

1950 Addendum

New

New (Undated) 1950 2200 Btw Castle Rock & Franktown, Colo. Type A

Marc Damerst, driving without lights by the light of the full moon, came over a hill and saw an elliptical object 500 feet off the road, hovering 75 feet above the ground. He stopped the car and got out to watch. Lights came from a row of windows that encircled the objects, "like portholes ~~xxxx~~ around the body of the craft. There were blue exhaust flames coming straight down from it." No noise like an engine, but a quiet hum. He could see shadows of figures moving past the windows, "but I was too far away to distinguish form or shape." He watched for 45 minutes, then reached for a cigarette; the moment he flicked his lighter, the object suddenly streaked off, disappearing in ten seconds. Damerst had numerous subsequent sightings, but none as close or detailed.

Investigator:

Source: Aurora (Colorado) Advocate Sentinel, Fe. 9, 1978.

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April, 1950 Daytime Canby, Oregon

Type E

Mrs. Ellen Jonerson was working on her lawn when she saw on a neighbor's lot a very tiny person, not more than 12" tall, standing with his back turned toward her. He turned to face her and she saw that it was a man with a heavily tanned face, clad in coveralls & a plaid shirt. He wore a skullcap on the back of his head; his hair was the same color as his face. He had wide shoulders and was quite stocky. Mrs. J. went back to her house & called to a friend inside; when she returned, the being was "waddling" away. He walked under a car (a 1937 Dodge) without stooping, and that was the last she saw of him.

Investigator: Kenneth Arnold.

Source: Letter of Jerome Clark to Ted Bloecher, 9/26/77, summarizing K. Arnold's interview with Mrs. J. of 4/25/50; letter from Maurene Chenoweth to Isabel Davis, 8/5/56, describing her talk with K. Arnold.

Summer, 1950 Day Liiduvere (Viljandi), Estonia

Type C

When she was a six-year-old girl, the witness reported that she observed an "airplane" in a clover-field near her home. Going closer she saw that it had neither wings nor wheels, but was oval-shaped, silver-grey at either end and black in the center. An open doorway was observed in the central part. Around it were four beings moving about the object "awkwardly." They were in height not much larger than the girl, and they wore bright green outfits with a kind of hood over their heads, leaving bare an oval portion of their faces. Their eyes were "strange and immobile." She approached more closely and engaged in "conversation" with the entities--which she now believes was telepathic. She does not recall the substance of what was said but suddenly experienced a great fear, and fled the scene. Looking back, she saw the object take off slowly and smoothly. She tried to go back to the field the next day, but her fear prohibited her from going near the site; that fear was a long time thing, and she associated normal aircraft with the strange cigar-shaped device for some time after her experience.

Investigator: Tunne KelamSource: "UFO Landings in Estonia," by Juri Lina, FSR XXIV-1 (1978), p. 3.

50-01 March 9, 1950 1745 Pasadena, Calif.

Type B

A rumor spread that a flying saucer had made a forced landing "in the shadow of the Rose Bowl." The pilot, "a tiny man with a large head", reportedly was rushed to the city jail and then was transferred to Caltech for study. An anonymous businessman said he had started the story "as a gag on a pal".

Investigator:

Source: Pasadena (Cal.) Star-News, 3/10/50, p. 1.

A Martian spaceship 9 x 6 m. in size, "equipped with a powerful propeller, and made of a metal which defies gravity" landed, and the pilot engaged one of the natives in conversation in perfect Spanish. Martian cities, he said, are underground. The Martians have found Venus too hot and humid, infested with flying reptiles; they will colonize Earth after we destroy ourselves in World War III. There was a strong odor of sulphur after the ship took off.

Investigator:

Source: Durango (Colo.) Herald-Democrat, 3/19/50, p. 1, quoting Chihuahua Tribuna, 3/15, which in turn cites Mexico City El Universal, 3/14.

Having stopped to make repairs on his car, Craig Hunter heard a whistling sound and saw a flying saucer, about 300 ft up, which circled about him at 60-70 mph, then hovered. He could see moving "images of human character" through windows in the UFO. A bluish-green object was shot at him, exploding 20 ft away with a brilliant white light that lingered for more than 30 seconds. (He thought this was a light used for photography.) Then the object flew off to the NW.

Hunter describes the UFO in considerable detail; the windows were in the lower section. A truckdriver, Ellis Yeager, who stopped to offer help, said "Oh, my God" and drove away when H. pointed out the saucer.

Investigator: William C. Baggs, of Miami (Fla.) Daily News.

Sources: Transcript of telephone interview with Hunter by Baggs, 3/24;
Clearfield (Pa.) Progress, 3/31/50.

Arevalo, a rancher, saw a huge disc land, another hovering above. He got to within 150 yards of the landed UFO, which was giving off a greenish-blue vapor and "an intense smell of burning benzine." Above the saucer, a large flat disc was rotating, "like a phonograph record." In the center was a transparent cabin; he could see 4 tall men with pallid faces, dressed in "cellophane", working at instruments. Then the craft shone a searchlight on him, it lit up with blue light, and it rose up, emitting red & green flames and a faint hum. Both craft sped off, leaving bluish trails. Next day burnt grass was found at the site. Several other witnesses to the UFO in flight.

Investigator:

Sources: The Humanoids, pp. 89f., quoting La Razon, 4/13/50; Uriondo, p. 46 (quoting Sellers, Revista 2001 #5, pp. 4-7); Lorenzen, FS Ocos, p. 108.

While driving, Samuel Eaton Thompson saw an 80-ft-diameter object on the ground, shaped like two saucers edge to edge, and apparently "made of a glowing, sun-colored substance similar to plastic." He walked up to it & was invited in by the occupants--10 men, 10 women, & 25 children, none of whom wore any clothing. They spoke English. "I spent about 40 hrs with these people, and they were pleasant. I ate some of their food--fruit and herbs from their native planet, Venus." He was told they had inherited the ship. There were 4 controls; they did not know how these worked; they only knew that to push one set of controls would take them to Earth, and to push another would take them back to Venus. They were "sent to establish goodwill among Earth people"; they said T. was the first person ever contacted on this planet. They took him on a trip, landing within 2 blocks of his house. He took a picture of the ship, but it came out so overexposed that he threw the film away. --By 1955, according to Kenneth Arnold, Thompson "had disappeared completely."

Investigator: Kenneth Arnold

Sources: Centralia (Wash.) Daily Chronicle, 4/1/50; letter from Maurene Chenoweth to T. Bloecher, 8/55, following meeting with Arnold; letter from Kenneth Arnold to T. Bloecher, 12/5/74; letter from Centralia Timberland library to TB, 9/17/74.

50-06 March 31, 1950 Night Near Jacumba, Calif.

Type B

"An unidentified woman today telephoned local newspapers that a flying saucer landed on Highway 80 near Jacumba and "a little man jumped out and ran down the highway in the direction of Imperial Valley. He ran faster than Jesse Owens."

Investigator: none

Source: Unidentified local newspaper, 3/31 or 4/1/50.

50-07 -April 16, 1950 Laredo (Tex.) Airport

Type A

A small flying disc only about 6 ft wide allegedly crashed at the airport, after buzzing it. The pilot, not more than 2 ft tall, was extricated and revived with oxygen; he felled a National Guard sergeant with a blow, and again became unconscious. 3 more times he was revived and fought, then died. He weighed 300 pounds and was carrying a ray pistol capable of stunning men.

Investigator; none

Source: Rollin Palmer's column in Buffalo (N.Y.) Courier-Express, 4/16/50, quoting Quito (Ecuador) La Hora.

Attracted by a flickering light, Bruno Facchini, 40, came upon an oblate spheroid 10 meters wide & 6 m. high, from which a little flight of steps led to the ground. Its surface was chequered by stripes; around it was a circle of pipes in threes. Inside the UFO, F. (who approached within 5 yards) could see pipes, cylinders, and gauges. 3 or 4 men of normal height, in "diving suits", were seen; one seemed to be welding a pipe; all moved slowly. The suits had "earphones" and transparent faceplates, which seemed to contain liquid; the faces behind the faceplates were pale. F. walked up and asked if they needed help; the men gesticulated and replied something like "Grrr...Grrr..." Realizing they were extraterrestrial, Facchini ran; one of the men pointed a "camera" at him, which emitted a force-beam that knocked him down. He lay there terrified & saw the repairman finish his work, the stairs fold up, and the object rise vertically with a loud drone & a "chuff". The next day 4 round marks were found, forming a 6-m. square, as well as several bits of metal, identified on analysis as an "antifriction" leaded bronze (Cu-Sn-Pb.) Pains in his back lasted for a month.

Investigators: Dario Sapda and Riccardo Germinario, for "Rigel 2001"; Antonio Giudici, for the Italian National UFO Research Center (CUN)

Sources: FSR IX/2, p. 4; Giudici, ibid. XX/6, pp. 30ff.; UFO In Italia, pp. 120-121, 124-125.

See CORRIGENDA FOLLOWING →

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50-08

The UFO emitted a sound like "a gigantic beehive", and the air near it was hot.

Investigator: Dario Spada, for "Rigel 2001 Studio Fenomeni UFO".

Source: F. Izzo's Italian CEIII catalogue, #3, quoting: Settimana Incom Illustrata #19 (May 13, 1962); Il Giornale dei Misteri, #30 (1973), pp. 11-15; communication from D. Spada to C.N.I.F.A.A.

50-09 (March 31), 1950 Daytime Within 200 mi of Bahia Blanca, Arg.

Type ^G ~~4~~

Driving in an isolated spot, architect Enrico Bossa, 46, came upon a UFO on the ground: it was shaped like 2 saucers together with a central dome, and was about 33 ft wide by 13 ft high. There were rectangular "shutters" with rounded corners, and the surface was mirror-bright. The door was open, and B. entered, traversing a 7-foot-long passage to the dome; there was a "strong smell of ozone & garlic." In the shadowy cockpit B. found a dead pilot, 4 feet tall, with big round eyes and sparse blond hair. His skin was tobacco-brown, and his shoulder-padded leathery suit lead-grey in color; he was sitting on a red central seat. In front of it was a pushbutton console and a translucent ringed sphere; beside it was a television-like screen, and below the console were dials. Two other dead humanoids lay on couches. Bossa drove 125 miles to General Acha city to fetch witnesses and a camera. When he returned with these the next day, he found only a heap of still-warm ashes 7 feet high; 2 UFOs were seen hovering 2000 ft up. These turned red as they merged with a cigar-shaped object, which darted away.

Investigator: José Escobar Faria

Sources: APRO Bull. 8/55; personal communication from Faria to Richard Hall, giving date as 5/15; date of 3/31 is given by Perego (UFOCat.)

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(Corrigendum)

May 10, 1950 Afternoon La Pampa Province, Argentina

Type G

Note the revised date, by the witness's own account.

Note also that this is a Type G case, as the witness boarded the crashed object and found the dead beings on board. It is usually listed in error as Bahia Blanca, whereas the site of the crash was 200 miles west of Bahia Blanca (that may be kilometers, not miles--depending upon the source--tb) in La Pampa Province. The exact site is given by the witness as 64° West Long., 37°45' South Lat. (Will someone please plot this on a detailed map of Argentina?)

Source: Leonard Stringfield, Situation Red, The UFO Seige (Doubleday and Company, N.Y.C., 1977), pp. pp. 80-83, quoting Dr. Caretenuto Botta's own account of the incident, written in October 1955 in a letter to Stringfield.

50-10 May 20, 1950 1600 Central France

Type C

A woman was suddenly enveloped in a bright light that paralyzed her, and saw two huge black hands appear before her, which gripped her head and pulled her back against a very hard, cold chest behind her. She heard a strange laugh, then a steel-like knee hit her in the back, and she was dragged backward by her head into some briars. Her attacker was then heard to say (in French) "There she is: we've got her." He dragged her to a pasture, then vanished. When she could sit

up, she saw the brambles moving as invisible beings walked in them. She staggered back to the path, feeling acute pain in her back and shoulders. Then there was a sort of whirlwind accompanied by a blinding white light. When she reached a house, finger-marks were very obvious on her face. At the site later, some bushes and fence-posts were found scorched, and barbed wire had been broken.

Investigators: French local police

Source: Vallee, Magonia, pp. 95ff.

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#183 June 17, 1950 0230 Nr Hasselbach, East Germany

Type B

Note the correct date and time of occurrence (above), not 1952, as all previously published references state. In new sources (see below), Herr Linke describes the movement of the figures "like sliding." In the news-account he describes the central core of the object as "like a sink thermos." The disc ("warming pan") rose up this cylinder, which was about two and a half meters (8 ft.) high; the disc was about 15 meters wide (50 feet). Linke gives his closest distance to the object as 80 meters. Linke and his family fled to West Berlin in April, 1951. It was only after his arrival in the west that he heard about "flying saucers."

Investigator: Dr. Leon Davidson.

Source: Leon Davidson's case file on the report, including correspondence with Herr Linke over a period of a year, between October 1958 and November 1959; copy of the original newspaper account of Herr Linke's report, from West Berlin Night Talk, Issue No. 188 (undated, but sometime before June, 1952). (Translation by Douwe Bosga.)

After feeling a blast-like vibration, Mr. & Mrs. Gordon Edwards looked at the lake and saw a large shiny object on the water, less than 1/4 mile away. It looked like "one saucer upside down on another", with round portholes around the edge. A hatch on top was open; about 10 "queer little figures" less than 4 ft tall were visible. A hoop-shaped antenna was slowly rotating. The topmost figure wore a red skullcap, the others dark blue; all had "a shiny metallic substance over the chest", and appeared to lack faces. Moving like automatons, they seemed to be drawing water through a bright green hose and discharging it through another. When the witnesses next looked, the beings were gone and the craft was about 8 ft up; it appeared about 48 ft wide and 15 ft thick. It tilted to 45° and took off northward, with a blast of wind.

Mr. S. G. Hancock of Steep Rock Iron Mines said in a letter of 6/4/63 to Gordon Evans: "I am quite familiar with the gentleman who wrote the story and I can assure you that the account was entirely fictitious."

Investigator: Gordon Evans

Source: Port Arthur (Ont.) News Chronicle, 9/18/50, pp. 1f., quoting Steep Rock Echo; letter from S. G. Hancock cited above.

50-12 July 4, 1950 Night White Sands, N.M.

Type G

Walking at night in the desert, Daniel Fry saw an oblate spheroid 30 ft in diameter settle to the ground 70 ft away. He was about to touch the hull when a voice warned him not to, as it was still hot. The voice proceeded to tell him that he had been chosen for contact because of his scientific background and his open mind. He was invited to board the saucer, and was taken for a ride to New York City and back, consuming only 30 minutes. Such high accelerations are possible, he was told, because the accelerating force, like gravity, operates on the passenger's body as well as on the craft. Fry's host, the UFO-naut, identified himself as A-lan, a descendant of the inhabitants of the sunken continent Lemuria. A-lan again contacted Fry on several subsequent occasions.

Investigator: none

Source: Daniel Fry, The White Sands Incident (

Walking in the dark near the airport, Claude Blondeau came upon 2 round craft "resembling two enormous folded napkins, one upside down on the other", 15 ft in diameter and 6.5 ft high, with square portholes around the rim. They were hovering just above the ground. From each one a normal-sized man in a "flying suit" was emerging from a thick door in the lower half. These men "re-installed or moved", on one of the craft, "a sort of plate that rested on a base similar to rubber" (one of many such plates), using bare hands only. B. approached and asked if they were in trouble. In somewhat hesitant French, one replied "Yes, but not for long." Inside the craft, brilliantly illuminated, B. could see an armchair in front of a control console, with a large oval steering wheel. He asked about the controls and received the curt answer "Energy." The men reentered, the "portholes" became luminescent, and the craft tilted to a vertical position before disappearing upwards. The incident took only 2 minutes.

Investigators: Fernand Pelatan & Jimmy Guieu

Source: Jimmy Guieu, Flying Saucers Come From Another World (Hutchinson, London, 1956) pp. 229-231.

50-14 Summer, 1950 (perhaps 1951) Evening Beaverdam, Va.

Type A

Mrs. Mason Vaughan at her well heard a humming like a swarm of bees, and saw an aluminum-like disk land in her "back-yard" field. It was lens-shaped, 8 or 10 ft in diameter; from an open cockpit in the center, "a man with unusual goggles or headpiece looked out." Seemingly surprised, he took right off again, colliding in his diagonal flight with an oak tree and breaking a limb from it. A depression was left in the ground.

Investigator:

Source: Witness's letter to NICAP of 9/17/58.

50-15 October, 1950 Bruges, Belgium

Type B

Columnist "has on his desk" a photograph of a flying saucer that allegedly landed 2 weeks ago in the center of Bruges. According to the Bruges newspaper "Burgerwelzijn", 26 living beings were inside. These men, considered to be Martians, were taken to a camp at St. Kruis "to await inspection and interrogation." The photograph of the saucer shows "a large flat circular object with queer things protruding from the top", surrounded by Bruges citizens. Another photograph shows the crew leader in "a thick rubber suit with breathing apparatus strapped to his chest, and on his left shoulder a mysterious instrument resembling a clock."

Investigator:

Source: "This World of Ours" column in unidentified newspaper, 10/50, from Elliott Rockmore.

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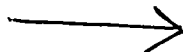
51- : 1951 Rio de Janeiro(?)

= Type G

Mario Restier, in 1968 40 years old & a foreman in a large iron works, was in 1951 taken to another planet by small human-appearing beings, who put him in a "bathtub" full of liquid during the trip; he was unconscious until just before landing. After landing, he found that the inhabitants of the planet were 5'10" tall and handsome; he then saw the crew of the ship sitting lifeless, as if they were robots who had been switched off. His hosts showed him factories, a space museum, and a "study district". He was made to wear their clothes--a Roman-like toga, with a large plastron whose threads were electrically connected to the shoes. So clad, they could make 30-foot leaps, but he could not. After what seemed to him 3 days he was returned to earth, and learned that he had been away for 4 months. In 1956 he again met and spoke to UFO-nauts, who this time were not robots.

Investigator: Dr. Walter Buhler, for SBEDV.

Source: R. Jack Perrin, Le Mystère des OVNI (Pygmalion, Paris, 1976), pp. 123f., quoting SBEDV Bulletin, 4/15/68.



Additional note: In a letter from Richard Heiden to TRB, dated 9/26/76, he writes:

"That issue of Official UFO also has some details on the Mario Restier contactee case of 1949. I've translated the complete thing from the SBEDV Special (with some additional info from an earlier bulletin, sent me by the MRS), but have to type it up yet. It's a very interesting case, with robots, floating ufonauts, and even the 'electric socks' reported for one of Keel's MIB (wires running up the leg)."

The edition of OFFICIAL UFO referred to above is I-12 (Nov. 1976), article by O. Raymone, "UFOs Stir Brazil," pp. 20-22. --trb

Early 1951 Casteil (Pyrénées-Orientales), France

Type E

Jacques B. Bley (see Aug. 1923), then an Alpine guide and inn-keeper, was confronted by a strange man who bowed to him and asked to be furnished every day with 2 bottles of milk and some bread. This man, over 6 ft. tall, with blue almond-shaped eyes and blond hair falling to his shoulders, was of athletic physique, with long-fingered white hands, and wore extremely tight trousers, black boots, and an ample shirt and jacket with tight sleeves. His unusual appearance attracted attention. This man came to the hotel for milk and bread every day for a few weeks. Asked where he came from, he replied "From above." Gradually he began to talk with Bley, "developing profound themes of socio-political character", which Bley could understand only with difficulty. Bley learned that he was engaged in making a topographic map of the local mountain massif, and was shown it: "a team of topographers would have had to work 2 months to do this work, and the unknown had done it all by himself in less than 15 days." One day he secretly followed him to his camp, and found him living in "a strange conical tent, metallic gray, very low, near which was an identical being who appeared to be a woman." Another time, Bley's young son photographed the 2 men, over the stranger's protest: when the film was developed, both photos appeared to be entirely unexposed. Finally the strange man told Bley that it was time for him to "return up there" and that, as he had no "money like yours", he would pay for the bread and milk with some gold nuggets he had gathered from the local stream. Ribera spoke to the jeweler who bought these nuggets from Bley: he remembered the incident. The mayor of Casteil also verified the existence of the strange man.

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Investigator: Antonio Ribera.

Source: Ribera in Vues Nouvelles #9 (10/76), pp. 9f., quoting Sienza et Ignoto.

Summer, 1951 2100 Beausoleil (Alpes-Maritimes), France

Type A

It was still daylight. Mme. A, 40, her husband, 49, and a policeman friend, 50, were walking down the Rue des Martyrs to a little square where a theatrical company was giving an outdoor play, when they noticed a transparent ovoid object about 15 feet in length, which was hovering at an altitude of 25 ft over the square. The audience at the play had their backs turned to it. The witnesses walked up to within 25 ft of the UFO. They could see two figures seated in the front of the egg, one hidden by the other. The one closer to them was lean and aged in appearance, with a long white beard; he wore a light-colored suit with no headgear, and was leaning forward as if watching the play. The object was tilted toward the observers. When the witnesses called out to the audience to look at the object, it immediately took off, passing behind roofs in 1 second. They had observed it for 20-25 sec.

Investigators: Anne-Marie & Philippe Maissa, Thierry Leplat, & Eric Zurcher, for Centre de Recherches Ufologiques Niçois.

Source: Investigators' account in LDN #175 (5/78), pp. 9-11.

51-01 February, 1951 Central Australia

Type B

A group of Umatjera aborigines observed a shiny circular object land near a similar craft, about 12 m in diameter. Several minutes later, a dwarf dressed in a shiny suit and having a "round, shiny head" came out of one craft and entered the other; both took off with a buzzing sound.

Investigator:

Source: Frank Edwards, Flying Saucers-Serious Business (Lyle Stuart, New York, 1966) p. 169.

51-02 May 15, 1951 2320 Near Salzburg, Austria

Type G

Walking after dark, the witness was suddenly paralyzed by a being with a pencil-like hand weapon, and then "pulled" (floating) after him to a f. s. about 150 ft in diameter, where he was put in a transparent chamber and taken up with the saucer. The UFO pilot had a bald, cylindrical head, no nose or external ears, a lit mouth, and compound eyes; his hands were 3-fingered. He did not speak. They passed close by the moon, then quickly arrived at Mars, where he saw fields of big red flowers, canals with bridges across them, and other saucers with human captives in them. Then (still a prisoner) he was taken back to Earth: they passed a Martian satellite that "looked like a tin ball", and in 10 minutes were nearing Earth. He was delivered back to the place where he had been captured. No communication passed. The whole episode took about an hour. The witness told his story to the newspaper in Dec. 1957.

Investigator:

Source: FSR XIII/4, pp. 11-14, quoting the Prince George (B.C.) Citizen, Dec. 11, 1957.

March, 1951 2230 Pine Bluff, Arkansas

Type B

Clifford W. Bowman, 48, was driving with his wife over Union Bridge when he saw an object with multicolored lights--pink, yellow, and white--in the air 50 ft away. It was round, about 30 ft in diameter and 7.5 ft high, and had lights in "window-shaped blocks." It made a sound like an electric motor. His car's headlights went out; then, as the object approached within 40 ft, his motor cut out. The UFO stopped and landed in a field, its lights no longer revolving. He stopped & got out, and started to walk toward it. Then he saw "something" run around the UFO and get in, after which it immediately took off. The entire encounter lasted 10 minutes or less.

Investigator: Project Blue Book personnel

Source: Air Force files.

51-03 June, 1951 2145 County Wicklow, Eire

Type E

Two girls walking in a lane saw a little man 2-3 ft tall standing in the road. He was dressed all in black, with a black cap, and seemed "youngish". They ran into a field through a gate; looking back, they did not see the "fairy", but saw "something about the size and shape of a common tin kitchen clock" balanced on the top bar of the gate.

Investigator:

Diarmuid

Source: McManus, Irish Earth Folk, pp. 40f.

Joseph Matiszewski, a mechanic, heard a whistling sound and saw an object land in a meadow. Approaching within 50 m, he found himself paralyzed and observed that birds had stopped singing and cows seemed to be similarly unable to move. From the UFO emerged four handsome men who had brown skin and wore black shiny suits & translucent helmets. 8 objects also emerged from the craft and hovered above it. Other men inside the craft & on its deck appeared to be making repairs, then the

objects flew to about 100 m altitude and climbed rapidly out of sight. Only then did the paralysis subside.

Investigator:

Source: Vallee, Magonia, p. 196, quoting UFO-Nachrichten 5/59.

51-05 July, 1951 Near Atlanta, Ga.

Type ^G
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Flying in his Piper Cub at 8000 ft, Fred Reagan saw a dazzlingly bright "lozenge" that came toward him and collided, tearing off his plane's tail. He was thrown clear. After falling for some seconds he stopped falling, then was pulled upward into a dark chamber of the saucer. Here he could see 3 occupants, resembling 3-foot-high "stalks of metallic asparagus"; he fainted. When he came to lying on something soft, a mechanical-sounding voice apologized for destroying his plane--"we are here only to observe your primitive civilization." It also told him: "We have corrected an abnormality in your body, called cancer...we offer this as slight reparation for the loss we have caused you." He lost consciousness and came to in a hospital bed--"they had picked me up near my plane, uninjured." A postscript quotes an unnamed Atlanta paper as reporting that "Fred Reagan died today in the State Asylum, of degeneration of brain tissue due to extreme atomic radiation." In the story it is also alleged that the occurrence received newspaper coverage, but none is known.

Investigator:

Source: Action magazine, 5/55.

51-06 September, 1951 2100 and 2115 Bloomington, California
51-07

Type A

While sitting on the lawn outside their trailer park, Mrs. Louise McDougall felt someone was watching her; on looking up, she saw a f.s. hovering "not 20 ft up". It was lenticular, perhaps 100 ft in diameter, and of a "gunmetal-silver" metallic appearance. In its lower half were tall rectangular windows, in which could be seen against an amber glow 4 men, in one-piece "jump suits", with shoulder-length hair. She turned a spot-light on the saucer, whereupon it shot off silently at incredible speed. About 15 minutes later it was back, hovering in the same spot, the figures still visible at the windows. After 6 or 7 minutes it again took off to the southeast. Witness's husband & 3 others likewise saw it.

Investigator:

Source: Witness's letters of 12-4-61 to NICAP and of 11-8-75 to Lucius Farish.

51-08 Mid-September, 1951 0800 Near Joliet, Ill.

Type A

Harrison Bailey (by 1975 the Rev. Harrison Bailey), on a walking trip from Gary, Indiana to St. Louis, looked back and saw a gray or silvery object shaped "like a water tank" hovering in the air. About 15 minutes later he looked back again and saw it 60-100 ft away, sitting in a field, and now appearing dome-shaped. A door opened, and 2 persons appeared at a square window who asked him, in slow, accented English, where he was going. They wore something like welders'

dark transparent masks, but he could see that their eyes were bigger & longer than ours. He stayed staring at them for 4 or 5 minutes, then walked on. When he arrived at a small town outside Joliet, he met a group of people who said they had seen a flying saucer. --In 1963, when he had gallbladder surgery at the age of 35, the doctors told him that his internal organs were those of an old man.

Investigator: Ann Druffel, for MUFON

Source: Druffel's report to MUFON.

51-09 December, 1951 2100 Red Springs, N.C.

Type A

At dusk Sam Coley's 12-year-old son called his father and 17-year-old sister out to see a strange object coming out of the sky. It was shaped like 2 saucers put together, with a cabin-like bulge in the center. It was almost silent; a slight "purr" could be heard. It stopped about 6 ft above the ground, about 300 yards from the house. "It gave off no light except from windows in the cabin. Coley said he saw a man inside." After hovering for 10 minutes, it took off, almost silently, "like a bolt of lightning." "The police chief apparently lost his skepticism after the interview."

Investigators: State Defense Director E. Z. Jones and the Red Springs police chief.

Source: Lumberton (N.C.) Robesonian, 8/7/52.