much like the flashing anti-collision light on aircraft. It was going from north to southeast over Lake Michigan.

"I have no idea how high it was, but it was well above the level of my windows which are on the 38th floor. Incidentally, the windows face north and provide an unobstructed view of Lake Michigan and the sky.

"The night was clear enough for me to see several stars toward the northeast.

"What caught my attention about the flashing red light was that it was traveling at an incredibly high speed. Again, it is difficult to guess how fast, but I would liken it to the apparent speed of a 600 m.p.h. jet flying by at a distance of no more than half a mile. I have seen many jets at that distance, so I know the speed.

"The point is, airplanes never fly that close to our building--and besides, this mysterious red light did something no aircraft could do. As it flashed from north to southeast, it suddenly stopped, reversed course sharply, and appeared to fly along a downward curve in the opposite direction!

"As it approached a point near what would be the horizon in daylight, it suddenly blinked out and disappeared."

Reich went on to say he has seen most of the objects that account for most of the "flying saucer" reports, but he had never before seen any object "that behaved so contrary to the laws of physics."

Reich mentioned chatting with Dr. J. Allen Hynek a few months ago and telling him "that if there really were something to UFOs, I would think it about time, after 20 years of writing about them, that I would encounter one. He laughingly replied, 'Well, maybe you will one day soon.' Last night, I did."

Peter Reich has won 11 major awards, including both of the nation's highest prizes for aerospace reporting and writing.
Credit: Joe Brill and Thomas E. Miller.

UFO Seen in Massachusetts

Paul Kamp, a pharmacologist's assistant and former Air Force lieutenant and Coast Guard petty officer, arrived home at Dog Lane Road, Marshfield, about 7 PM, Monday, July 3, 1972, to find his wife, family and neighbors staring skyward.

They were looking at a triangular shaped object that looked like a big wing, Kamp said. It seemed to be translucent and he thought he could see blue sky through it, but "its edges were white and well defined," he reported. He couldn't estimate how high it was, but noted jet planes were flying underneath it. It remained in sight for 45 minutes and then disappeared in cloud cover.

He and other South Shore residents (Boston area) reported the object to South Weymouth Naval Air Station and the U.S. Air Force's Hanscom Field. The air station reported between 8 and 10 p.m. 15 calls were received. A spokesman at Hanscom said they received some calls but didn't record any information as "there's no longer any place for us to forward information." Source: Boston Globe. Credit: Brent Raynes

Naval Air Station Tracks Object on Radar

On July 3, 1972 at 7:30 PM dozens of people contacted police and radio stations, reporting a UFO over the Scituate-Duxbury area of Massachusetts. The object was variously described as Apollo capsule-shaped, nose cone shaped, upside down sailboat, triangular. It was stationary in the sky and visible for about 30 minutes. The object then disappeared when cloud cover obscured it from view. The South Weymouth Massachusetts Naval Air Station was contacted a few hours later and they would only say that they had tracked the object on radar and it was about 7 or 8 miles distant from the base. One witness said the UFO was northeast of his position in Duxbury. Credit: Barry Greenwood.

Graduate Engineer Sees UFO in Kansas

A graduate engineer now working with the Corps of Engineers on the Truman Dam project in Missouri reported seeing a large light mass above the road ahead of his automobile while driving near Manhattan, Kansas, in April of 1972. He stated that the object was hovering near the ground and was about two or three miles distant when first seen. As he approached to within a quarter of a mile, the article could be seen to be quite large and brilliant. It began to move away from him slowly. The entire observation lasted for about three minutes. Credit: Ted Phillips.

UFO Lingers Over Dighton, Kansas

Arkansas Gazette, July 18, 1972--For several months the western town of Dighton, Kans. (pop. 1,050) has been visited by a recurring unidentified flying object--a fiery red cluster of bright lights seen by the chief of police, several policemen and a number of citizens. But the community remains relatively unconcerned.

Police Chief M. R. Shelton described the object as a "round, red-orange and white light * * bright as a cluster of lights on a football field." It hovers about 300 to 500 feet high, usually 10 miles west of town.

"We didn't think much about it at first," Shelton said. "We thought it might be the military taking infrared pictures of the area to check feedlot runoff."

Shelton said the object would remain stationary until an investigating officer radioed another car about it. It then begins to move away. "Everytime we transmit, it moves."

Shelton saw it about two months ago and followed it with his car at speeds of up to 100 miles an hour. He said it would run parallel to his car, or slightly ahead of it.

The UFO has been sighted several times a month, usually between 11 p.m. and the early morning hours, since late February. Credit: Lucius Farish, Capt. Dave T. Ozanne., Mrs. Maurice Thien.

Was It A Sonic Boom?

A loud noise--an apparent sonic boom--heard in St. Charles and St. Louis County about 12:15 p.m. Saturday, July 8, 1972 resulted in many calls to police and radio stations. A spokesman for the FAA control tower at Lambert Field said the cause of the noise had not been determined. (Source: "St. Louis Post-Dispatch," Credit: Joe Gurney)

More Lights in Kansas Sky

Widespread reports of unidentified flying objects kept law enforcement officers in western Kansas hopping until dawn Wednesday and Thursday nights, Aug. 16-17, according to reports out of Hays, Kansas.

Most spotters said they saw a red glowing light that moved very slowly or seemed to hover. Glen Windholz of the Hays "Daily News" reported he saw a light over his house about 10 p.m. Tuesday night. "There seemed to be minor explosions within it from time to time," he said. "Some white stuff seemed to trickle off of it."

Beginning at 10:30 p.m. calls came in steadily from the northeast part of the city. Jim Girvan, dispatcher at the Hays Police Department, alerted Forbes Air Force Base at Topeka. At 12:30 a.m. police officers reported seeing a large red light near a television tower at the west edge of town. Meanwhile, officers at Russell, 25 miles east, reported seeing a red glowing light moving west. Another call came from Victoria, 10 miles southeast of Hays. A sighting was reported at 2:40 a.m. at LaCrosse, 31 miles south and at Phillipsburg, 61 miles to the north.

There was a 4 a.m. sighting at Yocemento, about seven miles west of Hays. Officers at Stockton, 33 miles north of Hayes, broadcast a report about the same time that they had seen two objects to the northwest. Officers at Ellis, 14 miles west of Hays, reported glowing red lights at altitudes of two to three miles.

About 4:45 a.m. Thursday a truck driver informed the Ellsworth County sheriff's office that a light moved alongside his truck for about three miles as he drove into Ellsworth.

At Lyons early Thursday, Bill Walsh, an employee of Cities Service Gas Co., called police to say he was watching a blinking red and green light move across the sky northwest of Lyons. Source: "The Kansas City Times, "August 17-18, 1972.

Fireball Reported at East Dallas, Texas

A fiery object fell into a field in the 5700 block of Forney in East Dallas, Texas, Friday, August 11, 1972, burning out in four spots of ashes found in a 15 to 20 foot wide area. The object was spotted by W. R. Draper and sons as they looked out the living room window between 9:30 and 10:00 p.m.

"It looked like it was coming down from the sky, moving fast and was a pretty good ball of fire," Draper reported.

Capt. Dave Toon Ozanne, U.F.O. investigator, interviewed Mr. Draper and his sons, and they showed him where the fireball struck the ground. He took several soil samples of a yellowish-like powder and some heavy metallic flakes.

The sighting was reported in the "Dallas Morning News" August 13 and mention was made of a fireball passing west to east over Boise, Idaho. / See Fireballs Above Rockies on another page in this issue.7

Dome-Shaped Object Follows Car

Miss "Smith" (not her real name) was driving from Minneapolis, Minn., to Oelwein, Iowa, on June 17, 1972. As she crossed the state line about 7 p.m. she noticed a silvery object "about two city blocks high" to the west. The object tipped a few times so she could see the outline and described it as an upside down saucer with a rotating dome with a blue light. She could see no windows and there was no sound. It followed her about 10 minutes, then banked to the west and disappeared. Credit: LeRoy R. Latham.

Strange Report from Pennsylvania

Mrs. John Brown (real name on file) lives near Greensburg, Pennsylvania. For some reason she found herself awake at 4:00 of the morning of June 9, 1972, and couldn't go back to sleep. She left her bed and walked into the den to stand at a window facing the northwest. It was a dark and cloudy night and had been raining but was not doing so at this time.

Mrs. Brown estimates she had been standing by the window almost a half hour when she suddenly saw what appeared to be a ball of fire rising up along the side of a tree 150 feet distant on a neighbor's property. The bright object was described as being the size of a small motorcycle and oblong with a depression in the center, top and bottom. It was very bright and "seemed to be on fire." The object slowly moved up the right side of the tree, its light outlining the shape of the tree, as it continued over the top and down the left side part way, then moved off in a horizontal trajectory towards the southwest and disappeared from view.

Not wanting to lose sight of the object, Mrs. Brown hadn't left the window to awaken her husband, and she lingered now to see if the object would return. In about 15 minutes, another object, again about the size of small motor cycle, but rectangular in shape and of a dull color--more like "a burning ember of charcoal" appeared from the northeast, between the Brown home and the neighbors.

The object was only a few feet above the ground and went directly over a bird bath that was seven feet from the window. It continued to move across the street and then circled counterclockwise above a pear tree, 40 feet distant. Almost immediately, as the object was circling the tree, numerous firefly-like objects appeared among the branches and near the ground. They flickered off and on like fireflies, but were like burning embers in color--and the investigator notes there were very few fireflies in the area at the time.

The object ceased circling the tree and moved over the roof of the house toward the northeast and disappeared from view. A few minutes later another object appeared at the point where the second object had disappeared and moved directly toward the Brown home.

This object went directly in front of the observer's window at a distance of five feet. It was described as looking like a very large firefly but as "big as a plum" and had an orange-fire color. It disappeared from view but the lights in the tree were still visible at five o'clock when Mrs. Brown returned to her bed.

She discussed the happening with a friend the next day and was persuaded to contact the Westmoreland County UFO Study Group. On the condition that her name be kept secret, she agreed to an interview with Stan Gordon and Jack Vogel who obtained the above report.

Mr. Gordon states he has never interviewed a witness seemingly more level headed and "down to earth" and he believes this to be an actual experience. And a strange one it is!

We don't recall the case, but we have a dim memory of another happening of this nature where strange lights appeared to go up and down the trees. Do any of our readers recall this one? It would be interesting to make a comparison.

Note: We had hoped to include more of the Pennsylvania reports, as gathered by Stan Gordon and his group, but again--not enough space! But we'll be using some in every issue (we hope) so keep watching for them. We have about 25 pages, and we are going to get the best ones in future issues somehow, some way! --Ye Ed.

To Our Readers In spite of the extra pages in this issue, we are leaving out more reports than we're publishing. Rather than condense a fine report by Ray Fowler (already cut from the original 36 pages) we are holding it for the October issue. Folks, there really is a UFO "flap"--we've never received as many reports in one month before--and they are still coming in. --Ye Ed.

Astronomy Notes

The September Sky - Venus is seen as a morning object during the month, rising at 1:50 AM C.S.T. September 1st and at 2:30 AM October 1st. Mars is quite near the position of the sun and not visible.

Jupiter is seen in the high southern sky throughout the month; the largest planet sets at 11:50 PM Sept. 1st and at 10 PM October 1st. Saturn may be seen in the high southern sky during the month, rising at 11:30 PM Sept. 1st and at 9:30 PM Oct. 1st.--Ted Phillips

The Constellations. Delphinus (The Dolphin) - Delphinus has been called the Dolphin by the western world since the earliest astronomical records. To the Arabs Delphinus was a camel. Delphinus is also called Job's Coffin. Delphinus culminates at 9PM on September 14. Its brighter stars form a fairly symmetrical lozenge-shaped figure. The two brightest stars in Delphinus were named after Nicolo Cacciatore who was an assistant of Giuseppe Piazzi. Alpha Delphini (Sualocin) is his first name spelled backward in the Latin form. Beta Delphini (Rotanev) -his last name Cacciatore means "hunter" and the Latin for hunter is Venator which spelled backward is Rotaneu. Delphinus is one of the smallest constellations but it is readily discernible. --Mark Herbstritt

Fireballs Above Rockies - A Washington State University astronomer says the fireball seen soaring over the northwestern United States and Canada August 10, 1972 may have been a brilliant mass of deteriorating meteors from the constellation Perseus.

One or more flaming objects, variously described as orange, red and blue, were sighted Thursday flashing across skies over six states and Alberta province in Canada.

Capt. Bob Bagshaw of Frontier Airlines, who said he viewed the object on a flight from Missoula, Mont., to Salt Lake City described it as a big fireball that was flaking off particles and leaving behind a reddish orange trail. "I've never seen anything so impressive in my life," the pilot said. "It was a beautiful sight. It started on the horizon in the south, went right across my windshield and out of sight on the horizon in the north."

Mrs. Thomas Williams of Mead, Wash., said she saw a fireball about four feet in diameter with flames shooting out the back and leaving a glowing blue-green trail. "It was traveling in as straight a line as you ever saw," she said.

In Missoula, a Federal Aviation Administration employe said the object was at an elevation of about 80,000 feet when it crossed east of the city, around 4:30 p.m. EDT.

Officers at the North American Air Defense Command (NORAD) at Colorado Springs said the fireball was reported passing west to east over Boise, Idaho, at 3:40 p.m. Kansas City time.

Witnesses at Jackson Hole, Wyo., reported seeing the object travel from south to north. In American Falls, Idaho, witnesses described it as bluish in color with a long vapor trail.

Source: "Kansas City Times" and "Dallas Times Herald." Thanks to all who sent news clips to SKYLOOK.

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The following is a transcript of a letter sent by one Mr. Zivko Zivkovich of Ohrid, Yugoslavia on October 22, 1971 to his friend in Belgrade regarding the sighting of a UFO near Ohrid on August 2, 1971 around 1:00 a.m. in the morning. What follows is an exact translation of his first letter dated October 22, 1971 and a second letter he wrote once he had done some investigation work on what had been reported to him:

ABOVE OHRID A FLYING OBJECT

An uneasy encounter with a strange flying saucer - Ohrid-- October 22, 1971

Returning home around 2:00 a.m., the members of the vocal and instrumental group known as " Ohrid's Troubadours," after a successful concert at Bitola, have recently had an uneasy experience with an Unidentified Flying Object some fifteen kilometers (9 miles) from Ohrid. Members of the group, Naum Celakovski, Kosta Verus and Milorad Dusanich recalled that they had noticed only some forty meters (44 yards) from the road an object descending to the ground while emitting a strange orange-greenish light.

These witnesses claim that the flying object was approximately ten meters (33 feet) in diameter and had a round shape. Two members of this group left their vehicle with an intention to investigate what this object was and what it was doing there. However, their efforts proved fruitless because the flying object aimed a powerful light ray at them. They felt compelled to return to their car and depart. Also, they did mention that they observed the flying object departing across the Koselska River.

The members of this group had much more to relate, but due to their excitement and due to their depression they were unwilling to reveal all the details of that memorable night. They also noticed that some of their friends were treating the whole affair as a hoax and were poking fun at them. They mentioned that they will write an account of this event for me.

Z Zivkovich

The following letter was sent to Mr. Streten Petrovich of the publication SUSRET:

A LANDING NEAR OHRID

It all took place on August 2, 1971 around 1:00 a.m.

Comrade Streten,

First of all, I have to apologize for being late with this material. Believe me, I had a very difficult time in gathering all of this information. Considering that I work during the day at one job and at night at another, I do not have much spare time. When I was free, I couldn't get ahold of the witnesses as they were on vacation. I went to their homes several times, but to no avail. Finally I was able to find them and this is an account of my efforts.

Connect these statements with my previous letter of October 22nd. You can quote the members of the "Ohrid Troubadours" group, namely Milorad Dusanich, Kosta Verus, Stojan Zlatanovski and the others involved. Stojan Zlatanovski, musician and a member of the "Ohrid Troubadours" narates:

"When we stepped out of the car in order to investigate what had happened, a sound was heard and immediately a very strong light beam appeared. To me it all looked like a dragon. Both the sound and the light were getting stronger. Whatever that unknown object was, it was just hanging there in the air. It had a diameter of about ten meters. It first appeared as a square, but then it

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changed into an ellipse, brighter around the edges than in the center. Due to the configuration of the terrain, we could not positively ascertain whether this object had actually landed or not. We could only see that the light was coming from the forest and through the branches. This mysterious object was beyond the forest which lay along the Ohrid-Bitola road, some forty meters from this road or perhaps even closer. It was really fascinating to watch the object. As we observed the square, it was widening until it acquired the shape of an ellipse, suddenly emitting a strong beam of light. I was determined to investigate, but the powerful light prevented me from doing so."

Milorad Dusanich was driving his Fiat 750 car and related the following: "I couldn't believe the story of my colleague about the encounter with the mysterious object on that same early morning. It was all so fantastic it was like a bad dream. When we came to the place called Rasanec, even before we saw the object, I noticed on the wheel of the car, a little green frog, who had jumped there from somewhere. Right away, someone cried out to be careful because a scorpion appeared on the door. As a child, I was very scared of this ugly arachnid, because it is poisonous. I stopped the car and one of my companions noticed the strange light. Two of my colleagues, Stojan and Kosta, went out to investigate, but they quickly returned because the powerful light beam had blinded them. They were stunned. At that time we all panicked. We were extremely excited and we hardly made it back to Ohrid."

"When we left that place we heard a strong thunder, as if something was breaking up and at this time one of my companions observed the flying object departing over the Koselska River. This event was really something to remember."

Golubinka Dusanich, wife of Milorad told me: "I can hardly describe how Milorad looked when he came home that morning. He was as pale as a whitewashed wall. He couldn't even speak. In order to recuperate he took a shower, although it was very late, around 2:00 a.m."

Naum Celakovski, Director of the Historical Archives at Ohrid, narates his experience on that same morning: "It was about 1:00 a.m. when we passed the place called Rasanec. I heard a powerful sound, as during or just after lightning. On the radio we were listening to music. Suddenly, there was no more music. There was just constant static. I thought that the radio had broken. I couldn't understand why the radio just gave off this sound of static."

"Then a brightly lit object appeared and it moved through the air at a tremendous speed. It stopped suddenly some twenty to twenty-five meters (82 feet) above the ground, and hovered there silently. There were besides myself, my wife and a friend in the car. We all estimated that the flying object was about ten meters (33 feet) in diameter. We could see that silvery colored wings were being extended out from two sides of this ball shaped object. When these wings, which were about eight to nine meters in length (26 to 30 feet), appeared to be fully extended, the flying object slowly lowered itself until it touched the ground. Once it had landed on the ground the wings retracted back into the object, and it appeared as a completely round ball again, which was silver-green in color and emitted a powerful light. It landed vertically."

"Out of curiosity I wanted to step out of the car to investigate, but my wife and my friend would not let me. At any rate, I did not heed their advice and went out anyway. I stayed close to my car. Just as I got out of my car, I saw this powerful beam of light aimed directly at me. For a moment or so I was stunned unconscious. My wife and my friend pulled me back into the car. When I had come to, we were departing for Ohrid. Some hundred or so meters away, at the parking place of the Prentovo Bridge, I stopped again. In the rear view mirror I noticed the object approaching our car from behind, so I gave up the idea to investigate and we sped off to Ohrid as fast as we could go. At the Openica village the radio, which was still on began to play music again as it had previous to this encounter."

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The following day I went with several friends, back to the same place to see if we could find out anything, but there was nothing we could find."

While the Director Celakovski narrated what had happened to him that night, he was joined by a school teacher of the technical high school "Grigor Prlicev," Sotir Stefanovski, who told us that back in 1955 this same kind of thing was also experienced by a group of workers from the village of Pestani, when they went home around 11:00 p.m. from Ohrid. It happened above the Hydro-Biological Institute. The group were traveling on foot when suddenly they observed a strange and unusual brightly lit object hovering over the Hydro-Biological Institute. As they watched, this flying object extended what appeared to be its wings and then the object itself became extremely brighter. (Note they did not report that the wings became bright only the original object they had first observed. --J.B.) The workers became very frightened and excited when a strong beam of light came from the object, and they ran back to Ohrid as far as their legs would carry them. When they told their friends about what they had seen, no one believed them and everybody had laughed at them.

All of this I was able to gather from the people who had actually witnessed these occurrences or heard of them from others.

Director Celakovski assured me that his testimony and the testimony of the members of the "Ohrid Troubadours" concerning that August morning is truthful in every respect.

Streten, I believe there is enough material here for you to realize that something very strange did occur on the Ohrid-Bitola road on that August 2nd morning.

(Signed) Zivko Zivkovich

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Dallas Offers Key of City to UFO Pilot

Twenty-two years ago then mayor Wallace Savage, the Chamber of Commerce of Dallas, Texas, and the city's Aviation Department joined in announcing that the key to the city, honorary citizenship and a reserved parking place at Love Field would be given to the first flying saucer pilot to land in Dallas. It included all-expense housing in the finest hotels, free meals limousine service, entertainment and genuine western hats for the pilot and his crew.

The city's offer was made after a rash of sightings in the area during the late 1940's. At the same time officials of the State Fair of Texas offered a \$50,000 reward to anyone producing an authentic interplanetary flying saucer.

According to a recent article in the "Dallas Times Herald," there have been no takers altho UFOs have been reported in 1952, 1953 and 1967. (Credit: Capt. Dave T. Ozanne)

Editor's Note: Seems as if some of our so-called contactees who profess to be on intimate terms with some of the Space Brothers Out Yonder would pass the word along -- after all, that's a pretty good offer, and LaHoody from Venus could probably use one of those western hats. We understand it's pretty hot up there.

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Back Issues of SKYLOOK are available, 35¢ each. However, we are in short supply of some, so better write first. None left from 1969; others going fast--suddenly, we're in demand! "How sweet it is."

IN OTHERS' WORDS . . A Review of the Newsstands . . By Lucius Farish

The weekly tabloids continue to feature UFO material on a fairly regular basis. The NATIONAL ENQUIRER of Aug. 20 ran exclusive interviews with Soviet astronomers who discussed their search for signals from extraterrestrial civilizations. The Aug. 27 ENQUIRER contained a feature on well-known Australian UFO researcher, Michael Hervey, plus a short item on Dr. David Saunders' computer study of UFO reports.

The NATIONAL TATTLER, beginning with the Aug. 20 issue, is presenting a series of articles excerpted from Dr. J. Allen Hynek's new book, THE UFO EXPERIENCE. This series will probably continue for several weeks.

The NATIONAL NEWS EXPLOITER has articles by Hayden C. Hewes in its issues of Aug. 13 (UFOs and Bigfoot-like creatures at Vader, Wash.) and Aug. 20 (re-hash of the "Snippy" case).

An article by Stanton Friedman and B. Ann Slate in the Sept. issue of FATE provides a very good summary of "winged disc" reports from Ceylon.

A two-part series on the "Bermuda Triangle" is found in the Aug. and Sept. issues of SAGA. Written by researcher Richard Winer, it contains some new material concerning the "classic" mysteries of the BT area, as well as reports of recent happenings. UFOs are mentioned only as a possible answer to some of the ship/plane disappearances. The Aug. SAGA also contains an interesting article on possible ET life by science writer Kenneth Gatland.

In my review of Bruce Cathie's book, HARMONIC 695, in last month's column, I gave the price as \$4.75. This was in Australian currency, as I did not know the precise exchange rate. Later word from the book's publishers indicates that the price in U. S. dollars is \$6.25, which includes postage, handling etc.

Brad Steiger is undoubtedly the most prolific writer on things unknown that this country has seen in quite some time. One of his latest offerings is a paperback entitled STRANGE DISAPPEARANCES. In recounting the stories--many of them familiar--of people, ships, planes etc. who have mysteriously vanished, he speculates on such "answers" as UFO kidnapers and other-dimensional vortices. Some of the cases quoted are rather questionable in nature, such as the much-discussed Oliver Lerch (or Larch) case which allegedly took place near South Bend, Ind. in 1890. Research into police and newspaper files has disclosed no evidence of such an occurrence. However, even with its flaws, STRANGE DISAPPEARANCES makes interesting reading. Published by Lancer Books (1560 Broadway, N. Y., N. Y. 10036), it sells for 95¢ (plus 10¢ postage, if ordered by mail).

Arthur C. Clarke is a brilliant writer on all manner of space subjects--except UFOs! When it comes to "our" subject, Clarke's ignorance of the massive UFO evidence becomes abundantly clear. In his latest compendium, REPORT ON PLANET THREE, he repeats the same old tired phrases about "natural phenomena", misperceptions etc. It is really a shame, as a man of Clarke's talent and intelligence would be a huge asset to UFO research if only he would recognize the seriousness of the subject. On other matters involving space and space travel, he excels, as the present book proves. It is a collection of articles and talks, ranging in subject matter from Mars to extraterrestrial life to the Clarke/Kubrick movie classic, "2001: A Space Odyssey." Well worth reading, the book is published by Harper & Row, 49 East 33rd St., N. Y., N. Y. 10016 and sells for \$6.95.

Organization Notes from Around the Network

Ted Phillips, of Sedalia, Mo., was a guest on WHB radio in Kansas City, Mo., July 30, 1972. Scheduled as an hour program, it was extended to three hours. Walt Bodine, the talk show host stated: "Originally we were going to play the names game for a couple of hours tonight, but as an old talk show host, I cannot turn my heart and my mind away from a switchboard that is falling all over itself with calls and lines are so hot right now that each time a caller finishes, you hardly see the lights go out before it lights up with someone else out there dialing in." The keen interest generated by Mr. Phillips' talk on UFOs has resulted in mail coming in from the Kansas City area every day--in Sedalia and to SKYLOOK. Mr. Phillips has been invited to appear on the radio program again (date not firm at this time) and we congratulate him on the magnificent job he is doing. . . . Stanton T. Friedman has bookings for his lecture "Flying Saucers ARE Real" through April 1973 and is well received everywhere. Here are the September and October bookings for our readers living in the areas listed: Sept. 13, 6:30 PM, Endicott Junior College, Beverly, Mass.; Sept. 21, 11 AM, Houston Baptist College, Houston, Texas; Sept. 25, 8PM, Mary Harden-Baylor College, Belton, Texas; Sept. 27, 8 PM, University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario, Canada; Sept. 28, 10 AM Jackson Community College, Jackson, Michigan; Sept. 29, 7:30 PM, U. of Michigan, Dearborn, Michigan; Oct. 4 and 5, U. of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras, P. R.; Oct. 11, 8PM, Lassen College, Susanville, Calif.; Oct. 12, 8 PM, Shasta College, Redding, Calif.; Oct. 17, 8 PM, E. Texas State, Commerce, Texas; and probably others not set at this date. . . . Bill Christian, of the St. Louis study group, reports good results from an ad which the group ran for four weeks in a local newspaper. Others have asked him about the ad, as they are interested in using this method of letting the public know where they may turn in UFO reports, so here it is: FLYING SAUCER REPORTS WANTED: Private organization interested in all types of sighting, old or new. For free sighting form, write to (give address). All reports will be held in strict confidence. (Sign organization--or individual--name and address). Why not try this? Results could be very gratifying. . . . John F. Schuessler, Director of the UFO Study Group of Greater St. Louis, appeared on Jim White's "At Your Service" talk program on Radior Station KMOX, St. Louis, at 8:10 PM, August 10, and has the following speaking engagements for September: Sept. 7--Noon luncheon, Kiwanis, O'Fallon, Mo.; Sept 10-6 PM, Evening Forum, St. John's M.E. Church at Kingshighway and Washington, St. Louis, Mo.; Sept. 27 - 8 PM, The Jaycees of Portage De Souix, Mo. Mr. Schuessler made so many appearances on radio and TV during July, we won't list them as it's too late for our readers to "tune in"--but we're sure SKYLOOK is going to get some interesting UFO reports from all the telephone calls and letters he has been receiving as a result of those appearances. . . . Tri-State UFO Study Group meeting for September will be held at the home of Fields F. Freeman, 1015 Rhapsody Road, Quincy, Ill., on the 20th. . . . the UFO Study Group of Greater St. Louis meets Sunday, Sept. 10 at 2 PM at the Lemay Bank, 152 Lemay Ferry Road, St. Louis. . . . Ted Phillips, at the invitation of C. E. Klamm, Division Engineer, Missouri State Highway Commission, will present a program on the UFO Phenomenon to the Jefferson City Chapter of the Missouri Society of Professional Engineers, Jan. 19, 1973.

Carlyle Skywatch and Picnic a Success

The fourth annual MUFON skywatch and picnic was held at the Boulder access to Carlyle Lake, Illinois, Saturday night and Sunday, July 22-23 with good attendance and everyone reporting a most enjoyable event. The skywatch began at dusk Saturday night with John Preisack, of St. Louis, making an informal talk on astronomy. Walter Breville, also of St. Louis, provided an 8-inch reflector telescope for a closer look at the sky.

Short wave communications were set up around the lake with Bill Armstrong, Kathleen Meier, Carol Armstrong, Mike Mellinger, Cliff Palmberg, Walt Andrus, Clarence Dargie and other volunteers manning the posts. While no UFOs were seen, skills in tracking exercise were improved--the simultaneous fix on a passing object from three points making it possible to calculate speed and direction of movement.

The picnic and informal talks were held on Sunday. All were pleased in having Lucius Farish, of Plumerville, Ark., present, as his name is known anywhere UFOs are mentioned and he has long been recognized as an authority on that subject. He had everyone's full attention as he spoke on "Physical and Mental Phenomena Sometimes Associated with UFO Sightings." Physical phenomena includes interruption of telephone calls; falls of live creatures or miscellaneous objects or "space grass" from the sky; landing traces; strange sounds; animal mutilations; strange disappearances; unusual animals; strange clouds and teleportations and time lapses. Psychic phenomena have included mental impressions or premonitions, apparent telepathic communication and strange dreams. Examples were given and Mr. Farish pointed out that, since they do seem to be associated with UFO sightings at times, we have to consider them as possibly related. He admitted that the implications are fantastic, but this should not keep us from investigating as fully as possible. His own conclusion is that there is far more involved in UFOs than simply visitors from other planets.

Everyone brought boxes and baskets for the picnic tables; but Rosetta and Dick Holmes, of Carlyle, who have hosted the affair since its first gathering, again went all out in providing the extras--baked ham, noodles (Rosie's noodles are now famous in MUFON-land), green beans, slaw and lemonade for all.

John Schuessler, of St. Louis, served as leader for an informal afternoon program and talks were made by Walter H. Andrus, Ted Phillips, Bill Christian, Mrs. R. E. Holmes and Clarence Dargie. MoMo, the Louisiana Monster, was a topic of discussion (see article on MoMo elsewhere).

On the lighter side, all enjoyed two songs--"Unidentified Flying Object Blues" and "Hey, Mr. Flying Saucer Man" by Brad and Bruce Hearle, of Cisne, Ill.

The interesting talks, the good food and time for "visiting" left everyone feeling glad they came and leaving with plans to return next year.

This report was written from letters from Carol Armstrong, staff reporter, and others present. Mrs. Holmes has asked us to extend her thanks to all who helped make the day a success by their cooperation and assistance in planning and participation--and we feel sure all present would like for us to give Rosie and Dick "a big hand" too.

UFO Group to Meet in Arkansas

An informal meeting will be held at the home of Ed and Mildred Higgins, Route 5, Fayetteville, Ark., 72701 on the week-end of Oct. 7-9. Anyone interested in attending may obtain more details and directions by writing to Mr. and Mrs. Higgins.

UFOs and related subjects will be discussed and all interested persons are invited.

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MUFON is proud to announce the selection of Douglas K. Dains, Virginia City R. D. 2, Port Crane, N. Y. 13833, as our new State-Section Director for the New York counties of Broome, Chenango, Cortland, and Delaware. Doug's present employment, plus his experience in the U. S. Air Force Security Police provide him a fine investigative background.

The membership policy of the Midwest UFO Network is dedicated to the selection of competent individuals as members by invitation of one of the State Directors, State-Section Directors, or Staff Members. In states where State Directors have not been appointed, one of our very knowledgeable Board of Directors will assist your Director by screening applicants for membership, so that individuals of questionable integrity or background will not be accepted. We are cognizant of the fact that "quality" is more important in membership than "quantity" when dealing with the scientific community or in securing the confidence of the general public in the somewhat controversial field of UFO's.

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