

We omit regular SKYLOOK cover this month in order to have room for more reports. "Which would you rather have?"

### Hunks of Metal Fall From Sky

Chunks of white-hot metal that fell in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas August 28, probably were part of a Russian satellite that broke up in the atmosphere, the Air Force announces. The objects fell on rural areas near Beaver, Okla.; Adrian, Tex.; and Pratt, Kan. No one was injured.

The North American Air Defense Command at Colorado Springs, Col., said Monday, Aug. 31, the metal pieces probably were from the Russian satellite Cosmos 316. Norad said the Air Force had "predicted the decay of the Soviet satellite along a path where the metal pieces were found. Cosmos 316 was launched December 23, 1969."

Norad maintains and catalogues objects orbiting the earth and also predicts the time and location that they will burn up as they re-enter the atmosphere or hit the earth's surface.

A 300-pound chunk of charred metal that fell near Beaver was transported by truck to Wright-Patterson Air Force Base near Dayton, O., for study. The metal that fell in Kansas was also sent there.

John Ivy, Oldham County sheriff in Texas, said another piece of metal fell on a ranch near Adrian. "The fellow who worked the farm was out there. This thing landed within 300 yards of him," the sheriff said. "It stampeded the cattle. They ran away from it." Ivy said the metal was four feet long and nine inches wide. It had numbers on it and was charred.

A group of Kansas oil field workers said one piece seven inches long and five inches thick fell north of Luke, Kan. and about five miles north of Pratt. It had holes in it, apparently where bolts had been fitted. It was white-hot when it hit and buried itself 1½ feet into the ground. The workers said it sounded "like a tornado" when it fell. Using chains, they removed it from the ground and took it to the local sheriff's office.

United States Ambassador Charles W. Yost informed United Nations Secretary General U Thant that "a number of unidentified objects from outer space have entered the atmosphere and fallen in the United States. Yost informed the U. N. Chief under the U. N. Agreement on the Rescue of Astronauts and the Return of Objects Launched in Outer Space which came into force Dec. 3, 1968.

When scientists have completed their study and have identified the source of the metal objects, they will be turned over to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Assuming it is Soviet material, the State Department then could inquire of the Soviet government whether it wants to reclaim it.

Ted Phillips, staff member, calls our attention to a timely article in the September 5, 1970, issue of the "Saturday Review" entitled "The Orbiting Junkyard," by David R. Hager, Professor of Political Science, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, Va. In the article Mr. Hager writes

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## Hunks of Metal Fall from Sky (continued)

of the continuing hazard of satellite debris. On the night of September 5, 1962, more than a score of objects had fallen along a 100-mile-long line running northwest from Milwaukee. In addition to a 20-pound steel object, identified as a piece of Sputnik IV, other fragments, including a bronze spring seared the grass on a golf course north of Milwaukee, and a number of metal beads fell on the roof of a church in Manitowoc.

A charred metal sphere about 15 inches in diameter and weighing 10 pounds was discovered at a remote sheep station in New South Wales, Australia, in April 1963. Scientists established that the object was part of a spacecraft.

The article includes a photograph of three round objects described as "three heavy metal spheres" which were found near Seville, Spain, and are believed to be pressure tanks from a Soviet spacecraft, as they have numbers and letters on them in the Russian alphabet.

The "Coudersport Enterprise" of Coudersport, Pa., reported an object falling from the sky on Friday evening, August 12. Philip Lehman, age 16, and some friends were watching television shortly after 8 PM when "several flashes from the sky" attracted Philip's attention and he went to a window in time to see a burning object fall and strike to the ground. TV forgotten, the boys rushed outside, searched for and found the glowing, white-hot object in a hole. Too hot to touch, they waited about 15 minutes, then picked it up with a piece of cardboard and put it in a neighbor's wading pool to cool.

The youths noticed a strong odor coming from the hole in the ground and three days later, some earth scooped into a Mason jar still retained an "odor of kerosene." The rock-like object was described as being of a very dense composition and the Lehmans had difficulty in chipping off pieces to send to officials in Buffalo for analysis. About 5 inches in diameter, it weighed more than 10 pounds. Altho wrinkled and pitted by its fiery passage through the atmosphere, all its facets and angles were smoothly rounded, much the same as molten metal cools without sharp edges. It was mostly silver colored with metallic blue and gold patches as evidence of the fierce oxidation caused by the burning free fall.

Mark Herbstritt, an amateur astronomer and regular contributor to SKYLOOK, visited the Luther Lemah home, saw the object, and gave his opinion " . . . since this object doesn't have a fusion crust as iron-nickel meteorites usually have, I think it is a space debris from an artificial satellite. " On Sept. 4, Mark wrote again to say his opinion had been confirmed by the Buffalo analysis. He had talked to Luther Lehman, father of Philip, and said, "They told him it was composed of titanium and nitrate and probably came from the nose cone of a Russian satellite. The Air Force wants to take it from him. If they get it, they will keep it!"

Mark also told us that ten years ago to the week, another sky object fell in the Coudersport area. There was a lot of publicity at the time, until "the object was taken away by NASA personnel and never returned."

Editor's Note: We cut this report down from over three pages, due to lack of space. We are grateful to all the staff and others who sent in news clips re the falling hunks of metal. The "Arkansas Gazette," "Chicago Tribune," "Kansas City Star," and other newspapers carried pictures and reports. Besides staff members, thanks to Joe Gurney, Loren Coleman, Mark Herbstritt, and Clint Williams for news clippings.

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Next Month: "Why I Believe in UFO's"--A Personal Experience, by Bill Finch, who has contributed several articles to SKYLOOK.

A Message From Your Director

What is the MIDWEST UFO NETWORK? - - - It is an informally organized group of sincerely interested individuals, working and sharing together their combined knowledge obtained through investigative and research activities in a dedicated effort to resolve the UFO phenomena.

The Network is composed of investigative units in each of the mid-western states under the leadership of a State Director. Each State is sub-divided geographically with State-Section Directors in charge. The State-Section Directors in turn develop a Field Investigators team in their portion of the state, which could include several adjacent counties.

A highly qualified group of Consultants is always available to lend their talents in studying UFO cases requiring their particular area of expertise. A radio amateur communications section provides radio telephone communications between the Network Director, the State Directors, and State-Section Directors, operating in the 75 meter "Ham band" utilizing single side band transmission.

The official "voice" of the MIDWEST UFO NETWORK is the publication SKYLOOK. A Master File of UFO reports submitted by and available to all members is maintained by the Network Staff. For fast reference each report is being capsulated through a Data Reduction System and converted to McBee Keysort punched cards. A Field Investigators Manual will be available in the near future after revisions have been made in the existing brochure to make it more comprehensive and truly a valuable aid when conducting Field Investigations of UFO sightings.

Membership in the MIDWEST UFO NETWORK is by invitation only. In this manner, qualified and competent investigators, engineers, and scientists will be applying their combined talents and knowledge to solving the UFO enigma.

The Network was originally organized May 30, 1969 on a very informal basis, however it is now being reorganized and expanded throughout the midwestern states.

Substantial and solid growth is evident as we welcome the following new members who have joined during the month of September: Public Relations Director: William "Bill" Schelen, 212 N. 27th St., Quincy, Ill. 62301, Telephone: AC217 223-0381. Consultant: John C. Preisack (Asst. Mgr., McDonnell Planetarium) Astronomy; 2683 Baltrusrol, Oakville, Mo. 63129, Telephone AC 314 846-8496.

From Arkansas, we greet Frank A. Hudson, Jr., Star Rt. 2, Box 93, Elkins, Ark. 72727, a new State-Section Director and a frequent contributor to SKYLOOK.

Illinois is proud to announce these new State-Section Directors: Covering the Chicago-land area, the very well known, Sherman J. Larsen, 2926 Applegate Road., Glenview, Ill. 60025. Telephone: AC 312 PA4-4822. Central Illinois will be represented by: Raymond M. Watts, 129 Meadows, East Peoria, Ill. 61611, Telephone: AC 309 699-2087 and Richard D. Pickel, 319 S. MacArthur, Springfield, Ill. 62704, Telephone AC 217 523-8898. In West-Central Illinois, we welcome A. S. Petzoldt, 2500 Vermont, Quincy, Ill. 62301, Telephone: AC 217 222-4665. Amateur Radio communications from Quincy will be handled by Marshall E. Coins, WA9ARG, 2316 Van Buren St., Quincy, Ill. 62301, Telephone: AC 217 223-9371.

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From Iowa we greet a new State-Section Director, John A. Dinter, KJJA, 3096 14th Ave., Marion, Iowa 52302, Telephone AC 319 377-0414. Missouri is expanding rapidly as these new State-Section Directors join the Network: Arthur J. Epstein, 9625 Radio Drive, ST. LOUIS, Mo. 63123, Telephone AC 314 631-5246; Corbyn Jacobs, 901 Sloan St., PALMYRA, Mo., 63461, Telephone AC 314 769-3738 (the Postmaster); Douglas E. Williams, 4407 Stevendale, COLUMBIA, Mo. 65201, Telephone: H: AC 314 474-2692 and B: 449-8108 Ext. 277 (Univ. of Missouri); Ronald G. Lucas 121 N. Allen St., CENTRALIA, Mo. 65240 Telephones: H: AC 314 362-5059 and B: (Chamber of Commerce) 362-2272.

The most exciting news for September is the addition of another State to the Midwest UFO Network--MINNESOTA. The 3-M UFO CLUB of St. Paul, Minn. has been the nucleus of activity in the twin city area. We feel that it is a privilege to welcome one of the early UFOlogists in the field as State Director-- Louis F. "Lou" Masonick, 1911 Dellwood, St. Paul, Minn. 55113, Telephone AC 612 645-5333 and as State-Section Directors: Jon C. Alverson, St. Paul, Minn.; Eldon "Al" Haglund, 410 South 7th St., Hudson, Wis. Telephone AC 715 386-5258 and to cover Southwest Minnesota; Arthur A. Strauch, 1217 Ely Ave., Box 361, Gibbon, Minn. 55335, Telephone: AC 307 4-4931. Art is best known for his night time color photograph of a UFO made near St. George, Minn. in 1965.

It was a sincere pleasure to have had each of these gentlemen accept our invitation to participate in the MIDWEST UFO NETWORK (MUFON). In addition to these State-Section Directors listed, each has several competent Field Investigators working with him. This list would be too extensive to list in SKYLOOK at this time, due to space requirements. May I commend everyone for their enthusiasm and cooperative spirit as we carry on this challenging study of the UFO enigma.

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Walt Andrus, Director  
Midwest UFO Network (MUFON)  
September 18, 1970

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### Six Watch Bright Light Over Power Plant

Mrs. Kurt Koenig, of Arnold, Mo, reported that at 9:45 P.M. the night of September 15, 1970--a clear night with a full moon-- three couples were riding in a car going south on I-55, about a mile south of the Meramec River, when all six saw a very bright light "just hanging in the air." They stopped the car to watch the object which hovered briefly, then the color changed from white to orange as it started moving and disappeared from view so rapidly "it just couldn't have been a helicopter." No other lights were seen, and the object was in view for five minutes.

Art Epstein, of St. Louis who sent in the report, notes the flight path from Arnold, Mo. to the Intersection of I-55 and Lindbergh Rd. is northwest. The object, when sighted, was near the confluence of the Meramec and Mississippi rivers where a large power plant is located.

Mrs. Koenig, of Arnold, telephoned the report to Mr. Epstein, and will send him a written report which may offer additional information.

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SORRY we can't use all the good copy sent in by staff and others this month--will try to get some of the best hold-over's in next time. We have enough for another "special issue"--but lack the \$\$\$. Ye Ed.

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It's a Bird, It's a Plane, It's a UFO?

Centralia (Ill.) "Sentinel," Friday, Sept. 11, 1970.--By Stephanie Brown.--Wednesday night around 9:30 Mrs. Arnold Gluck, her daughter Kathy, Mr. and Mrs. Bill DuPerrieu and their daughter Debbie had gathered outside the Gluck residence at 615 W. Kell St., to watch the daughters work on a school project.

Mrs. DuPerrieu suddenly noticed what appeared to be a falling star in the sky.

Five pairs of eyes focused on a brightly-lit object with flashing white lights and one red blinking light.

It wasn't a falling star, they think, nor was it a plane, jet or satellite. It was an unidentified flying object--a UFO.

Descriptions of the object ranged within the group from "cigar-shaped" to "bright around the edges, as if a light were shining behind it," to a monstrous tail light "fading away from you."

"The size and the fact that it made no sound didn't really surprise me," said Mrs. Gluck. "But the speed was too fast--so much faster than anything I've ever seen."

The path the object took as it moved across the sky, appearing and reappearing, also surprised the group.

"It was coming from the south the first time," DuPerrieu said. "Going toward St. Louis." He said it then made a turn directly east, right over Centralia, "disappeared, and returned three or four minutes later, again going toward St. Louis."

"The next time it appeared, here it came again from the east going to St. Louis," DuPerrieu continued. "And it came back from the east, again going toward St. Louis."

Mrs. Gluck confirms DePerrieu's description.

She said it appeared "around the moon area," then moved from the southwest to the northeast. It then disappeared, she said, only to appear traveling from the east to the west. Five minutes later it reappeared, going west to east.

"It was really moving," she said. "The form was something I've never seen."

All five persons took turns looking at the object through the Gluck binoculars, hoping, in the words of DuPerrieu, "that it would come closer so we could see more."

They don't think it was an illusion or a reflection off the moon, nor do they think it was a plane, jet or satellite.

In addition to the five persons who originally saw the object, four others: Susan Gluck, Brenda Smith, and two neighbors also saw it the last two times it appeared.

The watchers cite the absence on the object of a green light usually found on aircraft; the fact that there was no sound; and the tremendous speed.

A somewhat skeptical spokesman from Scott Air Force Base said yesterday that "there are always aircraft from our base flying over your area."

He said the absence of a green light may have been caused by the angle of the aircraft wings; that the lack of sound would depend upon many variables, including temperatures and wind direction, and that what appeared to be great speed may have been caused by an object flying closer to the ground.

He added that Scott Air Force Base does not receive reports of UFOs now that Blue Book, the commission which negated the presence of UFOs, is closed.

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Nonetheless, Mrs. Gluck was so convinced that what she had seen was not an ordinary air vehicle that she has contacted a woman in Carlyle who takes surveys of UFOs spotted in this area.

But surrealistic experiences must sooner or later give way to realistic thinking. As one member of the group said to the others, "If you tell anyone about this tomorrow, they'll think you are crazy."

Credit: Mrs. Rosetta Holmes, SKYLOOK staff. Editor's note: In spite of the writer's obvious tongue-in-cheek attitude in writing the report, we're glad she did write it and that the newspaper reported it. And we--and many others--do NOT think the observers are "crazy." Mrs. Holmes is investigating this report, and if we get anything more on it before we meet our deadline (the 20th!) we'll inform you. Thanks, Rosie for sending the clipping right in.

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#### Illinois Man Watches Bright Object

Jerrel Carner, of Beckemeyer, Ill., age 27, reports that during April of this year (he isn't sure of the exact date) he was at the Litchfield, Ill., Drive In and saw a bright object. As it seemed to be falling rapidly, he thought it was a falling star--but then it moved to the west on a level course and at greatly reduced speed. It was in sight for 8-10 minutes before disappearing from view.

Reported to Rosetta Holmes by Mrs. May Jannett, of Beckemeyer.

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Folks in Columbia, Mo., 'See the Light'

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"The Columbia Daily Tribune," Columbia, Mo., August 18, 1970:--A highly unusual object was reportedly sighted in the sky north of Columbia last night around 10 p.m.

"Believe you me, it was no airplane," said Mrs. Alice M. Thompson, who lives about 6½ miles north of town on Wagon Trail Road.

Mrs. Thompson said she was sitting in her living room with W. B. Cook, 1102 Pannell St. after they had finished some work around her trailer. Mrs. Thompson suddenly heard her colt, which is kept outside with a mare, running and acting excited. She got up to take a look.

Just as she got up, Mrs. Thompson said she heard a strange noise like a "pop" which later reminded her of a cork coming out of a bottle. She said it was a hollow sound and sounded like it could have been some distance away.

She followed the sound and rushed to look out the back door of the trailer which faces east. Just as she opened the door, she saw an intense light shining through a nearby tree which illuminated the inside of her trailer. She also saw something behind the tree.

In just a moment, Mrs. Thompson recounted, the object moved from behind the tree. It was large and completely round, she said, and either looked like a ball of fire or an intensely illuminated object some 10 to 20 times as bright as the moon. She also saw something hanging from the object in the sky which looked like a long piece of rope, possibly with another small object at the end. She said the object was low in the sky, perhaps the altitude of a small plane, but made no noise. It seemed to Mrs. Thompson to be less than an eighth of a mile away and she added, "I'm accustomed to planes because I was in the WAVES."

At this point, Mrs. Thompson said she called Cook from the living room and he, too, saw the object. As they watched the object it moved north across the sky at a moderate rate of speed and then suddenly disappeared, according to Mrs. Thompson's account. She had seen it for about a minute.

"It seemed to be a UFO," she said today. "We were in a big hurry and it was terribly exciting but, believe you me, we saw it." Mrs. Thompson said she had heard about unidentified flying objects before, but had never made any kind of sighting. "We don't go around seeing things," she said.

A spokesman for the U. S. Weather Bureau could offer no explanation or evidence that anyone else saw the object last night, but noted that the skies are full of visible satellites.

"The Columbia Daily Tribune, August 19--Several additional persons have reported sighting some strange goings-on Monday night about 10 p.m. north of Columbia \* \* \* Seventeen-year old Sidney Hughes, who lives on Route 3 some five miles north of town, about a mile from Mrs. Thompson's home, has now confirmed along with others that he also saw a very bright light through the trees about the same time as the sighting claimed by Mrs. Thompson and Cook.

Hughes said he had been visiting his brother's trailer Monday night and was about to drive away in his car shortly after 10 p.m. when he suddenly saw an intensely bright light coming from the north through a wooded area nearby. Hughes said the light illuminated the area and cast unusual shadows on his brother's trailer. He watched for about two minutes as the light went off and on several times before dissipat-

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Columbia 'Sees the Light' . . . (Continued)

ing. Hughes then drove away and forgot the incident until Mrs. Thompson called him yesterday afternoon and told him of her sighting.

"I was wondering what it was," Hughes said of the eerie light. "There wasn't anything going on out there." He reported what he had seen to his sister-in-law and she remembered hearing a dull "pop" at that time, similar to what Mrs. Thompson reported hearing.

Hughes said he thought at the time that perhaps Peabody Coal Co. was moving a crane in the area that night, but a spokesman for the coal company said Peabody had no equipment there on Monday.

Mrs. Thompson reports today that she has been calling her neighbors to ask if they saw anything unusual and several have confirmed her Monday night sighting. Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Davis, who live on Highway VV about two miles from Mrs. Thompson's trailer, report that they saw what looked like a ball of fire low in the sky on Monday evening and at first thought it was an airplane with an engine on fire.

Davis said he did not detect much movement in the minute or so he saw the object and thought it must be moving away from him. He said they were looking in the direction of the Thompson residence to the northeast and, while they were wondering what it could be, the light disappeared. "It's the first time we ever saw anything like that," Davis said.

Mrs. Marie Moreau, who lives about a half mile away from Mrs. Thompson, said she saw a ball of fire that reminded her of a roman candle ball floating through the air. Mrs. Moreau said the object disappeared from her view behind some trees as it drifted toward the Thompson home.

Curt Krehbiel, 17, lives on Route 3, Creasy Springs Road, several miles from Mrs. Thompson, but he, too, reported sighting a ball of fire. Krehbiel said the object was as large as the moon and very close to the ground. He was looking northeast at the strange phenomenon when it suddenly disappeared.

Mrs. Thompson also reports that Harold Hughes, Route 3, father of Sidney Hughes, said he saw the ball of fire.

An area resident who investigates unidentified flying objects said he is extremely interested in the sightings. The investigator, who asked not to be named, said he knows of several cases around the country where round flaming objects have been seen with a rope or cord dangling from them. Mrs. Thompson said she saw something hanging from the object Monday night, but the others who saw the light say they were too far away to see any detail.

Credit: Douglas E. Williams, of Columbia, Mo.

Editor's Note: The Columbia "Morning Record" and the "Columbia Missourian" also carried reports, basically the same as the "Daily Tribune", but not as complete. It is believed by some of the SKYLOOK staff the object seen was a parachute flare some service man brought back from Vietnam. The description given in the reports fits rocket flares seen by many service men. We would like further information on these sightings which might confirm or disprove the parachute solution. Comment, anyone?

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## Montana Sighting Reported by Former Air Force Captain

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Mr. X, a former Captain in the U. S. Air Force, now engaged in business in Salem, Ill., recently reported a UFO sighting that was observed by Mr. X and a Highway Patrol officer in Montana in 1950.

The two were on a lookout point near North Conrad, Montana on a clear, quiet day when they saw three ball-like objects moving about 15° above the horizon and against the background of the Rocky Mountains. The objects were glowing with very bright, white lights and were observed for about 15 minutes as they moved along a course parallel to the earth. There was no sound.

Mr. X judged the objects to be about 15 miles distant and compared an object to the size of a pea held at arm's length.  
(Credit: Mrs. Rosetta Holmes, Carlyle, Ill.)

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## Was UFO Responsible?

Clarence O. Dargie, of O'Fallon, Ill., recently told Art Epstein, of St. Louis, of an unusual happening at the Otis Airforce Base at Cape Cod, Massachusetts, in the Spring of 1952 or 1953. Mr. Dargie was a sergeant at group headquarters at Camp Edwards and assisted in the investigation following the disappearance of a F94C jet on a night take-off.

The pilot was Captain Suggs and the radar man was Lt. Robert Bark-off. The plane was at 1500 ft. elevation over the rifle range when all electrical operations ceased even tho there were back-up systems on the plane. The pilot "stop-cocked" the plane (this stops all operations so the plane can not be a runaway.) The radar man jettisoned the canopy. The pilot ejected and thought the radar man did also.

The plane was headed downward. The pilot landed in the yard of a home and was taken by the resident to the Base. No crash was heard. The plane was 12 miles from Buzzards Bay, the nearest ocean water, and the Bay was dredged but no trace was found of the plane or radar man.  
(Credit, Art Epstein)

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## Plane Whose Jets All Failed at Once Mystifies Eastern

Dozens of engineers and mechanics swarmed over an Eastern Airlines DC-8 August 7, 1970, trying to learn what caused two malfunctions in which all four of the plane's jet engines lost power simultaneously. The first failure occurred July 29 as the \$8-million jet was flying at 14,000 feet on an approach to Los Angeles International Airport. The 106 passengers were warned of the emergency and the plane fell 6,000 feet before the engines finally responded. The aircraft was put into the shop after a routine landing and nothing could be found wrong with it.

It was put back into service August 1st and was grounded after the engines failed a second time on the runway after landing 100 charter passengers at Mexico City.

James Ashlock, an Eastern official, said a simultaneous malfunctioning of all four engines on a jet plane was rare, "almost a mathematical impossibility."

"We've got our top engineers and mechanics working on the plane, plus several manufacturers' representatives," he said. "So far, they haven't found the trouble." (Source: New York TIMES; Credit, Lou Farish)

## Two Watch UFO at Rockland, Maine

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Brent Raynes, editor of the bi-monthly "Scientific Sauceritis Review," Perkins Lane, Hallowell, Maine, has sent us a UFO report investigated by Brent and one of his staff, Jim Carey, on September 2nd at Rockland, Me. The sighting took place about 9 o'clock p.m. August 12, 1970.

The two observers were interviewed separately, then brought together to go over the report and review any possible discrepancies. Basically, their reports agreed and both interviewers were impressed with the sincerity of the witnesses.

Mr. Maynard W. Smith, 17 Old County Road, Rockland, Me., age 72, employed as a fish cutter, reports Mrs. Turner, telephoned him to say she was observing a strange object and wanted him to see it too, as people would think she was "seeing things." He told her it was probably a light in the road or a reflector; but when Mrs. Turner said no, it was something in the heavens, Smith rushed outdoors to see it.

When Mrs. Turner first saw the object, it was coming out of the west and then hovered; but when Turner caught his first glimpse, the object was moving off slowly towards the northeast and "gradually settled down behind Dodge's Mountain." After it disappeared behind the mountain, both observed a flash of white light.

Mrs. Turner had watched the object for about five minutes before being joined by Smith and it remained in view for probably another five minutes. Smith told Mr. Raynes that after watching it for five minutes, "I knew I wasn't dreaming or seeing things. It was just there, that's all." He said the object was "perhaps as large as a house." It looked like "a tripod up in the sky," he said, with pulsating "very bright and brilliant red lights" and he thought it would measure about eight feet from top to bottom. He told Brent he studied it very carefully because he realized it might well be a "once in a lifetime" incident and he wanted to remember everything.

Smith drew a sketch which can best be described as a letter "A" with a flattened top, instead of coming to a point, with lights along the "legs" and two cross-bars.

Mrs. Marylin Turner, a housewife who declined to give her age and Ye Ed is entirely in sympathy, told Jim Carey she had just come home and walked through her kitchen to the living room to turn on a record player. Then she was returning to the kitchen and saw a large, red light through the window. It was shaped like a ball, she said, "but not perfectly round," and coming from the west. Then it seemed to hover and after watching it a few minutes, Mrs. Turner telephoned Mr. Smith. By the time he arrived, about five minutes had elapsed, and the object was moving away. She said it had been over a newly installed power line.

She admitted she was frightened and said she didn't study it closely, as her neighbor did. She remained indoors during the sighting, watching the object from a window. Both observers said it was a very clear night with perfect visibility.

Editor's Note: Brent Raynes is a now-and-then contributor to SKYLOC since way-back-when and we're glad to have this report. We engage in good-natured banter as to our views on UFO's. Brent knows I think some of his material is "too far out," but he assures me that "far out" is where the solution is! And you can't argue with a come-back like that. But I'll work on it.

Mercury is again quite near the sun and is not visible during the month. That bright object in the western sky just after sunset, the planet Venus, reaches its greatest brilliancy on October 6 at a magnitude of -4.3, if seen through a small telescope the planet will appear as a thin crescent. The planet will be setting just after the sun and is not in a good position for observation.

Mars may be seen in the low southwest just before sunrise. The red planet is seen as a very faint, reddish star. Jupiter, along with Venus, is quite near the sun and will not be visible after mid-month.

The ringed planet, Saturn, is well placed for observation during the month; it is located in the constellation Aries and is seen in the high southern sky throughout the evening.

First quarter moon--Oct. 7; Full moon--Oct. 14; Last quarter--Oct. 21; New moon--Oct. 30.

Some 25 meteors per hour may be visible during the Orinid Meteor shower, which occurs on Oct. 21.

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Other Celestial Objects for October Viewing . . . . By Mark Herbstrett

Editor's Note: Mark has sent in some additional notes and points out the ability to recognize the brighter stars and planets is of great value to the ufologist and for obvious reasons.

The Constellation Cygnus is prominent in the northwestern sky all during October. Cygnus is called the Swan or Northern Cross. The brightest object in the constellation is the star Deneb. It is magnitude 1.26 and is a blue supergiant star located at a distance of 1600 light years. Deneb is the 19th brightest star in the sky. The double star Albireo (Beta Cygni) is a beautiful sight in a 6-inch telescope. This double consists of a golden yellow star of 3rd magnitude and a blue companion of 5th magnitude at a distance of 410 light years. The double star 61 Cygni is about 11 light years away. The distance to 61 Cygni was measured by Bessel in 1838. 61 Cygni has an unseen companion eight times the size of Jupiter. The companion is either a small star or a large planet. The six brightest stars in Cygni are from first to fourth magnitudes.

Deep sky objects in Cygnus: M-29--This is a galactic star cluster of the 7th magnitude located in a heavily obscured region of the Milky Way. It is 7200 light years distant and 15 light years in diameter. M-39--This galactic cluster is located 8 degrees ENE of Deneb and contains about 30 stars. It is 800 light years distant. NGC 6960 and NGC 6992--The Veil Nebula is one of the most striking objects in the heavens. It was discovered by William Herschel in 1784. It is 1500 light years distant and is probably the remnants of a Supernova. N6C 7000--the North America Nebula is a vast cloud of gases, dust and stars three degrees east of Deneb. This nebula is estimated to be 1600 light years distant and 45 light years in diameter.

Observing these objects on a clear night through a 6-inch telescope or greater helps the amateur astronomer appreciate the grandeur and vastness of the universe. The objects mentioned are in our own Milky Way galaxy and there are millions of galaxies and billions of stars in each. In my opinion there must be millions of planetary systems capable of supporting intelligent life.

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How They Were Named --Ancient Greek astronomers thought Mercury was really two different planets. When it appeared on one side of the sun

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## The Astronomy Corner (Continued)

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in the morning, they called it Apollo, named for the god of sunlight. In the evening it was Hermes, fleet messenger of the gods, known to the Romans as Mercury. (Credit: Ted Phillips, Jr.)

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## Planetary System Is Seen Forming

Brighton, England--Astronomers are watching the formation of a new planetary system 5,000 light years from earth, a professor said here Friday.

It is the first time scientists have witnessed the formation of a system similar to our own, said Zdenek Kopal, astronomy professor at Manchester University.

Kopal said new planets had been seen forming around a giant star 20 times the size of the sun. He told the International Astronomical Meeting town that the star, Epsilon Aurigae, was accompanied by a four-billion mile-wide semi-transparent disc, whose optical peculiarities showed it was not composed of gas.

The disc was made up of large solid particles, a number already the size of small planets, he said. (Source: ARKANSAS GAZETTE, Aug. 22, 1970. Credit, Lou Farish)

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## Scientists to Watch Strange Glow in Moon

Houston--Scientists studying moonquakes that could be related to strange glows on the lunar surface will concentrate on the Fra Mauro and Aristarchos areas Monday when the moon comes closest to earth in its monthly cycle. Dr. Gary Latham of the Lamont Geological Observatory in Palisades, N. Y., has asked the world's astronomers to train their telescopes on the two "hot spots" during perigee--the time when the moon is closest. (Source: ARKANSAS GAZETTE, Aug. 16, 1970. Credit, Lou Farish.)

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## That Mysterious Green Flash (See September SKYLOOK for story)

John C. Preisack, Assistant Director of the McDonnell Planetarium, St. Louis, Mo., writes: "In regard to the article in the September issue of SKYLOOK concerning the green flash that was observed 100 miles off shore from Honolulu, I would like to make the following comment: Going strictly by what was reported, it appears that the green flash that was seen was more than likely a fireball which is sometimes referred to as a bolide.

"As a meteoroid enters the earth's atmosphere traveling at a velocity ranging from 10 to 45 miles a second, depending on the direction from which it enters our atmosphere, it then becomes a meteor.

"As the meteor streaks through our atmosphere on the way to the earth, the friction of the air causes it to burn up. Small meteors, most of which are no larger than grains of sand, burn up completely during their journey through our atmosphere.

"If the meteor is large enough however, and survives its plunge through our atmosphere and lands in the sea or on land, the object is then referred to as a meteorite.

"Sometimes these larger meteors explode and break up as they pass through the atmosphere. This explosion and break up of the meteor is caused by the shock wave that is built up by the meteor as it moves through our lower and denser atmosphere. I've talked to some of my associates at the McDonnell Planetarium about the color of the flash and they told me that is is not unlike others that have been reported."

Any material or fragment found that is suspected to be of or from a UFO should first of all be subjected to a careful examination with both microscope and eye, Dr. Utke continues in discussing methods of analysis available for studying physical evidence.

Physical determinations should be made of the sample's density, specific heat, solubility or partial solubility in various acids and solvents, and radioactive and/or magnetic properties (if any). When added together, all of these clues should provide a pretty good idea of whether the sample is comprised of elements, compounds, or both, and which ones. From here, a qualitative and quantitative chemical analysis should be carried out.

Dr. Utke says that no matter what the sample contains, it could be analyzed by various, basically non-instrumental, classical ("wet") analytical methods which are available. Many elements and compounds can also be analyzed by visible, ultraviolet, and infrared spectrophotometry. The instruments involved work on the principle that some elements and compounds (but not all) will absorb light in either the visible, ultraviolet, or infrared regions of the light spectrum. The light is absorbed in a characteristic pattern unique to each material. This pattern can be recorded as a "fingerprint" which will identify that element or compound and its concentration in the sample.

An emission spectrometer can be used for analysis if the sample is comprised only of metallic elements. The sample is placed between two carbon electrodes in the instruments, or becomes one of the electrodes itself, and is then subjected to an electric arc. The electrons in the sample become "excited" in the arc and when they "relax" each element present emits light of certain characteristic wave-lengths. Dr. Utke explains the wave lengths may number all the way from two up to thousands. They are separated with a prism or grating and recorded as lines on photographic film. The analyst simply identifies the elements present from the lines recorded and he can also tell how much of each element is present in the sample from the density of the lines.

Unfortunately, "wet" spectrophotometric and emission spectroscopy methods destroy part of the sample, or even all of it if it is small. There is another disadvantage in that impurities and "trace" elements are somewhat difficult to analyze. These can be more accurately determined by other techniques, and Dr. Utke mentions neutron activation analysis, atomic absorption spectroscopy, and flame photometry.

These are taken up in the order named. Dr. Utke says neutron activation analysis is somewhat similar to emission spectroscopy. But instead of bombarding the sample with an electric arc, it is bombarded with neutrons in an atomic reactor. Instead of the sample then emitting light, it emits alpha, beta, and/or gamma rays which can be identified by type, degree of energy, and decay rates with various instruments. In other words, he explains, one identifies the radioactive isotopes which have been produced by the neutrons and thus indirectly the original elements in the sample. Because this method can be used with extremely small amounts of sample and does not destroy the sample, it has become rather popular.

To analyze for "trace" metals using the atomic absorption spectrophotometer, one converts the sample to a solution and then atomizes it by passing it through an air-acetylene flame. The concentration of the element being analyzed is then measured by its capacity to absorb the light emission of a lamp which has a hollow cathode made of the same element.

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No. 7 in a series of pre-1947 UFO sightings.

DAILY NEW MEXICAN, Santa Fe, N. M. --Galisteo Junction, N. M., March 26, 1880.--Tonight soon after the arrival of the train from Santa Fe, as the operator at this point and two or three friends were taking a short walk before retiring for the night, they were startled by voices evidently coming from above them. At first they supposed it was from some persons on the mountains near here, known as the Sierra Colorada, but on looking upward they were astonished to see a large balloon coming from the west.

As it rapidly approached, the voices became more distinct, but were entirely unintelligible. Loud shouts, in a language entirely unknown to any of the party, were constantly given, evidently with a desire to attract attention.

The construction of the balloon was entirely different to anything of the kind ever seen by any of the party, being in the shape of a fish, and at one time was so low that fanciful characters on the outside of the car, which appeared to be very elegant, were plainly seen.

The air machine appeared to be entirely under the control of the occupants, and appeared to be guided by a large fanlike apparatus. The party seemed to be enjoying themselves, as laughter and occasionally strains of music were heard.

A few articles were dropped from the car as the balloon passed over the Junction, but owing to the imperfect light the only thing which was found was a magnificent flower, with a slip of exceedingly fine silk-like paper, on which were some characters resembling those on Japanese tea chests. One article which from its weight when thrown from the car, seemed to be a cup or some other piece of earthenware, could not be found tonight, but diligent search will be made for it in the morning.

The balloon was monstrous in size, and the car, as near as could be judged, contained eight or ten persons. Another peculiar feature of the air machine was that the occupants could evidently sail at any height they chose, as soon after passing the Junction, it assumed a great height and moved off very rapidly toward the east.

LATER: The cup thrown from the balloon last night was found this morning. It is of very peculiar workmanship, entirely different to anything used in this country. Both flower and cup are in possession of the operator at the Junction, and can be seen by any one who desired to see them.

GALISTEO JUNCTION, March 27, 9 p.m.--This evening a collector of curiosities passed through this place and on being shown the magnificent flower and cup dropped from the balloon which passed over this place last night, offered such a sum of money for them that it could not be refused and he became the possessor of them. He gives it as his opinion that the balloon must have come from Asia, and thinks it possible that it came from Jeddo (Tokyo).

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Quincy Morning Whig, April 10, 1897

THE AIR-SHIP OVER IOWA

Many Iowans Claim to  
Have Seen It

IT HAS A HUGE HEADLIGHT  
And Wing-Like Projections on Either  
Side-The Mysterious Craft Seen In  
Towns All Along the Burlington,  
Cedar Rapids & Northern Railroad

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West Liberty, Ia., April 9. -The mysterious air-ship, which has appeared night after night at various points in Iowa and Nebraska recently was seen last night by hundreds of reputable citizens along the line of the Burlington, Cedar Rapids & Northern Railroad, between here and Cedar Rapids. Reports from these points show that nearly every operator and station agent along the line saw the strange craft, and they all tell about the same story; it was first seen about 7:30 in the evening, and the operator dubting his senses, asked the man at the next station if he could see a strange object in the sky between the two towns. The other operator replied that he had been watching the thing. The ship moved off, and other operators in the direction of the flight were warned of its approach, and thus town after town was prepared to gaze at it when it came in sight.

It is described by reputable citizens, who saw it, as having a large reflecting headlight probably two feet in diameter which sheds strong rays like that of a locomotive headlight, and to some extent prevented a good view of the body of the apparatus by its glare. However the glistening body of the ship could be discerned and the dim wing-like projections on either side, as described by previous observers. The strange aerial craft moved swiftly through the air, making a slight hissing sound.

At times it seemed to be within 1,000 feet of the earth and at times seemed to pause in its flight as though its occupants were taking observations of the earth below.

No sound save the low hissing noise, which was only apparent when the machine was in swift motion, came to the wondering observers and if there were people in the craft their conversation was carried on in low tones or else the distance was too high above the earth for the ground to carry.

The strange object was in view generally from twenty minutes to half an hour and usually disappeared in a westerly direction. At least a hundred trustworthy people declare they saw the air-ship but none of them are willing to swear they were not dreaming, so strange and unreal does its appearance seem to them.

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The following catalog is the result of some seven years of investigation into UFO events as reported in Missouri. The catalog has been presented in a most simple and, I feel, effective form. The cases are listed first by total number, this is followed by the file number, this would be the number required if further information on a specific sighting should be needed. The compilation of this catalog has been possible only with the help of a large number of individuals, sincere people, taking the time and trouble to send the details of sightings that have been reported to them or to their friends. I hope that this catalog will be of assistance to those interested individuals in various sections of the country who are making statistical studies of the UFO problem. I would ask that anyone having Missouri cases not listed, please send at least the date, location, time and a brief description of the incident to me. If anyone has information on any case listed as a D1 I would appreciate hearing from them. (Address: P. O. Box 615, Sedalia, Mo., 65301).

Rating System Used

- A: Unknown, object of highly unusual nature, reliable observer(s)
- B: Object of highly unusual nature, insufficient information to rate / or -
- C: Possible conventional object, insufficient information to rate / or -
- D: Information indicates conventional explanation
- D1: Insufficient information on the object and observer(s)

#	File #	Date	Location	Time	Description of Incident	Rating
<u>1857</u>						
1	213	10-8-57	St. Louis	0420	Ball of light crossed sky, explosion.	C
<u>1859</u>						
2	214	9-15-59	St. Louis	-	Witness, John H. Tice	D1
<u>1881</u>						
3	1	11-7-81	St. Joseph	-	50 lights, formation, hovered 30 min. moved away. 7 witnesses.	B
<u>1886</u>						
4	215	11-23-86	Edina	-	bright light in sky, 2 injured, 1 killed.	D1
<u>1896</u>						
5	165	4-?-96	St. Louis	0515		D
<u>1897</u>						
6	217	3-9-97	?		night light traveling NW	D1
7	216	4-1-97	Kansas City		night light, searchlight	D1
8	221	4-15-97	Perry Springs	-	many witnesses, seen 15 min. passed train.	B
<u>1948</u>						
9	218	?	Moberly	2300	disc, NW-SE, dull blue, portholes	D1
<u>1951</u>						
10	237	12-7-51	Kansas City	1412	round, stubby wings, 1 min.	D1

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## Pennsylvania Residents See UFO

On Monday, August 31, 1970, Thomas Herbstritt, his wife, and their three children saw a UFO. The time was about 21:00 EDT, and the object was near the planet Venus. It was traveling toward the earth for about 45° and then disappeared. Mr. Herbstritt estimates it was between Venus and the full moon in brightness, which would make it about magnitude -8. The duration of the sighting was five minutes. The color was white.

Mr. Herbstritt, who lives in Kersey, Pa., telephoned his brother Mark Herbstritt (who sent us the report) at St. Marys, about four miles distant; but by the time Mark got outdoors to look for the object, it was nowhere in sight.

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## SKYLOOK Reader and Family Watch UFO in Oklahoma

We had two interesting letters from our friend Jean Lamb, of Muldrow, Okla. telling of an unidentified flying object seen by Jean and her children and some of the neighbor children, Wednesday night, August 19, 1970. The first letter was written right after the sighting when Jean was pretty excited (we don't blame you, Jean--we'd be excited too) and the second letter followed when she had time to collect her wits and to "put it all together!"

Jean and the children were outside at 8:45 p.m. when Kerry, age 15, called, "Hey, Mom, look at that!"

It was a clear night with the stars shining and only a few clouds drifting in a quiet sky. A brightly lighted object was coming from the south, and Jean first thought it was a jet. There were two bright white lights, one flashing, but no red or green lights. Its speed was compared to that of a light plane and as it passed almost overhead, nothing could be seen between the two lights. The object curved toward the east and at about a three o'clock position, the object split in two. One light flew smoothly on to the north and finally disappeared from sight. The other light made a lazy curve to the east on a downward course, as a plane coming in for a landing, Jean wrote, and disappeared from view behind some trees. Then a beam of light, lasting about 10 seconds, flashed up from the point where the object had disappeared, and there were occasional flashes from this point for about 15 minutes.

The entire sighting lasted about 25 minutes. The neighbor boys (ages 14 and 16) were afraid to walk home after the incident and Jean admits she was also frightened. The next day she and her husband drove to where the object had disappeared behind the trees, but found nothing unusual and decided the object must have been further away than first thought.

Jean has seen tankers refuel jets at night, and adds the lights often take the form of a triangle, and she is sure the object she observed was neither tanker nor jet. She compared the lights to the brightness of stars and said there was no "tail of light" at any time. As to the size, "make a circle with your thumb and forefinger and put the forefinger on the first joint of the thumb; hold your arm full length and look through the hole and that's about the size of each light. (Your elbow will bend, of course.)"

During the sighting, none of the ranch dogs seemed disturbed, altho one of the horses did. The TV failed to work properly for about an hour after the object disappeared from view.

Otto Binder's recent UFO paperback, 'FLYING SAUCERS ARE WATCHING US', has been reprinted by Tower Books, with the new title, UNSOLVED MYSTERIES OF THE PAST. Same stuff; new title. 'Nuf sed.

Longtime UFO writer/publisher Gray Barker has a new book on sale, THE SILVER BRIDGE. Primarily concerned with the UFO happenings in the Ohio River Valley during the past four years, it is unique in UFO literature, to say the least. The literary style is very readable; yet to describe the book as a major contribution to UFO research would be perhaps erroneous. The better known ufological events of the region--Woodrow Derenberger, "Mothman," etc--are all chronicled here, but that is not quite enough. Barker is at times a bit too graphic in detailing the personal lives of UFO/"Mothman" witnesses. In a departure from Barker's usual paperback volumes, THE SILVER BRIDGE is very attractively done in hardcover form, printed by Ray Palmer. It is a curious book and one which does not lend itself to "capsule" reviews.

We understand that two new UFO books will shortly be published in England. The first is RETURN TO THE STARS, Erich von Daniken's sequel to his best-selling CHARIOTS OF THE GODS? The other, dealing with UFOs and ancient civilizations, is Peter Kilosimo's NOT OF THIS WORLD. Any later word regarding American editions of either book will be carried in future columns. Credit to the excellent British publication, SPACE-LINK, for this information.

Some time ago, we mentioned various UFO books available at greatly reduced prices from Publisher's Central Bureau - 33-20 Hunters Point Ave., Long Island City, N. Y. 11101. In going through their latest catalog, we find that ANATOMY OF A PHENOMENON, by Jacques Vallee is still available in the hardcover edition for only \$1.49. Also, the soft cover edition of H.V. Chambers' UFOs FOR THE MILLIONS may be had for only \$1.00. Add 45¢ per order for handling.

Well, the Russians have done it again! Recent columns have mentioned the Soviet interest in UFOs and the possibility of extraterrestrial life. Now, two Soviet writers have suggested that our Moon may be a huge artificial satellite constructed by some ET race. The July issue of SPUTNIK contains their speculations. Also, the September 20th issue of NATIONAL ENQUIRER carries a good summary of the SPUTNIK article. The theory seems a bit far-out (even for UFO buffs!), but it makes for interesting reading.

The October issue of FATE has a good article by Dr. Robert E. Kuttner suggesting that various mysteries of the past may be explained by assuming extraterrestrial interventions. There is much more which could be said along these lines and we hope that Dr. Kuttner will continue his research.

John Keel's article in the November issue of MALE deals with UFOs in the oceans of the world. Citing a number of such incidents, some of quite recent date, Keel suggests that the concept of undersea UFO bases is perhaps not too far-fetched. Quite interesting.

Editor's Note: The October issue of Fate also contains two book reviews by Lou Farish--one of John Keel's "UFOs Operation Trojan Horse" and the other, "Chariots of the Gods?" by Erich Von Daniken.

Comet Visible Over St. Louis Until Oct. 11th

St. Louis "Post-Dispatch," Sept. 1, 1970:--The newly discovered comet, Abe 1970g, will be visible in the northern sky over St. Louis until about Oct. 11. It can be seen with binoculars in the area of Cepheus, Draco and Hercules constellations. Credit: John F. Schuessler

With Our Fellow Editors

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Good news! The FLYING SAUCER BULLETIN is back again with a new look and a new name. This former bi-monthly ufozine, edited and published by Bonita Roman hadn't been heard of for months due to health and financial problems, but Bonnie is back in business again and the new ufozine was worth waiting for. All her subscribers should take note the name has been changed to THE OHIO UFO REPORTER, and Vol. 1, No. 1, dated August 1970, has 33 pages of interesting, well-written, and worth reading news and views. Four to six issues per year will be published and a year's subscription is \$3.00. The address is the same--Route 3, Yankee Rd., Middletown, Ohio, 45042. Welcome back, Bonnie. We need your kind of reporting and recommend your ufozine to all serious ufologists.

The summer issue of EYEWITNESS is out with the cover by artist Gary Ricker, of Berwyn, Ill., illustrating a "dog fight" between a plane and a UFO, story on page 5. Editor Bill Moore lists "the top ten UFOzines" (United States only) and we predict he is going to get a lot of mail about this! Bill agrees others may not agree with his rating system and selections. Of course, we're pleased SKYLOOK made the list and, as can be expected, we agree with some of Bill's top-ten and strongly disagree with other. DATA-NET CONTROL and the F.S.I.C. BULLETIN (along with the new OHIO UFO REPORTER) would head our top ten (SEN????). This quarterly publication is \$1.75 per year (only \$1.00 to Ohio residents) and the address is Box 34, Mt. Perry, Ohio, 43760.

The F.S.I.C. BULLETIN, P. O. Drawer G, Akron, Ohio, 44305, is out with its September issue and Editor A. E. Candusso announces they hope to get back on their regular bi-monthly schedule after a temporary halt in publication, and all members will be treated fairly. This ufozine has always been high on our list with its well-written reports indicative of serious investigation and sound conclusions. No kook material ever!

Donald Johnson, editor of the non-scheduled and excellent FLYING SAUCER OBSERVER, is now a student at the University of Colorado, and his ufozine will be published by APRO, Connecticut Section, P. O. Box 67, Winsted, Conn., 06098. All should note the change of address. We had a card from Donald and he is looking into a rumor of a campus UFO study group (guess Dr. Condon didn't convince EVERY one at Boulder that UFO's do not exist). How about a follow-up report on that, Donald?

Mike Jaffe, of DATA-NET CONTROL is back from a trip to France where he met Mr. Veillith, head of Lumieres Dans La Nuit, the oldest and largest UFO research group in France. This group's monthly journal is the best in its class professionally, with photographs, drawings, maps etc. We have received a couple copies (courtesy of Mike, we suspect) but, alas, it is printed in French and we no parlez-vous. To get back to DATA-NET, Mike and editor Jo Clerk continue to publish one of the very best ufozines in the field. You can depend on getting it every month and it's well worth the \$4 subscription. The address is Data-Net, 624 Farley St., Mountain View, Calif. 94040. Jerry Johnson, whose article on the hollow-earth theory appeared in the September SKYLOOK, has a series going in DATA-NET on Marginal Notes from the "Scientific Study of Unidentified Objects" (The Condon Report). He takes it apart!

UFO Study Group to Hold Panel Discussion, Sunday, Oct. 4th

John F. Schuessler, Director of the UFO Study Group of Greater St. Louis, wishes to bring to your attention an outstanding panel discussion on the topic "Unidentified Flying Objects - 1970." This event will be held Sunday, October 4th, from 7 - 10 PM at the JCCA's (Jewish Community Centers Association) Wohl Building (Room 146), located at 11001 Schuetz Road just west of Lindberg Blvd.

The public is cordially invited to attend and participate in a question and answer session on the subject "UFO Phenomenon" immediately following the panel discussion. The panel speakers will be provided by the local UFO Study Group.

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