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Strange Lights In Viet Nam

APRO Headquarters recently received the following report from a member in Viet Nam who is an officer in the Regular Army: At 1910 hours (7:10 P.M.) on June, the officer in question and an enlisted man were returning from work to their billets. The officer was driving on a beach road with the enlisted man as his passenger. The Nomcom noticed two extremely bright lights and brought them to the attention of the officer, who immediately stopped the vehicle. The lights remained stationary for approximately 25 seconds, then Light No. 1 started slowly moving toward the west until, approximately 10 seconds later, it disappeared from view behind the shore mountain. While Light No. 1 was in flight, No. 2 stayed stationary. After Light No. 1 disappeared, the officer put the jeep in reverse and drove back up the road for about 50 feet to see if the remaining light was possibly a reflection. Its appearance did not change. About 50 seconds after Light No. 1 disappeared, Light No. 2 streaked across the sky, following the exact same path that Light No. 1 had followed. Total flight time for Light No. 2 was between 1 and 2 seconds.

Both witnesses attest that they have never seen lights like those observed before. The officer has seen and/or flown in almost every type of aircraft presently being used in Vietnam. The lights were round, extremely bright and approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ the size of a dime held at arm's length. There was no sound and the lights were viewed by the pair for a total of about 1 minute from a distance of approximately 1 to $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles.

Stop Press Item

A glowing unidentified submarine object was observed by Julian Ardanza, captain of the Argentine ship "Naviero" and another official, Mr. Jorge Montoya. The object was spotted 120 miles off the Brazilian coast, south of Santa Catalina Gulf, on the 30th of July. At first the glowing body was on top of the water, then it submerged and passed under the Argentine ship twice. Its glow was clearly seen under the water and it did not emerge again. There was no sound accompanying the object.

'Flap' Begins In Earnest— Fleets Over South America

It has been noticed in the past that UFOs are seen in increasing numbers over South America flying a south to north path. Also, a considerable amount of activity in southern Brazil in the vicinity of the Mato Grosso has stirred speculation. At about the time the copy for the May-June issue was sent to the printers the first report on South American activity was received and was included in a STOP PRESS item on the 12th page of that issue. Reporting in were Dr. Fontes of Brazil, Oscar Galindez of Argentina, and Richard Greenwell of Peru. Dr. Fontes stated his opinion that when a world-wide flap takes place it involves many objects which seem to emanate from the South Pole. He conjectured that if the things are interplanetary they could be coming in at the South Pole in order to avoid contamination by the Van Allen radiation belt.

Although there were scattered reports throughout South America, the tempo increased after June 24th. In the following listing, it should be noted that the objects were seen last at about the southern tip of Brazil after the initial fleets were spotted and this is an area long suspected as being the location of UFO bases.

Jan. 8: Grayish cigar-shaped objects seen in the evening over Buenos Aires, Argentina. No noise, no lights.

Jan. 18: Metallic disc seen over Cordoba, Argentina. Traveling at great speed, object was photographed but photo showed only very diffused disc shape. No noise.

Jan. 26: At 2:30 P.M. Two silver discs observed for 3 minutes by Morane Saulnier, aircraft pilot (requests anonymity) over Rio Juramente, between Tucuman and Salta.

April 3: Hundreds of people at Anatumya, Santiago del Estero, sighted a bright red stationary light in the sky. There was no sound, object left at very high speed.

June 24: At 9:30 P.M., glowing object passed above Cordoba from SW to SE leaving long shining trail, and seen by many.

On the same evening dozens of citizens
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On Saturday, July 15th, APRO Headquarters received a telegram from Robert Richardson of Toledo, Ohio informing us of the collision between his car and a landed UAO near Toledo, Ohio on the night of the 13th (Thursday). Headquarters immediately contacted Richardson by telephone and interviewed him, then advised him that an investigator would be dispatched, and who the investigator would be. Nils H. Paquette of Toledo was then notified of Richardson's claim and he proceeded with the investigation, the results of which follow:

According to Richardson, 21, and his companion, Jerry Quay, 21, also of Toledo, they had been en route to Whitehouse, Ohio to see if Whitehouse Quarry, a famous swimming area would be open for the coming weekend. At a point about midway between Maumee and Whitehouse, Ohio, Richardson turned around a bend in the road and saw before him a very brilliant blue-white source of light which completely blocked the road. He later said he instinctively braked the car, closing his eyes at the same time, as he knew he would strike it. He was going 40 miles per hour when he spotted the object. The reactions of both young men were of shock at seeing the object which completely filled the windshield and which they estimated to be 8 feet tall and 22 feet long. It appeared as a rectangle lying with its long side on the road.

After collision with the object, which occurred within seconds after Richardson applied the brakes, the young men opened their eyes and the object was gone. They later theorized that the object was in the process of taking off when they collided with it, and it left just at impact. Quay was shaken up but neither of the men were injured.

Following the incident, the two drove to Waterville to phone the police. They got no aid there so they went to Maumee, Ohio where they contacted the State Highway Patrol. They were instructed to proceed to the Maumee Police Station and await the State Highway Patrol, which they did. Present at the station during the questioning were Richardson, Quay, two Maumee patrolmen and two State Highway Patrolmen. They revisited the scene of the accident along with the two state highway patrolmen, and the investigation lasted into the late hours of July 14. The car was inspected

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State Sections Formed

With the phenomenal growth of APRO in the past 9 months, has come the necessity for shifting the workload from headquarters to other groups within the organization. To this end, State Sections have been set up in various states and

other states are in the process of organizing. All reports will ultimately come to Headquarters, and individual members are urged to keep in touch with headquarters, but investigations will be carried on at a State level. We especially want to thank Walt Andrus of Quincy, Illinois who spearheaded the organization of APRO members in that state, Robert Achzehner of Chicago who will head the large group there; Larry Fawcett of Coventry, Connecticut who is doing a first-rate job in his state. Mr. Andrus, who started the first State Section has been most helpful to other Sections as they have formed. John Farrell Kuhns of Kansas City, Missouri heads up that Section, ably assisted by many, including some of the staff of the University of Missouri as well as Dave Schroth and John Scheussler. Larger states are in the process of being divided into two or more sections, as the population and area demand.

Although this new effort of APRO's has been in the works for months, we have said nothing about it in this periodical hoping to see the results first. As new State Sections are organized, the members will be informed concerning the Central office for their state. We hope that all members will cooperate to the best of their ability.

Lorenzens In South America

For the first time in the 16 years of existence of APRO, Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzen (Director and Secretary, respectively) have gone abroad to make contact with some of the representatives in other countries. On the 11th of August, they departed for a 15-day tour of the major cities of South America including Lima, Peru; Santiago, Chile; Buenos Aires, Argentina; Rio de Janeiro, Brazil and Caracas, Venezuela. They carry with them a letter of introduction from Mr. Robert Low, Project Coordinator for the Condon Committee of the University of Colorado asking the cooperation of those officials with whom they meet during their visit there. A full report on the trip will be carried in the next issue.

Sightings Continue in Arizona

Various flyovers have repeated in the Tucson area in the last few months, the latest of which took place on the 25th of July. The witness is known to Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzen and is a competent amateur astronomer and respected citizen. At 1:30 A.M. on that date the principal was awakened by the howling of his dog. Thinking the animal wanted to go out, he went to the den and opened the door. As he stepped out of the doorway he noticed a very bright (about -5 magnitude) object in the southeast sky. The dog continued to be upset as he continued howling while his master tracked the object. There was complete cloud cover at about 20,000 feet, clouds moving

southeast. No astronomical objects were visible. Object emitted strong pulsating blue-white to yellow light, was about 1/2 the size of the full moon. It traveled just above power lines in alley behind principal's home (apparent path, not true path) and was in sight for 90 seconds. 143 degrees to 255 degrees azimuth, 30 degrees elevation. Wind from west at 15 miles per hour, temperature 82.

In early May a man and woman, residents of Rimrock, Arizona (in the Yavapai Reservation near Montezuma Park) were sleeping outside in sleeping bags and before going to sleep watched for meteors and satellites. Looking toward the east, the man noticed a pair of large bright objects, each of which was the apparent size of a dime held at arm's length. Moving slowly at first, they started carrying out "all sorts of weird maneuvers" . . . up, down, back and forth at a high rate of speed. Finally after about two minutes the objects vanished into the sky, going faster than either of the witnesses had ever seen.

Wyoming Hosts Objects Again

Dr. Sprinkle has forwarded information on recent sightings at Rock Springs, Wyoming: At 9:45 A.M. on July 25 Ed McAuslan, special projects geologist with Union Pacific and Alan Jones, his assistant, reported seeing a very bright round object which followed a path of travel due east. The path was determined by compass reading. The two men were driving along the East-Side Highway about three miles south of Highway 30. They stopped the vehicle and watched the object through binoculars reporting that there was no outline of an aircraft although they had first thought it was an airliner with the sun reflecting off its metallic surface. The brilliant light appeared to be only a few thousand feet in the air. The object eventually went out of sight, then later returned traveling toward the west. It appeared as a round, bright light with a bluish glow.

Another sighting in Rock Springs, Wyoming took place on the 24th also. A white circular ball hovered some distance away from the city in the west over White Mountain. The observer, Joe Mann, watched it through binoculars as it moved eastward and disappeared over the horizon at about 10 P.M. The total viewing time was 15 minutes which suggests the possibility that it might have been a satellite.

A similar observation was made on the 24th by Hank Ruland and seemed to corroborate the Mann sighting. Ruland claimed the object he watched appeared to have three distinct lights but moved through the sky in a northeasterly direction. Ruland also said the object was much too large and bright to be one of the major satellites. He studied it through binoculars before it disappeared behind a cliff, said its path was not steady like that of a satellite or aircraft.

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by police as was the surrounding area, the road and crops in the area.

Two farm houses in the area were investigated by Mr. Paquette; neither family heard or saw anything unusual at the time; one family was already in bed.

Also in the location were planted crops of soybeans, which showed no evidence of damage of any kind. The soil showed nothing abnormal.

Skid marks were found on the road where the men claimed they had seen the object. A railroad (Wabash) intersects the road just west of where the incident took place, and an Edison Electric Substation is located northeast of the location between the railroad tracks and the road.

Among other interesting facets of Paquette's report are these: The bumper and hood of the automobile were damaged. The chrome plating on the bumper seemed to be stripped off by some unknown method. Paquette does not feel that the chrome was removed by any ordinary chemical, mechanical or electrolytic or abrasive techniques. The area surrounding the dent on the bumper was not scratched, cracked or lifted away from the plating base metal of the steel bumper.

The craft itself was, in Paquette's words, "undoubtedly making an immediate lift-off and this resulted in a mild bumping action." Both men noted a sudden jolt after closing their eyes. No other effects were felt or heard — no heat.

To close this report, we can say that two metal particles were found in the road where the object had rested, and an odd strip of material was found on the bumper of the car. These were submitted to APRO for analysis, and that analysis is being carried on at this time.

An odd note: The information concerning this case was discussed on the telephone between Mr. Richardson and Mrs. Lorenzen, then later by Mr. Paquette and the principals in the case. Despite the effort of rigid control of information, two strangers who had specific knowledge of the physical evidence found by Richardson and turned over to APRO, approached Mr. Paquette and questioned him about the evidence. It is not known to this office how this information could have gotten out.

During a conversation with members of the Condon Committee, Mrs. Lorenzen agreed to submit a full report including analysis of the physical evidence when the case is closed. The same results of the physical analysis will be published in this Bulletin.

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reported a brilliant disc over Puerto Nuevo (Buenos Aires) moving at great speed. Disappeared over Atlantic.

At 10 P.M., same date, police reported group of 8 to 10 fast, bright lights flew in formation over military post at Paso de los Libros.

At 10:05 P.M., "squadron" of UFOs seen in the sky from Yapeyu station in the Province of Corrientes. Visible for one minute and noiseless.

At 10:07 police at Santo Tome (Corrientes) saw group of spheres cross sky from SW to NE. Objects gave off light varying in color from red to blue and flew in formation at great height and speed.

At 10:10 P.M., police watched a formation of colored lights cross the horizon over Zarate, Buenos Aires.

Same evening, pilot of Argentine Air Force plane reported seeing 15 lighted objects as he flew over Corrientes.

At 10:15 P.M., cigar-shaped object followed by 14 luminous spheres seen moving over Obera, Misiones by approximately 2,000 people. Trajectory: SW to NE.

At 10 P.M., what was supposed to be the same group as in foregoing account, was seen over Resistencia, Chace. Objects gave off flare-like bursts of light as they crossed sky from SW to NE.

Same night, residents of Barranqueras, Chace, saw glowing cigar-shaped device flying over the area accompanied by luminous balls.

At Fontana a huge object and small spheres were observed at night by many residents. Color of lights described as red, blue and violet.

LT10 Broadcasting station at Santa Fe, Santa Fe, reported luminous body had been sighted a little before 10:05 P.M. Students at the National Industrial School calculated its speed at 4,000 kilometers per hour and its elevation about 50 degrees in east. It was going from south to north. Several passengers and crew members of Aerolineas Argentina Caravelle jetliner flight 547 observed the UFO as they arrived enroute from Mendoza.

On the same night the Reconquista Air Station in Chaco was visited by a hovering luminous object for several minutes before it vanished toward the NE.

Many passengers of the Bus 31 of La Veloz del Norte Company watched speedy glowing object which soundlessly maneuvered over Vipes, Tucuman.

At Herrera, Santiago del Estero, residents spotted glowing object which left a violet trail behind.

Still on June 24: Residents of neighboring Loreto watched a strange glowing object with luminous trail which was visible for several seconds.

A shining globe traveled from west to east in sky over Sunche Corral, Santiago del Estero, leaving glowing trail.

Villagers at Los Telares, Santiago del Estero, watched a big object which gave off purple trail. Proceeding in easterly direction.

People in Frias, same province, observed a disc-shaped object moving from west to east giving off luminous trail. Object looked like the moon, they said.

At Campo Gallo, same province, a group of residents watched a glowing ball which gave off a luminous trail and traveled at high speed.

Comet-like object appeared to hover over Quebrachos, Santiago del Estero. Its direction was west to east, the entire sighting taking only a few seconds.

A stationary shining object in the sky over Sumampa, same province, was stationary for 3 to 4 minutes, then flashed blue and white lights before moving into the NE and disappearing.

The above is the last sighting for Argentina in the June period.

On July 1st, several people including astronomers watched a glowing, disc-shaped object with a powerful orange glow. To naked eye it appeared smaller than Venus. It flew from NW to SE and made no noise.

At 10 P.M., on the 1st, a strange spherical body emitting red flashes was seen by many residents of Olavarria (Buenos Aires). It appeared as an incandescent ball and left a glowing trail behind it.

On the same night at 10 P.M., a couple in Calera Avellaneda (Buenos Aires) saw a UFO hovering at an estimated 1,500 meters above them. It gave off multi-colored lights.

Another report at the same time described an oval object with red lights which hovered over Juarez (Buenos Aires). Another similar report came from Chillar, same province.

July 11: Two people driving from Santa Clara del Mar to Mar del Plata (Buenos Aires) reported that they saw a huge machine landed at a distance of 400 meters from Route 11. They said it looked "almost like a locomotive," and rose rapidly and vanished toward Sierra de los Padres shortly after they spotted it.

One sighting of a UFO in Venezuela which preceded the June influx of "fleets" was photographed but the photographer refuses to be identified for the usual reasons. On May 23rd, at 5:45 A.M., the subject spotted a disc maneuvering in the area of Avenida Libertador near Caracas. It hovered at times and it was during these hovering maneuvers that he procured six photos. The object had the classic saucer shape and was completely soundless. The photo shows an object not dissimilar to the object photographed at Salem, Oregon earlier this year. An attempt will be made to procure all six photographs.

Three discs were seen over Mulluri, Chile at about 5,000 meters altitude by several farmers on the 17th of June.

On the 24th of June what may have been the same flotilla of saucers sighted (See "South America" — Page Four)

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in Argentina was also sighted over Asuncion, Paraguay. They were observed by residents and newsmen, one of the latter of whom editorialized: "The saucers have raised a deep concern and a big question mark to scientists. The people (who see them) are ridiculed but the sages are starting to study the phenomenon. It's a childish attitude to deny the existence of such UAOs."

In Mexico, back on about the 7th of May, the following incident took place: A man and his wife were driving through the state of Tabasco when they saw a bright point in the sky. It descended to a spot about 500 feet from the car and they could make out its cone-shape which gave off an intense bright orange-white light. They stopped and shut off the car's lights. When the object moved nearer to them the man put the lights on again. The UFO then stopped its flight and its lights went off and on once. The man and woman, frightened at this, drove to the nearest town where they reported their experience. Several people accompanied the couple back to the spot and the object was still there. As they turned their lights on and off, the object moved nearer. The UFO then approached them, whereupon several of the men ran toward the object with weapons poised. The UFO then ascended into the sky and left within a few seconds. Among the witnesses were two policemen and a professor. The first witnesses are well known and respected in their community.

In the middle of May Patricio Hanesian, 23, and Alfredo Padilla, 22, were driving in the state of Guanajuato, Mexico, at about 11 P.M. when they spotted an object which appeared as a flat-bottomed dome in the sky. The central part was a bright white in color and the edge was bright pink or red. It stayed in the same position for about two or three minutes then moved away, reappearing about 500 feet ahead of the car where it stayed for about another two minutes before it sped away.

Nine Objects Over Manila, Philippines

Three "waves" of UAOs were seen over the Greater Manila area on the 11th of July. Witnesses who included teenagers, older residents and policemen, gave the same descriptions of the objects which were seen around 8:30 P.M. Three round objects, each much larger than a star, glowing a yellowish color came over first, in a southwest to north trajectory, followed two minutes later by three more and two minutes later by a third "wave." There were no trails and no sound was heard. They were watched as they appeared about overhead and moved into the north where they "winked out" after about two minutes. They had a "circular" motion in flight.

The 'Fleets' Over Europe

At about 1 A.M. on the morning of July 18 thousands of people throughout Europe observed strange objects in the skies and duly reported them to the press. APRO European correspondents forwarded considerable material and the press wires in the United States carried a few short summarizations of the sighting which generally concluded that the objects seen were probably residue from the burned-up carcass of Russian satellite Kosmos 169.

Also reporting in was Dr. Kurt Kauffmann, APRO's representative in Switzerland who forwarded translations which generally filled out the picture. We will start with observation points and descriptions:

The first reports came from Besancon, Strasbourg, Bordeaux, Nantes and Paris, in France. In Switzerland sightings were made at Saignelegier, Dudingin, Estavayer-le-lac, Biel, Saillon, Basel, Munchenstein, Aarau, Bern, Oberhofen, Trimach, Pfaffikon, Kloten, Hinwil, Luzern, Gossau and Herrliberg. In Germany: Ramstein, Spangdahlem, Sembach. In Italy: Florence, Viareggio, Vologna, Turin, Verona, Faenza, Courmayeur and Milano. From Holland: Hooek van Holland.

The first alarm came at 1 A.M. from Paris where 8 different planes reported to Orly's Control Tower that they had observed a radiantly lighted flying object followed by two smaller less radiant ones, all going slowly in an eastern direction.

The crew of an English tanker off the coast of Holland reported what appeared to be a burning aircraft.

In Switzerland the object was described as leaving a clearly perceivable concussion in the air, similar to a "sonic boom." One of the editors who carried the story saw the object himself which he described: "It moved at exactly 1:16 A.M. over Zuerich Lake and looked like a long, stretched-out (elongated) giant airplane pulling behind it a shining tail. The tail seemed to consist of smoke clouds which fluoresced blue."

Another observer described the object as looking like "an ocean steamer which blinked in front and behind. Another observer who had four additional witnesses said it looked like a cigar with a flashlight in front. On the entire body, he said were 5 to 6 lights which alternately lit up and then went out. At the rear of the object, the same witness said, he saw a glaring "light blue" light which changed during the flight from light blue through green into yellow. It was in the southern sky and flew from west to east. He compared its speed to that of a DC4 transport plane, its size appeared like a DC4 at a distance of 2,000 meters, and its apparent altitude as between 7,000 and 8,000 meters. The sighting was made by several persons in Bern and Kehrsatz, independently of one another.

A woman resident of Bern described

a "sort of lamp with a tail" which first looked like a burning plane, then shone silvery and then pulled over the city, from west to east. The object passed over without any sound.

At 1:15 a teacher in Oberhofen saw a large, very long rocket which flashed again and again, then extinguished its light. The flashes were light yellow red to dark red. The object flew very low, noiselessly and disappeared behind the mountain after about 1 minute observation. He said it was several times larger than the moon.

A resident near Saignelegier saw the object at 1:15 and described it as a dark cigar shape which moved in a southeastern direction at low altitude and pulled a trail of glowing red-blue light of apparently several kilometers length behind it.

A man and woman and two neighbors at Basel claimed they saw about 10 fireballs moving at great speed into the east. They estimated the altitude as about 2,000 meters and above the cloud cover.

A man in Estavayer-le-lac reported a group of 4 to 5 shining objects which made their appearance and flew together slowly in an eastern direction, pulling reddish and yellowish trails behind. The objects flashed at intervals as though rotating. Far from the group but parallel to it was observed a less radiant object which had no tail. The entire spectacle lasted about 50 seconds. In the vicinity of the Jungrau mountain the objects seemed to die away or to descend.

A man in Hinwil saw a longish object pass from West to Southeast. It was much brighter than a star, larger and seemed to have several shining points along its length. In less than a minute it disappeared in the direction of the mountain. A similar sighting was reported from Gossau, Kanton St. Gall.

A group of farmers in the Rhone plain said the area was bathed for a moment in a reddish light. The light came from the Rhone River and was accompanied by a "star" of great size, which was followed by smaller "stars." The farmers called them "fireballs."

The crew of a French ferry off Dieppe reported spotting several UFOs including a group of five which glowed orange.

Ships in the North Sea reported sighting objects traveling generally in a northerly direction.

In summation, it would seem that a large number of *some things* spewed out over the skies of Europe on the morning of the 18th. All sightings apparently took place between 1:00 and 1:20 and the biggest puzzle involves the directions which the objects took which would seem to preclude the Kosmos 169 theory.

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In Italy the objects were described, at times, as like "flaming footballs" (a typical UFO description).

A British Royal Air Force spokesman agreed with a spokesman for the Royal Greenwich Observatory who said: "I think the most likely explanation is that it was a satellite re-entering the atmosphere."

Pino Pini, Director of the Imperia Observatory on the Italian Riviera disagreed, however: "There were five of the objects. Two of them were higher than the others. Their speed was not very high. We were able to follow them for about 20 seconds. They were traveling in a southeasterly direction."

Professor Louis Arbey of the National Astronomical Observatory at Besancon, France said what had been seen was probably a shooting star.

So it seems that even the authorities do not agree on the identification of the object or objects comprising the "European flap." And no wonder—as a Reuters dispatch for July 18 stated: "In Dijon, France, the object was reported flying southwest and in Germany it was flying westward—slowly. British observers saw something that hurtled southeast across the channel to France."???

More On Michalak

Although final results on the fragment of burned shirt and the burned glove worn by Steve Michalak of Winnipeg, Canada when he was burned by a landed UFO in May, have not come in, the following is of interest: Dr. H. C. Dudley of APRO's staff who is currently Professor of Physics at University of Southern Mississippi, had the following comments to make about the symptoms Michalak displayed: "Mrs. Michalak's description of her husband's nausea and vomiting, followed by diarrhea and loss of weight and the drop in the lymphocyte count is a classical picture of severe whole body ration with X or gamma rays. I would guess that Mr. Michalak received on the order of 100-200 roentgens. It is very fortunate that this dose of radiation only lasted a very short time or he would certainly have received a lethal dose. If you could obtain a physician's complete report on all blood counts, it would certainly be helpful." Dr. Dudley was chief of the Radioisotope Laboratory, U.S. Navy Hospital, St. Albans, New York from 1952 through 1962.

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FLYING SAUCER—This saucer-shaped object was photographed by Gabriel Kozora of New Castle, Pa., with a Polaroid camera while he was taking pictures of his 11-year-old son Jimmy. Kozora said the object, about 60 feet long, hovered for 15 seconds before heading northwest. U.S.A. Newcastle, Penn. 1967-6-28

Strange 'Beeps' Continue

Despite some news stories to the contrary, the strange electronic "beeping" sounds heard in Washington beginning around the 1st of March, and ending about the 1st of June, have not been identified. They would begin a little after dark set in and continue until about 3 or 4 in the morning. Scientists in the electronics field and the field of ornithology studied this particular sound but it still remains unidentified. Some widespread theories touted the possibility that the sound came from a certain kind of owl (the saw-whet) but tape recordings of the owl call were compared with tapes of the beep sound and they did not match at all. The saw-whets in the affected areas have a 2-tone call and the mystery sound was a single-tone beep.

This is another of the "off-beat" phenomena of interest to APRO and we would like to ask all members who have any knowledge of a similar phenomenon in other areas to send a full report. Some ideas as to the possible nature of the "beeps" have already been generated at Headquarters but we need more data.

UFO Snapped In Penn.

Gabriel Kozora of New Castle, Pennsylvania claims that on the 28th of June he saw an object flying toward him from the south and snapped two photos of it. See photo above. The object was accompanied by a "sound like a hundred jets" as it came into view. It stopped and hovered above him for about 15 seconds, then headed into the northwest. Kozora said he took one photo, waited 10 seconds for it to develop, then snapped another with his Polaroid camera. "I just don't know what to believe," he said, "I still think the government has something to do with them." Kozora refused to appear on television to tell about his experience but later changed his mind and was interviewed in Pittsburgh. It should be noted that the object in the Kozora photo closely resembles, in outline, the brilliant object which was struck by a car in Ohio in July. The Ohio object was soundless, however.

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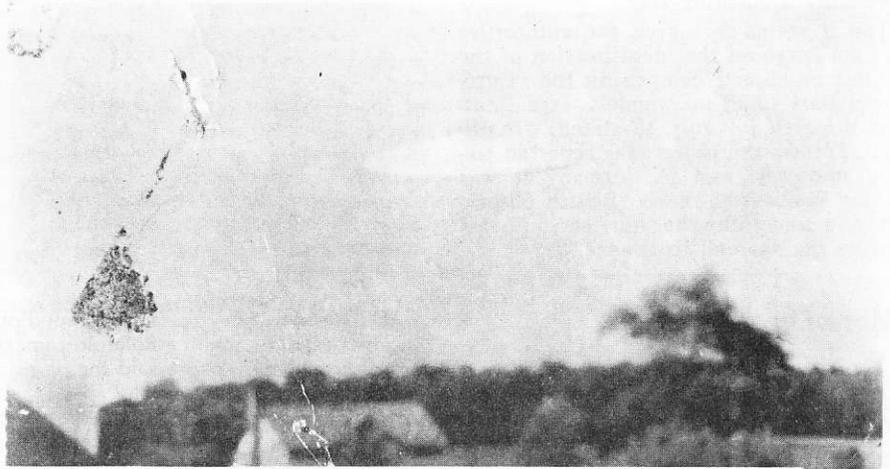
Canada Flap Continues

Sightings still flow into headquarters from our Canadian representatives. At Winnipeg on July 18, a Winnipeg woman glanced out her window at 10:55 P.M. and saw two lemon-shaped objects glowing a reddish orange color which appeared to be suspended in the sky in the southwest. Two of the woman's sisters joined her to watch the objects. Shortly the object to the right appeared to lower an object which glowed the same color but was considerably smaller and which shortly lost its glowing quality. Then the two larger objects moved off at a steady but "reasonable" rate of speed, into the southwest until they were out of sight.

On the 27th of June at 11 P.M. a Winnipeg couple were standing at the north-west corner of Arbutnotte St. and Corydon Ave. when they spotted a large soup-bowl-shaped object hovering at what they estimated to be about 300 feet altitude. The object made no sound and gave off a light yellow light. It hovered over a garage for about 3 or 4 minutes, then moved north slowly over an apartment block, still close to tops of houses and trees to approximately 3 blocks away and stopped for a while over the river, then disappeared below the tree line. A few minutes later they looked east on Corydon Ave. and saw another object, the same type of color and light as that of the first, coming down out of the sky and dropping down behind an apartment building. It was reported to the police. The foregoing two sightings were obtained and investigated by Mr. Lou McPhillips on behalf of APRO.

From Lone Butte, British Columbia comes the following, which is only one of the many sightings in that sector: A series of sightings have been taking place in the Cariboo ranch country and Brian Gratton, operator of a ranch near Lone Butte and some of his ranch hands reported observing objects several times in July. They were generally objects with red and green blinking lights which shifted, bobbed and weaved in the sky. At one time Gratton saw one of the sets of lights veer off over Green Lake and he saw what appeared to be the front end of an aircraft, which was saucer-shaped. During some of the sightings a drone or hum like the sound made by high tension wires could be heard. On one occasion the noise woke up Gratton's mother who lives about 2½ miles from Gratton. The sound of the objects disturbed the animals and made them restless. Gratton has 480 head of cattle and horses on the ranch.

Mrs. George Black, widow of a Yukon lawyer and member of Parliament for the Yukon was one of the witnesses and remembers vividly her experience of July 13. Her sighting involved the light on a huge craft which was simply a brilliant white light, much larger than those lights observed by Gratton.



1957 Photos Oct. 57

The two pictures above were forwarded to us by an APRO member. They were allegedly taken by an elderly gentleman with a Polaroid Camera in 1957.

Photo No. 1, which was damaged when it got wet being pasted in a scrapbook, was taken on 18 August 1957, late in the afternoon. The 60-plus-year-old man was returning from taking photos of his grandchildren and noticed a glint, then saw the object rising out of the field behind the house. He grabbed his camera and obtained two photos without taking time to change his camera settings from close-up in bright sun to afternoon light and distance. The lack of sharpness in the photo resulted. The object was very large and had a large, transparent dome on top. It was a metallic buff or beige in color. The other photo was turned over to local investigating officials and was not returned.

Photo No. 2 was taken at 10 A.M., two days later in the same vicinity, on 20 August 1957, by the same man. He was intending to take a picture of his dog and kitten playing when the dog began

to bark and the kitten ran and hid. He looked up and saw the object rising. He estimated its size at about 20 feet in diameter. It was bright silver like brushed aluminum and had a transparent dome on top. It was rising and retracting the semispherical structures underneath at the same time, which were further extended when first seen. He had time for one shot. Before he could pull the tab for a second, the craft was too high.

The photographer requested anonymity as he was forced to move due to local publicity and harassment following the local news release at the time of the incident. Anyone having additional information on the case (or clippings of the local news release) or knows the whereabouts of the second picture of Photo No. 1 is requested to get in touch with APRO as soon as possible.

The intermediary who provided the photos and who passed them on to APRO has advised us that the photographer has no objection to our use or publication of his photos so long as his identity and location remain confidential until his death as he has experienced great inconvenience over them in the past.

Landing In Florida

As was predicted in the last two issues of the Bulletin, the steady increase of UFO reports continues and is expected to reach its peak in September. One state which has experienced considerably more than usual activity is Florida in which the following incident took place:

At 11:30 P.M. on July 20, 18-year-old Barbara Fawcett of Pompano Beach was driving to Islamorada where her mother was staying. Her small Ford was the only car on the highway at the time. Suddenly a large yellow light showed in her rear view mirror and before too long she realized it was not a car but something much less mundane. Barbara began to speed to get away from the thing. The object made a constant high-pitched roaring sound. It continued to overtake the car, swayed up a few feet as if to land on top of it, but at that moment a car approached from the opposite direction and the bright yellow glow coming from the object covered the road for a second and then completely disappeared.

After telling her mother the story and resting for two hours, Barbara decided to return to Pompano to avoid early morning rush traffic, and convinced herself she had had an illusion. She and her sister and their toy poodle began the journey back north on U.S. 1 and reached the Jewish Creek area at 2:30 A.M. The only other car on the road turned off at Ocean Reef and they were alone. Suddenly the dog began to shake violently, but did not make a sound. Then the girls saw the yellow light again as it rose out of the swamp west of the road. This time it did not look perfectly round as before, but somewhat jagged. "It wobbled and floated up, down and from side to side," Miss Fawcett said.

When it appeared in front of the car and about 15 feet off the ground Barbara thought she was going to collide with it, but as the car nearly reached the object it veered to the right under the power lines. It landed on one of the large sand dunes to the right of the road. At this point the light became smaller and smaller until it reached the size of a pinpoint and finally disappeared. Less than a minute later the large light again appeared in the rear view mirror of the car. Barbara kept going as fast as her car would go and reached Pompano Beach. She later reported the incident to officers at Substation 4 in Homestead, the Air Force and Homestead Police. Investigation showed an immense scorched-like area on top of a particular sand dune near the edge of the road.

Mystery Blast In Kentucky

Throughout the 16-year period since APRO was founded in 1952, strange blasts have occurred from time to time which leave craters. The most recent such incident took place south of Louis-

ville, Kentucky on the 11th of July. At 2:23 A.M. in the front yard of Donald R. Fell, 25, a huge blast was heard. Fell went outside, found his automobile severely damaged, the trunk partly blown open, rear window blasted in and there were ripples in the metal body. Hubcaps had simply fallen off. The front door of Fell's house was blown off and the window frames torn loose; broken glass was everywhere. His neighbor's windows were shattered, plaster torn loose, curtains knocked down and various items were broken.

Some residents claimed they heard a "whoosh" or "whoom" just before the explosion. One woman claimed she saw an aircraft with two landing lights on it. A check with authorities disclosed that there was no aircraft in the air in that area at the time. The blast was reported to have been heard as far away as 15 miles.

The only apparent direct effect of the blast besides damage to homes from concussion was a crater at the base of a medium-sized tree in Fell's front yard. The crater was 3 feet deep and 8 feet in diameter. The tree had been stripped of leaves and some of its roots exposed. County police hoped that they would learn something of the nature of the blast from two tiny slivers of metal and some debris found in the crater.

Landing In Churchville, N. Y.

On the 31st of July at 10:15 P.M., Sidney Zipkin, 50-year-old guard at the Churchville, New York park, came across what he reported as a "mysterious craft in a main parking lot off Main Street. He said it was about 50 feet long, round in the center with extended sides that gave it the shape of a "fat cigar." Because of the darkness, Zipkin said, he could not see the color of the craft but could see greenish lights blinking underneath.

Zipkin further claims that after spotting the object he stopped his truck about 100 feet from the object, training his headlights on it. At this point, he said, two small "midget-like" men ran past the truck, boarded the object and within a minute the craft took off vertically and soon disappeared into the night sky.

According to Zipkin's superior, Clarence Johnson, Zipkin was as "white as a ghost" when he came into Park Headquarters to call the sheriff's department. Zipkin and Johnson returned to the lot to look for evidence of the object's presence but found none.

During an interview with a reporter, Zipkin conceded that his story sounded "preposterous," then said: "You can laugh at what I'm telling you—in fact, I used to laugh myself when people said they saw these things. But I saw this with my own eyes and I swear to God as a witness that I saw what I saw." When asked if he'd been reading any "saucer" material, Zipkin said: "I never

read those things because I always thought it was a lot of garbage."

Among other things gleaned about Zipkin is the fact that he is a teetotaler. He said he went right home and to bed after inspecting the lot with Johnson, but that he didn't get to sleep for quite a long time. Alvan Grant, County Parks Director, says that Zipkin is a reliable employee and that his terrified condition when he came to Park Headquarters testified that he saw something.

'Nests' In Connecticut

The flattened areas of grass in saucer sighting areas in Australia several months ago which were promptly dubbed "Saucer Nests" by the press have shown up in the U.S.—two of them in Connecticut. We thank Larry Fawcett, chief of the Connecticut State APRO Section for his careful investigation and documentation of the happenings there:

At 4:20 A.M. on the 5th of July 1967, on Route 31 near the Depot Road area in Coventry, a motorist sighted an orange ball of light which appeared to be hanging from a tree. The driver immediately drove into Coventry and notified the police but by the time officers arrived on the scene the area was deserted. After receiving the full report from the police, Fawcett notified the University of Colorado Condon Committee whereupon Mary Lou Armstrong and Norman Levine flew to Coventry to look into the matter. They found some interesting details: A few yards from the location of the sighting a grassy area had been swirled flat as if compressed by some rotating force. A photo taken by Fawcett on the night of the sighting couldn't be developed; it came out completely blank. Geiger counter checks of the area did not establish any solid connection between the sighting and radioactivity.

Another "nest" came to light when Ronald E. Januzzi, a mineralogist of Danbury, reported to Stewart Air Force Base that he had found a "beaten down" area near his museum on the Danbury-Brewster Highway. Januzzi found the "nest" at the rear of his museum on the morning of July 9th. The depression in the 18-inch tall grass was too large to have been caused by an animal. Stewart Air Force Base is investigating.

At Bethel, Connecticut, several young people who were "sleeping out" spied a strange object in the sky and tried to get close to it, in the last week of June. They drove to Sunset Hill where they saw what they described as a circular, lighted disc hovering over the trees. "It was round, like a big disc, with a dome on top," Deborah Rondeau told investigators. Red and green lights were flashing around the bottom of the dome, she said. The dome of the object was very bright. The disc would move a little, stop, then move a little more. It made no noise, but the radio in the car in

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which the youngsters were riding was filled with static.

The disc appeared to "land" on the field of the Bullard property on Wolfpits Road, according to the youngsters, although they did not see it touch down. After another sighting the following week, the boys, James Prodoti, 15; Richard Danise, 11, and Peter Sanford, 12, as well as 17-year-old Ronald and 14-year-old Gary Rondeau scouted the area where they had seen the first object and found a large, round place where the grass appeared to be trampled down and matted.

It should be noted that the Coventry area is the site for a new underground communications system which is in the process of being installed.

Campers Disturbed By Cigar-Shaped Object

Five youngsters at Thermalito, California excitedly awakened the mother of one of their number at 1 A.M. on July 18 and told her of seeing a strange aircraft move in from the north and hover over the borough area south of Merced Ave. Mrs. Tony Mackelprange said she went out to see what was causing all the excitement and watched what appeared to be a group of horizontally arranged lights move toward Alma Avenue (where she lives) and stop, turn sideways and then move off to the east. There was no sound, and the lights seemed to be a part of a large, elongated object. Lack of sound may have been due to the fact that it was muffled by the usual activity in the area.

Missouri Object Is Watched By Police

Florissant, Missouri, which has played host to UFOs in the past was again in the news after the sighting of an unusual sky object on the 11th of July this year. Among many who watched the UFO was Sgt. David Brazie whose attention was called to it by two people parked at an intersection shortly after midnight. At first Brazie thought the object was a plane but after watching for a bit his four years experience in the Air Force led him to the unidentified classification. The object was spherical in shape, orange in color and the light did not flicker or blink as do aircraft lights. He estimated the object to be at an altitude of between 5,000 and 16,000 feet, assuming it was the size of a normal aircraft. Brazie alerted other policemen who also observed the object. It was necessary for the officers to move their vehicles in order to keep the object in sight; it was travelling north. All observers reported the following strange sequence of events: The object began to

drop, then hung stationary and began changing color in a continuous cycle to a light pink through gradually darker pinks until it became a bright red glow. When the object attained the bright red color, a shower of what appeared to be burning particles poured from the bottom of the object and after a pause a second showering of particles occurred. When the second shower subsided, the officers said, the color again began changing back through the graduating cycle of pinks to the pale shade. At this time the object moved off into the north until it disappeared from sight. Although the sighting was ultimately explained away as the prank of youngsters using the usual dry cleaning bag, straws and candles, those who saw the object got the definite impression that it was a powered object and not simply drifting.

EDITORIAL

On the 30th of August the Lorenzens returned from South America and this issue is being "pasted" up and readied for the printer on 1 September. Finding that additional copy was needed to fill the eight pages, it was decided to issue a preliminary report on the trip.

During the Lorenzens' 20 days absence, routine office work was accomplished by Sandi Mayberry and Beverly Bauer, but nonetheless, there is a considerable backlog of reports and correspondence. We sincerely hope that members will be patient concerning answers to same. To add to problems, there has been another large influx of new members and with the renewals coming in at a steady rate, a slowdown is not out of the ordinary. We'd like to thank those who have been so patient and beg their understanding for just a little longer.

During the South American jaunt, Larry, the Lorenzens' 17-year-old son, served as interpreter. We are sorry to say the Lorenzens' Spanish is just not "up to snuff". Representatives Richard Greenwell, Ricardo and Yvonne Guillon, Dr. Olavo Fontes and Horacio Gonzales of Peru, Chile, Brazil and Venezuela, respectively were contacted and it is felt that the conferences were fruitful ones. Other members whom the Lorenzens had the pleasure to meet were Pablo Petrovich of Santiago, Chile, Irene Granchi of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Joe Rolas of Caracas, Venezuela, and Jesus Garibay of Mexico City. Besides those named above the Lorenzens were able to meet and confer with various authorities as well as press representatives. Good press coverage of the tour and the purpose of same was obtained throughout the continent.

Unfortunately the Lorenzens, although equipped with photo equipment, did not see a UFO during their tour. However, a good sighting preceded their arrival in Lima, and another took place the day after they left. It was found that there has been considerable activity throughout the continent and a flap was in progress, as a matter of fact while they visited Caracas. There is such a wealth

of material that it cannot be presented at this time, but our next issue will include a summary. Three of the most detailed and authenticated sightings were personally investigated by the Lorenzens—two in Argentina and one in Caracas which involved an occupant.

The reception given the Lorenzens by members, representatives and citizens of the various countries was heart-warming. The people of South America have borne the burden of strange inexplicable sightings throughout the years with an admirable patience, despite the pronouncements of various governments pertaining to the lack of "evidence". UFO Chile is a comparatively new group and it is hoped that they and APRO can work closely together in the future.

In closing, it might be interesting to note that people in South America have a matter-of-fact attitude about UFOs, and at least one official told the Lorenzens that the existence of the UAOs (unidentified aerial objects as they are called there) is not the question—the existence of the objects is generally accepted and it is felt that they are interplanetary in origin. The big question, it seems, is their origin and motivations. We will have something to say about the latter in a future issue.

Lights Baffle New York Area

An object sporting red, green and amber lights was observed at 8:30 p.m. between Laurens and Butts Corners, New York on the night of 19 November. John McBride of Laurens was driving along a back road near Laurens when he saw an object above the woods at the top of a hill. It appeared to be about 30 feet across and hovering 30 to 50 feet above the trees. He stopped his car to watch. He said he could not make out details, except that the object was a dark mass with the lights apparently a part of it. They brightened and dimmed at regular intervals, the object made no sound.

McBride watched for a few minutes, his attention was detracted by other cars passing and when he looked back at the hill the object had left.

For nine consecutive hours during the night of November 21 and November 22 hundreds of residents of the Oneonta, New York area watched an object in the east which flashed red, white and greenish-blue lights alternately. Among those who watched were Dr. Frederic Fay Swift, School District Supt. Robert White, Chamber of Commerce Exec. Mgr. George Tyler and Star Sports Editor Charles Fierson.

Officials at Griffis Air Force Base at Rome said that the AF had a lighted high altitude plane aloft at the time which was flying in a circle over Rome. The observers of the object rejected this explanation as Rome is approximately north-northwest of Oneonta and the object was seen in the east toward Stamford.