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Keep An Eye On The Sky

Report All Unidentified Flying Objects To CFSI

We welcome information about current or past sightings of unusual phenomenon found in this and other issues. All names held strictly confidential unless otherwise instructed.

The human mind likes a strange idea as little as the body likes a strange protien. If we watch ourselves honestly we shall often find that we have begun to argue against a new idea even before it has been completely stated.

Odd Craft Seen Hovering In Night Sky

R. H. Smith, of Coffeyville, Kansas believes he may have seen a spacecraft from another planet in close proximity to his house on April 2, 1956. He knows he didn't dream the whole thing, since his wife awakened him from a snooze when she became alarmed over the increasing velocity of the wind shortly after 8p.m.

Mr. Smith said, "I went outside to check the clouds and to my astonishment saw this illuminated craft gliding down toward a neighbor's home. There was no framework visible, but the lighted body appeared somewhat shorter than the standard airplane with a wingspread of about 30 feet. It hovered over the Lee Fortenburry house, about 500 feet south of our home, at what I judged 300 feet altitude, then glided across the road to circle the Thurman Watson house before starting toward our home."

"About then I began to get shaky. I thought, what if it is a spacecraft from the moon or men from Mars trying to locate Coffeyville. I couldn't imagine how I would converse with them if they did use our front yard for a landing field."

"Before the craft reached our place, however, it veered off and started to ascend again. Just then, Mrs. Smith came out to see what was keeping me and she also saw the craft. For a few minutes, it appeared to send spots of light from it and then disappeared into the clouds." Mr. Smith has always been skeptical about this flying saucer business. "I'm still skeptical," he said, "but we certainly saw something!"

On April 22, 1956, a spinning disc-shaped craft, giving off a bright red glow, was spotted around 10:30p.m. by Richard Henry as he returned from Coffeyville, Kansas to the E.J. Mangels farm, 10 miles south of Coffeyville, where he is employed. He awakened the Mangels family, who also watched the strange craft move slowly in the sky between their home and Coffeyville until it sank below the horizon about a half hour later. When first sighted by Henry, the disc-shaped craft appeared about $1\frac{1}{2}$ feet long. Later the red glow seemed to fade a little and the viewers reported seeing tiny lights appear on the craft's surface.

Burning Object Falls From Sky

On April 24, 1956 at 8:30p.m. while Frank L. Pullen and his son, Wendell, were feeding the stock on their farm in East Dexter, Maine--about three-fourths of a mile on the Dexter side of West Garland--they heard a roaring sound "something like a plane." Wendell saw fire and sparks falling from the sky across the road. His mother saw some of the sparks, which blazed and burned for about three minutes in the driveway. Wendell searched with a flashlight but could find nothing. The next morning the Pullens found four objects, the biggest about $2\frac{1}{2}$

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inches in circumference, something like charcoal.

UFO's Over Bath, New York

Mr. and Mrs. John Gerych Jr., Jay Hunter and George Lewis of Bath, N.Y. saw what appeared to be the same unidentified flying object two successive nights high in the sky during the week of April 22, 1956. Mrs. Gerych said the UFO appeared at about 8p.m. and appeared nearly as large as a street light the first night. On the first occasion, it was moving fast, but the next night, it hung in the sky before finally disappearing. It seemed to change color, sometimes bright, then greenish-blue and then it had red spots.

Past Sightings

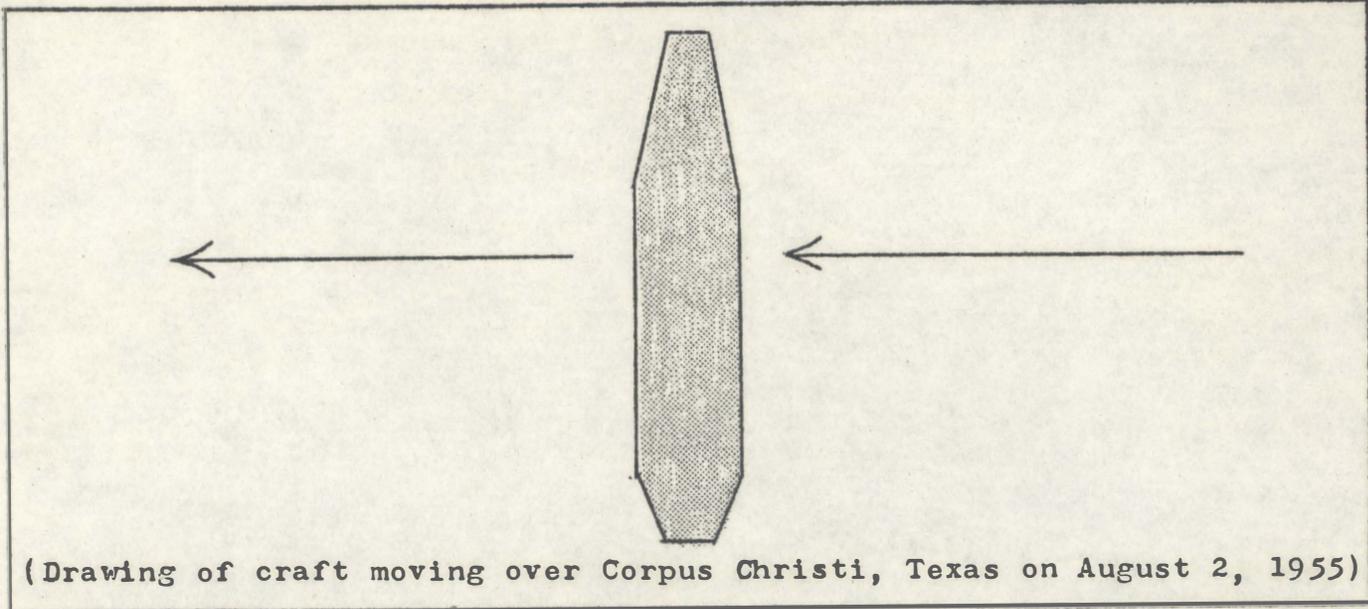
Correspondent Ray Stanford--On August 25, 1954, an unidentified flying object--standing still in mid-air for nearly two hours--was the center of much attention as it hung in the sky over the bay off Corpus Christi, Texas. The UFO was observed by several staff members of station KVDQ-TV, plus a well known Corpus Christi public figure and several persons from San Antonio, Texas. At the time this group of witnesses were aboard a cabin cruiser on a fishing trip in Corpus Christi bay.

The UFO, globe in shape, was first sighted by one of the witnesses as it hovered almost directly overhead, and remained in the same position during the two hours it was in view. All members of the group agreed that the UFO was not reflecting light from the sun but, it did give off a yellowish glow. Like a magnet, the UFO held the attention of all members of the group from 9a.m. to 11a.m.

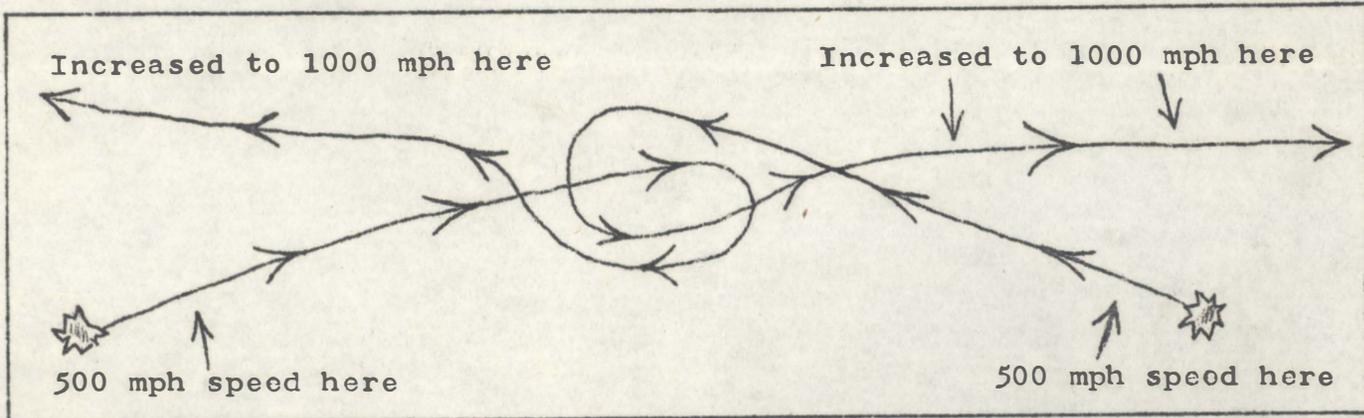
One member of the group said the UFO occupied a space in the sky about the size of a pea held at arms length. All of the witnesses agreed that the UFO must have been at least a hundred feet in diameter. While observing the UFO several jet planes passed through the area directly under the UFO and it looked as though the globe was miles above the jets. At first the group thought it might be a weather balloon, but the theory soon lost out as the UFO remained absolutely stationary, never changing in size. All witnesses agreed that the UFO was metallic.

At 6:45 on the evening of August 2, 1955, my neighbor informed me that he had just seen a strange craft in the sky. He assured me it was not an airplane of any type and was "like nothing he had ever seen before." "The craft was brownish in color and had a shape like a cigar," he said. It flew parallel to the horizon in a vertical position. He said the craft moved rapidly and held a stable, vertical position at all times. The witness estimated the craft to be in sight for about two minutes and said it was moving against the wind. I checked with the Naval Base and was informed that no aircraft were in the area at the time.

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On January 25, 1955, a resident of Corpus Christi, Texas sighted two unidentified flying objects moving through the sky about 7:15p.m. He estimated that the UFO's were about 10,000 feet in the air. They were red-orange in color and seemed to pulsate from time to time. The sky was absolutely clear and the witness reported the UFO's made no sound.



When first seen the UFO's were extremely bright, one coming from the north and the other from the south. When directly overhead the two objects went into a sharp maneuver, increased their speed from about 500 to 1,000 miles per hour and shot away in the same direction from which they came, and disappeared. The entire sighting lasted for about three minutes.

UFO Over Anchorage, Alaska

Report of an unidentified flying object that hovered in the sky then gradually vanished was made to officials of the Elmendorf Air Force Base by Mrs. Betty Kile who lives at the base. Mrs. Kile said she saw unusual objects in the sky on two different evenings.

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"On January 2, 1956, I saw what looked like a burning star," she said. "It was very red with a yellow ring on the outside. I thought it was a star until it started to rise. Then on the evening of January 3, 1956, I saw three similar objects."

Mrs. Kile said that if the strange object was a falling star "it was falling away from the earth rather than to earth." She added that from the descriptions she had seen of other unidentified flying objects it was altogether possible that what she witnessed may have been a flying saucer.

UFO's Seen Flying In Sky In Colorado

Correspondent Mrs. Roy Atkinson--Sightings of unidentified flying objects for six successive nights near Pueblo, Colorado were reported on May 10, 1956. The first report was made to the 4602nd Air Intelligence Service squadron at Peterson Field at Colorado Springs by the Pueblo Ground Observer Corps.

Captain Vincent Fintery, a member of the Air Force's Air Defense Filter Center at Colorado Springs, said he knew of no attempt to investigate the sightings with interceptor aircraft. Sargent Gilbert Nelson, a member of the intelligence squadron, was sent to Pueblo on May 7, 1956 to investigate. He reported observing six appearances of the UFO's between 9p.m. and midnight on May 7th. "They were dull, more or less fluorescent glows," he said, "faint but bright enough to see." Most of them were triangular in shape but one was round and brighter than the rest." Nelson said the UFO's were visible for only five or six seconds at a time, so great was their speed.

UFO Seen In Skies West Of New Castle, Pa.

An unidentified flying object that appeared in the sky west of New Castle on April 10, 1956 had many New Castle residents wondering what it was they saw. The UFO was first spotted at 8:26p.m. by the Ground Observer Corps observation post on W. Madison Ave. Conical in shape (cone) it first appeared near the horizon directly west of the city and gradually moved higher in the sky. The UFO was visible until midnight, according to the GOC post. A report from the post was forwarded to the Canton Filter Center in Canton, Ohio. An Air Force spokesman at the center would make no comment as to the identity of the UFO. The spokesman said the report was forwarded to a higher echelon for evaluation. He did say however, that the filter center had received reports of the UFO from two other GOC posts but did not say where the posts were located. He said the Air Force considered any information concerning the UFO as classified. The same type of UFO appeared in the western sky two years ago.

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New Books

They Knew Too Much About Flying Saucers

by

Gray Barker

Gray Barker begins this book with an on-the-spot account of the famed Flatwoods "monster" which landed in a spaceship and terrorized seven witnesses on a dark West Virginia hillside. What follows is, however, even more amazing, for it is the true, if astounding story of the author's three-year investigation when, fired by the enigma of the Flatwoods panic, he became convinced that flying saucers are real and set out to find what they are. Many who know Gray Barker's professional background might never guess he would write a book like this or investigate what to them might appear to be a ridiculous or untouchable subject. For he is a businessman and an educator. He operates a large theatrical film buying and booking firm in Clarksburg, West Virginia, where he lives.

Mr. Barker became Chief Investigator for The International Flying Saucer Bureau of Bridgeport, Connecticut, the first world-wide civilian organization which investigated the enigma. The head of that organization found a solution to the saucer mystery, but before he could tell the world, three men in black suits visited him, shut down his organization and frightened him into silence. Mr. Barker is now able to tell this story after acquiring correspondence files from an Australian organization which was working with Bridgeport on a startling theory that might make public the location of a secret saucer operations base.

Other investigators were closed down after frightening visits, like the man named Smallwood who possesses metal from a saucer, or an Australian investigator who becomes silent after finding the terrifying answer. *They Knew Too Much About Flying Saucers* is a behind-the-scenes chronicle of civilian saucer research. It is an immensely readable book. We suggest you do not pick it up if you have work to do, for you will be unable to put it down until you reach the amazing climax.

(The above material was reproduced from the dust-jacket of said book)

"*They Knew Too Much About Flying Saucers*" is published by University Books, Inc., 404 Fourth Avenue, New York 16, New York, \$3.50

The Truth About Flying Saucers

by

Aime Michel

On a clear day in May, 1953, at Bouffioulx, Belgium, a flat, circular, luminous object flashed across the sky at tremendous speed.

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Over the town it stopped and began to oscillate. For a few minutes it remained stationary, giving the hundreds of witnesses an excellent view of its perfectly smooth, round surfaces. Suddenly a tremendous explosion occurred, followed by a prolonged clatter, as if a giant sheet of metal was being shaken. The machine hovered, tilted slightly upwards, while thousands of slender white filaments floated free, contorted like whiplashes. As they drifted down, they broke up and fell to the ground. While the crowd watched and cameras clicked, the machine took off at lightning speed and disappeared. These filaments are the famous "angel hair."

On August 29, 1952, the identical phenomenon had been observed by the personnel at the meteorological station in Villacoublay, France.

On October 17th an identical machine was again watched by the entire populace of Oloron and Gaillac in France. The same "angel hair" was released. Some was actually picked up, but melted or evaporated before it could be scrutinized by scientists.

One month later in faraway Bocaranga, French Equatorial Africa, Father Carlos Maria, together with a local business man and six natives, driving along a lonely road, suddenly came upon four huge silver discs hovering over the trees. They watched in awe for over half an hour as the objects swooped and maneuvered in the sky. Red lights flickered from their cigar-shaped bodies as they maneuvered in formation at tremendous speeds, changing direction and velocity at a rate far beyond the capacities of our most advanced aircraft. They were still in the sky when the observers left.

What were these machines?
Where did they come from?
What did they want?

Aime Michel, the eminent French mathematician and engineer, presents the facts--extraordinary, baffling, frightening--about these and dozens of equally fantastic, yet fully documented sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects throughout the world: in Europe, Africa, the Middle East and the United States. He evaluates the theories put forward to explain these phenomena, including those of Professor Donald Menzel of Harvard University and U.S. military experts. He also sets forth a new revolutionary theory, evolved by Lieutenant Plantier of the French Air Force, with its ominous implications as to where these flying objects originate and how they break through the thermal barrier.

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Spacecraft Over California

A Covina, California man said he is convinced that he saw a spacecraft while driving his automobile on Lower Azusa road in the El Monte area on April 24, 1956. "It looked like half an egg. No sound came from it and it was a brilliant white," R.M. Grace said.

Grace said he was driving home from the Belevista Hospital in Monterey Park at 8:30 p.m. when he first noticed the craft. He said it appeared to be hovering about 1,000 feet above him. "It had no riding lights and that fact dismissed my first thought that it was a plane," he related. The Covina man said he continued driving on Lower Azusa and while approaching Baldwin Avenue the craft made an arc, headed over Peck road and then turned back and continued eastward once more.

When asked if it might possibly have been a jet plane, Grace emphatically replied no. He stated the egg-shaped craft gave off no sound or flame.

Mysterious "Exploding Flash" Over Lubbock, Texas

CAA control tower officials at Municipal Airport and officers at Reese Air Force Base could shed no light on the mysterious "exploding flash" reported over Lubbock, Texas April 14, 1956 in the southeast skies by a pilot and a farmer.

A Continental Airlines pilot over Slayton said he saw the flash about 9:32 p.m.; and a farmer living 16 miles southeast of Lubbock reported he saw the flash at 9:21 p.m. Neither reported hearing anything. The flash was described as giving off "a greenish light with a thin red streak behind it."

Menzel Speaks!

On your knees fellow reader, the great white father, Donald H. Menzel has spoken again. The world expert on UFO's has written quite a spectacular article in the November, 1955 issue of Atlantic magazine entitled, "Other Worlds Than Ours." News of this article recently arrived at C.F.S.I. headquarters. Don has done a beautiful job of telling the reader why life could exist on other planets, but he doesn't mention that nasty term "flying saucers." I suggest all readers of the Review purchase this magazine if possible. The article ends with the following paragraph;

...And if my speculative theory of planetary origin should prove to be correct, then we may expect to find a plurality of planets in our universe. And what has happened on earth is surely not unique.

Life, even human or superhuman life, may exist in millions of places in the universe.

I would say Don has had a change of mind. Ed.

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