1. DATE - TIME GROUP 7 Jul 53	2. LOCATION	
3. SOURCE CIVILIANS (#3)	Investigations proved that the sources were trying to get pub- licity by building up a hoax. Animal was examined and identifie as a shaved monkey. Sources admitted that story was a hoax.	
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THE INVASION CONTINUES

Sherman, Texas photo

A large unidentified flying objects was photographed near Sherman, Texas. The UFO appeared as a large light.

Unidentified flying objects were sighted over Seattle, Washington about 11 o'clock Friday, August 13, 1965. The UFO's were described as red and green. A red UFO was sighted near Mount Rainier from the air by an airline pilot. The UFO's were described as moving from north to south. The UFO was described as round.

Another photo was obtained on Tuesday night in Oklahoma City by a HOUFO Board of Director. The objects (14 in all) were also not visible at the time the photo was taken. These objects appear as dark ovals.

Only one other photo was obtained to our knowledge and this was obtained by two Pratt, Kansas reporters.

The flap of sightings were reported over a nine state area, over the two nights. We have been in contact with Wright-Patterson AFB, on several occasions. There is no question that they are real, and that something is there. The question now is what are they and where do they come from?



THE ALIENS?

Early in the Spring of 1949

Almost 16 years ago an unidentified flying object landed on a ranch near Aztec Mexico. The thirty-six foot saucer one member of the two man crew was found lying dead across the sill of the door which he had apparently opened on landing. Death seemed to have been caused by the "Bends" that affiction which has agonized deep-sea divers and upper stratosphere flyers in the past when they moved suddenly from one air pressure area to a greatly different one. The other spaceman was dead by the ships' instrument panel.

Within three hours scientists from Denver were on the scene and shorrly transported, marked as "amunition" on army trucks to Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio.

What did the scientists find out? The saucer was propelled by electromagnetic power and traveled at the speed of light, 186,000 miles per second.

The photo below is one of the "little men."







OPERATIONS REPORT - 6 thru 10 July 1953

During the past week press activity concerning unidentified flying objects has increased noticeably with the most apparent case in which press publicity was given being centered around the Atlanta, Georgia, area. In substance this sighting concerns three men traveling along in a car near Atlanta and reportedly sighting a flying disk with three creatures attempting to enter it as the car approached. The three men stated that two of the unknowns got back into the "saucer" but the third was hit by their car. They took this object back to Atlanta with them and one of the observers, Mr. E.

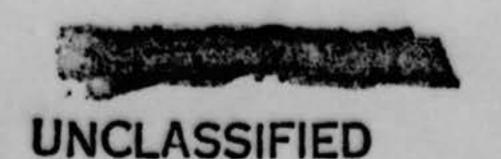
Upon investigation by the 35th Air Division, Intelligence Office, and pressure from local and national news agencies confessed the whole story to be a hoax in an attempt to gain publicity. The unknown creature which he had reportedly hit with his car was in fact a monkey which he had shaved. A local pet shop reported that three monkeys had recently escaped so that the issue about the story being a hoax was never in doubt.

Waters stated that before his planned sighting, he had attempted to spread stories of the flying saucers and found people very eager to transmit his rumors.

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7 July 1953

Atlanta, Georgia

Description

On the night of 7 July 1953, three observers from Atlanta were driving on Highway 78 near Mapleton, Georgia, when they encountered a "flying saucer" in the middle of the road. There were three small animals near this red colored "saucer". As the observers bore down on this object, two of the animals entered the "saucer" and escaped. As the "saucer" rose and disappeared at a 45 degree angle, it turned a light blue in color. Observers' car struck the third animal and knocked him unconscious. After getting out of the car and finding this animal which was approximately 21 inches in length, had long ears, no hair, and no tail, observers stayed at the scene and several other automobiles stopped. The animal died in about 30 minutes and was taken to one of the Atlanta newspapers. A reporter for the newspaper called the FBI, who in turn called the OSI to investigate the incident.

Discussion

This animal was first examined by a local veterinarian who stated that he had never seen such an animal before. Later the animal was taken to Emory University where an Emory authority identified it as a member of the monkey family and not an "animal from space". A member of the State Crime Labratory and another member of the Emory University staff identified the animal as a monkey which had been shaved and from which the tail had been removed. Observers confirmed that the whole story was a hoax resulting from a \$10.00 bet with a friend that he (observer) could not get his picture in the paper. Observer was fined \$40.00 for obstructing the highway and was released at that time.

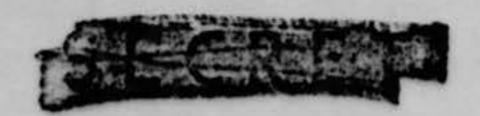
Conclusion

Other - Hoax.

Note: This is one of many similar reports received by Project Blue Book.

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LIKE ESCAPILD CAPUCUIN! ASSERTS PET FARM OWNER

Just a Monney, Experts Say of Tiny 'Martian'

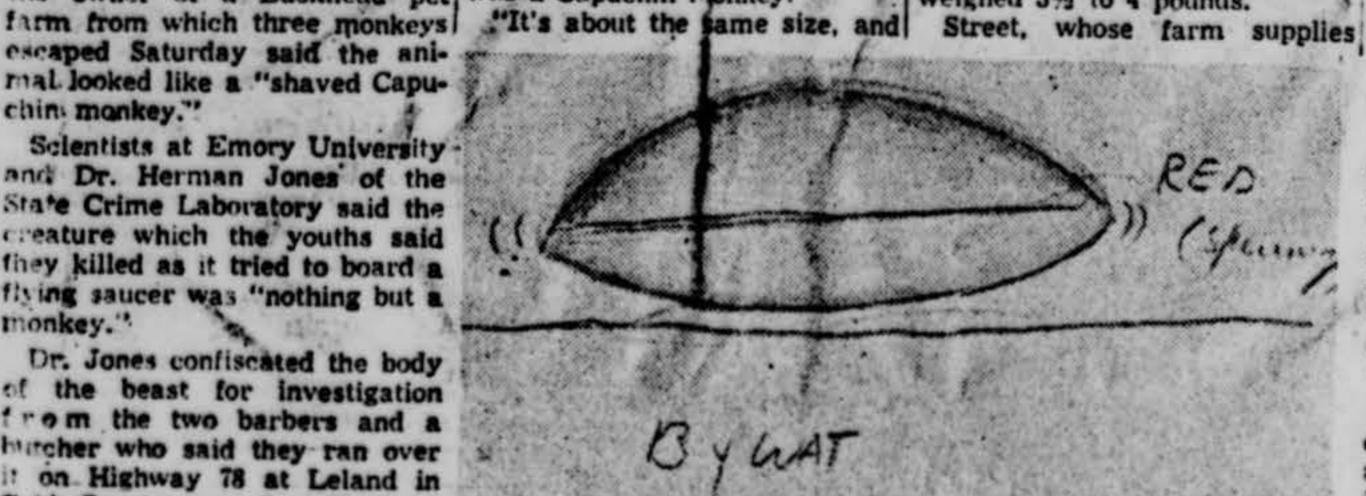
A weird hairless creature that three Atlanta youth's claimed J. H. Street, after looking at a The three monkeys which go was a "little man from outer photograph of the body furnished away from the farm Saturday definitely is a male monkey. It space" was identified Wednesday him by a Constitution photograph- were all male Capuchin monkeys. as a monkey by scientists, and er, said he'd "almost het that he said. He said they usually the owner of a Buckhead pet was a Capuchin monkey." . weighed 31/2 to 4 pounds. escaped Saturday said the animal looked like a "shaved Capuchin monkey."

Scientists at Emory University and Dr. Herman Jones of the State Crime Laboratory said the creature which the youths said they killed as it tried to board a flying saucer was "nothing but i monkey."

Dr. Jones confiscated the body of the beast for investigation from the two barbers and a hurcher who said they ran over it on Highway 78 at Leland in Coob County, near Austell, about o'd a tantastic story of seeing

By KATHERINE BARNWELL | two other similar creatures sail the head, the shape of the mouth | monkeys to Emory for polio reaway on a flying saucer.

Meanwhile, the pet shop owner. Capuchin."



inidnight Wednesday. The trio HERE'S "FLYING SAUCER" AS SEEN BY BARBER Edward Watters Drew Picture of "Little Men's Ship"

THE ATLANTA CONSTITUTION, Thursday, July 9, 1938

and the eyes are just like a search, said he lives near Brookhaven where the trio works.

is not from outer space." And Dr. Marion Hines, professor of experimental anatomy at Emory. observed that if the creature came from Mars, they have monkeys on Mars."

Dr. Jones and Dr. Hines, who examined the animal for The Constitution after the three men brought the creature to The Constitution offices Wednesday morning, said the monkey's hair had been removed with a razor or depilatory and its tail had been "chopped off."

Dr. Hines said there are several hundred species of monkeys and she could not immediately identify this monkey "because its most remarkable char

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Monkey, Say The Experts

Barber Stands Pat On Saucer Story

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Dr. Hines said it is not a rhesus monkey in her opinion. She described it as "an Old World monkey.

She said death was caused by a tow on the head. She said there were razer marks on the body indrating the monkey had been shaved, but there also were evidences that a depilatory had been sed. Dr. Hines added. "Someone pulled out one of the monkey's lower teeth."

Dr. Hines said the monkey had been dead about 12 hours, perlonger, since it had been rigerated, one said there was rigor mortis when she per med a "little autopsy."

Dr. Jones also said: "No car that monkey. There were no - inned places and it had a fracture in the back of the head."

The scientists said they believe "someone was playing a practiral joke."

STANDS FAST

But Edward Watters, 28, a harler of 1919 Peachtree Rd., N. W., insisted his story was not hoax. He stendfastly insisted e creature was a little man iron another planet. When told the verdict of the scientists, he inforted:

"I have orders to say nothing more about it.""

Watters and Thomas Wilson, another barber, and Arnold (Guddy) Payne. 19. a butcher. no share an apartment at the Peachtree Road address, said the pature lived about 30 minutes piter they hit it. They said they placed it in their retrigerator along with their milk, eggs and cheese.

apparently were The . men amazed by the furor their story c.eated.



Staff Photo-Floyd Jilison

SPACE CREATURE" EXAMINED AT CRIME LAB ... VERDICT: 'SHAVED MONK" Dr. Herman Jones, left, and Lab Assistant Look Over Animal That Rode In "Flying Saucer 4

VIDE EFFECT

Here are some of the repercussions of their strange report:

1. More than 25 newsmen. radio men, photographers and newsreel cameramen deluged the youths with questions and took pictures.

2: Hundreds of people-men. women and children - called newspapers for information about the "nien from Mars." Many wanted to know where the creature would be displayed.

3. Two Army Air Force repton. Ohio.

creature's body.

and maintained serious facial ex- the road a short time later. pression.

"We were out honky tonking." he said. "but we were not drinking. We were going at about 50 miles an hour when we, top-

ped a small hill, and one of the boys yelled for me to stop. There was a red object in the road and three or four creatures were running like men toward the object.

SPEEDS AWAY

"We hit something, and stopped. But the red object turned blue and sailed away at a very fast speed."

He said a Cobb County police officer, identified as Lt. Amos Eates, came along soon after they hit the creature.

R. L. Long, a teller in an Ausresentatives interviewed the fly- tell bank, told Marietta newsman ing saucer "witnesses" and re- Bill Miles that he saw the same layed a lengthy report to Wright- "flying saucer" observed by the Patterson Air Force Base in Day- three. Atlantans. He said he was driving near Austell when he saw 4. Watters said one telepigone a bright object with a reddish creature, said it appeared to him caller offered him \$5,000 for the glow ahead of him take off into to resemble a monkey more than space. He was about one-half anything else, except that it Watters told his story "about mile from the trio at the time, has 100 times," he estimated. Each said, and he passed the Atlanta time he gave the same details men and the dead creature op

Dr. Hines said all evidence in-

dicated the monkey's tail was removed after it was killed. She said the tail was cut off in such a way that the monkey would have bled to death. She said she was sure the monkey once had hair because there were hair follicles "and small hairs still on it?"

Earlier, Dr. W. A. Mickle, associate professor of analomy at Emory, and Dr. Melvin Hess, assistant professor of anatomy. in spected the animal and agreed it "looked like a Rhesus monk sy without hair and without a tai,"

VET CALLED

Their assertion hore out an earlier opinion by Dr. Marvir, T. Thome. Decatur veterinarian. Dr. Thome, first expert to view the lacked hair.

Dr. Jones said he plans to hold the monkey's body "for further investigation."

Watters protested the removal of the body from his apartment. insisting:

"We know where it came from and we want it back to keep."

lawn sprinklers at the same The communities affected infield, Fanwood, Westfield Scotch Plains, Mountainside, Garwood, Kenilworth, Cranford, Roselle and Roselle Park.

'Martian' Is A Monkey

young barber said today he shaved a dead monkey and passed it off as a visitor from outer space to win a \$10 bet that he couldn't get his picture in the papers.

Ed Watters, twenty-eight. won the bet. His picture was widely used locally and was transmitted to newspapers throughout the country yesterday.

But the monkey cost him \$50. and a judge fined him \$40 today for obstructing a highway while staging a fake incident designed to support his story about a flying saucer and mysterious "little men" from another world.

Word had got around that a glowing red "saucer" carrying "little men" from outer space had landed on a highway Tuesday night. Watters produced a twenty-one-inch-long. four-pound "creature" that he said he killed with his pick-up truck while other similar things hopped into the saucer and flew away in a blaze of light.

An Emory University anatomy professor declared the "space man" was an earth monkey. Later, Dr. Herman Jones, head of the state crime laboratory. performed an autopsy and came to the same conclusion.

The barber took the blame for it all to spare his two companions. Cobb County Superior Judge James T Manning fined Watters \$40 after he was picked . . up on a warrant charging cruelty to animals. The cruelty charge was dismissed when Police Chief John Lee found the monkey was killed in another county. Chief Lee said Watters told him he bought the monkey in Atlanta. anesthetized it with ether and killed it with a blow on the head. Then he shaved the animal and amputated its tail, the chief related.



Monkey-Hoaxer Pays a \$40 Fine; Surprised Any Folks Were Fooled

Edward Watters, the 28-yearoid Atlanta barber whose story. of a flying saucer and little space men created a national stir, was lined \$40 Thursday in Marietta after pleading guilty to violation of a state health and sanitation law forbidding the placing of carcass on the highway.

Watters, who said he was surprised anyone believed his hoax because "I thought people were. smarter than that," was fined by Superior Court Judge James P. Manning after a hearing which

took five minutes:

Assuming full responsibility for the fantastic story, Watters told Judge Manning 'I'm through with monkey business," The judge warned Watters that Cobb County would not tolerate any more shenanigans of that nature.

Cobb County Solicitor General Luther Hames Jr. said no charg-



Staff Photo-Tom Aldred BARBER ADMITS HOAX Watters trims customer

es were placed against Thomas Wilson, 20, also a barber, and Arnold (Buddy) Payne, 19, a supermarket butcher, Watters' two partners in the incident.

"I don't believe in flying saucers," Watters said. "I think what I saw was as true a flying saucer as there is anywhere."

Watters said he "sure did hate to pay the \$40 fine"-and he estimated his hoax cost him "a whole lot more" than he won on his bet. He explained he had bet a friend \$10 he could get his picture in a newspaper.

The husky, ruddy-faced barber said his story of seeing three creatures chasing a flying saucer on Highway 78 near Austell was a deliberate attempt to get publicity. He said he placed the shaved monkey on the highway

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Hoax Ends In Health Fine of \$40

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"so the papers could print a picture of one of the little men."

Watters said he bought the monkey for \$50 at a pet shop at West Peachtree and Tenth Streets Tuesday night, then took it home and carefully shaved it while it was alive.

"I shaved it so good," he boasted. "that even those scientists couldn't see any hairs until they!

got a microscope!"

He insisted he didn't hurt the monkey, adding he has been shaving people for 12 years and never hurt anyone.

Watters said when he had finished shaving the money he gave it ether and put it to sleep. He said he then hit it over the head with a bottle and killed it. After he had killed it he said, he cut off its tail.

TAKES BLAME

Although Wilson and Payne helped Watters tell the flying-saucer story, Watters insisted they never touched the monkey. He took full responsibility for the hoax.

Watters said he rented a pickup truck for \$8 to take the monkey out on Highway 78. He was accompanied, the Wilson and Payne. He placed the monkey on the highway, he said.

"After that," he related, "we waited about 30 minutes for someone to come along. nally, a car came along and we waved it down. We didn't know it was a Cobb County policeman until he stopped. We told him the story then for the first time."

SPREAD STORY

Watters said he had not expected so many people to get excited about his story, but he admitted he had tried for several days to spread reports of flying saucers and found it easy to do.

"I would tell people to look at that thing in the sky," he said. "and they would look up and say they saw it, too."

Watters said he had studied flying saucers in magazines and got his description of them from "things I had read."

Watters noted the judge who fined him told him if he was caught again "doing any monkey business" he would be put in jail.

THE MAIN INVASION WAVE

34. July 31, 1965. At approximately 8:00 p.m. enroute to Oklahoma City several persons observed a bright light traveling north, toward Oklahoma City. The UFO was observed for about two minutes. During this time it flashed a red light several times.

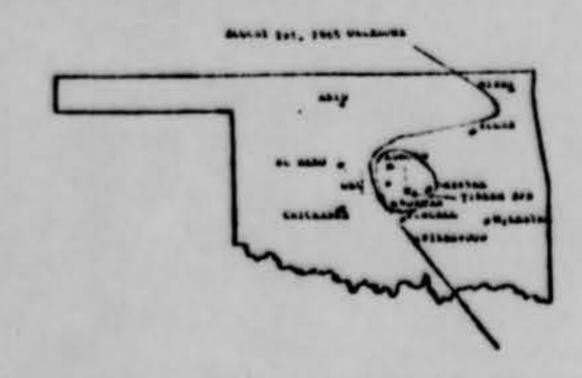
Wynnewood, Oklahoma July 31, 1965

At 1:05 a.m. on the morning of Saturday, July 31st the UFO's came back to Oklahoma. Wynnewood, Oklahoma police officer, Lewis Sikes, 29, reported an unidentified flying object approximately 30-35° NE of Wynnewood. Officer Sikes did not realize that the UFO was also being watched simultaneously by radar from Tinker AFB, Oklahoma City and Carswell AFB, Fort Worth, Texas. Officer Sikes observed the UFO with his wife for approximately 10 minutes in front of their home, when Officer Sikes drove across town and observed the UFO for another three minutes. His wife, Gail-Jean continued to watch the UFO until 2:30 a.m.

An "intelligent control" was indicated during the first 10 minutes of observation when the object abruptly gained 1000-1500 ft. in altitude (estimated by Sikes to be 10,000 ft., confirmed by radar at 8,000 ft.) The UFO remained stationary for several minutes and abruptly loss approximately 1500-



Photo by D. V. Critchfield



2000 ft. The UFO then moved to the west for approximately 1000-1500 ft. and returned to the original location, at which time it moved to the east for approximately 100-1500 ft. then returned to its original position.

The night sky was clear and many stars were visible. The UFO appeared to be three times as bright as the evening star and was estimated by Sikes to be five miles NE of Wynnewood. The UFO appeared as a "light" source. The UFO itself was white with a blue-green center, with a red rotating light circuling the center.

At approximately 1.15 Officer Sikes drove across town and once again observed the UFO. His wife stated that while he was gone the UFO seemed to change colors and fade out. The UFO then reappeared and she watch it until she went in. Both Tinker AFB and Carswell AFB, tracked the object to a point 15 miles southwest of Tinker when it disappeared. A few minutes later, it was tracked to a location 29 miles south of Tinker when it was lost again. A Brainiff airliner in the vicinity of Wynnewood at 5,000 ft. was notified but the airline pilot said no visual contact with the UFO was made. Officer Sikes' mother, Mrs. Robert Sikes, also watched the UFO and reported that it faded out was gone.

I first learned of the Wynnewood sighting at 9:05 a.m. when Mr. Mike Buchanan of KWTV, Oklahoma City, called to see what I

Space Story Hoax; Fine Real Thing To Earthling

ATLANTA, July 9-(AP)-The case of "the little man from outer space" wound up today in a \$40 fine-for obstructing a highway.

This Solomonic penalty was imposed on Edward-Watters, 28-yearold Atlanta barber, who started the furor late Tuesday by producing a hairless, man-like little creature which he claimed was one of three or four he came upon beside a space ship parked on a highway.

Watters and two companions, Thomas Wilson, 20, another barber, and Arnold Payne, 19, a butcher, said the other creatures leaped into their flying saucer and zoomed away just as Watters' pickup truck struck and killed the thing they produced.

Scientific examination quickly established the asserted "space man" was just a monkey with its hair and tail removed.

Watters admitted in Cobb county superior court in nearby Marietta today that he had hatched the hoax and absolved his companions. The three originally were arrested on charges of cruelty to animals but Judge James T. Manning decided this couldn't be tried in Cobb county because the animal was killed in Fulton (Atlanta) county. -

Since no one had profited from the hoax, no financial fraud could be claimed. But several cars had collected at the point where Watters claimed to have hit the space man. So the highway obstruction charge was entered and Watters pleaded guilty. The other two men

THE DAILY OKLAHOMAN

Bright Objects in Sky Set Phones, Nerves Jingling

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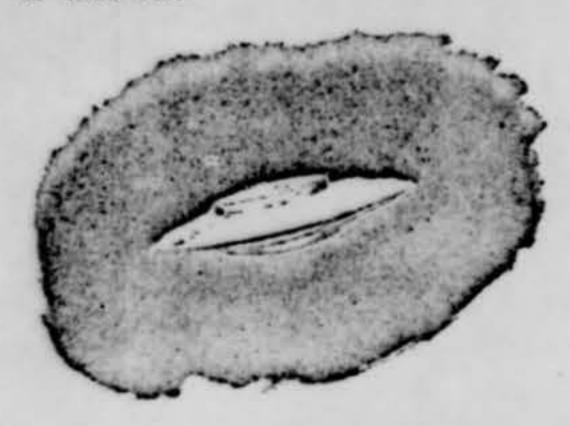
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knew about it. Within an hour my wife, Karon, DeWayne Critchfield, our photographer and Public Relations man were on our way. I was permitted to interview Officer Sikes for two hours. We returned to Oklahoma City and started putting the story on paper. Sunday afternoon with the help of W. F. Riefer, our Senior Director, we interviewed Officer Sikes again. Upon returning to Oklahoma City a full report was typed out.

At 9:00 a.m. the telephone rang and Mike Buchanan said that the Oklahoma Highway Patrol tower located near Edmond, Oklahoma had been receiving UFO reports since 8:08 p.m. So far they had received in the neighborhood of 25-30 reports. The UFO's were sighted frm Purcell north thru Norman to Chandler and back south through Meeker and Shawnee. Shawnee reported that the UFO's were flying in a diamond type formation. Cushing reported four of the UFO's. Tinker AFB, stated they had four UEO's on radar at 22,000 ft. which coincided with visual sightings. The UFO's were all mult-colored. They hovered for as much as two hours, faded out or shot off.



As the night continued so did the UFO reports. Chickasha, Guymon, Moore, Tulsa, Purcell, Chandler, Gage, Del City, Midwest City, Edmond, El Reno and Oklahoma City. Then the reports came in from Texas, Pecos, Monahans, Odessa, Midland, Fort Worth, Canyon and Dalhart. New Mexico also reported UFO's over Hobbs, Carisbad and Artesia. The UFO reports that came in from Kans. Oxford, Belle Plaine, Winfield, Caldwell, Mulvane, Liberal and Wichita also reported the UFO's as egg-or turtle shaped flying in formations, making sharp maneuvers and changing colors. By midnight UPI from Dallas reported that several thousand UFO's had been sighted over Texas and Oklahoma. I was at the all night. Reports came in faster than they could be logged. Ft. Sill, Harrah, Yukon, Pauls Valley, Strat-Oklahoma Highway Patrol Tower ford, Lindsay, Pawnee, Ardmore, McAlester, Wewoka, Durant, Vimita, Miami, Sapulpa, Coalgate and Eufaula. Also all sightings were made by State Highway Patrol Units and police officers.

The Air Force in its announcement in Washington said initial study of the flood of sightings indicated the sightings were "astronomical in nature." "The objects observed may have been the planet Jupiter or stars Rigel, Capella, Betelguese or Aldebaran which were visible," the Air Force statement continued. "At the time of the reported sightings, the azimuth and elevation of the reported sightings supports this preliminary conclusion." It was also pointed out that the temperature,

On Mars

beam appeared to be hundreds of miles in length and was observed for seventy minutes. Professor Lowell believed they could have been signals, while the eminent Professor W. B. Pickering (now Director Jet Propulsion Lab., Pasadena, California).

On May 20th, 1903, a "dustcloud-like" object was observed near the terminator of Mars by Lowell, which remained visible for several days.

Martian clouds are generally white and dissipate rapidly, but in December 1911 a "yellow cloud" appeared south-south-east Syrtis Major. It changed in shape and size.

From October 10-12, 1924, clouds appeared to project from the Martian surface and covered the large region known as Hellas.

On June 4, 1937, Japanese astronomer, Sizuo Mayeda observed an "intense flare spot" near Sithonius Lacus on Mars. Meyeda observed this phenomenon for a full five minutes at 500 magnifications through his 8-inch reflecting telescope.

The American Philosophical Society met in April, 1938 and Dr. V. M. Slipher, told the gathering that he had found "evidence of changes in the canal system of Mars."

On December 9, 1949, Tsuneo Saheki sighted a luminous yellow cloud, 700 miles in diameter and 40 miles above the planet's surface. It was followed by a "brilliant glow" lasting several minutes. Saheki's next sighting came on December 8, 1951. This time he saw "a sharp, glaring spot suddenly appear on Tithonius Lacus." A third sighted occured in July, 1954 when the Mars observer saw Edom Promontorium suddenly brighten for about five seconds.

A one second "flash of white light" was sighted on the eastern edge of the Martian disc on August 25, 1956.

On August 30, Dr. Gerard I'. Kuiper reported that a "dust cloud" invisable the night before. took a form 1000 miles in length and 30 miles wide. The following day, the cloud elongated to a length of 3000 miles and had a width of 250 miles in the strange shape of the letter "W."

If Mars is inhabited are the 700 canals used to irrigate a dying planet? Were the martians forced to construct these canals to retard the water-vaporation process and consequently to preserve their civilization.



HOUFO ACTIVITIES

August 3, 1965 WKY TV-radio sponsored a "UFO Sky Watch Party" from 7:00-10:00 p.m. on the lawn of WKY-TV. Over 2,000 came to discuss UFOs.

August 5, UFO lecture to the Cosmopolitan International Club. August 6, UFO lecture was held

in Topeka, Kansas.

August 7, UFO lecture was held in Wichita, Kansas.

August 16, UFO discussing program KWHP-FM.

August 20. UFO lecture at the New Age Center, Okahoma City. August 21, UFO discussion program KWHP-FM.

August 21, UFO lecture at the New Age Center, Oklahoma City. August 21, UFO discussion on NBC Monitor with HOUFO.

August 22, UFO discussion from 9:30-11:00 on KOMA.

August 28, UFO discussion program KWHP-FM.

September 4, 11, 18, 25, UFO discussion program KWHP.