

# Would You Believe—'Saucer' Visits Wichita?

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An 11-year-old Wichita boy has joined the ranks of those across the nation who have reported seeing "flying saucers" during the past week.

Johnny Sparks said that early Friday morning he saw two "flying saucers" that made a humming noise and were bigger than cars. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Colledge, Thomas, 916 S. 10th St.

Here is the story of the boy told to me: "I had been upstairs to my mother's room and then I heard this funny noise."

"It went mmmmmmm—like a flying top. I started to go back to bed when I heard it. Then I looked out the window and I saw it."

"I saw this flying object that people have been talking about. It had colored lights and was spinning."

"It was bigger than a car and the colors were purple and red and orange and green."

"When I saw them at first, it was up in the sky. Then I saw them laying right by my window."

"It didn't look like it had any windows and it landed like an airplane. When it started landing it had legs and put them on the ground."

"The top part spun, but the rest didn't. It was like a big fat doughnut. The top spun something like a cap that kept going round and round."

"The second one looked just like the first one. One came down and the other came up. The other one just sat and spun, too."

"I was too scared to wake anyone up."

When it started leaving I covered up my head."

WHEN CONTACTED at the home, Mrs. Thomas said that about 2 a.m. Friday Johnny came running up to her room crying hysterical.

"He was saying that he had seen two flying saucers," she recalled.

"I took him to the big dining room and afterwards, she had been dreaming of flying saucers and possibly heard the humming noise herself."

She said Johnny had told her that at first he thought it was a big dining room, but then the humming noise started.

Johnny said he didn't know about the saucer activity in Michigan last Sunday until after he told a neighbor about his nighttime vision. The Michigan report is attributed to swamp gas by an Air Force investigator.

JOHNNY SAID HIS saucers landed on a driveway on the north side of the house—nowhere near a swamp.

Johnny evidently had spent a fearful night because of an earache that kept him out of school Friday.

When asked if he could have been having a bad dream, Johnny replied: "I am pretty sure about the evening of April 7. I had just got my pet bed. It had 11 babies. I got into my bed, but I didn't even have time to cover up before I saw them."

The boy estimated that each saucer stayed about five minutes, and his story did not vary with each repeated telling.

MRS. THOMAS ADMITTED she was a little embarrassed about the sighting, but she would not doubt the boy's story.

Johnny said he never thought there was anything like flying saucers "until I saw them."

He said his mother said it might be the Air Force "playing a trick."

None of the neighbors reported anything unusual when told of the saucers landing, and the police dispatcher said they had had no reports.

HOWEVER, JOHNNY and his mother did point out something unusual. Along the driveway lay pieces of concrete that once served as a reinforcement sheet along the house's foundation.

Mrs. Thomas said she never noticed it breaking off until Friday. Pieces were scattered into the driveway.

Also, said he had swirled into the driveway area.

Johnny said he was not anxious to repeat his sighting experience. But, he hoped if they ever came back . . . and if somebody was in one . . . that they would be friendly.

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Mrs. Thomas and Johnny examined "flying saucer damage." Concrete reinforcement sheeting was broken, sand swirled.

# Object In Sky Near Bloomdale

Latest 'Flying Saucer' Report

BLOOMINGDALE, Pa.—Two Bloomingdale residents reported last night to Van Buren county sheriff's deputies the sighting of an unidentified flying object north of this village.

Don W. Wagoner, 41, and a James Melvin, also 41, said they were going north on the R 10 a middle-Allagan road about 9 p.m. in the vicinity of the Bill Patrick farm, three and one-half miles north of Bloomingdale, Dickerson told Melvin, who was driving, to stop the car.

The boys said they observed an object off to their right going a swamp, hovering in the air. They estimated the distance at from 100 to 200 yards from the road, and the height of the object from 50 to 100 yards.

It was about the length of a car with a flat bottom and a rounded top such as the Hamilton Mustang. There were three lights on the object, they said.

They described the lights as being one red light on each end of the object, and one yellow light in the center of the object.

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# Planet Pluto Saucers Seen, Talked With?

By AUSTIN CONOVER

SUNSET STRIP—The invitation to the press read: "Several persons who will be available Wednesday for interviews at 9000 Sunset Blvd." The "several" at the headquarters of World Harmony, Inc., turned out to be six, led by Estelle C. Prins, president, who said she has not only sighted flying saucers but also communicated with the "human" inside them.

She made it clear at the outset that UFO (unidentified flying object) is not the right way to refer to the objects she has sighted because they are no longer unidentified.

Bring Warning "We know these are from outer space," she said with a nod toward the other five sighters. "We know that they come to warn us against the spread of the contagion of war to outer space."

"Like the star that guided the wise men at the time of the birth of Jesus, flying saucers are coming to warn us against universal peace and harmony."

Mrs. Prins said that space people have communicated with her in the English language "though a bit haltingly" and that one such communication was with people from the planet Pluto.

She parted with the information that the flying saucer people in gigantic saucers as much as 10 miles long, and that these houses as many as 4,000 smaller saucers for reconstructing purposes near Earth.

In Hollywood Hills Miss Prins reported sighting flying saucers in the Hollywood hills as well as elsewhere.

Gabriel Green, who said he has had between 25 and 100 such sightings since 1956, scored the Air Force and other investigators who have looked into the matter. "They are not better than official debunkers," he said. "They are trying to hide from our citizens the fact that there are extraterrestrial people."

"Fortunately, the young generation is not so inclined to believe in flying saucers. The response I've received at the Teen Fair shows me I'm far ahead of most adults on this matter."

Quest for Truth Maria Graciete Elliott, actress and author, described in her book "The Saucers" a sighting with a saucer sail, that she sighted in Georgia. Lillian Willers, executive director of Harmony House, cited her interest in flying saucers as part of "my long range quest for truth."

Estelle C. Prins  
... talks to space men

THOSE SPACE PEOPLE!  
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# Flying Saucers, Quakes Linked

By AUSTIN CONOVER

HOLLYWOOD — There is a definite correlation between earthquakes and sightings of flying saucers, a spokesman for the Mental Investigations of New Dimensions declared today in an exclusive interview.

Wesley H. Bateman, of 4018 Franklin Ave., which is the international headquarters of MIND, reported that research reveals not only a pattern of flying saucer sightings after earthquakes and explosions of underground nuclear devices, but also the reason for the interest of flying saucer people in the subject.

"First, let me point out that at the beginning of March, 1966, the Russian reported the largest underground nuclear explosion ever. Since this detonation, there's been a rash of earthquakes," he said.

Turkey, China, Formosa, Japan, Spain, Africa, Yugoslavia and Russia as well as in the United States.

Quakes Scripture "During a same period, there have been many flying saucer sightings. The majority have been on or near the 40th parallel in the Northern Hemisphere."

Bateman, who believes the presence of flying saucers is beyond question, cited Bible references to sightings following earthquakes and said that after the earthquake occurred in the Colosseum of Rhodes in 200 B.C. "sighting objects were seen in the area."

More recently, the Alaskan earthquake of 1964 was followed by a wave of sightings of flying objects in the area. In New Zealand and earthquakes in Spain that year were followed by reports of flying saucers in the area.

The researcher offered this explanation: "Flying saucer people are not so much concerned with the nuclear war or the destructive power of our earthquakes as about the change in flying object behavior which is produced by our magnetic field and which is affected by earthquakes and nuclear explosion."

"This frequency barrier has hampered man's mental development and his communication with space people. There are so many space people I would doubt you'd if I were to tell you."

"Much of our knowledge has come to us from these people; it is time we realized the true thought transference. As our minds develop, we'll be able to communicate better with them. Language is not a major problem."

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# UFO Sighting Reported Here

Not a Star -- Not an Aircraft, Says Louis S. Smith Family of North Bend

The Louis S. Smiths, who live on the CCC road, spent an interesting 15 minutes or so Thursday evening, April 7, as they used binoculars and a telescope to watch something in the sky which they were unable to identify except as an Unidentified Flying Object.

It was first seen by Phil, 15, a freshman at Mount St. about 10 p.m. "I was out walking the dog, and the first thing that attracted me were the bright lights. I knew it couldn't be a star. Then I realized it was moving."

Phil ran in the house and called his parents and his sister, Diana, 16, a Mount St. senior. They all ran outside and all reported sighting the strange object.

Phil used a telescope (30 power) on a tripod and said he had a fairly good view of it. His father said he was unable to see it. The object was about 100 feet from the house. The first time I tried it the object would move where a tree blocked my vision. But by 11:30 p.m. Mrs. Smith took turns with the binoculars.

"It appeared to be traveling from north to south," Phil said. "Sometimes it moved quite rapidly and was heading in the general direction of Rattlesnake Ridge."

Phil described it as somewhat saucerlike in shape (see his sketch) and of a blue-grayish color in the moonlight. He said it was about the size of a basketball and was brilliantly lit.

Mr. Smith agreed on the brilliance of the lighting but said he was unsure whether the center band was illuminated by bright lights or whether they were very bright and seemed to radiate from that area on the object," he said.

He was reluctant to guess how far away it was, but he said he was a pilot training during the war, and I know how hard it is to estimate distances. He felt it was quite a way from us," he said.

He agreed that his son's sketch of the shape of the object was reasonably accurate.

"There were times when it appeared to be moving in a straight line and then you couldn't see much about it," he said. "It moved rapidly to the left, then just as swiftly to the right and seemed to tilt a little which allowed us to see its general shape," he explained.

All the Smiths are sure it was not a heavenly body, nor an airplane. "It was much bigger than normal aircraft," Mr. Smith said. They had an easy comparison.

While they were watching the object, an airplane flew overhead. "I agreed that the object they were watching was much larger. They watched until the object moved out of range. They were not alarmed, only interested. They said they had heard no reports to indicate that any of their neighbors shared the experience. Both Mr. and Mrs. Smith said they had been somewhat skeptical of the many reports of the sighting of such objects. No more — they don't know what it was, but they know they saw something very strange in the friendly skies that Thursday night.

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# 'Mysterious UFO' Escorts Burns Plane

Meteorite Flares Over Northeast

ABOARD THE BURNS CONVAIR — It's been a long political campaign, but last night Gov. Haydon Burns, four cynical newspapermen, Mrs. Burns and two other meteorite watchers saw two spots of light that looked suspiciously like an unidentified flying object escorting the Burns plane over Central Florida.

The object was first spotted by Capt. Nathan Sharon of the Florida Highway Patrol, Sharon took the cockpit and observed the object and went back to tell Gov. Burns. Burns looked out the window and then came back and told newsmen there was a UFO out there.

Newsmen and staff members looked out the window of the plane and saw the object which appeared to be two round spots of light. At the time the plane was on a northwest course from Orlando to Ocala.

THE LIGHTS were off to the northeast of the plane and appeared to be traveling along at about the same speed. The pilot says the plane was flying at about 6,000 feet and at about 230 miles an hour. Everyone aboard the plane watched the lights for several minutes and Burns ordered the pilot to turn toward the object.

At that point the lights appeared to rise and then disappeared as though the electricity had been switched off. Everyone aboard the plane watched the lights for several minutes and Burns ordered the pilot to turn toward the object.

DR. ASHER CHAPMAN, an examiner for the FAA said he looked to the window of his home in Glen Cove, N.Y. to see the object traveling "about 1,000 feet above ground, 300 to 400 miles an hour, from south to north." He said he was at first thought the flaming object was an airplane, as did many others. But, he added, the object did not dive, but continued in a horizontal plane.

The object was sighted for about five to 10 seconds, most reports indicated.

# Boy Is Burned By 'Flying Ship'

HAMILTON, Ont., April 4—A 13-year-old Hamilton boy has a curved burn on his hand and claims came from touching the "antenna" of a soft-glowing "flying ship."

Charles Cozens claims two strange "ships" landed in a field behind his home in Hamilton Mountain, Ontario, last Tuesday night.

Constable Arnold Pead, summoned to the home after the parents repeatedly questioned their son before reporting the incident, verified the three-inch, yellowish burn mark on the boy's hand.

Charles said he ran behind a fence after seeing one "ship" land, closely followed by another.

He described the objects as "eight feet long, four feet wide and three feet high with red, blue and green lights set into the rim and flickering like a computer."

The boy said the objects made a buzzing sound and "lit up the grass around."

Only one had an antenna, he said, which was thicker at the base and narrowed to the size of a needle at the top.

When he touched the antenna, his flesh "of electricity" on his hand, and he received a shock, he said. James Cozens, a draughtsman, said he explained the seriousness of calling the police but "Charles was emboldened."

He and could not be shaken. "Last Wednesday I was at a party," he said, and his brother Owen, 18, and his brother John, 14, reported seeing two objects flying low over the city. Mr. Emory, an engineer, said his son was "extremely shaken" by what they had seen. "They said the objects made a whirring noise, not at all like police but Charles was emboldened."

BRILLIANTLY LIGHTED Police Follow Saucer 85 Miles

FREEDOM, Pa. (UPI) — Two brilliantly lit unidentified flying objects were sighted here and 85 miles away, at Benton Harbor, Mich., early yesterday.

Police officers by radio to be on the lookout for an object heading their way following the "bright circular" object from Albeton, Ohio, to Freedom, a distance of 85 miles.

Portage County, Ohio, Deputy Sheriff Dale Spaur, an Air Force gunner during the Korean War, said the object "about 30 to 45 feet in diameter traveled at speeds from 100 to 100 miles an hour."

BRIGHT LIGHT "I had never seen anything like this before in my life," he said.

In Benton Harbor, three police officers and a city rubbish collector watched a flying object with one light so bright "you couldn't look straight at it," Joseph Franklin said it was

about 15 stories in the air, had a steel-like shell and was shaped "something like a hot dog."

The crew reported watching the object hovering over the police station, who observed as it rose higher and higher. In Freedom, Spaur reported the object, which had an antenna-like protrusion on its underside, hovered above the cruiser in which he and Deputy Sheriff W. L. Neff were riding.

OBJECT WATERS The Ohio deputy sheriffs were joined by East Palmetto Patrolman Wayne Houston, who said "when the object got too far ahead of us it appeared to stop and wait."

Deputy Robert Wilson, monitoring the calls from the cruiser, said Spaur and Neff were questioned by an "Air Force colonel" in Freedom. However, Air Force headquarters at Greater Pittsburgh Airport said it had no report on the UFO.

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# SAUCER BLAST? SIX TOWNS SEE MYSTERY

NEWTON, N.C., March 28 (UPI) — A glowing blue streaked low across parts of western North Carolina Tuesday 2 a.m. today and exploded without a sound over Valdese.

The explosion lit up the town like a gigantic flash-bomb.

Police officers in six towns in three counties said they saw the light. It was moving from east to west.

Officer Melvin Barlowe of the Newton police department in Catawba County said it looked like a "big blue bolt of fire with fire arcs off the edges." He said it made no sound when it passed.

Barlowe said he was alone in his patrol car when he saw it, but he said Sgt. Donald Burgess patrolling in another car across town saw it also.

Police officers at Valdese were filling the tank of their patrol car when they saw the object silently explode. They saw no fragments fall.

# 'The Thing' Sets Britons Speculating Anew

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