

HumCat # 1875

NLT February 1977 Night Flint (Flintshire), Wales

Type C

An unidentified 11-year-old girl told her mother she had seen a "silver object" with a red-glowing light in a field while she was biking along a lane. She left her bike and hid behind a hedge to watch. After 5 minutes, a silver-suited "space-being" appeared.

(That's all there is to the news story--seems to be some lines missing--tb.)

Investigator: Wirral UFO Society

Source: Liverpool Echo, August 29, 1978.

statement

(Dated by ~~report~~ the girl waited over 18 months before reporting the incident--tb.)

On a weekend not long after his encounter in the woods, Jim was at the ranch sleeping on the couch. It was a weekend, as John was out from Denver. About 2 a.m., Jim was suddenly fully awake, and found he was unable to move. He was looking toward the French windows. He saw, standing there before the window, a being seven feet tall, unlike the two he'd seen earlier. He was very thin, and had a box-like device on its chest, pointed, with three hose-like extensions on either side, and wore what appeared to be a "space helmet" over its head with a plastic covering (visor?). "It was more or less pathetic in appearance--almost helplessly pathetic. It was just looking at me in the same way that you would look at a patient on the table, not cruelly, x or indifferent--just looking." Jim kept making noises trying to call out to John and Barbara, and suddenly it just vanished. He was able to then call out, and when Barbara and John came in the room there was nothing to be seen.

Following the earlier encounter, the nuisances at the ranch house had let up--the disasters, the pounding on the house, and the noises. Then, following this appearance, the hostilities started up once more. After an accident with paint resulting in a fire on the porch, they decided it was time to leave the ranch/

Investigators: John Derr and Leo Sprinkle, for APRO.

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Source: Investigators' report, courtesy of Dr. Sprinkle (published in APRO Bulletin, July-October, 1978).

See also case #1871

HumCat # 1876

February 3, 1977 2130 Seven-Mile-Beach (Tasmania), Australia Type A

Several children (unidentified) at a youth camp in Tasmania observed a stationary, dome-shaped object hovering near the beach. The object then moved behind some trees, partially obscuring it. On the dome were a row of "windows" through which at least two children reported seeing a thinnish human-like figure, with a round head. It seemed to be moving back and forth behind the window. One child described the object as similar to two plates placed edge-to-edge, with flashing yellow-white lights along the edge and a red light on top of the dome. The object disappeared from view behind the trees.

Investigator: Tasmanian UFO Investigation Center, Hobart.

Source: Keith Basterfield, in MUFON UFO Journal #130 (Sept. 1978), p. 14.

July, 1977 1650 Nr Hulbert (Chippewa) Michigan

Type E

"Molly Smith" was driving west toward Hulbert when, rounding a curve at 15 mph, she saw standing on the right side of the road a strange figure about 5 ft 5 in tall, with a normal but slender body, and with large, almond-shaped eyes that slanted around the sides of his head. He was wearing a one-piece, metallic dark-green suit. As she passed, the car went out of control, hitting the embankment and then lifting into the air. In one ten-foot sweep, it then landed on top of a four-foot high pile of logs, encircled on three sides by trees. She heard "the sound of static electricity" as she went out of control, and felt a jar as the car landed atop the logs. Looking behind her, she saw the figure was standing directly behind the car, which was now hissing. She felt disoriented and lay her head on the steering wheel; when she looked up the figure was gone. She grabbed her purse and the keys and jumped from the car, running the two-and-a-half miles home. Her electric watch stopped at 4:50 p.m. When she returned with her husband, they found not only her footprints, but those of the stranger, as well, shaped like horse hoofs with a heel, the toes of which seemed to be dug 3/4 of a inch into hard-packed soil. It took heavy equipment to remove her car from the pile of logs; the car showed only a minor scratch, and Mrs. "Smith" drove it home. UFO sightings followed.

Investigator:

Source: Dixie Franklin, "What Hovers Over Whitefish Bay?" in the Grand Rapids (Mich.) Press, April 10, 1978.

August 3, 1977 1955 Nr Escalada (Huelva), Spain

Type E

Srta. Caferina Vargas Martin (20), of Escalada, left her home at 7:30 p.m. to walk to her grandmother's house at La Corte, about 3 km. distant. The pathway between the two villages winds along a creek at the foot of a mountain, with much vegetation along the way. While she was walking along this pathway, at about 7:55 p.m., she was momentarily blinded by a bright reflection of light; about 20 meters further on, another flash of light shone in her face. Now she believed it was a bicycle headlight, but she suddenly felt her strength begin to ebb away as the light source was replaced by two strange figures--a woman of two meters height and a man about 1.7 meters. The woman had long platinum hair that hung to the middle of her back; the man's was shorter and slightly disordered. Their facial features were "repulsive" to the witness: the woman had very large eyes, only two holes were her nose should be, and a slit-like mouth that moved without opening. Both figures were dressed in tunic-like garments; hers was of a dark green color, but very brilliant, as if made up of many little points of light, and wide sleeves extended to her hands. The tunic extended to the ground so her feet were not seen. The man's tunic was of a light chestnut color, also with brightly reflecting points of light; it extended to his knees, below which was a narrow, darker tunic that extended to the ground. Their skin was a citron-yellow color. While the woman gesticulated with her arms, both beings remained indifferent to the witness's presence. Feeling faint, the witness sat down on a rock; then she passed out. When she came to, there was no one there, and it was then dark. Frightened and upset, she ran back home. It was 8:50 p.m. when she arrived.

Srta. later noticed that her identification card, which had been in her purse, was missing. The knob on her watch was also gone. A search of the site turned up some bus ticket stubs that had belonged to her, but no trace of her ID card or watch knob. She was in a state of shock for several days. The first night she awoke from a nightmare, claiming there were "animals" in the house. Her nervous state lasted several days. She was examined by a doctor, who could find nothing unusual or abnormal; he gave her a sedative to help her sleep. There were no physiological effects that she was aware of.

The time lapse in the case is significant. It is a 20 minute walk from her house to the site of the encounter. Either she was unconscious for more than a half hour, or there was some other reason for her not arriving home until 8:50 p.m.

Investigators: Ignacio Darnaude, Joaquin Mateos, Manuel Filpo, Jose Ignacio, Alonso and Antonio Moya (of the Genera UFO Research Group).

Source: Darnaude's report in LDLN #174 (April 1978).

Note: this replaces original abstract.

WLI Aug. 11, 1977 0010 Rocca-Umbria (Umbria), Italy

Type E

Bruno Vitali was driving home after work when his headlights picked up a shining triangular entity in front of him on the road. It was 5 ft tall and not more than 30" wide, and was "hopping in front of the car as if to fly from observation."

Investigator:

Source: LDLN #170 (12/77), p. 21, translating an item from Corriere della Sera, 8/12/77.

August 28, 1977 0230 Nanticaws Hill (Carmarthen), Wales Type E

Francis Lloyd (24) was driving a large truck from Haverfordwest; with him was John Dwyer (16). Two miles outside Carmarthen, on the A48, they had descended the Nanticaws Hill grade and were about to begin the climb when, at the bottom of the dip, they saw two tall figures standing on the right-hand verge near the highway. The figures, at least 7 feet tall, were red-orange in color, as if wearing celluloid suits, and had huge heads that reminded them of Guardsmen's busbies. The figures stood motionless facing each other slightly, and appeared to be holding some sort of object between them. They had chrome or silver-colored antennas that appeared to come out of their chests and stood as high as the tops of their heads. The two men drove right on past without stopping and although the figures were in view for no more than six or seven seconds, they were fully lit by the eight headlights of the large rig. No object was seen by either man.

Almost ~~+~~ three months later (Nov. 23), four rugby players and a truck driver were killed in an accident involving two vehicles at the very same site. (Source implies a possible connection--tb.)

Investigator: F. W. Holiday

Source: Holiday, "Did Humanoids Kill These Men?" FSR XXIV-1 (1978), 20-21.

Early September, 1977 Morning Hainault Forest (Essex), England Type E

As a result of a telephone call from an unidentified woman, "Paul Grant" (Brian King) went to Hainault Forest, site of a CEIII on 5/08/77 (#1730), with his photographic equipment. At Cabin Hill, he heard a call like "Oyy," and saw, about 100 yards away, the head and torso of a strange figure behind some bushes. The being was dressed in a silver one-piece suit and wore a round, white helmet with a full-face visor. A second similar figure then appeared; both stepped out in full view from behind the bushes and stared at the witness. While "Grant" fumbled for his camera, the two beings disappeared.

Investigator: Andrew Collins

Source: A. Collins report, "The Paul Grant Affair," privately published, July 1978 (courtesy of the investigator).

Note that "Paul Grant" had encounters on May 11, 1974 (ABD); August 10, 1974; and on March 10, 1976 (ABD).

September 4, 1977 1530 Barrio Abra Centro, Puerto Rico

Type C

Farmer Luis Sandoval, 74, was lying in his hammock when he was unexplainably compelled to get up and go to a nearby hillside, where he heard an explosive sound, like a fireworks rocket, and saw, toward the east, a flash of light and a bluish candle- or cigar-shaped object, which was approaching over a nearby hillside with an increasing noise. It descended near the witness and, in a bluish flash of light, a little humanoid figure 3 feet tall, appeared in front of him. The being's face was round and ugly, of a "muddy" color, and he had large flaring nostrils like a simian; his ears were long and pointed and he had a small mouth with large lips. He wore a sort of jacket and a little tie. In a husky, deliberate voice, he told the witness, in Spanish, to "have courage," and commenced to examine his feet, knees, chest, back, and temples with an implement that hung around his neck. He then told Sandoval he was "an extraterrestrial," and stepped back several feet, looking about him at the view, and then remarked, "How nice Puerto Rico is." Then he stepped further back and immediately disappeared in a sudden, bluish flame (as when he appeared), which ascended quickly into the sky and disappeared. The branches of a nearby avocado tree were left shriveled and withered as if subjected to a very great heat. The witness was left shaken, although he later claimed that he was scared "not a bit" by the strange experience.

Investigator: Sebastian Robiou Lemarche, et al.

Source: FSR XXIV-2 (1978), p. 9 (quoting the San Juan El Vocero de Puerto Rico of 9/19/77.)

Late September, 1977 2300 Parkstone (Dorset), England

Type A

Going into her backyard to take the clothes in, Mrs. Ethel Field felt a vibration in the ground, and believed at first that it was an earthquake. Then she heard a humming sound and, looking off toward the sea, saw a large saucer-shaped object swooping upwards above neighboring gardens and headed in her direction. The object was bright and shiny, metallic, and in a dome on top, through square windows, she saw two figures. It stopped a short distance away and tilted downward toward her. One of the figures seemed to be at a control panel, and the other ~~was~~ pointed at her. The light was so bright Mrs. Field had to shield her eyes with her hands. The figures wore silver suits with tight helmets that came to a point over their noses. After a brief time the object zoomed off into the sky "in the opposite direction." A week after the sighting the skin on her hands began scaling--a problem she had not had before.

Investigator:

Source: Bournemouth (Dorset) Times, March 31, 1978 (article by David Haith, "Her Close Encounter Only Brought Ridicule").

October 10, 1977 +0700 Quebradillos, Puerto Rico

Type B

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Adrian de Olmos, on his way to work in his van, felt a wave of heat fill the cab and stopped the vehicle to check for fire. As he got out, he heard a kind of "shrieking noise," like "monkeys chattering" together; at the same time, a very intense light appeared before him. Turning to flee, he ran right into the back of the van, where he found himself pinioned to it, arms flung out against the sides and unable to move anything but his eyes. The light source came from a whirling cloud of vapor about 30 feet from him and 10 feet above the ground.

Out of this whirling mass of little particles emerged two small grotesque figures, suspended above the ground; they approached the witness, talking incomprehensibly, one with the other. They were less than 4 ft tall and wore tight one-piece suits over very delicate bodies. One was green and the other white. The suits were belted with a blinking light where the buckle would be. They both wore a kind of pendant hanging loosely about their necks. Their long oval faces, of a reddish hue, were decorated with a small oval stone on the forehead; eyes were dark and slanted "like the Chinese," and their noses were long and slight with two nostrils. Their mouths were slits. They gave something of the appearance of a frog. One held a box in a wrinkled hand that had ~~four~~ fingers of the same length. Using this box, one of the beings examined (or "measured") the witness. They never touch~~ed~~ him. They were constantly surrounded by a kind of mist, and when they spoke (their mouths moved), a kind offrost came from ~~them~~ them. The air around the witness felt hot and heavy and he felt as if he was losing consciousness. The examination lasted only briefly and de Olmos believed he was paralyzed for no more than two minutes. Then the whirling clouds began to increase, the figures receded toward the light~~s~~ source and disappeared in the swirling particles, as they had first appeared. The witness felt stiff and sore following the ordeal, symptoms that lasted for two days.

Investigators: Sebastian L. Robiou [redacted]; Bob Pratt & Charles Tucker
(for the National Enquirer); Orlando Rimax (El Vocero reporter).

Sources: El Vocero de Puerto Rico (San Juan), Nov. 1, 1977; notes of
interviews with the witness by Bob Pratt and Charles Tucker, courtesy
of the latter.

October 15, 1977 1730 Midland (Midland), Michigan

Type E

Mrs. Foster and her daughter, Lori, who was at the wheel, were driving on Patterson Road to go shopping. As they neared Pine River Road, a being leaped out from the right side of the road in an arc about 4 feet high, and landing in the middle of the road. It then rebounded into the air and in a second leap disappeared into the underbrush on the left side of the road. Each leap must have been 30 feet. Lori slammed on the brakes when the figure hit the road, although the women were 200 feet from the figure. It was upright and of slender build, a smooth, dull black color from head to foot. Torso, neck and head were of normal human proportions. It was the size and build of a slender teen-aged boy, but was similar to a kangeroo in the large jumps it executed. If the figure had arms, they were not visible to either woman. Lori drove ahead to the spot where it had landed, but they could see no sign of it. Both were too frightened to get out and look for it. The previous year there had been a series of UFO sightings in the area.

Investigator:

Source: P. 3 of an undated and unattributed letter describing the incident, courtesy of Walt Andrus.

October 18, 1977 2200 Trehörningsjö (Västernorrland), Sweden Type C

Driving to Hemliden mountain, about 10 km north of the town, Kurt Nilsson (35) experienced heavy interference on his car's short-wave radio; at the radio transmitting station atop the mountain he found it so bad he had to break off communications with his colleague. He then noticed a pale blue, domed object, several meters in diameter, in a hollow some 100 meters away. In front of the object, three figures one meter tall, greyish in color and illuminated by the light from the object, were observed; they appeared to be wearing "spacesuits." When Nilsson maneuvered his car so that he could throw his headlights on them, the scene went black, as the lights went off. After about a minute, the object reappeared in bright light and, frightened, Nilsson drove off. He got only 50 meters before the car stopped by itself, and he saw the same three figures (or similar ones) standing now in the road ahead of him. The figure in the center had a spade-like device which he turned completely around, so that his arms were crossed; the figures on either side focussed their gaze on the object. It was when this implement was turned that the car engine stopped. He switched off the lights to start the engine, which turned right over, and he reversed in darkness for about 10 meters. When he turned the lights on, the figures were gone. He hurried straight home, and found his watch had stopped at 8:30, whereas the clock in the house read 8:50 p.m.

Investigators: Reinhold Carleby (for the Swedish UFO Information).

Source: Earthlink (Essex UFO Society, Eng.), Spring, 1978, pp. 6-8
(quoting Swedish UFO Information #1, 1978, pp. 4-8).

November 2, 1977 Night Near Rockland (Knox), Maine

Type C

Edward Eterrof (30) was driving his pickup near Rockland when, in a remote location his engine quit, and static filled his radio. Getting out, he saw a pink-colored light settling into the trees nearby. He tried again to restart the truck but could not. The pink light went out and he could see through the trees a large round object on the ground. In a moment he saw a figure walking toward him in high, loping strides. Taller than a normal-sized man, the figure had a long face that took up two-thirds (?) of its entire height, and long arms that dangled almost to the ground; its legs were short and squat. The creature stopped upon seeing Eterrof, and the witness saw two long, oval, yellow eyes that moved up and down, "giving me the once over." Then, with an "oohing" sound, the creature turned and ran. Eterrof ran to his truck and as he tried the engine, he saw the pink light ascend into the sky; as soon as it vanished from sight, the engine turned over. Others in Rockland reportedly saw the pink-lighted object fly over.

Investigator: Mort Essex (for Ideal UFO Magazine).

Source: Essex, in Ideal's UFO Magazine #4 (1978), pp. 35-36.

November 9, 1977 0130 Sandusky (Erie), Ohio

Type E

Thirty-six hours after he had an encounter with a Bigfoot-type creature, Millard Faber had another encounter--in his bedroom. He had gone to bed and although there was no noise, he was suddenly awakened, aware something was in the room. Glancing toward the door, he saw five glowing pink humanoid forms gliding into the room. They were slender, about 5 feet tall, and moved in a slightly bent forward position, as though carrying weights on their shoulders. Four of them sat in four chairs that were near the bed; the fifth approached to within a foot of the bedside; all stared at Faber but none uttered a word, although the witness "felt or heard" in some inexplicable way an expression of anger or hatred from the entities for making his Bigfoot sighting public. At that point Faber leaned over and snapped on the bedlamp; he could still see them and their angry expressions, and in a panic of fear began screaming at them to get out and stay out. They did just that, and he has not been bothered by anything since.

Investigator: Vera L. Perry

Source: Ms. Perry's report, "The Huron Visitations: A Personal Narrative," in Awareness, Spring 1978, pp. 11-13.