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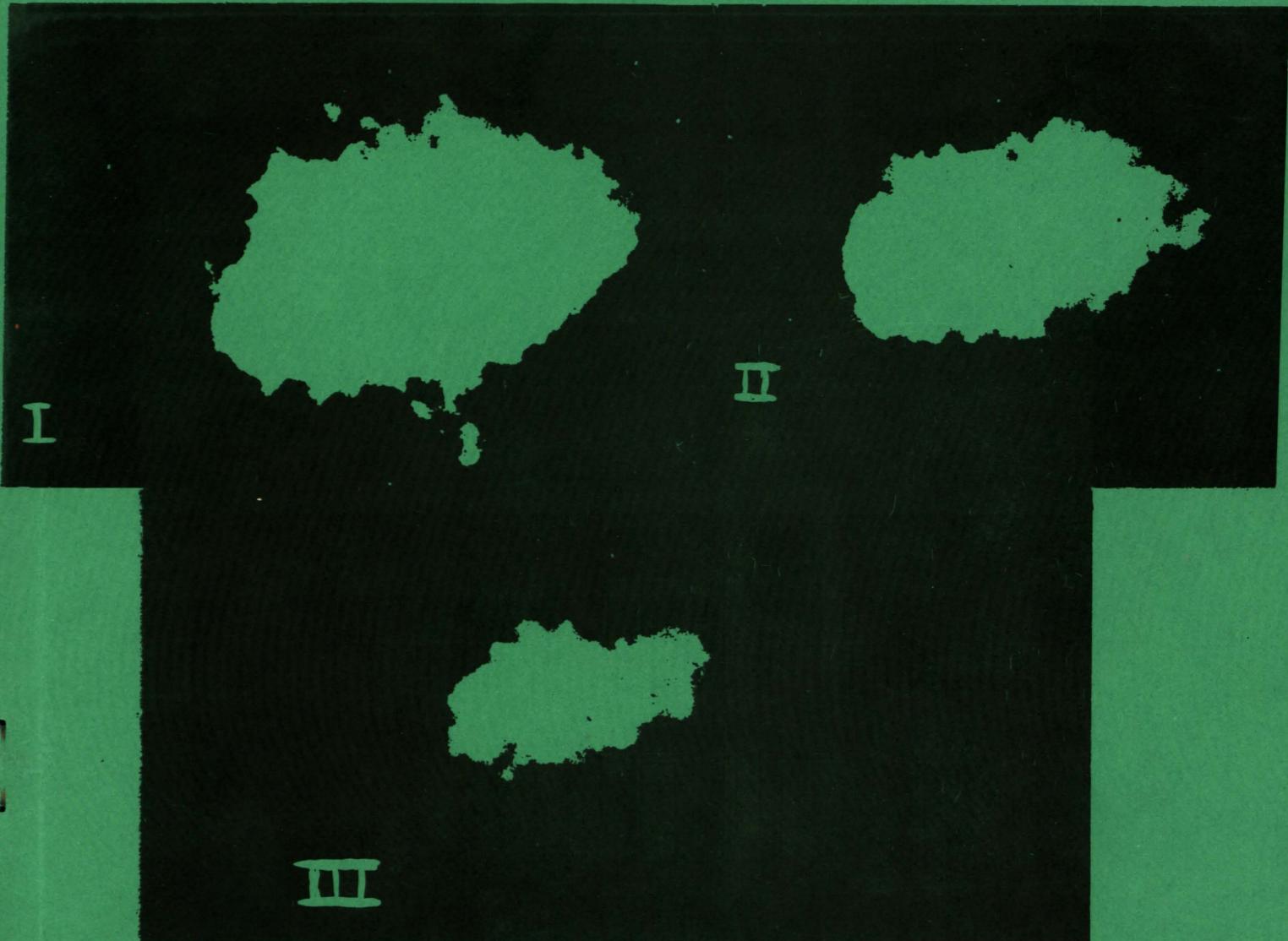
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## COVER PHOTOS

The cover photos are all stages in the photoanalysis of a frame of 16mm movie film made of a UFO in Georgia on September 9, 1973.

During the height of a UFO flap all over Georgia, an Atlanta Television station sent a film crew to a State Highway Patrol station near Manchester, Georgia to interview witnesses coming in to report UFOs. While they were interviewing people on camera, everyone noticed two lights in the sky noticeably brighter than any of the stars.

When one light moved away and got dimmer and the other became brighter and came closer, the crew began filming it. The object displayed various colors and was described as cigar shaped with shadows playing over the luminous surface.

Frame I on the cover is a 2800 times enlargement from the 16mm color movie film.

The biggest problem in obtaining any worthwhile information from a photo of a bright object at night is a characteristic of photography known as halation. In simplified terms, the halation takes two forms. The first is the glow surrounding a bright object caused by the photons from the light exciting the electrons in the surrounding molecules of air and causing them to glow and giving the illusion of a much larger object. The phenomenon is most noticeable around a bright light or car headlights in a moderate to heavy fog.

Almost the same thing happens when the image is recorded on photographic film. The light sensitive emulsion on the film is made up of grains or particles of a silver compound suspended in a gelatin binder. When the image of an exceptionally bright light or object strikes the film emulsion, the excess light scatters and after the image itself is recorded, the excess light causes the chemical alteration of the silver grains extending outward from the image to adjacent grains causing an enlarged and distorted image.

One of the techniques utilized to cut through this excess halation to get to the recorded information involves using a very high gamma film with little exposure latitude. As exposure is reduced step by step, more and more of the halation is stripped away along with recorded air glow, until the image itself finally emerges alone.

Photo II, which is one of the intermediate reduction steps, shows an object beginning to emerge that is round on the front and flat on top.

Photo III is the last possible exposure reduction before the image itself breaks down and it shows an egg or cylinder shaped object with what appears to be a dome or cockpit-like structure on top near the front. A window-like opening in the structure can be seen.

We cannot get a clear linear image when dealing with an enlargement of this magnitude as the actual silver grains break down since what we are looking at with such a magnification is the actual clumps of silver particles making up the image.

Further analysis of the optics and image involved in this movie indicated an object 2,500 meters from the camera and about 10 meters long by four meters high.

## MARCEN JOINS CRUFON

A new structure has grown on the MARCEN headquarters with the addition of a 40 foot antenna. MARCEN has taken advantage of new F.C.C. regulations allowing the formation of the Citizens Radio UFO Network. Utilizing Citizen's Band Channel 5, reports of UFO sightings or information about UFO's may be passed along to other stations. The F.C.C. does not set the channel aside for the exclusive use of CRUFON but it is the only one specifically designated for this use. MARCEN monitors the channel as much of the time as possible and anyone having any information to come to MARCEN may try to pass it through by having stations relay the information to MARCEN at KJK-1517. FCC rules prohibit communicating further than 150 miles by CB but a number of relays and nearly any member in the eastern United States should be able to establish a link to headquarters without too much effort. At the least, the network can be utilized to get a message to MARCEN to call you. The accepted method of utilizing the channel is to announce: Break, Break CRUFON Alert and give your call sign. When you get a response, state what you are

trying to do and proceed with your message. A number of radio equipped MARCEN members are usually monitoring in their cars in the Washington, D. C. area, so chances of your getting through are excellent.

## EDITORIAL

In the words of noted UF0logist Dr. J. Allen Hynek in the October 1978 issue of the International UFO Reporter just received at MARCEN "When promptness comes up against thoroughness, something has to give, and promptness gave."

That is exactly what happened at MARCEN, the journal came up against other important considerations, and the journal gave.

While the journal was being held in abeyance, MARCEN membership grew to just under 2,500; tax-exempt publicly supported status was secured from the Internal Revenue Service; Center facilities were expanded; a panel of UFO sighting evaluation consultants was formed; cooperation agreements were concluded with quite a number of domestic and foreign UFO organizations; A 114 page Fortean Event Field Investigations Procedures Manual has been written and is now undergoing final evaluation prior to printing and distribution to participating members; MUCFAD (standing for MARCEN UFO Computer File and Data processing) has been put into operation with a Univac 1106 and a Univac 1108 Computers on line and in use and several other large mainframe computers being used on a part-time basis. In addition a trained and equipped field investigation team has been put together at MARCEN headquarters to function in the Washington, D.C. area and has already conducted a number of investigations.

A number of other positive growth signs are evident at MARCEN.

Now that much else has been accomplished, energies will be concentrated on catching up all issues of the journal-our main communication link with the membership.

The results of the opinion poll published in the first journal coupled with letters from members and the applications of new members have shown that there is an overwhelming interest in UFOs above all other phenomena and consequently the major emphasis of MARCEN will be channeled in this direction henceforth.

Strong secondary interests were shown in Bigfoot, Animal Mutilations, Out of Place Animals and Psychic Phenomena. As much attention as possible will be devoted to these areas.

The UFO consultants are currently working on over 500 sighting cases. This is an involved and time consuming process, so the next journal will contain a few hundred sightings and evaluations.

With data collection well underway and data analysis initiated, MARCEN should be in a position to publish some documented findings before long.

Let us have some more input from the membership. We have a few prolific writers with excellent ideas and we can use many more.

Funding is still a continuing problem for MARCEN. We are not asking the members for donations, what we need are large contributions for large projects. Now that MARCEN is fully tax exempt, we can give attractive tax deductions to any corporate donors wishing to help us discover some answers to many of the mysteries confronting modern man. If any members can steer us in the direction of uncommitted corporate funds, please contact us immediately-our books and budgets and proposals are open to any potential donors and we believe that we can convince them that their money will be well spent.

Anyone wishing to reach MARCEN by telephone (301) 384-0816, may call 24-hours per day and always be able to leave any message if no one is in. An answering device has been installed that will allow you to leave up to a two-hour message. As long as you keep talking, the machine will keep recording, if you stop talking, it will shut off. We will return your call as soon as someone returns to the office. A separate number has been established for persons calling locally to secure information and this frees the Center's main number for the use of the members.

## MARCEN EDITORIAL

For more than 30 years now, the UFO phenomenon has been with us intensively and for a considerably longer period sporadically.

Yet during all this time and through many official and many more unofficial studies, we have no more answers than we did when the fighter pilots were reporting Foo Fighters in World War II.

One can almost pick a source to claim documentation of any theory desired.

If you want to believe the UFOs are here on some sort of cosmic mercy mission to save us from ourselves, it is easy to find hordes of contactees who would have us believe that Mars and Venus and even Jupiter are inhabited with billions of beautiful people living in peace and sending missionaries to Earth carrying the messages of love and peace and leaving many of their own to live among us on Earth to teach us to reform as they live among us. According to these messiahs, Jesus Christ was one of the UFOnauts and is now living happily on Venus.

Of course we are never told by these contactees why these beautiful superintelligent advanced peoples seem to only pick persons like a hamburger chef, an illiterate potato farmer and a mentally warped barber as subjects to reveal their plans to and to take for interplanetary joy rides. Equally puzzling to those of us wanting facts to deal with is that no one can pin the contactees down to straight answers. They always respond with nebulous answers and when they are pushed to clarify them, the contactees become extremely defensive and aggressive.

One of the first and most travelled and publicized of the contactees was George Adamski, a Polish immigrant who could barely read but eventually set up a telescope on the roof of his hamburger stand on Mount Palomar, California and then told everyone he was an astronomer at Mt. Palomar. Although "Professor" Adamski has been dead for nearly 15 years after a fatal heart attack less than a mile from MARCEN headquarters, his followers live on in increasing numbers.

Early last year one of these second generation contactees known as Charlotte Blob, well known to the MARCEN director for her previous activities in the Washington, D.C. area, just happened to be travelling in Guadalajara, Mexico and discovered a Dr. Leopoldo Diaz, supposedly a lettered and respected physician, who told a marvelous story of a strange man who came to his office and demanded a physical examination so the good doctor could confirm that he was not of this Earth.

After the alleged examination and confirmation, the unearthly visitor spun a tale of warnings against nuclear disasters. The good "Dr." Diaz and his story were broadcast in radio programs all over Texas and he was even taken to the United Nations to repeat the story before the international panel considering UFO problems.

Before long it was learned that the good doctor was in reality Charlotte Blob's husband. When the MARCEN director knew this "doctor" 12 years ago, he was named Heiman and was an itinerant guitar player.

If we are to put any credence in events reported in Pennsylvania and West Virginia, the UFOs are landing and transporting bizarre seven-foot tall or larger monsters about. Barney and Betty Hill in New England and Police Officer Schirmer in the mid west would have us believe that UFOs are occupied by nearly normal Oriental-looking humanoids who are here doing mental and physical examinations of the Earth's inhabitants while communicating by mental telepathy.

Even though the U.S. Air Force and the Condon Committee of the University of Colorado UFO Project deny the possibility that there are any extraterrestrial craft in our skies or landing and taking samples, thousands of catalogued Close Encounters of the Third Kind would indicate otherwise.

Gaining more popularity each day is the theory that UFOs are part of a larger phenomenon of multidimensional existence. According to theorists of this line of thinking, there are co-existing universes occupying the same space but existing at different frequencies so that the inhabitants of any universe or dimension are only aware of the one which they are tuned to.

The usual analogy given is that a person looking at an electric fan that is not turned on will have no difficulty

seeing the fan blade as long as it is turned off. When someone turns on the fan, as the blade turns faster and faster, it gradually disappears. The fan blade is still there but it can not be seen. Another analogy is that of a person tuning a television set from channel to channel. Radio signals in the broadcast AM band constantly exist around us but the person tuning the TV set can find no trace of them.

The multidimensionalists theorize that "windows" or openings between the dimensions or universes periodically appear and inhabitants of one universe may cross to the other. This, say the theorists explains the sudden appearance and disappearance of many UFOs, Bigfoot, and out of place animals that continually turn up where they are not supposed to be. It could also account, so the theorists say, for the thousands of persons who just disappear each year. They just walk unwillingly or unknowingly into another universe and never return.

Then we have Philip Klass, the senior avionics editor of Aviation Week magazine who has taken on a personal crusade to debunk all UFO cases and insists they all can be explained in terms of mistaken identification of conventional phenomena or outright hoaxes. Klass firmly believes that all flaps or concentration of UFO sightings in a given time or area are completely psychologically generated.

The most recent Gallup Poll on the subject of UFOs indicates that a full 57% of Americans believe in the existence of UFOs as real objects.

This kind of thinking in the public may well be fanned by publicity generated by one individual who is now a proponent of a theory that a number of UFOs have crashed in the American southwest during the last 30 years and have been retrieved by the Air Force or other government agencies and that the pickled bodies of the occupants are housed at different Air Force bases.

Adding further fuel to this theory was a presentation at the 1978 MUFON Symposium by respected Cincinnati Ufologist Leonard Stringfield entitled "Retrievals of the Third Kind".

Many writers such as Erich Von Daniken have long been proponents of theories that UFOs have been visiting the Earth since antiquity and in fact may even have been occupied by the ancestors of the human race.

No more concrete proof of these theories have been found than of any of the others, but the theories continue to sell a lot of books and to inspire movies and television programs.

Newest on the scene of theories is that of Dr. Jacques Vallee, a computer scientist and noted Ufologist, as expressed in his latest book "UFOs Messengers of Deception". Vallee suggests that UFOs are simply holographic projections and psychologically induced hallucinations perpetrated by some ultra secret government agency or agency of many cooperating world powers. Dr. Vallee holds that this plan may have been instituted on the theory that nothing turns enemies into friends better than a common enemy with superior weaponry and technology. Likening the plan to the supersecret M K Ultra developed by the British to combat and defeat the Axis in World War II, Vallee assumes it may be part of a plan to mold the minds and opinions of the world population into a condition that would preclude there ever being a World War III.

Elsewhere in this magazine, Dr. McIntyre expresses his own personal theories which somewhat parallel those of Dr. Vallee.

Seemingly the most radical of theories presented recently are those of a New York Rabbi and a Brooklyn Priest who propose that Adam and Eve were brought to Earth by flying saucers and mated with the half animal creatures living here and founded the human race. These two men of the cloth also believe that all of the divine intervention stories of the Bible were extraterrestrials who periodically visited their descendants and appeared god-like to primitive man.

Opinion polls indicate that members of MARCEN are overwhelmingly interested in learning more about UFOs than any other phenomenon. MARCEN has not formulated an official theory or position on the answer to the UFO question and therefore will attempt to present all theories to help members develop their own opinions. Once a clear cut majority opinion develops in MARCEN, the supported theory will be challenged and attacked and final theories published. In the meantime MARCEN intends to present all sides of the UFO phenomenon and to attack all positions until a tenable and defensible theory emerges.

# MARCEN ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION



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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
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The Incorporators, to wit: Williard F. McIntyre and Arthur F. Rosen are at least twenty-one years of age and intend to form a corporation as follows:

FIRST That the name of this Corporation shall be Maryland Center for Investigation of Unconventional Phenomena, Inc.

SECOND That the place where the principal office of the Corporation is to be located is the City of Silver Spring, Montgomery County, but this Corporation may maintain an office or offices in such other places as may be, from time to time, fixed by its Board of Directors, or as may be fixed by the By-Laws of the Corporation. The name and post office address of the resident agent is Williard F. McIntyre, 13120 Clifton Road, Silver Spring, Maryland 20904. Said resident agent is an individual actually residing in this state.

THIRD Said Corporation is organized exclusively for educational and scientific purposes and that the nature of the business to be transacted, promoted, or carried on by said Corporation are:

To collect and disseminate information on the occurrences of unconventional phenomena on a worldwide basis and to organize a scientific inquiry attempting to solve said phenomena or to gain as much knowledge as possible about said phenomena which will be passed on to conventional scientific organizations or institutions and to make distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

FOURTH The Corporation shall be a non-profit Corporation and there shall be no authorized capital stock.

FIFTH That the members of the Governing Board of this Corporation shall be styled Governors, and the number of

said Governors shall be three (3) and they may, from time to time, be increased or decreased in such manner as shall be provided in the By-Laws of this Corporation provided that the number shall not be reduced to less than (3).

SIXTH That the names and post office addresses of the initial Board of Governors who will serve as such until the first annual meeting or until their successors are duly chosen and qualify, are as follows:

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SEVENTH No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes of article THIRD hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation and the Corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

EIGHTH That the period of existence of said Corporation shall be unlimited.

NINTH That the Corporation shall have two classes of members (a) participating members who shall actively engage in the scientific work of the Corporation and (b) sustaining members who shall pay nominal annual dues in return for the results of the active work of the Corporation.

TENTH That the private property of the Incorporators, Governors, Officers, and members shall not be subject to the payment of corporate debts to any extent whatsoever.

ELEVENTH In furtherance and not in limitation of the powers conferred by statutes, the Governors are expressly authorized:

To hold their meetings, to have one or more offices, and keep the books of the Corporation, except as may be otherwise specifically provided by the laws of the State of Maryland with or without the State of Maryland, at such places as may be, from time to time, designated by them.

To make, alter, amend, and rescind the By-Laws of the Corporation, to fix the times for the meetings and dues and duties of members, to authorize and cause to be executed mortgages and liens upon the real and personal property of the Corporation providing that always a majority of the whole Board shall concur therein.

By a resolution passed by a majority vote of the whole Board under suitable provisions of the By-Laws to designate two or more of this number to constitute an executive committee, which committee shall, for the time being, as provided in said resolution or by the By-Laws, have and exer-

cise any or all of the powers of the Board of Governors which may be lawfully delegated in the management of the business and affairs of the Corporation and shall have power to authorize the seal of the Corporation to be affixed to all papers which may require it.

**TWELFTH** Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, the Board of Governors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the Corporation dispose of all of the assets of the Corporation in such manner or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), as the Board of Governors shall determine, any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the District Court of the County in which the principal office of the Corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

**THIRTEENTH** That the Corporation reserves the right to amend, alter or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by statute, and all rights conferred on members and governors herein are granted subject to this reservation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We have set our hands and seals this Fifth day of October, 1978.

*Williard P. McIntyre*  
Williard P. McIntyre

*Arthur F. Rosen*  
Arthur F. Rosen

STATE OF MARYLAND

I Marjorie Webster, a Notary Public in and for Montgomery County, State of Maryland, do hereby certify that Williard P. McIntyre and Arthur F. Rosen signed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation before me and acknowledged such signatures to be free acts and deeds.

Given Under my hand this 5th day of October, 1978

*Marjorie W. Webster*  
Marjorie W. Webster

My commission expires August 5, 1979

## MARCEN BYLAWS

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OF

Maryland Center for Investigation of Unconventional Phenomena, Inc.

#### ARTICLE I. OFFICES

The principal office of the corporation in the State of Maryland shall be located in the city of Silver Spring, County of Montgomery. The corporation may have such other offices either within or without the State of Maryland as the Board of Governors may designate or as the business of the corporation may require from time to time.

#### ARTICLE II. MEMBERS

**Section I. Classes of Members.** There shall be three classes of members (a) participating (b) sustaining and (c) honorary.

A. Participating members will be the members of the Center actually participating in the investigative and research work and in preparing papers for publication in the monthly journal of the Center.

B. Sustaining members will pay dues as fixed by the

board of governors and may assist participating members with field investigations and will forward information on occurrences in their geographic areas to the Center. The sustaining members will receive the monthly magazine and any special reports of the Center.

C. Honorary members will be persons or organizations deemed worthy of receipt of the Center materials by the board such as other organizations in the field, libraries, etc. There will be no charges to participating or honorary members.

**Section II. Annual Meeting.** The annual meeting of members shall be held on the 15th day of August in each year, beginning with the year 1979 at the hour of 9:00 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of electing governors and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting. If the day fixed for the annual meeting shall be a legal holiday in the State of Maryland, such meeting shall be held on the next succeeding business day. If the election of governors shall not be held on the day designated herein for any annual meeting of the shareholders, or at any adjournment thereof, the Board of Governors shall cause the election to be held at a special meeting of the members as soon thereafter as conveniently may be.

A quorum for the purpose of conducting business at the annual meeting shall consist of a simple majority of the members of the Center listed on the books of the Center of proxies equal to a simple majority thereof.

**Section III. Special Meetings.** Special meetings of the members, for any purpose or purposes, unless otherwise prescribed by Statute, may be called by the President or by the Board of Governors and shall be called by the President at the request of at least two Governors or not less than 15 percent of all members of the Center entitled to vote at the meeting.

**Section IV. Place of Meeting.** The board of Governors may designate any place, either within or without the State of Maryland unless otherwise prescribed by statute as the place of meeting for any annual meeting or for any special meeting called by the Board of Governors. A waiver of notice signed by all members entitled to vote at a meeting may designate any place, either within or without the State of Maryland unless otherwise prescribed by Statute, as the place for the holding of such meeting. If no designation is made, or if a special meeting be otherwise called, the place of meeting shall be the principal office of the Corporation in the State of Maryland.

**Section V. Notice of Meeting.** Written notice stating the place, day and hour of the meeting, and, in case of special meeting, the purpose for which the meeting is called shall unless otherwise prescribed by statute, be delivered not less than ten nor more than 30 days before the date of the meeting, either personally or by mail, by or at the direction of the President, or the Secretary or the persons calling the meeting to each member of record entitled to vote at such meeting. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail, addressed to the member at his address as it appears on Center record books with postage thereon prepaid.

**Section VI. Closing of Center Membership Record Books.** For the purpose of determining members entitled to notice or to vote at any meeting of members or in any adjournment thereof, or in order to make determination of members for any other proper purpose, the Board of Governors of the Corporation may provide that the membership books shall be closed for a stated period but not to exceed in any case thirty days. If the membership books shall be closed for the purpose of determining members entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of members, such books shall be closed for at least twenty days immediately preceding such meeting. In lieu of closing membership books, the Board of Governors may fix in advance a date the record date for any such determination of members, not less than thirty days and in case of a meeting of members, not less than twenty days prior to the

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date on which the particular action, requiring such determination of members be taken. If the membership books are not closed and no record date is fixed for determination of members entitled to notice or to vote at a meeting of members the date on which notice of meeting is mailed or the date on which the resolution of the Board of Governors declaring action adopted, as the case, shall be the record date for such determination of members. When a determination of members entitled to vote at any meeting of members has been made as provided in this section such determination shall apply to any adjournment thereof.

**Section VII. Voting Lists.** The officer or agent having charge of the membership books of the Corporation shall make a complete list of the members entitled to vote at each meeting of members or any adjournment thereof, arranged in alphabetical order, with the address of and class of membership held by each. Such list shall be produced and kept open at the time and place of the meeting.

**Section VIII. Quorum.** A majority of the members of the Center entitled to vote, represented in person or by proxy, shall constitute a quorum at a meeting of members. If less than a majority of the members are represented at a meeting, a majority of the members represented may adjourn the meeting from time to time without further notice. At such adjourned meetings at which a quorum shall be present or represented, any business may be transacted which might have been transacted at the meeting as originally noticed. The members present at a duly organized meeting may continue to transact business until adjournment notwithstanding the withdrawal of enough members to leave less than a quorum.

**Section IX. Proxies.** At all meetings of members, a member may vote in person or by proxy executed in writing by member or by his duly authorized attorney in fact. Such proxy shall be filled with the secretary of the Center before or at the time of the meeting. No proxy shall be valid after 3 months from the date of its execution, unless otherwise provided in the proxy.

**Section X. Voting.** Subject to the provisions of Section 13 of this Article II, each member entitled to vote shall be entitled to one vote upon each matter submitted to vote at a meeting of members.

**Section XI. Voting of Votes by Certain Holders.** Shares outstanding in the name of another organization may be voted by such officer, agent or proxy as the ByLaws of such organization may prescribe or in the absence of such provision, as the board of directors of such organization may determine.

Membership held by an administrator, executor, guardian, or conservator may be voted by him, either in person or by proxy, without a transfer of such membership into his name. Membership standing with name of a trustee may be voted by him, either in person or by proxy, but no trustee shall be entitled to vote memberships held by him without a transfer of such memberships into his name.

Membership standing in the name of a receiver may be voted by such receiver, and membership held by or under the control of a receiver may be voted by such receiver without the transfer thereof into his name if authority to do so be contained in an appropriate order of the court by which such receiver was appointed.

A member whose membership is pledged to anyone else shall be entitled to vote such membership until the membership has been transferred into the name of the pledgee and thereafter the pledgee shall be entitled to vote the membership so transferred.

The Center shall not hold onto shares or memberships for itself or for the purpose of voting them directly or indirectly at any meeting and shall have no votes to be counted in determining the number of outstanding memberships at any given time.

**Section XII. Informal Action by Members.** Unless otherwise provided by law, any action required to be taken at a meeting of the members, or any other action which may be taken at a meeting of the members, may be taken without a meeting if a consent in writing, setting forth the action so taken,

shall be signed by all of the members entitled to vote with respect to the subject matter thereof.

**Section XIII. Cumulative Voting.** Unless otherwise provided by law, at each election for Governors every member entitled to vote at such election shall have the right to vote, in person or by proxy, one vote for as many persons as there governors to be elected and for whose election he or she has a right to vote or to distribute all of the votes to which he or she is entitled to any one candidate or split between two or more candidates as the member desires.

**Section XIV. Applications.** Persons desiring to become members of any class except honorary shall submit an application on a form approved by the membership committee. The Membership Committee shall have the authority to reject an application on the ground that the applicant has failed to evidence a bona fide interest in the purpose of the Center or is attempting to join for personal gain only.

**Section XV. Qualifications.** The members of the Board of Governors as a whole or acting with a quorum shall determine, from time to time, qualifications to be exhibited by members of the Center before they are allowed to join.

**Section XVI. Rights and Privileges.** members of the Center shall have the following rights and privileges in addition to those spelled out in proceeding sections:

- (a) To receive, free of charge, certain publications of the Center, to be distributed periodically as determined by the Board of Governors.
- (b) To share with other members the Centers research efforts and to participate in the dissemination of information and data pertinent to the purpose of the Center.
- (c) To support the efforts of the Center in achieving its purpose.

**Section XVII. Restriction on Members.** Members of the Center in joining agree to abide by the following restrictions:

- (a) Not to disseminate to the public information on Center research or experimental activities without approval of the Director or Assistant Director.
- (b) Not to engage in public statements contrary to the goals or efforts of the Center or in violation of its charter or Articles of Incorporation.
- (c) If the member publishes books or other material purely and solely from his or her work with the Center, he or she agrees to publish through the Center and to share royalties with the Center on a basis to be determined before publication.
- (d) If the member engages in lectures or media appearances resulting purely and solely from his or her work with the Center, after the member's expenses for said lecture or appearance are paid, he or she agrees to divide fees received equally with the Center.

**Section XVIII. Revocation of Membership.** Membership in the Center can be revoked by the Director or the Board of Governors for failure to pay dues after proper notice, for actions or remarks by a member representing to be on behalf of the Center without having first been given authority by the Director or Board of Governors; actions or remarks by a member which reflect adversely on the Center or its purpose or which, in the opinion of the Board of Governors, tends to thwart the purpose of the Center. Membership may also be revoked by the Director or the Board of Governors for violation of Section XVII.

## ARTICLE III. BOARD OF GOVERNORS

**Section I. General Powers.** The business and affairs of the Center shall be managed by its Board of Governors operating through the Director and Assistant Director.

**Section II. Number, Tenure and Qualifications.** The number of initial Governors of the Center shall be three (3). Each director shall hold office until the next annual meeting of members and until his successor shall have been elected and qualified.

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**Section III. Meetings.** A regular meeting of the Board of Governors shall be held without other notice than this By-Law immediately after, and at the same place as, the annual meeting of members. The Board of Governors may provide, by resolution, the time and place for the holding of additional regular meetings without other notice than such resolution.

**Section IV. Increase in Number of Governors.** The number of members of the Board of Governors may be increased to any number never to exceed fifteen (15) upon resolution of the Board passed by at least a two-thirds majority. The number of Governors shall never be decreased below three.

**Section V. Special Meetings.** Special meetings of the Board of Governors may be called by or at the request of the President or any two directors. The person or persons authorized to call special meetings of the Board of Governors may fix the place for holding any special meeting of the Board of Governors called by them.

**Section VI. Notice.** Notice of any special meeting shall be given at least ten (10) days previously thereto by written notice delivered personally or mailed to each director at his business or home address, or by telegram. If mailed such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail so addressed, with postage thereon prepaid. If notice is given by telegram, such notice shall be deemed delivered when the telegram is delivered to the telegraph company. Any Governor may waive notice of any meeting. The attendance of a Governor at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where a Governor attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened.

**Section VII. Quorum.** A majority of the number of Governors fixed by Sections II or IV of this Article III shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board of Governors, but if less than such majority is present at a meeting, a majority of the directors present may adjourn the meeting from time to time without further notice.

**Section VIII. Manner of Acting.** The act of the majority of the Governors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board of Governors.

**Section IX. Action Without a Meeting.** Any action that may be taken by the Board of Governors at a meeting may be taken without a meeting if a consent in writing, setting forth the action so to be taken, shall be signed before such action by all of the Governors.

**Section X. Vacancies.** Any vacancy occurring in the Board of Governors may be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining Governors though less than a quorum of the Board of Governors unless otherwise provided by law. A Governor elected to fill a vacancy shall be elected for the unexpired term of his predecessor in office. Any directorship to be filled by reason of an increase in the number of Governors may be filled by election by the Board of Governors for a term of office continuing only until the next election of Governors by the members.

**Section XI. Proxies.** Members of the Board may grant proxies in writing to any other member of the Board or to any officer of the committee constituting and appointing such other Governor or officer to vote and act for him and in his name, place instead at any regular or special meeting of the Board, granting him power to act as fully as if he were personally present. Such proxies may include binding instructions as to how to vote on particular issues.

**Section XII. Committees.** The Board of Governors shall name from among its members such committees as it may deem necessary to carry out the affairs of the Center in an efficient and orderly manner including an Executive Committee, a Finance Committee, and a Membership Committee. The Executive Committee shall have full power to act on behalf of the Board of Governors between meetings of the Board.

**Section XIII. Compensation.** By resolution of the

Board of Governors, each Governor may be paid his expenses, if any, of attendance at each meeting of the Board of Governors, and may be paid a stated salary as director or a fixed sum for attendance at each meeting of the Board of Governors or both. No such payment shall preclude any Governor from serving the Center in any other capacity and receiving compensation therefore.

**Section XIV. Presumption of Assent.** A governor of the Center who is present at a meeting of the Board of Governors at which action on any corporate matter is taken shall be presumed to have assented to the action taken unless his dissent shall be entered in the minutes of the meeting or unless he shall file his written dissent to such action with the person acting as the secretary of the meeting before the adjournment thereof or shall forward such dissent by registered mail to the Secretary of the Center immediately after the adjournment of the meeting. Such right to dissent shall not apply to a Governor who voted in favor of such action.

#### ARTICLE IV. OFFICERS

**SECTION I. Number.** The officers of the Corporation shall be a President, who will hold the title of Director, a Vice-President, and a Secretary-Treasurer, who shall hold the title of Assistant Director. Such other officers and assistant officers as may be deemed necessary may be elected or appointed by the Board of Governors.

**Section II. Election and Term of Office.** The officers of the Center to be elected by the Board of Governors shall be elected annually by the Board of Governors at the first meeting of the Board of Governors held after each annual meeting of the members. If the election of officers shall not be held at such meeting, such election shall be held as soon thereafter as conveniently may be. Each officer shall hold office until his successor shall have been duly elected and shall have qualified or until his death or until he shall resign or shall have been removed in the manner hereinafter provided.

**Section III. Removal.** Any officer or agent may be removed by the Board of Governors whenever in its judgement, the best interests of the Center will be served thereby, but such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any of the person so removed. Election or appointment of an officer or agent shall not of itself create contract rights.

**Section IV. Vacancies.** A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification or otherwise, may be filled by the Board of Governors for the unexpired portion of the term.

**Section V. President.** The president shall assume the title of Director of the Center and shall be the principle executive officer of the Center, and, subject to the control of the Board of Governors, shall in general supervise and control all of the business and affairs of the Corporation. He shall, when present, preside at all meetings of the members and of the Board of Governors. He may sign, with the Secretary or any other proper officer of the Center certificates of membership of the center, any deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts or other instruments which the Board of Governors has authorized to be executed, except in cases where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Governors or by these ByLaws to some other officer or agent of the Center, or shall be required by law to be otherwise signed or executed, and in general shall perform all duties incident to the office of President or Director and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Governors from time to time.

**Section VI. Vice President.** The Vice President of the Center need not be a full time employee of the Center unless called upon to assume office in the absence of the President or in the event of the President's death, inability to or refusal to act. The Vice President shall then be called upon to perform the duties of the President, and when so acting shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the President. The Vice President shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the President or by the Board of Governors.

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**Section VII. Secretary and Treasurer.** The Secretary and Treasurer shall be combined into one individual and he shall assume the title of Assistant Director. He shall:

- (a) keep the minutes of the proceedings of the meetings of members, and of the Board of Governors in one or more books provided for that purpose;
- (b) see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these ByLaws or as required by law;
- (c) be custodian of the corporate records and of the seal of the Center and see that the seal of the Center is affixed to all documents the execution of which on behalf of the Center under its seal is duly authorized;
- (d) Keep a register of the post office address of each membership;
- (e) sign with the President certificates of membership;
- (f) have general charge of the membership register books of the Center;
- (g) sign checks or disbursements in the absence of the President;
- (h) in general perform all duties incident to the offices of Secretary and of Treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the President or by the Board of Governors;
- (i) have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of the Center;
- (j) receive and give receipts for moneys due and payable to the Center from any source whatsoever, and deposit all such moneys in the name of the Center in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as shall be selected in accordance with the provisions of Article V of the ByLaws. If required by the Board of Governors, the Secretary-Treasurer shall give a bond for the faithful discharge of his duties in such sum and with such surety or sureties as the Board of Governors shall determine.

**Section VII. Salaries.** The salaries of the officers shall be fixed from time to time by the Board of Governors and no officer shall be prevented from receiving such salary by reason of the fact that he is also a Governor of the Center. The compensation paid will be limited to the fact that no officer shall receive more compensation than is customary in similar non-profit, education and scientific organizations for equivalent duties and responsibilities.

#### ARTICLE V. CONTRACTS, LOANS, CHECKS, AND DEPOSITS

**Section I. Contracts.** The Board of Governors may authorize any officer or officers or agent or agents to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the Center, and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.

**Section II. Loans.** No loans shall be contracted on behalf of the Center and no evidences of indebtedness shall be issued in its name unless authorized by a resolution of the Board of Governors. Such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.

**Section III. Checks, Drafts, Etc..** All checks, drafts or other orders for the payment of money, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the Center shall be signed by the President-Director or Secretary/Treasurer-Assistant Director only, unless this authority is changed from time to time by the Board of Governors.

**Section IV. Deposits.** All funds of the Center not otherwise employed shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the Center in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as the Board of Governors may select.

#### ARTICLE VI. CERTIFICATES

**Section I. Certificates of Membership.** Certificates of membership in the Center representing one share each in the Corporation shall be in such form as shall be determined

by the Board of Governors. Such certificates shall be signed by the President and by the Secretary or by such other officers authorized by law and by the Board of Governors to do so and sealed with the Center's corporate seal. All certificates of membership shall be consecutively numbered or otherwise identified. The name and address of the member with the number of the certificate and date of issue shall be entered on the stock transfer books of the Center. All certificates surrendered to the Center for transfer shall be cancelled and a new certificate shall not be issued until the former certificate shall have been surrendered and cancelled, except that in case of a lost, destroyed or mutilated certificate a new one may be issued therefore upon such terms and indemnity to the Center as the Board of Governors may prescribe.

**Section II. Transfer of Certificates.** Transfer of certificates of membership for whatever reason shall be made only on the stock transfer books of the Center by the member of record thereof or by his legal representative, who shall furnish proper evidence of authority to transfer, or by his attorney thereunto authorized by power of attorney duly executed and filed with the Secretary of the Center, and on surrender for cancellation of the certificate of membership. The person in whose name shares stand on the books of the Center shall be deemed by the Center to be the owner thereof and the member of the Center for all purposes.

#### ARTICLE VII. FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of the Corporation shall begin on the first day of August and end on the 31st day of July in each year.

#### ARTICLE VIII. CORPORATE SEAL

The Board of Governors shall provide a corporate seal which shall be circular in form and shall have inscribed thereon the name of the Center and the state of incorporation and the words, "Corporate Seal."

#### ARTICLE IX. WAIVER OF NOTICE

Unless otherwise provided by law, whenever any notice is required to be given to any member or director of the Center under the provisions of those ByLaws or under the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation or under the provisions of the Business Corporation Act, a waiver thereof in writing signed by the person or persons entitled to such notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice.

#### ARTICLE XI. PURPOSE

The purpose of the Center is to collect and investigate, study, research and report on unconventional phenomena or Fortean occurrences. It will be the Center's object to secure reliable, scientific information and data on said phenomena, to subject such information and data to systematic and objective examination and evaluation and to make such information, data, and examination and evaluation results generally available particularly to the scientific and educational communities.

The Center may undertake any activity permissible to Maryland non-profit corporations provided such activity also is permissible to charitable, scientific and educational organizations qualifying for exemption from federal taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or any successor provision thereto).

#### ARTICLE XII. AUDIT

The books of the Center shall be audited by an independent auditor no less frequently than once each year and the audit shall be submitted to the Board of Governors at its regular meetings. The President shall have the power to choose the auditor subject to the approval of the Board.

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#### ARTICLE XIII. CHARTER

Unless the terms and provisions of the Charter of the Center are at any time changed, repealed or amended by a two-thirds vote of all of the Governors of the Center, the Charter and its provisions shall be considered as binding on the operation of the Center as these ByLaws and the Articles of Incorporation.

#### ARTICLE XIV. AMENDMENTS

The ByLaws may be altered, amended or repealed and new ByLaws may be adopted by the Board of Governors at any regular or special meeting of the Board of Governors. Alternatively the members of the Center meeting as a body may alter, amend or repeal the ByLaws and adopt new ByLaws upon a two-thirds majority affirmative vote at a meeting of the stockholders called with a minimum of thirty days written notice given in advance.

Approved and adopted this 14th day of October, 1978 by the following, a majority of the Governors of Maryland Center for Investigation of Unconventional Phenomena, Inc. and constituting the Executive Committee.

Signed this 14th day of October 1978.

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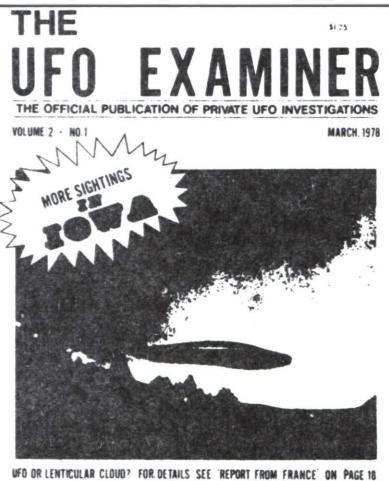
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## WHAT HAPPENED TO NICAP?

One of the most frequent questions being asked in UFO circles today is "What happened to NICAP?" The director of MARCEN having been intimately associated with what happened, we will attempt to answer the question and also put to rest the false allegations made against MARCEN and its director by a sensation seeking UFO group headed by an unscrupulous individual who claimed to have been an intelligence agent at the same time that in reality he was clerking in a pornographic book store.

NICAP (The National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena) began to experience problems almost as soon as it was founded in 1957. Within a year of its founding, the Board of Governors pushed Dr. Townsend Brown, one of the founders and the first director, out of office because his idealistic dreaming was pushing the fledgeling organization to the edge of bankruptcy.

Appointed to the new directorship was Major Donald Keyhoe, a retired Marine Corps pilot and former public relations liaison for Charles Lindbergh, who by then had become a respected writer and author of definitive magazine articles on UFOs which pushed the subject to the forefront of public attention.

Under Major Keyhoe, NICAP began to grow and take on responsibility, primarily due to the high calibre of persons appointed to the Board of Governors and the conservative position it took in regard to "Little Green Men" and the UFO contactees — persons who were believed to be exploiting the UFO phenomenon. These contactees and others in the UFO movement who were thought to be doing non respectable things were kicked out of NICAP unceremoniously in wholesale purges in the 1960s.

Nicap also appealed to the true believer as Major Keyhoe periodically declared in his books and magazine articles that Flying Saucers were from outer space and that the Air Force was engaged in a massive coverup.

Major Keyhoe's attacks on the Air Force became almost a religion to the paranoia prone of the saucer movement. The same paranoia exists today having been apparently transferred to the CIA.

During the 1960s a number of crises almost left NICAP bankrupt a number of times but last minute efforts by the dedicated staff in Washington, D.C. and the Board of Governors coupled with generous outpourings of donations from the membership always saved it. Frequent were the changes of personnel at the near top of the organization for reasons not usually apparent to the membership. The board always felt it was acting for the good of the organization and this was usually borne out as NICAP seemed to rise Phoenix like from the flames of near destruction a number of times.

By the late 1960s the Board of Governors felt it was time to remove Major Keyhoe from the then faltering NICAP. Major Keyhoe's advanced age and deteriorating health were cited along with his frequent absence as he worked on book writing commitments.

The removal of Major Keyhoe, at the time very distasteful to many of the old-time staffers and members of NICAP, may have been a necessary decision at the time, but subsequent decisions of the board were among the worst it ever made.

John L. Acuff, a past executive director of the Society of Photographic Scientists and Engineers in Washington was appointed to the board of NICAP and then was appointed President. In theory this was a wise decision to bring in new blood with experience in operating an organization by approved professional standards and business practices.

Once entrenched in his new position, Acuff began campaigning to get the board to approve a plan that would set up the base for a personal business he wanted to establish.

Acuff, against the better wishes of some remaining NICAP staffers such as Stuart Nixon who was then the secretary-treasurer, sold the board a bill of goods turning NICAP over to professional management by a management firm that Acuff was starting. The board approved the plan and NICAP was turned over to Acuff Associates, Inc. to be managed

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along with a number of other small associations. Acuff, who remained as president of NICAP, something that IRS evidently did not look into as NICAP was then tax exempt, was paid \$35,000 per year, plus costs of printing and mailing the degenerating newsletter, postage and some other expenses.

In theory this looked good because NICAP could benefit from better office space and staffing that would be shared by all of the associations. In practice it did not work because none of the people then working for NICAP, except for Stuart Nixon, and including Acuff himself had any background or any real knowledge of the UFO Phenomenon.

Under Major Keyhoe, NICAP had established an enviable network of qualified investigators operating through subcommittees nationwide. Acuff dismantled the subcommittee setup and appointed a number of field investigators all over the country who suddenly found themselves operating without support either from local groups or from headquarters.

NICAP continued to exist for a few years mostly on the reputation built up by Major Keyhoe, but an unhappy membership dwindled slowly until a concerted membership drive, mostly by Nixon, built the rolls back to around 4,500 members.

Around 1974 another breakup was due at NICAP. It appeared that Nixon stood in the way of Acuff's plans to mold NICAP into his personal enterprise so a power struggle ensued with Nixon forced to resign. The ostensible reason for Nixon's banishment was that he had stated during a California radio interview that NICAP had no positively authentic photos of UFOs. Interestingly enough when MARCEN director Dr. McIntyre appeared on a Washington, D.C. radio talk program in December 1978, Acuff stated earlier on the same program that he had never seen any evidence at NICAP that UFOs are extraterrestrial in origin, although that is the stated policy of the NICAP Board of Governors. In any event, after Nixon left NICAP, things went from bad to worse than they had ever been.

For the next few years the NICAP UFO Investigator newsletter continued to be nothing more than four pages of re-written news clips and it began to be produced on a timely basis less frequently. Membership began to decline again as disenchanted members wondered where their dues were going and what if anything NICAP was doing.

By early summer 1978, Dr. Williard McIntyre, now MARCEN's director, also began to wonder what was happening at NICAP when he received a UFO Investigator containing in the same envelope 8 pages of Neo-Nazi propaganda from Samisdat, a publishing firm of Neo-Nazis in Canada pushing their doctrines using UFOs as a vehicle.

Dr. McIntyre, a little unhappy because he had spent nearly 17 years as a consultant and investigator for NICAP, called Acuff to find out what was going on. McIntyre was told that the membership was so low that it was difficult to hold NICAP together as a viable organization and that he — Acuff, had subsidized NICAP to the tune of more than \$30,000. Being assured that at least a meeting of the executive committee would be held shortly and some action would be taken, Dr. McIntyre waited a month before contacting Acuff again.

When the second call was made to Acuff, Dr. McIntyre was told that the board of governors of NICAP had found it impossible to meet in a number of years but the executive committee had met and authorized Acuff to pursue plans he had already discussed to possibly merge NICAP with APRO in Arizona. Acuff stated further that James Lorenzen, the director of the Aerial Phenomena Research Organization had plans to sell the combined NICAP-APRO organization to an international publisher.

Fearing that the international publisher referred to was possibly Samisdat and that the spotless reputation of NICAP, to which he had helped contribute, would be forever and irrevocably tarnished, McIntyre set about on a fact finding mission to determine what was actually happening.

A discussion with other oldtime NICAP staffers and members in the Washington area revealed that nearly everyone was being barraged by Nazi propaganda, always bearing computer labels saying NICAP and bearing NICAP membership codes.

Acuff had told McIntyre that Lorenzen of APRO had contacted him about a merger but when Dr. McIntyre talked to

James Lorenzen, he was told that Acuff had approached Lorenzen wanting APRO to buy NICAP for somewhere in the vicinity of \$30,000, which would apparently be used to pay Acuff the money he claimed he was owed.

Dr. McIntyre next called Christoff Freidrich, the head Nazi at Samisdat in Toronto, Canada. Freidrich told Dr. McIntyre that he had bought the NICAP mailing lists from Acuff two times with Acuff's knowledge where they were going. In fact, Freidrich was fairly angry at Acuff because he had bought lists of NICAP members past and present containing 8,000 persons who were physically dead.

Satisfied that he had enough facts that things were not progressing in the best interest of NICAP, Dr. McIntyre wrote to all the members of the board of governors apprising them of what was happening and calling from them to meet and take charge of the situation.

At about the same time, Dr. John Carlson from the University of Maryland and an old NICAP investigator and Richard Hall, former assistant director of NICAP got together with a number of former NICAP staffers and members and formed an Ad Hoc Committee to Save NICAP. The ad hoc committee devised a number of plans to either save NICAP or let it go down the drain and salvage the valuable files of UFO sightings. The Ad Hoc committee secured the cooperation of MUFON and Dr. Hynek at the Center for UFO Studies and sent off their proposals to all members of the board of governors.

By this time, Acuff was beginning to talk of declaring bankruptcy for NICAP and Dr. McIntyre discovered that Acuff had made plans to vacate the premises occupied in Kensington Maryland and to move to the boondocks of Gaithersburg, Md. While driving through Kensington near NICAP headquarters one Sunday, Dr. McIntyre saw a large number of pre-teen boys running down the street with hands full of UFO magazines. Becoming suspicious, he turned around and followed the line of youths back to the source of the magazines-the NICAP building dumpster where more youngsters were making off with arms loaded with magazines and books. Dr. McIntyre secured help and made his own raid on the dumpster.

A station wagon was filled with the treasures of the hunt as UFO magazines, books, original files by the hundreds, correspondence, UFO investigation reports, thousands of newsletters photos, negatives, and a movie were recovered.

Dr. McIntyre fired off another letter to the members of the board advising them of the latest developments with obviously valuable material being thrown out and the fact that Acuff had written a letter to the Ad Hoc committee reiterating his proposal to merge with APRO and talking about the unnamed international publisher.

Near the end of October 1978, the Board of Governors of NICAP finally had a meeting to discover a membership level below 1,000 and the organization supposedly nearly \$40,000 in debt with no money left in the bank.

As members were refusing to renew their expiring memberships because they had not been told what was happening and because they were irate at the constant stream of UFO related materials they found in their mailboxes from groups of dubious reputation and bearing NICAP computer labels. The members, many of whom had learned to grin and bear the semi-annual appeals of donations during the 1960s, had been told there would be no more begging for money but by the summer of 1978, new appeals were extended and the monthly newsletter stopped appearing, so everyone was alerted that something was up.

After a second meeting of the Board in November 1978, John Fisher was appointed to take over the membership renewal drive and fundraising for NICAP while a search committee of the Board interviewed a number of candidates for the position of president and executive director. A number of candidates such as Richard Hall, former assitant director under Major Keyhoe for a number of years, were rejected for reasons known only to the Board.

Dr. J. Allen Hynek, director of the Center for UFO Studies in Evanston, Illinois was called to Washington at least twice to be appointed to the NICAP board and to discuss a possible merger arrangement between NICAP and CUFOS but Dr. Hynek was not even paid his expenses because NICAP was broke and apparently nothing came of the discussions.

According to members of the Board in talks with MARCEN, Acuff was to have been removed from NICAP in October 1978 but in early January 1979 MARCEN received a letter over Acuff's signature as executive director complaining of MARCEN using NICAP mailing lists to solicit members. Since this was not happening, MARCEN responded with an indignant letter and nothing more has been heard from Acuff.

It would appear from viewing the circumstances that Acuff was still in the picture because he was holding the NICAP files hostage until he was paid the large sum of money that he felt he was entitled to.

One of the CIA paranoids who has written various pieces charging that NICAP has been dominated by the CIA almost since it was founded has circulated a story charging that Charles Lombard, an aide to U.S. Senator Barry Goldwater and a newly appointed governor of NICAP, is a former CIA covert agent and is responsible for appointing the current director of NICAP-one Alan Hall, a retired CIA agent. MARCEN can not confirm this and does not want to get involved in trying to find out.

All promotional material used by MARCEN since it was founded has urged its members to actively work with other UFO and Fortean organizations as part of the larger search for answers. Among the responsible groups MARCEN recommended was NICAP.

MARCEN finds it necessary to remove NICAP from this list at this time until the invisible leadership of NICAP chooses to inform its members what is going on and to show the membership and the public, which supports NICAP in its tax exempt status, what it expects to accomplish spending a modest \$57 a year for research.

Still unresolved are questions that MARCEN and the members of NICAP would like to hear answered such as: "Where did what appears to be up to \$100,000 in dues and other revenues over the past four years go?" "What happened to the stocks and bonds that were donated to NICAP and were held in banks as late as 1975?" "Why were NICAP membership lists that were supposed to be almost sacred sold to Neo-Nazis and other organizations of dubious reputation, contrary to all historic policies of NICAP and where did the money from the sales go?"

When the above questions are answered in a satisfactory manner and it can be shown that NICAP is taking steps to clean up its own house; MARCEN will be happy to again recommend NICAP to its membership and will be happy to support and help NICAP in any way possible.

It may be asked "Why does MARCEN choose to get involved in the affairs of NICAP?" The answer is that MARCEN is not getting involved. When Dr. McIntyre took an active part in bringing affairs to the attention of NICAP's Board, it was as a concerned member of NICAP. The purpose of this article is simply to answer the questions that are psoed to MARCEN almost daily. MARCEN wished NICAP well and hopes the relationship between the two organizations may be normalized in the future. If NICAP had not badly deteriorated in 1978, there probably would not have been an impetus to found MARCEN.

## ABOUT THE OPINION POLL

The current opinion poll is on page 49. It is important that all members fill this out and return it to us so that we know what you are thinking and what you want. We also need information on how many members wish to attend the annual meeting so we can make plans. We also want to know what you think of changes made in the journal.

Please help us by cutting this poll out or Xeroxing it, or simply writing us on plain paper. Right now we need feedback, so please help. Criticisms are also welcome.

## MUFON IS LARGEST UFO ORGANIZATION

*EDITOR'S NOTE: Each issue, MARCEN will highlight a different respectable and responsible UFO or Fortean organization. MUFON certainly is both of these.*

The Mutual UFO Network or MUFON has grown in ten years to the unquestioned position of the largest UFO organization in the world.

First organized in Illinois as the Midwest UFO Network by founder and current International Director Walter H. Andrus, Jr. The Mutual UFO Network was founded on May 31, 1969 as a nonprofit corporation at 103 Oldtowne Road, Seguin, Texas.

Director Andrus is a production manager for the Motorola Automotive Products Division in Seguin, Texas. Before founding MUFON, he was associated with the Aerial Phenomena Research Organization for some time.

The more than 5,000 members of MUFON are joined together in a carefully knitted network. The majority of leadership and motivation is achieved at the local level, according to MUFON.

Headed by a state director, each state or province is geographically divided into group of counties having a State Section Director correlating the investigative efforts of the field investigators with each section.

The nucleus of many MUFON state sections are many existing and active UFO study groups on UFO organizations that merged with MUFON while retaining local identity.

Since UFOs are a world wide phenomenon, MUFON has appointed foreign representatives in many countries to coordinate efforts with the local UFO organizations in the other countries.

Most of the members of MUFON are active field investigators and in 1975 Raymond B. Fowler, MUFON Director for Investigations, edited and released a "Field Investigator's Manual" which is today a standard for the entire field.

MUFON operates three amateur radio networks weekly in the 20, 40, and 75 meter amateur radio bands, using single sideband radio communications to receive and disseminate UFO reports and current UFO information. Each state and province has a radio director coordinating the utilization of the radio nets.

MUFON has also established a close working relationship with amateur astronomy groups and clubs, utilizing the amateur astronomers to identify anomalous aerial phenomena. Each state also has an astronomy Group Director to coordinate the activities.

MUFON cooperates and works very closely with the Center for UFO Studies in Evanston, Illinois, headed by Dr. J. Allen Hynek. MUFON provides the actual investigators for many of CUFOS's field investigations. MUFON was probably the first sizeable organization to volunteer cooperation to Dr. Hynek when he founded CUFOS in 1973. Sharing a common goal, the two organizations complement each other.

MUFON publishes the monthly MUFON UFO JOURNAL (formerly Skylook) which has established itself as one of the world's leading UFO magazines under the capable editorship of Richard Hall.

MUFON states that to ensure that only qualified, competent, and sincere people may become involved, membership is only by invitation of one of the directors.

However, once accepted, the possibilities of positions available are almost limitless: consultant; state, provincial, or national director; state section or provincial section director, field investigator, research specialist; amateur radio operator; state, provincial or national radio director; field investigator trainee; translator; UFO news clipping service; and contributing subscriber. MARCEN can confirm we have never met anyone from MUFON without a title.

MUFON has become the recipient of the talents and experience of some of the best UFO researchers in the world. The vast majority of the qualified people from NICAP and the Civilian Saucer Intelligence of New York and the Civilian Research Interplanetary Flying Objects of Cincinnati are now with MUFON.

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Quite a number of MUFON members have been accepted into membership of MARCEN and we proudly welcome them, finding them to be well qualified.

MUFON states a dedication to answering four basic questions pertaining to Unidentified Flying Objects:

1. Are UFOs some form of space craft controlled by an advance intelligence conducting a surveillance of our Earth, or do they constitute some unknown physical or psychological manifestation associated with the planet Earth that is not understood by present day science?
2. If UFOs are found to be extraterrestrial craft controlled by intelligent beings, what is their method of propulsion and means of unbelieveable maneuverability and speed?
3. Postulating that they may be controlled by an extraterrestrial intelligence, where do they originate-our Earth, our solar system, our galaxy, or in some distant galaxy of the universe?
4. Assuming that some of the craft are piloted by beings (humanoids), what can we learn from their apparently advanced science and civilization through study or possibly through direct communications with the occupants of these vehicles?

MUFON conducts an annual UFO Symposium where internationally known scientists, engineers, and authors present papers and lectures about "the greatest mystery of our times."

## NEW ZEALAND UFO FILMS STIR CONTROVERSY

*EDITOR'S NOTE: Few UFO events of 1978 stirred more controversy as the one described here that happened on the last day or rather night of the year.*

*Source: Auckland, New Zealand Star, 1/5/79; Columbia Broadcast System News, 1/1/79.*

During the two month period following the disappearance of Frederick Valentich's airplane off the Australian coast in October, UFO investigators in Australia, New Zealand and Tasmania were kept busy with almost daily reports of all types of strange encounters.

On December 21, 1978 a New Zealand Airline flying over Cook Strait, the narrow channel that separates the two islands of New Zealand, reported being buzzed by UFO.

On December 31, Australian television reporter Quentin Fogarty of Melbourne chartered William Startup and his four-engine turboprop airplane to retrace the airliners route with Fogarty and his camera crew aboard.

Ten minutes after taking off from Wellington, Fogarty was being filmed in the cabin of the airplane when pilot Startup yelled: "Get up here quick."

Startup, a pilot of 23 years experience said he spotted the first glowing object about 20 miles ahead of them when the air traffic controller radioed that there was something behind them and closing according to radar scopes on the ground.

Startup made a 180 degree turn with the airplane and saw the second object about a mile away. It would accelerate rapidly towards us and then drop back, Startup said, totally unlike any aircraft he knew anything about.

Startup circled for about two minutes to allow the camera crew to film the object and then suddenly the aircraft was surrounded by pulsating lights which he admitted scared him stiff as he thought about Valentich's disappearance.

Startup, Fogarty and the entire film crew agreed that the objects were bright and were continually pulsating and expanding and were lighting up the New Zealand South Island seashore and the town of Kaikoura.

Fogarty said that as the objects came closer, they could see that one was saucer shaped with a dome on top and another was egg shaped with white lights moving around it.

"The whole feeling was that we were in their domain, Fogarty said, They seemed in control and aware we were filming. I don't think they were going to hurt us."

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Wellington radar control reported to the airplane that they had ten unidentified objects showing on their radar screens.

The television camera crew made seven minutes of movies of the UFOs and then the frightened flight crew quickly headed for a landing at Blenheim.

As soon as the aircraft and shook-up passengers landed at Blenheim, they were interviewed by Air Force officers and the New Zealand Air Force put squadrons of Skyhawk fighter-bombers all over both islands on alert.

Almost before the film was processed, explanations began pouring in. A group of astronomers proposed that what was seen was Venus and a weather generated mirror image of Venus, both viewed simultaneously. Another proposal pushed heavily was that of reflections of lights from a Japanese fishing fleet working at night about 50 to 75 miles away.

Astronomer Robert Laniyan O'Keefe in Sydney, Australia put a videotape of the UFO film through a line scan analyzer and said it picked up four faint dots around the primary globe which confirmed his suspicion that the object filmed was Jupiter. The analyzer showed the presence of four of Jupiter's 12 moons.

MARCEN fails to understand how the limited range radar at Wellington, New Zealand airport could have picked up Venus or Jupiter. Weather generated inversion layers could have accounted for anomalous radar images and even visual images but not pulsating lights that were seen on all sides of the airplane at the same altitude as the plane.

This episode has to be considered significant when we have multiple witnesses both on the ground and in the air; simultaneous radar confirmation and movie film.

MARCEN is closely following further analysis of the film involved and will keep the members posted.

## AUSTRALIAN PILOT DISAPPEARS IN UFO ENCOUNTER

*Source: Melbourne, Australia Sun, Several Issues; and UFO Research Queensland; and Australian Department of Transport.*

Over Bass Strait, Australia on October 21, 1978 occurred one of the most spectacular UFO cases of modern times.

At 7:06 p.m. local Australian time, 20 year old Frederick Valentich was making a short solo flight from Melbourne to King Island in a single engine Cessna 182 when he radioed air traffic controllers at Moorabin airport that he saw bright lights above him and wondered if they might be the landing lights of a military aircraft. He was told there were no such planes in the air.

At 7:08, he called ground control again to report that the object was approaching his aircraft from due east and playing some sort of game.

At 7:09, Valentich radioed that it was not an aircraft and then radio contact was broken before he could identify it to the ground.

Later he radioed ground control again saying that the object was a long shape flying past him. Then, Valentich reported, he was orbiting and the object was orbiting in a stationary position on top of him.

The next contact with the pilot was describing a green fluorescent object with a metallic light outside and reporting that his engine was coughing and idling rough. His last words were "It's not an aircraft, it's a ..." followed by a long loud metallic crunching sound and the radio went dead and Frederick Valentich has not been seen or heard from since.

A land, air and sea search was instituted almost immediately by the Australian authorities but on October 25th, they gave up after finding nothing.

A spokesman for the Australian Department of Transport suggested that

Valentich had become disoriented and was flying upside down and saw reflection of his own navigation lights in the water and when his engine finally acted up, he crashed into the water and sand.

The main problem MARCEN has with this theory is the fact that a Cessna 182 cannot be flown upside down for a period longer than a brief barrel roll maneuver. It is a high winged aircraft with the wing on top of the cockpit. When the aircraft is upside down the airfoil is reversed so that the airflow across the wing would pull the plane downward as the engine is not powerful enough to create enough lift on the bottom of the wing to keep the inverted aircraft airborne.

The October 23 and 24 editions of "The Australian" newspaper reported that there had been no break in the transmission and that Valentich had described the UFO in detail to air traffic controllers. Valentich's father Guido also told newspapers (The Melbourne Sun, October 24, 1978) that he had been told that the tapes of the interchange contained considerably more information than was released and that his son's voice was calm throughout the transmission.

An Australian Department of Transport spokesman denied both reports that any information had been suppressed.

The following is the transcript of the tape of the conversation between Valentich and ground control as released by the Australian Department of Transport:

7:06 p.m. Pilot to Ground: Is there any known traffic in my area below 5,000 feet?  
Flight Service Unit: Negative - No known traffic.  
Pilot: Seems to be a large aircraft below 5,000 feet.  
Flight Service: What type of aircraft?  
Pilot: I cannot confirm it has four bright lights that appear to be landing lights...aircraft has just passed over me about 1,000 feet feet above.  
Flight Service: Is large aircraft confirmed?  
Pilot: Affirmative; at the speed it is travelling are there any RAAF (Royal Australian Air Force) aircraft in vicinity.  
Flight Service: Negative. What is your altitude  
Pilot: 4,500 feet.  
7:09 p.m. Pilot: Aircraft...its not an aircraft its...(break in transmission).  
Flight Service: Can you describe aircraft?  
Pilot: It is flying past. It has a long shape. Cannot identify more than that...Coming for me right now. It seems to be stationary. I'm orbiting and the thing is orbiting on top of me. It has a green light and sort of metallic light on the outside.  
Pilot: It has vanished.  
Flight Service: Confirm it has vanished.  
Pilot: Affirmative. Do you know what sort of aircraft. I've got...is it military?  
Flight Service: No military traffic in the area.  
7:12 p.m. Pilot: Engine is rough idling and coughing .  
Flight Service: What are your intentions?  
Pilot: Proceeding King Island. Unknown aircraft now hovering on top of me and it is not an aircraft.  
Flight Service: Acknowledge

Then came a response by the pilot giving his aircraft identification sign followed by a six second metallic crunching sound and contact with Valentich's aircraft was lost.

The Australian authorities have also denied reports that there were any radar trackings of Valentich's aircraft and the UFO-especially a report in the October 25 "Australian" that radar operators watched two images merge

into one which disappeared off their displays at 3-4,000 mph.

Not having any active investigators in Australia MARCEN can add little to the reports except to note that the strangeness factors of this incident and many others occurring down under near the end of the year are extremely high.

Mr. Pat James of Cessna Aircraft in Wichita, Kansas confirmed to MARCEN that it is impossible that Valentich's aircraft could have engaged in upside down flight of 3 to 5 minutes from 4,500 feet before crashing and that certainly his instrument panel would have indicated a problem even if he was visually disoriented. According to Mr. James a maximum upside down endurance for the aircraft would be probably three seconds before it would have stalled and dropped like a rock into the ocean. From 4,500 feet, it should be noted, the pilot would have had about 1-2 minutes to radio what was happening and to seek rescue after his crash, before the plane actually crashed into the sea.

According to Cessna Aircraft Corporation, the aircraft was not approved for upside down or aerobatic flying because the engine is not aspirated and flying it upside down would cause it to run out of fuel and the engine would die in two to three seconds.

In the meantime, MARCEN has learned from the "Melbourne Sun" that at least four credible witnesses reported sighting a UFO over the Bass Strait, very similar to what Valentich described at almost exactly the time he disappeared. According to the "Sun" Melbourne banker Colin Morgan, 59, and his wife Isabel described an erratically flying object that was "shiny and bright and was shaped like two pyramids together--base to base--with a bright green light at one point. Dr. William Hamilton-Smith and his wife Billie also reported watching a bright star shaped object for about 15 minutes also over the Bass Strait.

It was still light at the time of the Valentich incident so a pilot should have been able to see the horizon and the ocean easily.

Valentich was 20 years old and had been a licensed pilot for 18 months. He spent three years as a cadet in the RAAF Air Training Corps and was an instructor for the RAAF. He had been trained in aerobatic flying and most of his flight training was in the same aircraft, owned by Southern Air Services, that he disappeared in.

Valentich had an instrument rating for flying at night and was building up necessary flying time to get his commercial license when he was lost.

Valentich's father, Griedo, described his son as a positive level-headed youth who believed in UFOs because he had seen classified material about them at Sole RAAF Base.

An oil slick was picked up in the straight at one point but tests confirmed it was not from an aircraft.

A Lockheed Orion P3C plotted the entire area of three meter deep water and did not find any metal in the water. The Orion is filled with extremely sensitive equipment for locating submarines and should have been able to find the wreckage of a small airplane in the water, even if it had exploded upon impact.

Also unexplained is why, if the plane actually did crash, why wasn't the radio signal picked up. The plane carried an emergency locator beacon that would have begun transmitting an emergency signal upon being activated by the impact of a crash or contact with salt water.

The Australian Federal Department of Transport has confirmed that they are holding a 30 minute tape of ground to air transmissions but deny that there is any more information than what has been released.<sup>44</sup>

UFO Research Queensland has informed MARCEN that there had been a spate of UFO reports from the King Island area for about six weeks prior to the Valentich disappearance and that two other aircraft have previously disappeared mysteriously in the area including a Fuji single engine plane in 1969 and a Tiger Moth with two persons aboard in 1974.

# N.A.S.A. SAYS UFOs DO NOT EXIST & NOT WORTHY OF STUDY

It has come to MARCEN's attention that the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, although refusing President Carter to undertake any kind of investigation of the UFO phenomena, has taken on the responsibility of answering all inquiries concerning UFOs sent to the White House and many other key government agencies. At the request of several members, MARCEN has obtained the "canned" form letter response NASA uses and is reproducing it unchanged, except for reduction in physical size. If you find this type of response to serious inquiries of concerned citizens as much of an unsubstantive brush-off as a number of members have, we encourage you to write your own letters to the White House and to NASA expressing your feelings on the handling of the matter. We have indications that both may be a bit more responsive in the future and getting your opinions on the record may well help things along.



## INFORMATION SHEET

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### UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

The information contained here has been compiled to respond to queries on Unidentified Flying Objects directed to the White House as well as NASA.

NASA is the focal point for answering public inquiries to the White House relating to UFOs. NASA is not engaged in a research program involving these phenomena, nor is any other government agency.

### BACKGROUND

In July of 1977, Dr. Frank Press, Director of Science and Technology Policy, Executive Office of the President, wrote to Dr. Robert A. Frosch, the NASA Administrator, suggesting NASA should answer all UFO-related mail and also to consider whether NASA should conduct an active research program on UFOs. In a letter dated December 21, 1977, Dr. Frosch agreed that NASA will continue to respond to UFO-related mail as it has in the past and, if a new element of hard evidence that UFOs exist is brought to NASA's attention from a credible source, NASA will analyze the unexplained organic or inorganic sample and report its findings.

Quoting from Dr. Frosch's December 21 letter: "...If some new element of hard evidence is brought to our attention in the future, it would be entirely appropriate for a NASA laboratory to analyze and report upon an otherwise unexplained organic or inorganic sample; we stand ready to respond to any bona fide physical evidence from credible sources. We intend to leave the door clearly open for such a possibility.

"We have given considerable thought to the question of what else the United States might and should do in the area of UFO research. There is an absence of tangible or physical evidence available for thorough laboratory analysis. And, because of the absence of such evidence, we have not been able to devise a sound scientific procedure for investigating these phenomena. To proceed on a research task without a sound disciplinary framework and an exploratory technique in mind would be wasteful and probably unproductive.

"I do not feel that we could mount a research effort without a better starting point than we have been able to identify thus far. I would therefore propose that NASA take no steps to establish research in this area or to convene a symposium on this subject.

"I wish in no way to indicate that NASA has come to any conclusion about these phenomena as such; institutionally, we retain an open mind, a keen sense of scientific curiosity and a willingness to analyze technical problems within our competence."

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Reports of unidentified objects entering United States air space are of interest to the military as a regular part of defense surveillance. Beyond that, the U.S. Air Force no longer investigates reports of UFO sightings.

This was not always the case. On December 17, 1969, the Secretary of the Air Force announced the termination of Project Blue Book, the Air Force program for UFO investigation started in 1947.

The decision to discontinue UFO investigations, the USAF said, was based on: (1) an evaluation of a report (often called the Condon Report) prepared by the University of Colorado and entitled "Scientific Study of Unidentified Flying Objects;" (2) a review of the University of Colorado report by the National Academy of Sciences; (3) past UFO studies; and (4) Air Force experience investigating UFO reports for two decades.

As a result of these investigations and studies, and experience gained from investigating UFO reports since 1948, the conclusions of the Air Force were: (1) no UFO reported, investigated, and evaluated by the Air Force has ever given any indication of threat to our national security; (2) there has been no evidence submitted to or discovered by the Air Force that sightings categorized as "unidentified" represent technological developments or principles beyond the range of present day scientific knowledge; and (3) there has been no evidence indicating that sightings categorized as "unidentified" are extraterrestrial vehicles.

With the termination of Project Blue Book, the Air Force regulation establishing and controlling the program for investigating and analyzing UFOs was rescinded. All documentation regarding the former Blue Book investigation has been permanently transferred to the Modern Military Branch, National Archives and Records Service, 8th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20408, and is available for public review and analysis. Those wishing to review this material may obtain a researcher's permit from the National Archives and Record Service.

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Also available:

Scientific Study of Unidentified Flying Objects. Condon Report study conducted by the University of Colorado under contract F44620-76-C-0035. Three volumes, 1,465p. 68 plates. Photoduplicated hard copies of the official report may be ordered for \$6 per volume, \$18 the set of three, as AD 680:975, AD 680:976, and AD 680:977, from the National Technical Information Service, U.S. Department of Commerce, Springfield, VA 22151.

Review of University of Colorado Report on Unidentified Flying Objects. Review of report by a panel of the National Academy of Sciences. National Academy of Sciences, 1969, 6p. Photoduplicated hard copies may be ordered for \$3 as AD 688:541 from the National Technical Information Service, U.S. Department of Commerce, Springfield, VA 22151.

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NASA is aware of the many UFO reports made in recent years. However, the majority of inquiries to NASA concerning UFO sightings address themselves to the reported sightings by astronauts during Earth orbital and lunar missions and the report by President Carter while serving as Governor of Georgia.

During several space missions NASA astronauts reported phenomena not immediately explainable. However, in every instance NASA satisfied itself that what had been observed was nothing which could be termed abnormal in the space environment. The air-to-ground tapes of all manned missions are available at the Johnson Space Center, Houston, for review by the serious researcher.

On October 12, 1973, while serving as Governor of Georgia, Mr. Carter responded to inquiries from the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP) saying that he had seen a bright, moving object in the sky over Leary, Georgia, in October of 1969. He said the object was visible for 10 to 12 minutes and, at one point, shone as brightly as the Moon. The regional NICAP representative investigated the sighting and reported there was no evidence to support anything beyond placing what Mr. Carter saw in NICAP's "unidentified" category. However, it has been suggested by some students of aerial phenomena that Mr. Carter may have viewed the Planet Venus which, at certain times, may appear many times brighter than a star of the first-magnitude.

Since NASA is not engaged in day-to-day UFO research, it does not review UFO-related articles intended for publication, evaluate UFO-type spacecraft drawings or accept accounts of UFO sightings or applications for employment in the field of aerial phenomena investigation. All such material will be returned with NASA's thanks to the sender.

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A number of universities and scientific organizations have considered UFO phenomena during periodic meetings and seminars. In addition, a number of private domestic and foreign groups continue to review UFO sighting reports actively. Some of these organizations are:

- (1) National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena  
John L. Acuff, Director  
Suite 23  
3535 University Boulevard, West  
Kensington, MD 20795  
(301) 949-1267
- (2) The Committee for the Scientific Investigation of Claims of the Paranormal  
UFO Subcommittee  
Robert Sheaffer, Chairman  
9805 McMillan Avenue  
Silver Spring, MD 20910  
(301) 589-8371
- (3) Aerial Phenomena Research Organization  
James and Coral Lorenzen, Directors  
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Tucson, AZ 85712  
(602) 793-1825
- (4) Mutual UFO Network  
Walter H. Andrus, Jr., Director  
103 Old Towne Road  
Seguin, TX 78155  
(512) 379-9216
- (5) The Center for UFO Studies  
Dr. J. Allen Hynek, Director  
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## U.S. AIR FORCE ADMITS UFOs ARE REAL AND EXTRATERRESTRIAL OR IS IT PART OF A PLOT TO MAKE THEM APPEAR EXTRATERRESTRIAL?

The official position of the U.S. Air Force as has been publicly stated for many years is that UFOs do not exist and therefore don't warrant any serious consideration and persons reporting them are either ridiculed or summarily dismissed as crackpots.

However, an official U.S. Air Force Academy textbook obtained by MARCEN indicates that cadets at the academy, who will become future U.S. Air Force officers are taught a diametrically opposite position.

"*Introductory Space Science Volume II* by Major Donald Carpenter warns that debunking UFOs without considering all the evidence available to researchers around the world would be foolish.

Major Carpenter writes that "We shall not deny the possibility of alien control of UFOs on the basis of preconceived notions not established as related or relevant to UFOs." "The entire phenomenon could be psychological," he warns, "but that is quite doubtful."

Major Carpenter suggests that "Psychological factors probably do enter the data picture and the entire phenomenon could also be entirely due to known and unknown natural phenomena with some psychological 'noise' thrown in, but that is questionable in view of the data.

The textbook suggests that "A solution of the UFO problem may be obtained by the long and diligent effort of a large group of well financed and competent scientists.

"Unfortunately there is no evidence that such an effort will be made. The best thing to do" concludes Carpenter, "is to keep an open and skeptical mind and not take the extreme position on any side of the question."

Two well known UFO encounters are detailed in the textbook. First is the Socorro, New Mexico encounter of Police Officer Lonnie Zamora in 1964 with several pages devoted to the details. Sharing equal space is the reported UFO abduction of Barney and Betty Hill in New Hampshire in 1961.

The academy textbook was published in 1966 and when MARCEN contacted the academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado, Captain Ronald Bell explained that the textbook has not been used in the academy since 1972, having been replaced in a routine updating of teaching materials.

However, the copy MARCEN obtained came from a foreign exchange officer who was issued the textbook while studying at the academy in 1978.

Other comments in the Air Force textbook include: "UFOs come from other planets and are egg-shaped vehicles." The crews of the UFOs are  $3\frac{1}{2}$  feet tall with round heads and wrap around eyes and arms reaching below the knees." "UFOs have been buzzing the earth for 50,000 years and have been fired upon by Air Force planes!"

"During the 1950s", says the textbook, "An Air Force base radar picked up a UFO moving 700 miles per hour. When it slowed to 100 MPH, two F-86 Sabrejets were scrambled to intercept it. When the range closed to 1,000 yards, one fighter pilot armed his guns and fired on the UFO, which merely sped out of sight-unharmed.

## Progress is not Always Highly Visible

A number of members of the Center have expressed impatience over apparent lack of evidence of concrete work or results, apparently unaware of the tasks involved in getting a viable organization functioning. The Center understands this impatience but unfortunately science does not work other than in an orderly and scholarly manner and the Center refuses to jump onto a sensationalistic bandwagon in order to satisfy impatience.

# PERSONAL THEORIES ON THE ORIGIN AND NATURE OF UFOs

BY Dr. Williard F. McIntyre

*EDITOR'S NOTE: The following article expresses personal opinions of Dr. McIntyre and not official position of MARCEN. It is presented as one of many alternative theories about UFOs to be exposed in the Journal in upcoming issues in an attempt to expose the membership to the gamut of logical theories about the UFO phenomenon. MARCEN invites all participating members to submit their own theories for publication and invites all members to comment on all published theories.*

The only position MARCEN is officially willing to state publicly about UFOs is that the phenomenon, whatever it is ultimately proven to be, exists and is worthy of study to discover answers.

I have been involved for over 18 years in trying to find answers to the UFO question in one capacity or another and have been hearing only slightly modified versions of the above statement that entire time from nearly every respectable organization or study group established to look at the phenomenon. Even though I am now involved in the formulation of the above statement and position, I can not quarrel with it because there is no concrete proven answers otherwise.

I clearly acknowledge that there are many "old time" ufologists that make me look like a youngster in the field. I know most of the persons in the ufolgy "field" either on a personal basis or from correspondence or phone conversations. I do not consider myself or the vast majority of the others involved in serious ufolgy to be nitwits or gullible dupes. Yet there are no concrete answers to the phenomenon. perhaps we all have been duped.

In all the 18+ years, I cannot truthfully say that I have seen an indisputable photo of a UFO, even though I have looked at thousands purporting to be authentic, and most of them original first generation photos. Nor have I ever seen any positive physical evidence of a "nuts and bolts" UFO.

The repetitive question that keeps popping up to sceptic and believer alike is simply "Why not?

My own personal theory is that maybe because we have not been looking in the correct area. There is a tendency to try to explain UFOs as any other unknown in terms of one answer that will neatly fit the entire phenomenon. I don't think this one answer exists.

I personally believe that based on all I have seen in nearly two decades of looking at UFO data that there may well have been a few visitations to Earth by beings of an advanced technology from beyond our solar system and that these exploratory expeditions may be continuing sporadically today.

Given a few legitimate encounters for a base, supplemented by imaginations overly stimulated by television, movies, and pulp news stand UFO magazines along with a few emotionally disturbed persons and we have the ingredients for large scale sightings.

This still cannot account for all or even nearly all of the sightings that are reported. I can not believe that so many people can be so emotionally disturbed as to hallucinate on such a grand scale, nor do I believe there are enough frauds and hoaxers around to create so much confusion.

As I have already indicated, I cannot give credence to any theory that more than a few UFOs represent actual encounters with occupied or remotely piloted "nuts and bolts" mechanical devices. If we have been dealing with such alien craft exclusively for all of the years they have been reported, unless they represent a super perfect race that creates beings incapable of mistakes and builds infallible craft we would have museums and warehouses full of crashed spacecraft and alien artifacts.

Instead, I believe that periodic exploratory visitations to Earth by alien entities that may have been occurring for many centuries have provided the stimuli for earthly governments or agencies to exploit the phenomenon for the purposes of propaganda advantages over political enemies or in an altruistic attempt to cause all of the people of Earth to cling together in unity against a potential common enemy and stop fighting each other.

During World War II, the allies carried out a similar operation code named "Ultra" against the Axis. As first documented in Anthony Brown's book, "A Bodyguard of Lies",

Ultra was the ultimate in a propaganda weapon that created imaginary armies and landings, entire phony military camps and phantom operations. A part of the World War II operation created advanced computer technology that emulated the codes of all countries and sent out phony intelligence at will.

Information on Ultra was not declassified and made public until 1974. Anyone arguing that secrets can not be kept need only look at Ultra.

Dr. Jacques Vallee, a Stanford University Computer expert and long-time ufologist from France has gone further than my theories in his latest book, "UFOs, Messengers of Deception" Copyright 1979 by And/Or Press, Berkeley, California.

In his book, Vallee arrives at his conclusions after discounting other theories for many of the same reasons I have outlined above. Vallee suggests "UFOs are the simulation of an outer space invasion to prevent a third World War by turning the thoughts of mankind toward an extraterrestrial goal." To the question of secrecy, Vallee answers: " If UFOs are part of an international deception stratagem, its likely that most intelligence units of the United States government have been kept in the dark or primly told to'stay away'".

Dr. Vallee sums up his position with "The answer to the question 'could an international group fake use or manipulate UFO activity?' has to be yes."

Vallee's hypothesis suggests that the U.S. Air Force's Project Bluebook was a coverup for a deception scheme and that the infiltration of UFO groups by persons linked to the intelligence world was all part of the overall scenario. NICAP and the Center for UFO Studies are as necessary to a successful deception as Project Bluebook or the Condon Committee because they defuse the issue and provide an escape valve for the steam of the enthusiasts, he hypothesized.

Vallee theorized that former Central Intelligence Agency director Admiral Hillenkoeter joined the Board of Governors of NICAP to lend credibility to the stratagem by deliberately promoting the "extraterrestrial" theory.

My theories and those of Dr. Vallee mostly parallel except for minor divergences and may explain the reason for active leadership in NICAP of such known intelligence operatives as Bernard J.O. Carvalho, Count Nicholas de Rochefort, and Colonel Joseph Bryan.

It is more than possible that not even Major Keyhoe of NICAP or other leaders of NICAP or other UFO organizations did not know the roles they were being duped into playing as pawns of an international deception stratagem.

As far out as this theory may appear, I find it as acceptable as I would have found believing, before 1974 that General Patton had commanded a phantom army armed with inflatable tanks and cardboard barracks while PT boats in a heavy fog bank offshore played recordings of the sounds of an invasion fleet. We now know this happened and within the next decade we may know the truth about UFOs.

## SCIENTIFIC FRENCH GOVERNMENT UFO STUDY SAYS UFOs ARE REAL

MARCEN was leaked a translated summary of a 500 page classified report of a French government sponsored official UFO research unit. MARCEN withheld publication of the report until more sources had published and validated it. The January issue of the French UFO magazine "Les Extraterrestres" included an in depth article on the study and the Oct.-Nov. 1978 issue of the International UFO Reporter of the Center for UFO Studies reported on the summary, so MARCEN now presents the conclusions.

MARCEN is extremely impressed with the calibre of personnel conducting the study and the depth of the work they accomplished. Comparing the French study with the U.S. Air Force sponsored Condon Committee Report appears to MARCEN similar to comparing a college freshman term paper in physical education to a doctoral dissertation on Nuclear Physics.

The French study selected eleven close encounter cases from the period between 1966 and 1978 to concentrate upon. The cases were selected because of the high credibility of the witnesses and the fact that the UFOs were all seen from less than 250

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meters. Two of the cases investigated included humanoid entity occupants of the UFOs.

The scientists concluded that the witnesses had indeed seen a material "nuts and bolts" phenomenon that could not be explained in terms of natural phenomenon or man-made objects in ten of the eleven cases. A conventional explanation was found for the eleventh case.

The scientific study group was created by the French government in 1977 and was informed of new UFO cases by teletype by the national police force. Even though the preliminary study is completed and its director-Dr. Claude Poher has resigned, the group will continue in existence and will study and investigate UFOs on a continuing basis.

Actual investigations were carried out in each of the cases by teams of four scientists of a variety of disciplines and always including a psychologist who carried out psychological examinations relevant to the testimony of the witnesses.

The scientific board of the UFO project, which is known as GEPAN for Groupe d'Etude des Phenomenon Aerospaciaux Non-identifies, is composed of members of the French National Meteorology Administration; The Lyon Astronomical Observatory; Paris University's Social Psychology Center; The Astrophysical Laboratory and Geodynamic Research Center of Paris University; The Polytechnic School's Theoretical Physics Laboratory, and Clermont-Ferrand University's Physical Meteorological Laboratory.

The report continued further that the UFOs are aerial devices whose modes of sustenance and propulsion are beyond our knowledge.

MARCEN officers and consultants who reviewed the summary agreed that the investigations were textbook models of how such research should be carried out.

The French study , which will be of a continuing on-going nature, gave no speculation as to the source or mission of the UFOs. France is currently the only known country to have a government sponsored UFO research unit.

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## CLASSIC UFO CASES REVIEWED

*EDITOR'S NOTE: MARCEN will attempt to acquaint its members with the more significant classical UFO cases by presenting one each month along with an update of any newly discovered information or conclusions. The encounter chosen for this issue is a close encounter of the third type that happened in Socorro, New Mexico on April 24, 1964.*  
*Source: NICAP files and direct from witness.*

The time was 5:45 PM Mountain Standard Time when police officer Lonnie Zamora, patrolling through Socorro, New Mexico in Patrol Car 2, spotted a car speeding on Old Rodeo Street. Beginning his pursuit of the speeder near the courthouse, Officer Zamora chased the black Chevrolet due south toward the rodeo grounds.

As Officer Zamora reared the George Murillo residence with the pursued car about three blocks in front of his police cruiser, he heard a roar and saw a flame in the sky a half mile to a mile to the southwest.

Officer Zamora remembered that there was a dynamite shack on land owned by the Socorro mayor and assuming it had blown up, broke off his pursuit of the speeder and headed toward the dynamite shack, fearful that some children might have detonated it and could be hurt.

Officer Zamora related that he saw a blue and orange inverted-funnel shaped flame descending from the sky. He said that he did not see any object with the flame and didn't notice if the top of the flame was level or not. No smoke was seen in conjunction with the flame but Zamora did notice a commotion of dust rising as the flame descended behind a small hill in front of him.

He said that the roar he heard was not a blast and not like a jet engine and went from a high pitched whine to a lower pitched whine before it stopped after a duration of about ten seconds. The audible and visual observations were made with both windows of the police cruiser rolled down and no other traffic in the area except for the car Zamora was originally chasing, now a considerable distance ahead.

Turning toward the mayor's property, Zamora's police cruiser had difficulty climbing a 60 foot grade on a loose gravel road and he had to back up and try the hill three times before finally negotiating it.

Officer Zamora drove slowly for 10 to 15 seconds, looking for the dynamite shack when he saw a white shiny object about 150 to 200 yards from the road. His first thoughts were that some kids had turned over a white car. He noticed two people wearing white coveralls near the shiny object. He described them as small adults or large children.

Zamora did not notice if the two beings were wearing headgear or helmets or hats, but said that one of them looked directly at his police cruiser and appeared startled and jumped quickly.

Officer Zamora picked up his radio microphone and called his dispatcher to say he would be out of the cruiser checking on a car in the arroyo.

While still talking on the radio, Zamora got out of the car and dropped the microphone. While he was replacing the microphone into its clip in the car, he heard a loud banging or thumping like someone slamming a metallic door. As he walked toward the edge of the arroyo, he saw a flame appear under the object and a loud roar started that became progressively louder and higher pitched. He described the flame as light blue with orange near the ground.

When Zamora got to within about 75 to 100 feet from the object, it started rising from the ground and he noticed a red insignia about two feet square painted on the side of what he now saw clearly as an egg-shaped object.

When the roaring and flames increased with the object rising straight in the air, Officer Zamora fearing that the object might explode, retreated for his cruiser and tripped rounding the rear bumper and lost his glasses.

He said the object leveled off about level with his cruiser on top of the rise and sped off in a horizontal plane.

Zamora kept running wanting to put his cruiser between him and the object. After about six seconds the roaring stopped and the officer, no longer afraid, turned toward it as it flew off level cross-country toward the southwest. He said it cleared the eight foot high dynamite shack by about three feet. He said it had no flame whatsoever and made absolutely no sound as it traveled over the ground in horizontal flight. He watched it just clear Six Mile Canyon Mountain and then disappear in the distance near the mountains.

Zamora retrieved his glasses, got into his cruiser and called his dispatcher, asking him to look out the window and see if he could see the object. He later realized that the dispatcher's window faced north and he could not have seen the object.

While waiting for another officer to arrive, Officer Zamora made a sketch of the red insignia he had seen on the craft.

Zamora's supervisor-Sergeant Chavez arrived at the scene about 20 minutes after the object had departed and both officers walked down into the gully to find several patches of greasewood and sagebrush burning. Four depressions were found in the soil and these were surrounded with rocks by the officers to protect them.

An FBI agent was at the Socorro Police Station on some other business while the encounter was taking place and made immediate inquiry of the commander of the White Sands, New Mexico government experimental proving grounds to determine if any experimental devices had been operated in the area.

The answer was negative and because of the FBI agent adding credence to the incident, an official inquiry and investigation was begun.

By 1:00 AM the next morning, statements by Zamora and Chavez had been recorded and the scene had been measured and photographed.

Within a few days of the incident, Dr. J. Allen Hynek, The U.S. Air Force's UFO Scientific Consultant, arrived at the scene and examined the site with Officer Zamora.

The four landing marks were about three inches deep in heavy packed sandy clay soil. Dr. Hynek said the depressions appeared to have been scooped out as if a heavy mechanical object had slid very gently into place.

When the four landing marks were plotted, it was discovered that in the nearly exact center of the marks, the ground and vegetation were badly charred.

After concluding his investigation, Dr. Hynek stated that, in his opinion, a real physical event had taken place.

The driver of the speeding car was never located to determine what might have been seen but the operator of a service station on a road parallelling the site said that two tourists had stopped for gasoline about 6:00 PM and had remarked about strange low flying aircraft in the area, but they were not immediately located.

## TWO IOWAN WITNESSES SAW SOCORRO SAUCER?

*EDITOR'S NOTE: The following information results from investigative work by Ralph C. DeGraw and is supplied courtesy of Private UFO Investigations, Route 1, Hazelton, Iowa 50641; publishers of the quarterly *UFO EXAMINER*, \$5.00 annually—an excellent UFO journal.*

When Dr. J. Allen Hynek was investigating the Socorro, New Mexico incident for the U.S. Air Force, Mr. Opel Grinder, an attendant at Whiting Brothers Chevron Service Station on Highway 85 near Socorro told Hynek that a motorist stopped at the station for gas at about 6:00 PM and mentioned seeing a strange craft that had flown over the highway as he was heading north. The motorist said that the craft was flying west towards a mesa and after it disappeared behind the mesa, he saw a police car driving up the mesa in the same direction the craft had come down in.

The April 24, 1964 issue of the *Dubuque, Iowa Telegraph-Herald* carried a story with a five-column banner headline that two Dubuque residents had seen the Socorro Saucer. The article was filled with errors and omissions and for fourteen years ufologists were unable to contact the additional witnesses.

On May 6, 1978, Ralph C. DeGraw and Patrick Crowley interviewed Larry Kratzer and on May 11, 1978 they interviewed Paul Kies.

After 14 years, memories wear a little thin and both witnesses agreed substantially about the times, location, etc., but gave divergent accounts of the description of the object sighted.

MARCEEN considers the investigation by DeGraw and Crowley extremely significant in locating substantiating witnesses to the Socorro incident and is not particularly bothered by the discrepancies in the descriptions. It appears to be the same old classic case of two witnesses watching a hit and run automobile accident and giving the police reports of two different colored cars. When confronted with totally strange or alien sights that have not been previously recorded in the recesses of the mind before, the human mind perceives the image in terms of stored images so different perceptions in different persons is not uncommon.

Kies and Kratzer agreed that they had been in Quemado, New Mexico picking up a boat and trailer that Kratzer had left behind on a previous trip because of automobile trouble.

They said they were driving east on Highway 60 and were descending out of the Magdelenia Mountains toward Socorro and the Rio Grande River at just before 5:00 PM Iowa time which would have been 4:00 PM Socorro time.

Kies said that Kratzer, who was driving as they were about a mile from Socorro, pointed out a cloud of dust followed by black smoke ahead and to the right of their position.

Kies said that the smoke appeared to be about a mile away and as he looked, he saw a bright light from inside the smoke and wasn't certain whether it was something emitting light or sunlight reflecting from something shiny. Kies believed that there was an auto junkyard in the distance and that old tires were being burned and that he had seen the sun reflecting from an old car window.

Kies related that they stopped at the Chevron station to get gas and to hook up the lights to the boat trailer as dusk was approaching.

Between 11:00 PM and Midnight, as they were driving through Oklahoma, Kies said, they were listening to station KOMA on the car radio and heard an account of Zamora's encounter and figured from the time and the location, that they had seen the same thing. This is why they called the newspaper after arriving back in Dubuque.

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Larry Kratzer's account was substantially the same as Kies's except that he said he saw a shiny silver egg-shaped object climbing vertically out of the black smoke about a mile distant and that it leveled off and flew away horizontally southeast.

Kratzer was certain he had seen about four glass windows or port-holes in the side of the object and assumed they extended all the way around it. He said there was a red "Z" painted near one end.

He further stated that it appeared about the size of the full moon and as he watched it, it got smaller trailing off into the distance still emitting black smoke.

Kratzer felt that he had witnessed the takeoff of an experimental vertical takeoff aircraft.

The two Iowans said they might have been mistaken about the exact time of the sighting and Ralph DeGraw speculated that they were indeed mistaken because they said they saw the sun just above the horizon during the sighting and they spent about two hours at the service station hooking up the lights and left just as it was getting dark. Since sunset was a little after 7:00 PM and it would have gotten dark about an hour later, DeGraw concludes they saw the object at the same time as Zamora.

MARCEN accepts this analysis of the sighting time and concludes likewise that the times of the sightings by Kratzer, Kies and Zamora were probably concurrent.

More difficult to resolve are the discrepancies in the descriptions of the object. Kies believed he was watching something on the ground and Kratzer said it climbed about 1,000 feet before leveling off, while Zamora maintained that it rose only 15 to 25 feet high.

Zamora was insistant that the object was shiny white but not silver and had no windows or openings visible but Kratzer was adamant that it was silver and had at least four windows.

The fact that Zamora's account of the sighting appeared in the Dubuque paper along with Kratzer's and Kies's accounts and the intervening fourteen years may have caused some embellishment of the facts.

MARCEN believes there are enough similiarities in the accounts to believe all three witnesses were the audience of the same anomalous event, and that all did indeed see an unknown craft rising from the New Mexico arroyo. Who or what was piloting it is unknown but MARCEN agrees with Dr. Hynek that the event indeed did take place.

## THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE SOCORRO SYMBOL

By Dr. Leon Davidson

*EDITOR'S NOTE: Dr. Davidson's views are presented because they mesh with the updating of the Socorro incident and because they do go along with other theories about the UFO Phenomenon presented elsewhere in this issue. Dr. Davidson is a Ph. D. engineer who worked for the government at the Atomic Laboratories at Los Alamos, New Mexico in the late 1940s during the height of the "Green Fireball" flaps in that area and studied the secret Project Grudge report. In 1952, Dr. Davidson was given a private showing, at the Pentagon, of the then being withheld from the public Tremonton movie films. Major Dewey Fournet showed the film to Dr. Davidson to solicit his opinion. Students of Ufology may be interested to learn that Dr. Davidson is the "Dr. D. or Dr. L.D." referred to in the report of the CIA's Robertson UFO panel. Dr. Davidson was working at the Atomic Energy Commission headquarters in Washington, D.C. during the 1952 UFO flap there.*

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On the thirtieth anniversary of Kenneth Arnold's epochal sighting, let us saucer researchers review our assumptions. Regarding the flying saucers seen in close encounters, many think there is no solid proof

as to just where in the Universe they were built. The Socorro, New Mexico landing of April 1964 (Dr. Hynek's first close encounter case in "The UFO Experience") provides clear evidence of the source of the UFO.

The Socorro case is one of the better sightings proving saucers are real. (See references "A" and "B" under "Step 1" of the Symbol Analysis) It took place two years after my "Open Letter to Saucer Researchers" was published, giving my view that a secret American agency, the "ZYA" (CIA) was causing the saucer phenomenon. Let's review the Socorro case briefly.

A police officer had followed a speeding car from the center of Socorro. He saw flames near property of the mayor, and found a saucer already on the ground, which soon took off. When the officer radioed for help an FBI agent, who happened to be in Socorro, soon arrived at the scene. Due to the FBI man's presence and unofficial participation, the validity of the reports of physical traces at the site cannot be disputed.

The policeman's own report includes features common to other reported landings. Two human-like "occupants" outside a saucer had also been reported by Oskar Linke in June 1950 at the border of East and West Germanies. Orange and blue flashes had also been reported by Carlo Rossi, while fishing in a river near Pisa, Italy, in July 1952, when a saucer came down to "suck up water". (*Flying Saucer Review Vol. 21 No. 5, Page 25 (Published February 1976)*) (Note: Linke connotes "Leftist" in German. Rossi means "Red" in Italian. Proof that Linke was a CIA hoax will be in a future article, but both these cases probably were hoaxes.)

Besides such "ordinary" saucer features, the Socorro saucer displayed a red symbol, about 2 ft. square. The officer sketched it from memory while waiting for help to arrive. (See top sketches on Analysis) We can assume he was reasonably accurate; the sight was fresh in his mind. It lends itself to obvious moral, religious, or metaphysical interpretations: the "arch of the heavens" over the "line of the horizon" surrounding an "upward arrow". However, no contact group claimed receiving any message or explanation from the occupants or their base.

The residents of Socorro and the Air Force investigators thought the craft was from some nearby military research site in the New Mexico desert. If so, it was so secret that all agencies questioned denied it was theirs. No meaningful analysis of the symbol has been published until now. Brad Steiger, in the Table of Contents of Reference B called it "an insignia that could not be broken(i.e., deciphered.)

Symbols have been seen on other saucers. (See article by Lucius Farish and Dale Titler in *Official UFO magazine*, 1976) At Temple, Texas (1966) and Oklahoma City, Oklahoma (1971) the saucer symbols looked like experimental aircraft numbers (such as "TX-1478"). The UMMA symbol seen in Spain (1966-67) looks like the seventh letter of the Cyrillic (Russian) alphabet. ("Sounds like" Z, looks like ~~H~~.) Lately, UMMA has been seen to be an Earth-based organization, incidentally.

Saucer symbols are important because in most contact cases, the crews do not let the contactee take away any tangible graphics, such as the book that Betty Hill wanted to keep as "proof". Instead she was allowed to memorize a star map. (See "The Zeta Reticuli Incident" by Terence Dickinson.) A notable exception was the plaster cast of the "shoe-sole heiroglyphics" which Adamski and Williamson made. The external symbols are therefore our best examples of graphics used by saucer people for analysis in our research.

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Like Poe's "Purloined Letter", a simple interpretation of the Socorro symbol becomes obvious if we literally just change our point of view. Sideways, as shown in the analysis, the letters "C" and "I" appear clearly. Rotating the arrowhead (which was not connected to its shaft) gives us the letter "A" Putting the "A" after the "I" gives us a nicely proportioned C I A, in perspective.

The 1976 Fifth Edition of my book "*Flying Saucers: An Analysis of the Air Force Project Blue Book Special Report No. 14*" has a chapter on "The CIA and the Saucers". It includes articles I published decades ago, showing how the CIA, under Allen Dulles, had caused the whole flying saucer scene. Thus finding the clear monogram of the CIA on the well-believed Socorro saucer ("extremely convincing", Hynek calls this case on page 162 of *The UFO Experience*) ought to make all saucer fans reconsider their beliefs. Very few other initials can be made from the symbol; Allen Dulles's (AD) is shown in the analysis. Phil Klass suggested that my own initials (LD) can be made too. My reply is what the patient told the psychiatrist who was showing him certain pictures: "I didn't draw the blasted thing!"

The probability that extraterrestrials who reached Earth would have an alphabet like ours, or that organizations of theirs would have initials like ours, is about equal to the probability that extraterrestrials would look exactly like humans, or would have fingerprints that could be traced in Earth's fingerprint files. (All of this has been reported in contact cases). Even the four "entities" (as Dr. Berthold Schwarz refers to them) photographed by Mrs. Stella Lansing in Massachusetts in February 1967, look more like Brazilian sailors than space men, with their chevrons on the sleeves of their "whites", their beards and mustaches, etc. (See photos in *Flying Saucer Review, Special Issue No. 5, November 1973, Pages 2-5*).

I would like proof that the saucer crews are not Earth men in the pay of the CIA. You might find it unbelievable that the CIA would paint its own initials on a saucer hoax. Allen Dulles had enough chutzpah to order such a stunt. The "space man" who spoke to Daniel Fry by radio, as reported in Fry's 1954 book "*The White Sands Incident*", told Fry "On Earth, men call me A-lan." (Get it? "Allen") I think this illustrates Dulles's personal interest and involvement in the project.

Possibly, however, a rival of the CIA staged the Socorro event, to give the CIA a black eye. Maybe Russia's KGB, although I hope they don't have such free access to New Mexico airspace. More likely, a rival American intelligence agency did it as a part of the effort in the 1960s to downgrade the CIA's public image. For example, the Pentagon's Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) is jealous of the civilian-controlled CIA and its budget. An orchestrated set of disclosures in the 1960s exposed many illegal CIA domestic activities, such as funding college student organizations. Knowing of the CIA's saucer project, the DIA may have put the symbol on a test vehicle and made a secret flight to Socorro, with help from the FBI (no friend of the CIA) and a decoy speeding car.

Recently the U.S. Senate exposed the CIA's tie-in with the Mafia and the Howard Hughes group in Nevada, in the "Executive Action" project to assassinate selected world leaders, in the early 1960s. "Would you believe" this led to killing our own Chief Executive, President John F. Kennedy? "Sorry about that!" (These are the phrases of the bumbling CIA man in the TV series "Get Smart" of the 1960s which helped destroy the public's high opinion of the CIA) We also know now of the CIA's role in illegal LSD experiments, hypnosis tests, etc.

Whether the CIA itself, or some rival agency, put the red CIA symbol on the Socorro saucer, the point is that it was made on Earth! Earth's present technology explains many of the "unusual" saucer phenomena, unusual because they are not well known. Beams of light slowly extend from saucers, or draw back, ending abruptly in mid-air, which real light wouldn't do. These are variable-voltage beams of electrons, projected from high voltage versions of the regular TV tube, making the air glow in their path until they are absorbed. (*The beams are described in the article by Jan Heering in Flying Saucer Review, Volume 22 No. 5 Pages 19-22 (February 1977)* )

Likewise, audio pulsed microwave beams produce simulated telepathy, when a "Light Ray" is pointed at a contactee's head, to aim the micro-waves. Pulsed heating of the internal ear (as food is heated in a microwave oven) causes actual sounds to be heard inside the ear. Of course, this could damage the eyes, as radar technicians have found out, and as certain UFO witnesses have reported. Microwave beams (not pulsed at audio frequencies) heat the bearings and engine parts of cars and trucks, causing slipping clutches, opening lighting relays, and generally producing the "car-stopping syndrome", (So there is a secret ray weapon!)

Why would a government agency be allowed to do all this? The Congressional Committee on Oversight of the CIA ("Oversight is the right word") probably finds the old Watergate excuse, "national security" sufficient. Three noble purposes will serve as examples.

(1) Saucers are used to capture headlines and pre-empt news coverage, to divert the public from what Big Brother thinks is unwelcome news. A prime example is the unprecedented coverage of the 1957 saucer flap, which was started about 05:00 GMT November 3, 1957, just 90 minutes after Sputnik II went into orbit with the dog Laika. This left the U.S. far behind in the space race. (Sputnik I was also a surprise.) The saucer flap reduced the impact of the Russian space success.

(2) Saucers were supposed to cause Russia to waste resources developing counter weapons against their supposed super-performance, as seen in the U.S. sightings of 1947-49. Alas, despite the general impression, saucers do not stay aloft more than one hour or fly more than 400 miles or carry heavy loads, because of expensive fuel and small capacity. No wonder midgets are preferred for crew members! (The 10,000 MPH green fireballs are something else! But they can't hover.)

(3) Saucer contactees generated public opinion in the 1950s for stopping A-bomb tests, which was the primary message of all saucer crews. The Russians were overcoming our lead so rapidly that any halt of testing would help us more than them, but the U.S. Government could never, never take that position officially.

# THE C.I.A. AND THE SAUCER

Part of the evidence that the C.I.A., under Allen Dulles, was the builder and operator of the flying saucers seen in close encounters.

ANALYSIS OF THE INSIGNIA SEEN BY PATROLMAN LONNIE ZAMORA ON  
A LANDED FLYING SAUCER AT SOCORRO, N. MEX. ON APRIL 24, 1964



This is the design as observed.  
Lonnies Zamora

A.



This is the design as observed.  
Lonnies Zamora

B.

Step 1: Exact copy of Insignia as drawn at time of sighting. It was about 2 x 2 ft. in area, in red lettering, consisting of an arc, a line, and an "arrow-like" figure, with "stem" and "point" disconnected.

- A. Reprinted from p. 67 of Emenegger, "UFO's Past, Present, and Future", Ballantine Books #25036, 1974 (\$1.75).
- B. Reprinted from p. 107 of Steiger, "Project Blue Book", Ballantine Books, #26091, 1976 (\$1.95)



Step 2: Rotate the entire Insignia, counterclockwise or clockwise.



Step 3: Rotate the "arrowhead" only, to form the letter "A" with the "stem".



Step 4: Interchange the second and third letters, forming the initials of the "C I A" exactly!

Shift the vertical line to the right to meet the arc, forming the letter "D", thus giving the initials of Allen Dulles, "A D"!

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## THE SUNSPOT AND UFO CONNECTION OR IS THERE ONE?

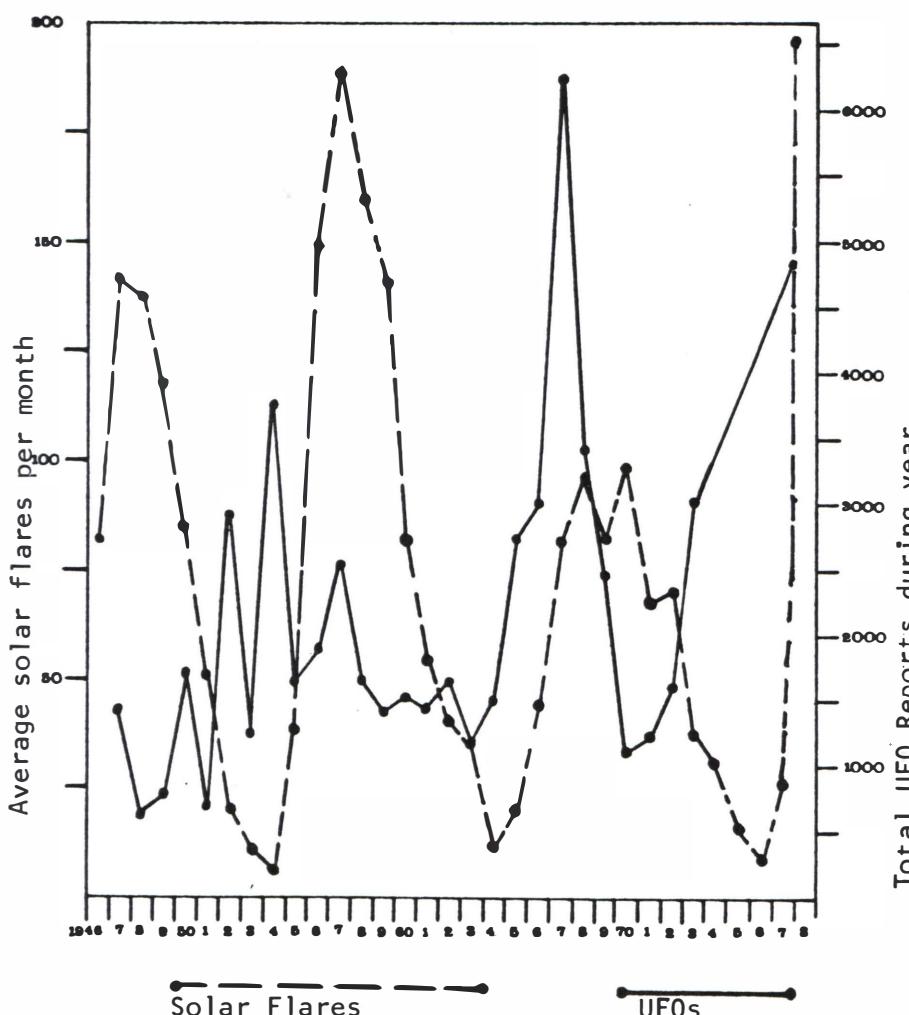
*EDITOR'S NOTE:* A large number of *UFOlogists* and writers are attempting to coordinate *UFO activity with Sunspots*. One writer goes so far as to suggest that *UFOs* are here to rescue the "good" earthlings from the harmful effects of the sunspots and solar flare radiation in their insulated saucers. MARCEN decided to take a look at this:

Checking the sunspot activity lists available from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration we find in the list from 1901 to the present that the first year with consistant sunspot activity of more than 100 per month was 1947 the year of Kenneth Arnold's famous sighting and the year of a major *UFO* wave.

During 1957-58 the sun changed polarity and the sunspot activity was again over 100 per month and there was indeed a *UFO* flap of 1957. The total polarity change of the sun has never before been observed by man although geologic records indicate it may have happened several times before many millions of years ago. (See *Scientific American December 1959 page 82*) Before the drastic change, the sun's polarity was opposite that of the earth's and the sudden magnetic transposition twenty two years ago triggered global weather changes. Ocean and Air currents and earthquake activity have all changed patterns since the switch.

Dr. Keith Handy, writing in the *New Scientist* of August 25, 1977 highlights the work of Dr. John Eddy at the High Altitude Observatory in Boulder, Colorado, who

Chart 1



1964 to 1978. Here we find a closer relationship except for the period between 1973 and  
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studied Bristlecone Pine Tree rings dating back 7,000 years and found that the sun has been quiet except for a few brief bursts of energy since the late Bronze Age until the last few hundred years.

The conclusion drawn was that after being quiet for thousands of years, the sun began to be active a few hundred years ago creating constant magnetic changes in the 11year sunspot cycle. Then in 1957, something never before witnessed by man happened as the sun reversed its polarity.

Can we conclude that the solar activity has attracted the interest of visitors from elsewhere in the galaxy to study our sun?

Utilizing the Solar Flare data from NOAA and *UFO* sighting numbers from *UFOCAT*, Chart 1 shows the relationship between solar activity and *UFO* sightings from 1946 through 1978. We can see that high solar flare numbers in 1947, 1957 and 1978 were closely matched with corresponding *UFO* activity. The peaks and valleys of both phenomena are not identical with *UFO* activity often lagging a year or two behind, which many *UFOlogists* are interpreting as travel time from a distant star system.

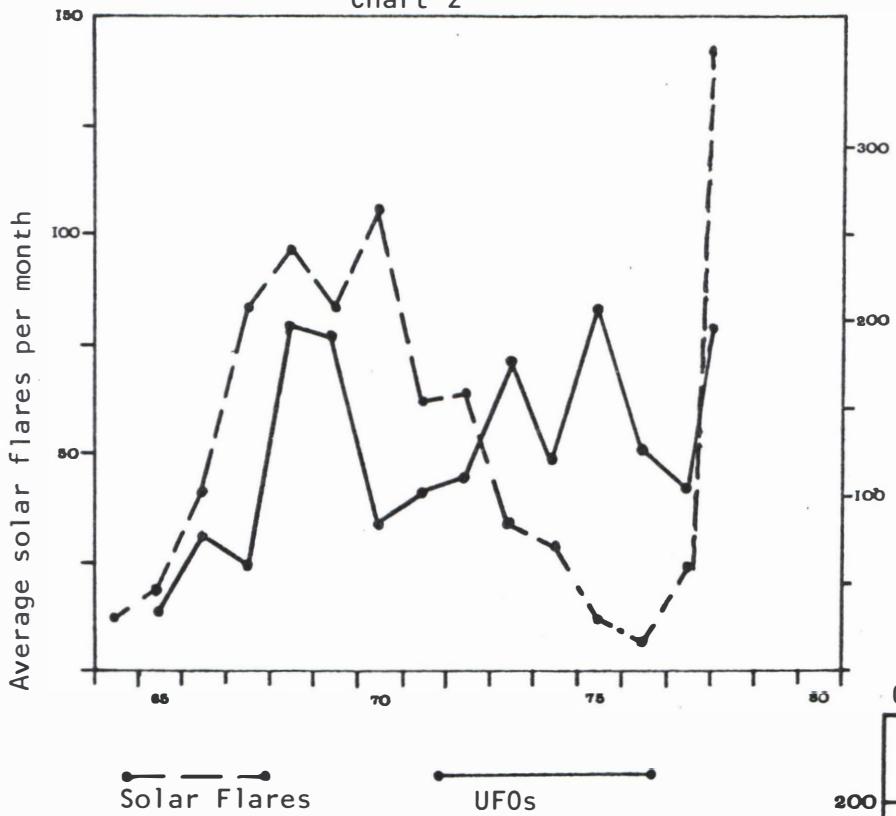
Chart 2 compares all solar activity with *UFO* activity on an average event per month basis from

1977 which proves really only that nothing is consistant in UFOlogy.

Chart 3 compares solar flares to UFO activity in France during the period of 1940 to 1978. Again we see a close relationship between UFOs and solar activity in some years and a year or two delay in matching activities at other times.

Although MARCEN is not convinced that currently available data can prove or even strongly hypothesize a direct relationship between solar activity and UFO sightings, it does believe that the subject warrants further study and is estab-

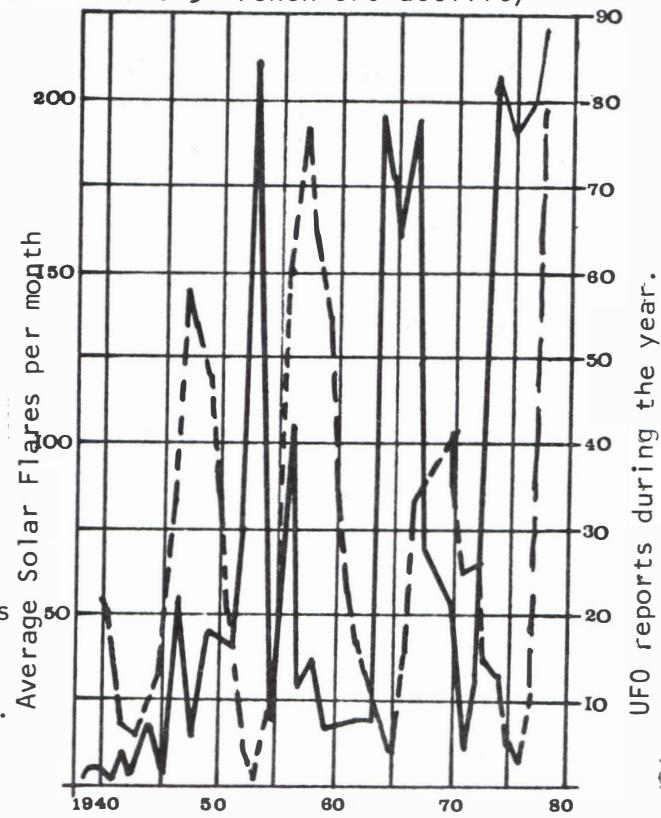
Chart 2



### Chart 3 French UFO activity

| Month | 1977 | 1978  | 1979  |
|-------|------|-------|-------|
| Jan.  | 15.5 | 83.1  | 262.8 |
| Feb.  | 23   | 160.1 | 219.9 |
| Mar.  | 10.8 | 136.8 |       |
| Apr.  | 18.9 | 169.2 |       |
| May   | 25.4 | 154.7 |       |
| June  | 51.4 | 172.2 |       |
| July  | 27.8 | 117.2 |       |
| Aug.  | 53.2 | 96.3  |       |
| Sept. | 68.9 | 221.8 |       |
| Oct.  | 71.5 | 200.8 |       |
| Nov.  | 47.2 | 162.1 |       |
| Dec.  | 80.3 | 208.6 |       |

Membership input and suggestions for this study are welcomed and hereby solicited. A suggestion has been made to establish a sky-watch during periods of peak sunspot activity. MARCEN would like your opinion on doing this.



UF0s

## Solar Flares

## **UFO SIGNTINGS EVALUATED**

*EDITOR'S NOTE: MARCEN's UFO Sightings Evaluation Board of Consultants have reviewed the cases reported in the November 1978 issue of Believe It and have made evaluations based on the data available. See Believe It for descriptions of sightings.*

Cerro Otto, Argentina, May 10, 1978 Probable hoax. Photo does not support testimony.

Kerman, California (Not Texas) May 13, 1978 Unknown, considered a significant case by panel.

Ocala, Florida, May 14, 1978 Considered a greatly significant unknown by panel.

Bath and Gwent, England May 25, 1978 Insufficient data for evaluation.

Encinitas, California, May 30, 1978 Probable orbiting man-made satellites and/or launch hardware.

Gronbont, England, June 7, 1978 Extremely probable misidentification of Venus.

Sutton Manor, England, May 8, 1978 Probable meteor.

Chippenham, England, June 10, 1978 Probable meteor combined with psychological effects of flap of English sighting reported on radio and in press.

Streatham Common, England, June 12, 1978 Unknown of borderline significance.

Brooklyn and Queens, New York, June 4, 1978 Nocturnal sightings probable stars. Photo cases accurately described by additional witnesses as a radio control airplane with a disk shaped airfoil mounted on top. Photo analysis confirmed later reports.

Ayacucha, Argentina, June 15, 1978 Unknown rated as some significance because of details.

Rio de Janiero, Brazil, June 15, 1978 Unknown rated at great significance.

Bangor, England, June 15, 1978 Highly probable sighting of the moon.

Friendship, Wisconsin, June 15, 1978 Probable sighting of star Arcturus.

Gloucester, England, June 18, 1978 Insufficient data for significant evaluation.

Calderdale, England, June 19, 1978 Highly probable sighting of Venus.

Weston-super-Mare, England, June 4, 1978 Insufficient data but probable star or planet.

Kent, England, June 22, 1978 Highly probable sighting of the moon.

Medway, Massachusetts, June 25, 1978 Unknown, rated significant.

Menzies Close, Australia, June 24 & 25, 1978 Panel lacks sufficient data but believes Australian police may have answer.

Walkerton, Ontario, Canada, June 29, 1978 Probable meteor.

Greenwich, New York, July 5, 1978 Probable lightning strike.

Las Vegas, Nevada, July 7, 1978 Probable conjunction of Venus and Jupiter.

Pueblo, Colorado, July 7, 1978 Unknown of significant nature.

Port Chester, Ohio, July 9, 1978 Probable lenticular cloud.

Louisville, Kentucky, July 9, 1978 Probable Venus.

Southridge, Ohio, July 10, 1978 Probable Venus setting.

Aurora, Minnesota, July 10, 1978 Probable aircraft.

Concord, North Carolina, July 10, 1978 Unknown of borderline significance.

Forbes, France, June 10, 1978 Unknown significant sighting

Leicester, England, July 10, 1978 Probable sighting of the moon.

Chicago, Illinois, July 11, 1978 Advertising plane.

Gardiner, Maine, July 12, 1978 Probable rising Venus.

Buenos Aires, Argentine, July 13, 1978 Probable exploding meteorite.

Fairlee, New Hampshire, July 13, 1978 Unknown of borderline significance.

Glasgow, Kentucky, July 13, 1978 Probable hoax balloon carrying flare.

Lexington, Kentucky, July 14, 1978 Insufficient data for meaningful evaluation.

Buenos Aires, Argentine, July 15, 1978 Unknown

Rawhide Village, Wyoming, July 15, 1978 Probable star.

Silverton, Oregon, July 15, 1978 Unknown

Elysburg, Pennsylvania, July 15, 1978 Probable star.

Fort Dauphin, Madagascar, July 19, 1978 Probable reentry of Russian satellite.

Drain, Oregon, July 19, 1978 Unknown.

Hudson, New York, July 19, 1978 Probable aircraft.

Bisley, England, July 21, 1978 Unknown of significant nature.

Springfield, Missouri, July 23, 1978 Probable meteorite.

Roundhill, Kentucky, July 24, 1978 Probable military aerial maneuvers.

Macon, Missouri, July 24, 1978 Probable sighting of star.

Steelville, Missouri, July 24, 1978 Probable sighting of moon dog.

Aledo, Illinois, July 24, 1978 Probable reentry of space debris.

Venice, Florida, July 25, 1978 Probable seagulls reflecting house lights.

Biwabik, Minnesota, July 25, 1978 Stars.

Brownsville, Kentucky, July 25, 1978 Probable stars and manmade satellites.

Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, July 25, 1978 Probable aircraft in landing pattern.

Arnold, Missouri, July 25, 1978 Unknown of great significance.

Iron River, Wisconsin, July 26, 1978 Probable aircraft.

Beaufort, Missouri, July 26, 1978 Probable ball lightning after electrical storm.

Farmington, Connecticut, July 26, 1978 Probable emergency vehicles on the ground.

Stamford, Connecticut, July 26, 1978 Probable airborne debris.

Burlington, Wisconsin, July 27, 1978 Probable rising moon.

Burlington, Washington, July 27, 1978 Probable electrical corona discharges.

Maryville, Missouri, July 27, 1978 Unknown of borderline significance.

Coachella, California, July 29, 1978 Possible advertising aircraft.

West Pittsburg, California, July 27, 1978 Unknown of great significance.

Collie, Australia, July 29, 1978 Unknown.

Palm Springs, California, July 29, 1978 Unknown significant sighting.

Conroe, Texas, July 30, 1978 Probable helicopter.

Sumner, Washington, July 30, 1978 Unknown.

Marlesford, England, June 30, 1978 Unknown.

Chiclayo, Peru, July 30, 1978 Probable meteorite.

Kingston, Minnesota, July 31, 1978 Unknown.

Moth, North Dakota, July 31, 1978 Unknown.

Provo, Utah, July 31, 1978, Probable star.

Mississauga, Ontario, Canada, July 31, 1978 Unknown

Union, Missouri, August 1, 1978, Unknown

Biwabik, Minnesota, August 2, 1978 Probable bolide meteor.

El Belloto, Chile, August 3, 1978 Unknown of great significance.

Joliet, Illinois, August 3, 1978 Probable advertising airplane from outside of area.

Two Rivers, Wisconsin, August 4, 1978 Unknown of significant nature.

Minden, North Carolina, August 5, 1978 Unknown.

Fort Walton Beach, Florida, August 5, 1978 Probable Pelican.

Yorktown, New York, August 8, 1978 Probable atmospheric mirage.

Cleveland, Ohio, August 10, 1978 Hoax.

Minden, North Carolina, August 12, 1978 Probable sighting of moon.

Elsberry, Missouri, August 12, 1978 Probable hallucination.

Ankonana, New Zealand, August 13, 1978 Unknown of significant nature.

Brookfield, Wisconsin, August 13, 1978 Probable sighting of star Betelgeuse.

Carmi, Illinois, August 13, 1978 Probable stars.

Bradford, New Hampshire, August 14, 1978 Unknown of significant nature.

La Mesa and San Diego, California, August 16, 1978 Probable flares and hoax balloons.

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## INTERNATIONAL UFO ENCOUNTERS

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Until investigative teams of participating members become fully operational, all reports of UFO sightings are being handled through MARCEN headquarters. When a sighting comes to the attention of MARCEN, the authorities to whom it was supposed to have been reported, are contacted by phone to verify that the report was at least made and to secure any possible additional information. In the case of foreign sightings, this process sometimes takes a while although the proximity to the foreign embassies in Washington, D.C. expedites the checking. In many cases, the witnesses are contacted by phone for additional information. The data is submitted to the MARCEN UFO sighting evaluation panel and is given preliminary consideration. If an immediate evaluation can be made, the conclusion is written and the panel moves on to cases requiring the securing of additional information. When all possible data is collected, the panel meets and deliberates until an evaluation is agreed upon by at least seven panel members and the director or assistant director of MARCEN. Then and only then, will the sighting be published in the journal. The evaluation panel consists of: an astronomer, a meteorologist, a physicist, an anthropologist, a psychiatrist, a military command pilot, an airline pilot, a professional UFOlogist, a geologist, an aeronautical engineer, and a journalist and the officers of MARCEN. The actual persons on the panel are constantly changing due to the constraints of employment but all of the professions are always represented. MARCEN reports on all evaluated sightings, not just the unknowns because we feel that it is just as important to know what people are mistaking for UFOs as it is to know that they are reporting actual UFOs.

HARTLEPOOL, ENGLAND 8/17/78 SOURCE: Hartlepool, England Mail 8/19/78

Simon White was working in the family garden at 2015 GMT when he saw a strangely moving silver vertical cylinder that oscillated from side to side. No sound was heard and other family members watched the slow moving shiny object for about twenty minutes.

EVALUATION: A probable High Altitude Balloon.

BRAZIL, INDIANA 8/17/78 SOURCE: Brazil, Indiana Gazette 9/25/78

Ruth Keen was sitting on her porch at 0415 GMT when she saw what she thought was an airplane that appeared overhead. She said she watched it for an hour as it changed color from red to green to white and then it moved off to the northwest. After she watched the same object for two weeks straight, Mrs. Keen awoke her husband to see the mystery light. Virgil Keen watched the object for several nights in a row through binoculars and then called the county sheriff and the newspapers. Everyone watched the light and intensive but fruitless investigations were conducted to try and identify the source as an airplane or balloons.

EVALUATION: Extremely High Probability-The star Arcturus in Constellation Bootes.

STRASBURG, VIRGINIA 8/18/78 SOURCE: Strasburg, Virginia Northern Virginia Daily 8/19/78

At 0300 GMT, Larry Jenkins and his son were walking near their home at 618 King Street on their way to shoot bats when they told police they saw an inverted bowl shaped object hovering above a small hollow of grass and weeds.

They estimated that the object was about 18 feet long and 18 feet high and said it just hovered noiselessly for about five minutes with its red and green lights illuminating the sky. Then, they said, its lights went out and it moved to the right and hovered over a grove of trees for another ten minutes.

About ten additional witnesses arrived at the scene and all agreed that the object began to make "A Hell of a Racket" sounding like electricity crackling and screaming. During the next ten minutes, they said, it began to glow and surrounded itself with a heavy mist or fog. Many said it was so bright that it hurt their eyes. All agreed that

the object was lighting up the entire area with an intense red light and then suddenly it just blacked out and disappeared.

Strasburg police blamed the sighting on Air Force airplanes that make practice bombing runs on a water tower near Strasburg.

*EVALUATION: A Significant Unknown*

BECKLEY, WEST VIRGINIA 8/17/78 SOURCE: Beckley, West Virginia Herald 8/18/78

Terry Daniel and Thomas Maynor, heavy equipment operators for Consolidation Coal Company believe they saw a UFO at 1715 GMT.

Both men were operating their machines at the Rowland Coal Mine site at Collins Creek when they say they saw an extremely white parachute-shaped object moving slowly down the mountain and at first thought that an airplane had gotten into trouble and the pilot had bailed out. They changed their minds, however, when the parachute stopped and hovered and then moved on down the mountain just above tree top level. Then it began to move back and forth and then moved back to the place where it had hovered and began to hover again.

Next the object began to move right and left and then started to ascend straight up. When it got to about 2,000 feet altitude, the miners said, it started moving toward Workman's Creek in a north-eastward direction. When the object started to ascend again, the men said that six oblong pieces separated from it-five falling to the ground and one returning to the main object.

After the pieces separated, the object became triangle-shaped and shot upward rapidly. As it moved up, they could see it was black on the bottom.

The men estimated that the object was four feet in diameter and said they were about a quarter of a mile from it as they watched it for approximately ten minutes. They said it would hover like a helicopter and then shoot away like a rocket.

When the men asked their superintendent if anyone else had seen the object, he suggested that they had been working in the sun too long.

A search of the hillside where the objects were thought to have landed revealed nothing but rattlesnakes.

*EVALUATION: The consensus of the panel was to evaluate this case as Unknown. The only possible explanation offered was of a possible weather balloon that dropped its instrument package upon beginning to descend but was only partially deflated and reascended in the mountainous updrafts.*

LOWELL, INDIANA 8/18/78 SOURCE: Muncie, Indiana Press 8/19/78

Police Sgt. John Crison said that Police Officers Don Dowling and Sam Oliverio saw peculiar flashing lights in the Lowell sky at 0220 GMT and watched them maneuver for 45 minutes until they disappeared.

At 0105 GMT, Mrs. Anna Wheeler, a correspondent for the Gary Indiana Post-Tribune, said she was driving home on Cheyenne Street with nine children in her station wagon when they saw a large white light that had pinkish and bluish lights jumping from it like sparks. She said as they watched it for about 40 minutes, it went from about 30 degrees elevation to a landing. Then it ascended and disappeared.

Two teenagers on a date about 0225 GMT swear that a white mist passed over their car and temporarily paralyzed them.

*EVALUATION: First Episode, Probable Stars; Second Episode, Highly Probable Brush Discharge or St. Elmo's Fire; Third Episode, Insufficient Data but possible Close Encounters of the Third Kind.*

## TRANSCRIPT OF VOICE FROM SPACE BROADCAST

*EDITOR'S NOTE: A number of members have asked for additional information on the so called voice from space that blacked out the BBC's Southern TV station for 5 1/2 minutes at 5:12 PM GMT on November 26, 1977 while the following message was delivered slowly and deliberately in a calm authoritative tone. The message interrupted a news bulletin being read by Ivor Mills. The BBC has come up with no positive solutions to the interruption, simply calling it a hoax. MARCEN obtained the message transcript from the BBC for the benefit of the members. The full text, which is reproduced here, is not believed to have been published in the United States previously. The amount of expensive equipment needed to overpower a powerful television transmitter takes the incident out of the realm of a college prank. If indeed it was an elaborate hoax as we suspect it was, it appears to be more on the scale of something perpetrated by some government or agency of one*

*SOURCE: BRITISH BROADCASTING CORPORATION*

This is the voice of Gramaha, the representative of the Asta Galactic Command speaking to you. For many years now you have seen us as lights in the skies. We speak to you now in peace and wisdom as we have done to your brothers and sisters all over this, your planet earth. We come to warn you of the destiny of your race and your worlds so that you may communicate to your fellow beings the course you must take to avoid the disasters which threaten your worlds and the beings on our worlds around you. This is in order that you may share in the great awakening, as the planet passes into the New Age of Aquarius. The new age can be a time of great peace and evolution for your race, but only if your rulers are made aware of the evil forces that can overshadow their judgements.

Be still now and listen, for your chance may not come again. For many years your scientists, governments and generals have not heeded our warnings; they have continued to experiment with the evil forces of what you call nuclear energy. Atomic bombs can destroy the earth and the beings of your sister worlds, in a moment. The wastes from atomic power systems will poison your planet for many thousands of your years to come. We, who have followed the path of evolution for far longer than you, have long since realized this—that atomic energy is always directed against life. It has no peaceful application. Its use, and research into its use, must be ceased at once, or you all risk destruction. All weapons of evil must be removed. The time of conflict is now past and the race of which you are a part may proceed to the highest planes of evolution if you show yourselves worthy to do this. You have but a short time to learn to live together in peace and goodwill. Small groups all over the planet are learning this, and exist to pass on the light of the dawning new age to you all. You are free to accept or reject their teachings, but only those who learn to live in peace will pass to the higher realms of spiritual evolution.

Hear now the voice of Gramaha, the representative of the Asta Galactic Command speaking to you. Be aware also that there are many false prophets and guides operating on your world. They will suck your energy from you—the energy you call money and will put it to evil ends giving you worthless dross in return. Your inner divine self will protect you from this. You must learn to be sensitive to the voice within, that can tell you what is truth, and what is confusion, chaos and untruth. Learn to listen to the voice of truth which is within you, and you will lead yourselves on to the path of evolution.

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This is our message to you our dear friends. We have watched you growing for many years as you too have watched our lights in your skies. You know that we are here, and that there are more beings on and around your earth than your scientists admit. We are deeply concerned about you and your path towards the light, and will do all we can to help you. Have no fears, seek only to know yourselves and live in harmony with the ways of your planet earth. We of the Asta Galactic Command thank you for your attention. We are now leaving the planes of your existence. May you be blessed by the supreme love and truth of the Cosmos.

## PROFESSOR HERMANN OBERTH CLARIFIES UFO POSITION

*EDITOR'S NOTE: Professor Hermann Oberth, known and acknowledged as the "Father of Astronautics" has sent MARCEN this interview for publication to clarify his position regarding the reality of UFOs. The interview was conducted at the Fourth International UFO Congress in Wiesbaden, West Germany and originally appeared in the German publication "Letters of Physics". The translation for MARCEN was by Herr. E. Heller.*

Professor Bruche: Many of the newspapers covering the Congress and a national magazine have stated that you are quite a UFO enthusiast and believe in the existence of UFOs. Is this correct?

Professor Oberth: To answer whether or not I believe in UFO could cause a misunderstanding. UFO simply means an Unidentified Flying Object or an aerial phenomeon which can't be easily explained. It is a matter of fact that at least 70,000 eyewitness reports of UFOs exist. Half of these reports are probably imagination, hoaxes, balloons, etc. An additioanl 39% are probably misidentification of natural or manmade objects. The remaining 11% of the reports of observations are undoubtedly real and have a factual basis.

Prof. Bruche: Please answer more specifically, are you a believer that some UFOs are spaceships from extraterrestrial worlds?

Prof. Oberth: I didn't say I believed in them and I didn't say that I didn't believe in them. What I said was that the possibility UFOs may be extraterrestrial exists and we have to investigate to see what actually exists.

Prof. Bruche: What do you think of the statements of the contactees that saucer pilots look like us and speak perfect earth languages?

Prof. Oberth: It would be unprecedeted for intelligent beings from another world to look like us in appearance, but in nature there are countless cases where human beings who are not related resemble each other closely in physical appearance and lifestyle. However, in building an alien culture of their own, I doubt they would have any bearing whatsoever to earth humans. Personally, I am skeptical that UFO occupants would look like us but I cannot dismiss the possibility that the contactees were hypnotized and were communicating, under hypnotic suggestion, with robots cleverly disguised to look like humans.

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Prof. Bruche: If you could prove your suggestion correctly, would there be a possible explanation for you?

Prof. Oberth: It would be possible to explain by way of dematerialized parapsychological phenomena. Today, we have many universities and institutions for parapsychology researching such phenomena and similar occurrences. For me this explanation is not satisfactory because until today they can not prove that a ghost actually exists at all and they are unable to produce them daily before our eyes. We have to first know what a ghost actually is. As a physicist, I can say that an airplane actually exists because I can see it and touch it. Other explanations may be possible. Indeed the UFOs could be quite different from anything we know today and thus not be identified.

Prof. Bruche: Could you give us any tangible physical explanation about the subject?

Prof. Oberth: If we pay attention to the power drive hypothesis of the UFOs then in addition we have to face the following facts.

1. They are not built by earthly people because in the Middle Ages and Roman Times mankind could not even build airplanes and currently we cannot build aircraft with the types of power drives applied to UFO flights.
2. The UFOs probably are using artificial gravity-force which makes understandable their instant changes in directions and their fantastic velocity. If one of our airplanes could change its direction so instantly, everything inside would be pressed to the wall with such force that any humans inside would die instantly. In gravity-force drive, everything and everyone flies together with the ship-consequently there is no existing push or pull stresses between the spaceship and inside objects.
3. The UFOs also produce high electrical charges for advancing in the air. They have strong magnetic forces also to influence the ionized air at high altitudes. This refers also to their apparent ability to glow like a light bulb. Secondly, this theory would also support their noiseless flight. Our present high-speed jets produce terrible noise because they produce strong vortices in the quiet air. The UFOs would not produce these vortices because the speed of the air around and near them are the same. In other words, the UFO takes over the same speed as the direct environment.

Prof. Bruche: Your power drive hypothesis is greatly appreciated but you did not mention the radiation half-invisibility and sometimes complete invisibility on the part of the UFOs.

Prof. Oberth: Your mentioned effects can be arranged by applying the artificial gravity-force by rearranging the aetrical region around the globe or the transfer of the ship into another dimension.

Prof. Bruche: Doesn't this sound similar to ideas suggested many years ago by Hans Dominik? (A German Technical Science Fiction writer)

Prof. Oberth: Yes, the artificial production from Transurans and the technical application of nuclear energy can be found first in

Hans Dominik's "Atomgewicht 500" - in the same way that the submarine, they gyroscope and space navigation were found first in Jules Verne. But these hypotheses don't look so daring now as the Rostulate did when the Bohrs created their atom model.

Prof. Bruche: When such technologically advanced beings have been flying around our humble planet for thousands and thousands of years, why don't they utilize radio or television to contact all of mankind instead of just contacting a few individuals? Why don't they select a method of communicating with our scientists?

Prof. Oberth: There certainly are many answers to this question. Perhaps the saucer occupants consider us uncivilized like monkeys in a jungle. Our atmosphere may be poisonous to them or there may be bacteria in the atmosphere harmful to them so they prefer not to leave their craft and communicate telepathically with persons having that capability. They may not want to communicate with our scientists because they fear we would not believe them that we are wrong in our moral and political outlooks. We are only in the embryonic stage of researching this question and must wait for further qualified observations to provide data for answers.

Prof. Bruche: Professor Oberth, don't you think that it is reasonable to suggest that scientists take over the investigation of UFOs instead of making it a public campaign?

Prof. Oberth: There are many trained individuals studying the phenomenon. I am confident of this. As far as the large public campaign goes, most ufologists feel that the shallow thinking of most scientists and the easy refutability of many cases by untrained people would go a long way in hurting a serious study of this enigma. I tend to agree.

## MARCEN LIBRARY AND FILES EXPAND

MARCEN's library and files have nearly outgrown their quarters. The library now contains over 1,000 appropriate references volumes of UFO and Fortean literature. Several thousand UFO and Fortean magazines are now on file and appropriately catalogued to allow their useful utilization, thanks in part to a generous donation of materials from member James Moseley. The file of UFO incidents has now passed 10,000. Files on Bigfoot encounters now number more than 1,000 and animal mutilation cases are rapidly approaching 1,000. More than 200 other categories of Fortean events are rapidly accumulating reports.

A project of indexing all of the magazines, newsletters and books at the Center will get underway within a few months and a comprehensive bibliography list is about ready to be released to persons needing it. MARCEN is cooperating in an ambitious UFO indexing project called "Said of Saucers", headed by Mr. Tom Lind in Hobe Sound, Florida. This will result in the sharing of MARCEN materials with Mr. Lind and the acquisition of additional material for MARCEN.

MARCEN is still in need of older newsletters and journals of other UFO and Fortean organizations as well as any books or magazines suitable for the library. All donations will be granted tax deductions not that MARCEN is tax exempt and publicly supported. Anyone wishing to loan materials to MARCEN for a short time, we will Xerox or reference the material and return it to you within a week of receipt.

# BIGFOOT



Appearances of the elusive Bigfoot continued at an increasing level through the fall & winter and well into spring. An apparent sporadic migration of what appeared to be a family of hominoids moving through Maryland near the nation's capitol in early December, gave MARCEN the opportunity to conduct a first hand search and to obtain casts of three-toed footprints up to 18 inches long and ten inches wide. MARCEN finds the acceptance of Bigfoot as a reality easier than most other phenomena being studied.

Witnesses of Bigfoot are, on the whole, sober reliable persons who loathe to discuss their experience for fear of ridicule. A salient fact is that the description of the creatures are always the same-a humanoid, hairy creature, devoid of neck and walking upright. A legend grows with each telling of the tale, but so far the monster has not sprouted horns, a tail or reported as breathing fire.

We will pick up on Bigfoot appearances after the last issue of "Believe It":  
BENTON, ARKANSAS 8/30/78 Source: Benton Arkansas Courier 8/31/78

Mrs. Mildred Wilton called Benton Police complaining of a terrible racket in her backyard at 11:50 PM. She said something was rattling her chain link fence and when her dogs ran from the back porch to the fence, she saw what looked to her like a gorilla about a foot taller than her four-foot fence. Police found a large footprint where the creature had stood and local veterinarians could not identify it.

While the Benton Police were checking out another complaint in the neighborhood a few minutes later, Officers Joe Henning and Douglas Clay reported they heard a loud thump and strange growlings and grunts.

CURRY, OREGON 9/25/78 SOURCE: Brookings, Oregon Harbor Pilot 9/28/78

Miss Barbara Megli was near her residence east of Thomas Creek at 7:35 P Pacific Daylight Time when she heard her chickens making a ruckus and saw a pony and horse running toward the barn as if they were frightened. She then called the Curry County Sheriff's Department and the animal control officer to report seeing a seven-foot tall Bigfoot standing in a clearing some distance from the barn. Animal Control Officer Ted Hawkinson responded but found no clues or footprints and said that he has orders from the sheriff's department not to shoot Bigfoot if he finds him but to handcuff him to a tree for interrogation. Bigfoot was last reported in the Curry County area in 1974.

HARDY, IOWA 9/28/78 SOURCE: Seattle, Washington Daily Times 10/2/78 Antigo, Wisconsin Daily Journal 10/2/78 and Tampa, Florida Times 10/2/78

Mark Thompson was sitting in his pickup truck at about 8:00 PM Central Daylight Time when he said he saw a seven foot tall creature covered with brownish-black hair walk into his soybean field. Thompson said he flashed his truck lights at the creature and blew his horn until it walked away toward a marsh. Investigators found a trail of almost human looking prints fourteen inches long and two inches deep.

OTTOSEN, IOWA 9/29/78 SOURCE: Des Moines, Iowa Register 10/1/78

About 40 high school students were building a homecoming float on a farm at about 9:00 PM Central Daylight Time when they called Sheriff Marvin Andersen to report seeing two seven-foot tall hairy creatures coming out of the cornfield. They told the sheriff that one creature had red eyes and the other had blue eyes. The sheriff found nothing but stated that all of the students were pretty badly shaken up and that he has had similar reports almost nightly since July.

RENWICK, IOWA 9/30/78 Source: Omaha, Nebraska World Herald 10/6/78

Ann Dodrill and Robert Newell reported to Sheriff Marvin Andersen an encounter with a 7 to 8 foot tall hairy creature in a bean field that had eyes that glowed like fire from the light of a passing car and that growled at them as it walked away toward a nearby marsh.

KROTZ SPRINGS, LOUISIANA 10/8/78 SOURCE: Cleveland, Ohio Press 10/18/78

Leonce Boudreux and his wife reported to St. Landry Parish sheriff's deputies that they were visited at a fishing camp near their trailer home by a towering Bigfoot. They reported that they were returning home at about 2:30 AM Central Daylight Time when they heard a strange noise. Shining portable floodlights toward the noise, they said they were startled by the outline of a 7½ foot tall hairy reddish colored creature that definitely was not a bear. The deputies made a plaster cast of a print 19 inches long. The Boudreuxs claim to have seen a similar creature several miles away near Belville, La. a year earlier.

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LAWRENCE, KANSAS 10/15/78 SOURCE: *Lawrence, Kansas Journal-World* 10/17/78

James Swager and Fred Hadl, two Lawrence housepainters were squirrel hunting north of Lawrence at about 9:00 AM Central Daylight Time when they claim they saw a black hairy creature at least eight-feet tall walking on two legs through a cut milo field. Five sheriff's deputies called to the scene did not find any evidence and suggested that the hunters probably saw another hunter named Butch who has a bushy hairdo and hunts wearing a black and green camouflage jacket. Similar reports were received from the area a month previous.

YAKIMA, WASHINGTON 10/14/78 SOURCE: *Franklin Park, Illinois Modern People* 10/22/78

Albert Perrella reported to police that he was brutally attacked by an 8-foot tall smelly black creature. Perrella said he was fishing on the bank of a Yakima creek about 3:00 PM Pacific Daylight Time when he heard something moving in the bush. Thinking it was another fisherman, he turned around to greet him only to be confronted by a gigantic hideous looking creature a few yards away. He said it had black hair everywhere but on the face and had a face similar to an ape with a flat nose and eyes sunk into sockets. He said that as soon as he started to run, which was very soon, the creature let out a blood-curdling yell and began to violently shake a tree it had been holding onto. The creature ran after him and grabbed him from behind violently and threw him to the ground tearing away much of his shirt and ripping his boots. At that point, with both knees bleeding, he got up and ran for his life. He said he still could see and smell the beast when he finally got to his car and drove away.

MILLINGTON, MICHIGAN 10/21/78 SOURCE: *Saginaw, Michigan News* 11/23/78

Rodney Gouine, of 8734 State Street had just brought Tracy Proctor home to 5256 West Millington Road from a date at 1:30 AM Central Daylight Time when they heard what they thought was a cow mooing and looked across the road to the lawn of County Commissioner Kenneth Kennedy and saw a creature on its hind legs. They went into the house and got Proctor's brother George and her father. The Proctors called the Kennedys who turned on lights while looking for a gun and the four witnesses got a good look at what they said was an eight-foot tall creature with broad shoulders and no neck walking around on the lawn. After the four watched the creature for about twenty minutes, a light came on in a room of the Kennedy house where the creature had been looking in the window and it fled around the side of the house toward a creek in the woodd. Commissioner Kennedy said that whatever it was, it had to be at least nine feet tall to look in their east bedroom window. An investigation the next day uncovered some huge footprints with twigs crushed into the soil near the creek. The same area had been the site of a number of Bigfoot reports in 1977 and a few years earlier.

WEST BEND, IOWA 10/30/78 Source: *West Bend, Iowa Journal* 11/9/78

Mrs. Anna Dodrill told police that she was looking out her kitchen window at about midnight Central Standard Time when she thought she saw something move and turned on an outside light to see a huge furry manlike figure walking away toward the Des Moines River and the Rock Island Railroad. No conclusive evidence was found.

KROTZ SPRINGS, LOUISIANA 11/5/78 Source: *Willamette Valley Observer Eugene Oregon*

12/22/78 Jack Potter reported to the Parish Sheriff that he and a girl friend were driving home on a deserted road near a stream when they heard some loud growlinh and were confronted by a huge creature covered with reddish hair running by very rapidly. A visiting Alabama youth counselor, who asked to remain anonymous said he was driving in the same area about 11:30 PM Central Standard Time when a similar creature at least eight-feet tall stepped out in front of his car. When he "burned rubber" getting his car into reverse, he said, the creature disappeared into the woods.

Skamania County, Washington 11/6/78 SOURCE: *Stevenson, Washington Pioneer* 11/17/78

Jack Webb of Longview Washington and four other hunters reported to Skamania County Sheriff's Deputies that they were out hunting when they encountered an 8-foot tall black Bigfoot with long arms and legs standing by a tree about 200 yards away. They said that as they approached he, and it definitely was a he, walked slowly away into the woods.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The Bigfoot Encounters will be brought up to date in the February-March issue of the MARCEN JOURNAL with another 30 appearances of Bigfoot documented.

## BIGFOOT LIKE HOMINOIDS FOUND IN KENYA

*EDITOR'S NOTE: The existence of not quite human hominoids in the African bush has been reported for many years. Now a French scientist has begun collecting abundant data that these creatures, who may have been living in Africa for up to three million years, are not legend.*

*SOURCE: Winnipeg, Manitoba Free Press, 10/16/78; France Soir 12/2/78.*

Madame Dr. Jacqueline Roumeguere-Eberhardt, an anthropologist and member of the French National Scientific Research Center has named a half human hominoid, living in the Kenya bush, Mr. X after interviewing hundred of eyewitnesses and examining artifacts and weapons the creatures left behind.

Madame Roumeguere believes that the creatures are a bridge between Homo sapiens and early or prehistoric man, and says that she has no doubt he exists after spending twelve years collecting data on him.

She has broken the X's down to five classification from X1 to X5 based upon their apparent intelligence.

X1s she said seem to use only an uprooted tree trunk for a weapon and have been seen bashing in a buffalo's head with the club.

X5s seem to have adopted the African man's favorite weapon and have been spotted carrying and using bows and arrows.

The description of Xs seem to vary very little, usually being 5' 8" tall and up, very muscular and covered with hair except on the face, palms and soles. They have receding brows almost like baboons. The males are described as not being circumcised and not having pierced ears.

In 1960 it was reported that a native was held captive by an X1 for about an hour. According to the Masai tribesman, he encountered the creature in the forest and was promptly pushed to the ground while the X with careful curiosity examined his entire body. When the native attempted to run away, the X overtook him and caught him by the nape of the neck. For the next hour the unwilling guest was bodily dragged around until the creature tired of him and picked him up and pushed him in the direction from which he had come.

In 1966 an X5 was surprised by seven hunters and left behind two bags, a bow and a leather quiver of arrows unlike any used by native Kenyans.

Madame Roumeguere now has the weapons left by the X5 and reported that there are many reports of sighting of female and children Xs also. She believes that the creatures are fair skinned, unlike native African humans, and have abundant dark gray hair.

Other anthropologists working in the area have reported that there are four types of Xs. Three are tall and muscular while the fourth is more pygmy sized with a disproportionately large head.

Dr. Richard Leakey, director of the Kenya National Museum, refuses to acknowledge the validity of the Xs-putting them in the same category as Bigfoot and the abominable snowman.

MARCEN's assistant director Dr. Arthur Rosen is personally acquainted with Dr. Leakey, having worked with his parents in Kenya and suspects that Dr. Leakey is being "his usual conservative self." While Dr. Roumeguere has taken an open-minded approach about the existence of the Xs and has systematically collected information on them. Dr. Rosen notes that she is now well prepared for the logical next step to prove the Xs are real-an expedition to capture one or more of the Xs for laboratory study.

The Kenya creatures appear to fit the same basic characteristics of Bigfoot type hominoids reported in nearly every country in the world except some Pacific Islands, therefore MARCEN believes we again have a case of science saying "they can't be so they aren't."

Health allowing, Dr. Rosen is making plans to join Dr. Roumeguere in Kenya in a few months. MARCEN members will be kept posted on the progress of the expedition.

## ANIMAL MUTILATION ROUNDUP

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** The reports of Animal Mutilations did not slack off during the waning days of 1978 and although there is no clear cut evidence to positively link the bizarre happenings with UFOs as has been suggested, or any other phenomena, MARCEN's director-Dr. Williard F. McIntyre shares a personal opinion along with a growing number of other investigators that there may be a two fold reason for the indiscriminate surgery of farm animals and domestic pets alike- that whatever agency of our government or allied governments is behind perpetuating a UFO hoax is using the mutilations as a tie in to UFO events to suggest or lend credence to visitation and exploration by extraterrestrials theories and to test out various chemical agents on the animals. Tests conducted by respectable laboratories on the carcasses of mutilated animals in 1978 uncovered the presence of a number of unexplicable chemical agents. Add to this the increasing number of reports of Black Helicopters with absolutely no markings flying around in the vicinity of mutilations either just before or just after they are discovered, and Dr. McIntyre feels that there is fertile ground to be explored. MARCEN will welcome member's theories on this puzzling phenomena and will publish the most carefully thought out of them. The February-March Issue of the MARCEN JOURNAL will contain approximately 20 more Animal Mutilation episodes to bring the subject up to date.

PEA RIDGE, ARKANSAS 8/18/78 SOURCE: Pea Ridge, Arkansas Graphic 8/24/78

A mule colt in Pea Ridge, a calf west of Cave Springs and a cow west of Centerton were all reported mutilated in a similar manner. Utah Smith found his missing two month old mule colt near a school house with its eyes, tongue and sexual organs missing. Benton County Sheriff's Deputy John Greene said a calf was found with its eyes, tongue and sexual organs missing. A cow that had been missing was found devoid of any blood in the carcass and its tongue missing.

TOMAHAWK, WISCONSIN 8/27/78 SOURCE: Wausau, Wisconsin Daily Herald 8/29/79

The Lincoln County Sheriff's Department was faced with a bizarre case when they responded to the Edward Crass Farm on Route 1 to find 28 Holstein Cows with one or more teats cut from each of their udders. The incident took place between 8:30 and 9:00 PM Central Daylight Time and was discovered about 10:00 PM. The tires on a motorcycle in the barn were also slashed.

RODARTE, NEW MEXICO 9/17/78 SOURCE: Taos, New Mexico News 9/21/78

George Maestas found his 1200 pound bull lying dead in a field with its eyes, tongue, anus, and genitals missing. Deputy Sheriff Joe Gonzales said the Bull's organs had been removed with an extremely sharp knife and that a heart shaped area on the chest and another on the head had been shaved of hair. There was no blood left in the carcass, he said, and no prints were found in the area which can be reached only on foot or by four-wheel drive. Equally puzzling was why vultures and crows refused to go near the dead bull.

DURANGO, COLORADO 9/8/78 SOURCE: Espanola, New Mexico Rio Grande Sun 12/14/78

Dr. William J. Fitzgerald, a Durango veterinarian examined the mutilated carcass of an 1100 pound cow and said that whoever killed it spent some time washing and shampooing the entire body before killing the cow. He said that the animal was anesthetized or totally sedated while still standing and then a 12 or 14 gauge needle was inserted into the left jugular vein. The cow's own heart then pumped nearly all of the blood out until the blood was nearly gone and the heart stopped functioning. The doctor said that the needle in the jugular vein had become dislodged during the procedure and had been reinserted. The cow's udder, vagina, and anus had been surgically removed along with its eyes and tongue, which the doctor said was cut off while the animal was still alive. Dr. Fitzgerald said that if the cow had been attacked by predators as suggested, they wielded six inch surgical scalpels. He said there was no doubt that the animal had been cleaned surgically spotless and that it had died standing up by the needle in the jugular process..

MIAMI, FLORIDA 9/27/78 Source: Omaha, Nebraska World Herald 9/30/78

A goat was found with its heart cut out and all blood drained from the body beneath the window of Chief U.S. District Court Judge C. Clyde Atkins at the federal courthouse. Court officials could not determine any connection with any upcoming trials or hearings.

NEW ALBANY, KANSAS 9/18/78 SOURCE: Wilson County Citizen 9/25/78

A cow belonging to Carl Worrell was found with its eyes, tongue, and udder

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removed. Sheriff Hubert Harris said he could not verify whether the mutilation had been done by animals or humans.

MANCOS, COLORADO 8/25/78 SOURCE: Durango, Colorado Herald 9/1/78

A six-month-old hereford calf was found dead on a feed range five miles from U.S. Highway 160. Sheriff Don Gates reported that the calf's tongue, left eye, rectal and genital areas had been surgically removed and the body of the calf had been scrubbed unusually clean. No signs of blood were found either in, on, or around the calf. There were no apparent signs of struggle and no tracks or other marks found. The only other wounds found on the calf were two small puncture wounds in the left side of the neck.

BENTONVILLE, ARKANSAS 10/6/78 SOURCE: Northeast Arkansas Morning News 11/10/78

Two calf mutilations were reported to Benton and Washington County Sheriffs' departments bringing to 15 the number of cattle mutilations reported in Benton County since April 8, 1978. The calf found in Benton County had its tongue, left eye, and sex organs missing. There was no trace of blood found and no sign of footprints or struggle. The second calf found a half mile from the Benton County line still had its tongue but the flesh on the head was missing along with its sex organs.

AVOCA, ARKANSAS 10/8/78 SOURCE: Rogers Arkansas Daily News 10/9/78

A cow was found mutilated on the Johnny Smith farm. The animal's eyes, tongue, udder and genital and rectal areas appeared to have been surgically removed. No blood was found in, on, or around the animal and there were no footprints or other marks found near the carcass.

REEDSBURG, WISCONSIN 10/10/78 SOURCE: Reedsburg, Wisconsin Times-Press 10/12/78

Dan Geffert found one of his registered cows, heavy with calf, that had been shot at close range with a .22 calibre rifle and then neatly butchered with only the four quarters missing and left laying nearby.

STAYTON, OREGON 11/6/78 SOURCE: The Salem Oregon Statesman 11/11/78

A goat was found near the home of Don and Joan Parr with its head severed and missing. There was apparently no blood in the carcass and none found around it. A deputy sheriff said the amputation appeared to have been accomplished with surgical instruments.

BENTONVILLE, ARKANSAS 11/11/78 SOURCE: Rogers, Arkansas Daily News 11/13/78

Three more cows were found dead and mutilated in Benton County with their eyes, tongues, udders, genital and rectal areas removed surgically. All of the blood appeared to have been drained from the carcasses before they were mutilated.

ESPAÑOLA, NEW MEXICO 11/12/78 SOURCE: Espanola, New Mexico Rio Grande Sun 11/16/78

Santa Clara Police Chief Roger Naranjo discovered two mutilated cows on the Santa Clara Pueblo about two miles from Espanola. The chief said that the cows had been mutilated with surgical precision with both missing their udders rectums and vaginas. One cow had an ear sliced off and the other had her tongue cut out. There was no blood around either carcass and there appeared to be no blood left in either body, the chief related. One cow was found in a residential area and the other was on open range. The only tracks found were those of a big dog or wolf but neither cow had been eaten on by any predator, the chief said. The new discovery brings to 21 the number of Mutilations in Rio Arriba County since 1976, the chief said.

MOSCOW, U.S.S.R. 12/1/78 SOURCE: Washington, D.C. Post 12/3/78

A male and a female kangaroo were beaten to death and mutilated at the Moscow Zoo in the latest of a wave of bizarre beatings and mutilations for no apparent reason. Gaping holes were left in the bodies as the the animals' sexual organs were removed with what appeared to be surgical instruments, zoo officials said.

TAOS, NEW MEXICO 1/12/79 SOURCE: Albuquerque, New Mexico Journal 1/15/79

A five-year old cow was found mutilated on a ranch two miles west of Taos. State Police Officer Gabriel Valdez said the cow's rectum and lower jaw had been removed and it had a fractured neck and a hole the size of a nickel in its left hind leg. No tracks were found near the carcass which was found a quarter of a mile from where several persons reported a UFO in July. Following the UFO sighting, a thin layer of powder was found on a pickup truck left parked at the site. A chemical analysis showed the powder to be largely potassium and magnesium-the same composition as the white powder found on the hides of live cattle in northern New Mexico.

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We want to know what you are thinking and what you want us to do. We also want to know what you think about us. Please cut out or Xerox this poll and mail it back to us. It need not be signed and you may use plain paper to express any other opinions, thoughts or suggestions you may have. Please list in order of importance the five most important areas the Center should investigate.

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Please list in order of least importance the five phenomena that you feel the Center should not get involved in at all and why.

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On a scale of 10 how important do you consider the Center's affiliation with a major university or center of learning and should it be within Maryland?

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Do you agree with the Center's appeal for cooperation among the various groups or should everyone be left to do it alone in the theory that competition inspires results?

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Please give us your opinion of the new format and title of this magazine.

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Will you be able to attend the MARCEN annual meeting about mid August in the Washington, D.C. Area? \_\_\_\_\_

What more would you like to see in the journal? \_\_\_\_\_

**PERSONAL POLL**

Have you ever personally had an encounter with a UFO? yes \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_

Do you personally know someone who has had a personal encounter with a UFO? yes \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_

Do you believe in Reincarnation? yes \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_

Do you believe in Pyramid power? yes \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_

Is there Bigfoot or Bigfoot type activity in your area? no \_\_\_\_\_ sporadically \_\_\_\_\_ regularly \_\_\_\_\_

What other UFO or Fortean Groups do you belong to and are you happy with each?

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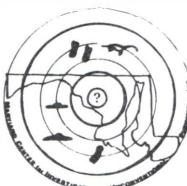
Do you think the Center is off to a good start? yes \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_

What convinced you to join the Center?

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## BLACK PANTHER REPORTS BEGIN IN SUSSEX COUNTY NEW JERSEY

SOURCE *Herald-News, Passaic, New Jersey, January 14, 1979*

Black panthers appear to be prowling Sussex County, New Jersey according to MARCEN member Robert Jones, who is a founder of Vestigia a Fortean research group based in Stanhope, New Jersey.

These are not the Black Panthers who wear berets and get into altercations with racist policemen but a four-legged variety with tails that lurk in trees and growl, and apparently have found plenty to eat.

There are reports of supposedly extinct black panthers in New Jersey dating back many years and similar reports occasionally pop up from England according to Jones.

The first incident related to Vestigia was just reported in early January 1979 although it was reported to have taken place in December, 1977.

The woman reporting the incident was walking her dog on a Macadam path going through the woods near her home in Sussex County, N.J. when she heard squirrels "making a Hell of a racket."

When she heard the commotion, the woman said, she thought the squirrels were reacting to her and her dog but when she looked up into a tree, she saw the black cat with its haunches on a limb about five feet from the ground and it was clutching the tree trunk with its paws.

Approaching within 25 feet, the woman swore the cat was a panther and was four to five feet long with a three foot long tail. When MARCEN contacted officials of the National Zoological Park in Washington, D.C., it was told that the description is a very accurate one of one color variation of *Felis concolor*, commonly known as a Black Panther. These biologists said that the animal is the same family and species as the North American Couger or Puma, but fairly rare in that color variation and that it is unlikely that there have been any in New Jersey for at least the past 150 years.

Other than the fascination with seeing the panther in the first place, the woman said, she was extremely impressed with how healthy and well fed the animal appeared. There was nothing scraggly about its lush black coat, she said.

The second report made to Jones was by another woman who was walking her dog along the same path at 11:00 AM on a sunny Sunday in December 1978. As she related her story, she said she had just climbed a slight rise when she saw the panther stretched out sunning itself on the edge of the plateau. She said that when the panther saw her and her dog, it ran rapidly across the clearing into the woods.

The second woman remarked about how strikingly healthy the animal appeared and also commented on its beautiful fur coat, Jones said.

Robert Jones said that Vestigia is investigating the panther reports but that no hard evidence has been found yet.

A check with Vestigia revealed some changes in the above story. The first incident happened in September 1978, not in December as the newspaper reported and the cat ran into the woods when the woman approached. An examination of the tree revealed claw marks extending eight feet from the ground. The second incident actually happened in June 1977.

MARCEN has received confirmation from the National Wildlife Foundation that the sighting of a member of the *Felis Concolor* family in New Jersey should be considered extremely rare to begin with but for a member to be seen exhibiting melanism (the black coloration) the chances are almost non-existent. MARCEN is aware of many similar reports from Pennsylvania and West Virginia but none so well fed as the one in Mr. Jones' back yard so we await further answers from Vestigia.

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## OUT OF PLACE ANIMALS STILL APPEAR

Source: *Helena, Mt. Daily News*

November 1, 1978

Montana may seem like the last place on earth you would expect a Cobra, especially one 20 to 30 feet long but according to Mrs. Eileen Blackburn and her daughter Sherry of Helena, Montana, they met up with one while driving on Interstate 15 near Cascade, Montana on October 26, 1978 that not only showed itself to them but struck at their car.

Mrs. Blackburn said that she tried to slow down when she saw the reptile with coils three feet across covering her side of the interstate freeway, but it reared up with a large flat head higher than the hood of her car and either struck at her car or she hit it in driving past. She did not stop to check further.

Mrs. Blackburn swore the body of the snake was at least six inches in diameter and the head was larger and had the characteristic Cobra hood. Mrs. Balckburn said she has seen plenty of varieties of snakes and is convinced it was a cobra.

After a number of other residents of the Flathead, Montana area reported seeing the same or similar reptile, Cascade, Mt. chief of Police Carl Damon drove to the area but found nothing. He theorized the snake had escaped from a passing vehicle as he did not doubt the veracity of the number of witnesses.

Source: *Green Bay Wisconsin Press*  
November 2, 1978

Steve Meyer of Manitowoc, Wisconsin was hunting pheasants but he bagged an alligator.

Meyer caught a 40 inch long alligator sunbathing on the bank of the Manitowoc River about two miles west of the city and 1000 miles north of the creatures natural habitat.

The hunter spotted the gator while hunting pheasants and put his hand over the creature's mouth and carried it off.

He is uncertain what to do with the animal since Wisconsin

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fish and game laws don't mention alligators.

*Source: Milwaukee Wisconsin Journal  
November 8, 1978*

Sightings of alligators in the Little Arkansas River in Wichita, Kansas have persisted since June 1978 accompanied by a flurry of reports in early July.

City workers, police helicopters and a hot air balloon sent aloft by a radio station, are being utilized to search for the reptiles.

The early sightings were first reported by parks department employees presumed knowledgeable of the appearance of alligators.

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### **UFO LANDING SHUTS DOWN OILFIELD IN KUWAIT**

*SOURCE: Press office Embassy of United Arab Emirates, Washington, D.C. New York, New York Post 11/14/78 Indianapolis, Indiana Star 11/14/78*

At 0109 GMT on November 10, 1978, according to seven Kuwait Oil Company Officials and one American technician, a huge glowing UFO the size of a Boeing 747 Jumbo Jet landed silently in a Kuwait oil field 90 miles from Umm Alaish causing a complete disruption of telecommunications and the operation of an oil pumping station during the seven minutes it was on the ground. The witnesses all agreed that the object was cylindrical in shape with a huge dome and was definitely larger than a 747 jet.

The UFO was said to have glowed a bright orange-red and had a bright flashing red light. The UFO dropped from the sky silently in a motion like a falling leaf the witnesses said, and when it touched down an oil pumping station 250 yards away stopped working totally. No telephones or radio transmitters would work while the UFO was on the ground.

As soon as the object took off silently, the pumping station started functioning by itself and telephones could again be used. No traces of the landing were found and the witnesses were certain it had not been a helicopter.

This was the first UFO incident ever reported in Kuwait according to their embassy.

### **GSW WINS CIA LAWSUIT**

The Freedom Of Information Act Lawsuit brought against the Central Intelligence Agency by Ground Saucer Watch has been won by GSW and CIA has turned over to GSW nearly 1,000 UFO related documents which were simultaneously released to almost everyone else wanting them.

A big case is being made out of the release by some of the suit principals that it is undisputable proof that the CIA has been covertly investigating UFOs for the past 30 years and that the documents conclusively prove the existance of UFOs.

MARCEN has seen and reviewed these documents, which can be purchased from CIA for under \$90 and can accurately state that nothing more is proved than the CIA recognizing the existance of UFOs as a phenomenon worthy of collecting information

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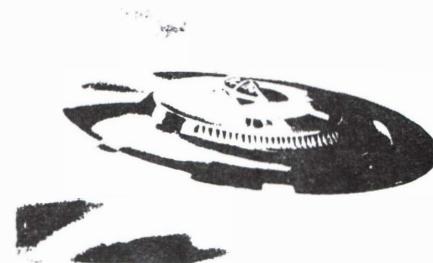
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