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Port Allegany, Pa.  
November 18, 1947.

Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Gentlemen:

Following the appearance in this town on November 6, 1947, of a Mr. Joe Lippincott, Director of the Eastern Area, Red Cross, Pittsburgh, Pa., as "speaker of the evening", at the annual local Red Cross dinner, I was told by Dr. H. E. Cromwell, local practicing dentist, that in a personal conversation, following the dinner, Mr. Lippincott told him that the "saucers" reported as seen in various parts of the country, were actually from Spain. He said that Mr. Lippincott said that this had been ascertained by the Government in Washington, but that it was not being made known. He said that Mr. Lippincott had been in Europe and inferred that he had been in Spain and knew conditions over there. Dr. Cromwell is a man active in the Methodist Church and the local Protestant Mens Club, and it is easy to see how far this report can be spread. The fact that the Federal Government indorses the Red Cross makes a statement of an official representative of that organization almost indisputable.

As a representative ~~the~~ of the Federal Government and as a citizen interested in truth and World peace and racial and religious harmony in our own country, I question the advisability of an accredited representative of the Red Cross giving out this information, even "off the record". I thought you might be able to check with Mr. Lippincott or his organization.

Yours very truly,

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