

World Flying Saucer Believers Convene

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LOS ANGELES, Calif. — The "urgent problem" of improving communications with the thousands of visitors from outer space who supposedly are circling the earth was afforded solemn deliberation here this weekend at a special convention of flying saucer buffs.

Among the nearly 300 delegates was a self-professed "interplanetary traveler" named Standing Horse, an Englishwoman who regularly issues mimeographed reports on her conversations with space travelers, a man who offered to book "group sightings" of flying saucers and a presidential candidate campaigning on the flying saucer ticket.

THE SPACE buffs, who assembled in a cavernous establishment called the Barney Castle, weren't much impressed with Thursday's Soviet moon landing, but they were awed and confused by what they reported to be a sharp increase in flying saucers.

One delegate, Marianne Francis, warned that the sightings could mark the beginning of some "ominous changes" for the earth's population. But the convention chairman, Dr. Frank Stranges, said the "interplanetary visitors" would turn out to be "angelic creatures whose mission is to help mankind."

The delegates were generally well groomed, articulate men and women who could have blended into any PTA meeting. Many were heads of organizations whose members spotted and photographed "unidentified flying objects" and claimed to maintain telepathic communication with space travelers.

NEARLY ALL agreed that what they called the "flying saucer movement" was undergoing sharp expansion. Two delegates announced they were negotiating to purchase radio stations to help transmit their theories. Several flying saucer magazines and hundreds of books were on sale at the convention.

"These people are contactee-oriented," explained Gabriel Green, a serious young man who served as president of the Amalgamated Flying Saucer Clubs of America.

Flying Object Sighted in Illinois

NORMAL, Ill.—(UPI)—Several persons living on the same block here said they saw an unidentified flying object last night.

The object had four blinking lights, red, white, blue and green, proceeded north-easterly, hovered over a grove of trees, then returned southwesterly. The object was seen first by the Merle Simpson family, then others. They said it was flat and small.

2 SOUTH AFRICAN POLICEMEN REPORT SIGHTING OF 'SAUCER'

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa—South African police and scientists investigated Thursday a report that a flying saucer-type object had landed on a main highway near Pretoria, the country's administrative capital.

Two patrolling police officers reported seeing the flaming "saucer," about 30 feet in diameter, shortly after midnight. One of them, Koos de Klerk, said that the shiny copper-colored object resembled a giant spinning top.

The two men claimed that, as they approached the object, it took off silently at great speed with flames shooting out of its underside.

Scientists who examined the spot where the officers said that they saw the object are reported to have found that a six-foot wide section of the tarred road had been badly burned. Grass on either side of the highway, also was reported slightly scorched.

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"These flying saucer stories are getting more ridiculous every day."

Flying Saucers

(To the Editor, S.C.M. Post)

Sir,—Citizens beware! This is not a drill! If you report what you see, your report will be treated as hallucination. Your honest desire to help solve an aeronautical mystery will be discounted by harassing confrontation by paid investigators who are instructed to suppress the authenticity of their investigation.

The UFO Project research has been operative continuously for more than 20 years. The scope and extent of this project is a carefully guarded subject. During that time it has maintained a continuous status of "Classified Information." The only information released by the U.S. Air Force for publication is periodic reports of a few selected cases of mistaken identity—such as the report to this newspaper on February 1, by Dr Allan Hynek: "In Search Of Flying Saucers."

Honest, sincere observers no longer report UFO sightings to accepted authority. (Why continue to slap your own face?) For several years actual sightings of spaceships are compiled at Flying Saucer Clubs all over the world. Amalgamated Flying Saucer Clubs of America (AFSCA) maintain a comprehensive information department that registers Club activities, and reports from all over the world. Anyone can write to AFSCA, 2004 N Hoover Street, Los Angeles, California 90027, U.S.A., and receive a concise, conscientious report about any information he is seeking.

We don't need to search for Flying Saucers—we only need to acknowledge their presence. Actually we are on one of the strangest UFO's in the universe. Our "Friends" who are now investigating us cannot understand our belligerent attitude toward their conscientious effort to contact us.

UFO spotted 5-16-66

PASADENA (AP)—Scores of startled residents called newspapers and police after sighting what they described as blinking, moving lights in the skies over the San Gabriel Valley last night.

Officers said some residents saw the lights "travel fast, then slow, then stop." They said one Pasadena area resident reported the smell of perfume as the lights appeared and moved.

It'll be Long Before "Saucer" Is Forgotten

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By PETER A. DVARACKAS
Herald-News Sports Writer
Many months will pass before the impact of the strange flying objects which dominated the North Jersey skies this week fades into memory.

The bright white disk that streaked across three counties and hovered periodically over the Wanauke Reservoir will provide an ample amount of conversation for weeks to come. Indeed, thousands of eyewitnesses know well the story of that mysterious terrestrial stranger.

Not that the tale of the flying saucer is over yet. Investigators from the National Investigation Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP) may arrive today in Upper Passaic County from Washington D.C. to probe the UFO sightings.

Dr. George White, an electronics expert, and Dr. John Pegano of Fort Lee will investigate the scene of the unidentified object and then report back to NICAP. Announcement of the impending study was made by Richard Hall, assistant director of NICAP.

Nightly Vigil
Police at Wanauke, the state's largest water storage basin, continue to maintain a nightly vigil at the headworks, in Ringwood Avenue and Westbrook Road to spot that weird disk of light which was seen as late as Thursday night making sharp dips and maneuvers over the reservoir.

It was Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. when residents, motorists, municipal officials, and police glanced up at the sky and began the first chapter of an aerial

mystery which has yet to be solved.

"Listen . . . this sounds crazy, but I saw something in the sky. Do you know what it is?" This was the question posed to the police at the North Jersey police radio hook-up in Pompton Lakes. The calls came in from Wanauke, Ringwood, West Milford, Paterson, Totowa, Wayne and Butler.

Astounded residents were searching for an explanation. Even the police were dumbfounded. They too saw the white oval hovering in the heavens from their prowl cars.

The UFO was described then as a white and garishly bright disk, two feet in diameter.

According to observers, the odd movements of the mysterious visitor was enthralling. Some felt as if it were "toying" with police, citizens and borough officials by performing dives almost into the reservoir; at times appearing "as if it were looking down" upon the spectators from a silent stationary position high in the heavens and by making neat right angles as if it were using the sky as a chalk board.

Made Several Stops
The UFO then made quick stops at various locations in the community: Lakeland Regional High School, the Houdaille sand pit, the overhead bridge in Ringwood Avenue . . . and then it disappeared.

Hours later at 2:15 Wednesday morning, it re-appeared over Wyckoff and five minutes later it was spied over the reservoir in Wanauke where police say it almost came to rest at the top of the 1,500 foot long Raymond Dam. It was gone at 4:15 a.m.

Police, reporters and residents saw the disk as it whisked over Wanauke and Ringwood both Wednesday and Thursday night.

The story of the mystic sky visitor is not without intrigue. The United States Air Force released a number of reports which August Roberts, a member of the International Intelligence on unidentified Flying Objects claims are "a whitewash."

Initially, when the object was first sighted, the Air Force said it was an official helicopter with a strong beacon. A few hours later Air Force jets were spotted by police flying over the Wanauke.

Experiment?
Roberts theorized the object "might possibly have been a government experiment in the creation of an anti-gravity machine."

As yet nobody really seems to know what the UFO was or where it came from. Some say it is a balloon, others, men from Mars.

But this is not the first time a UFO has been sighted over the Wanauke. Some 18 years ago Charles Capen, former chief engineer of the North Jersey District Water Supply Commission said he saw something that looked very similar to the object described in the newspaper.

Reservoir police claimed to have seen something "round and bright" two weeks ago, over Lilly Hill in Stonetown and Board Mountain near Sloatsburg Road, according to Charles Theodora.

Dean Noll, assistant engineer, for NJDWSOC does not believe that the UFO might have been a mysterious attempt to pollute the water supply. There are "easier ways", he said.

Thousands of interested persons are still lining the perimeter of the reservoir to catch a glimpse of the brilliant phantom that has, for the moment, vanished into the ether.

PC REPORTS 'I SAW 6 FLYING SAUCERS...'

DAILY SKETCH
Tuesday, May 17, 1966

POLICE CONSTABLE Donald Cameron made out a report last night and hoped the Chief Constable would believe that he really DID see six flying saucers.

Pc Cameron was at home on sick leave when he looked out a window and saw six glowing objects hovering in the distance. "I thought I was seeing things and called my wife," he said last night. "We watched them for about 30 seconds before they disappeared at speed towards Manchester."

"They were about a mile away. I could see them clearly even though it was a dull day. They were white and glowing."

"One was bigger than the others with a cup-shaped dome—obviously the mother ship. The others were oval," he added. "As he made out his report at his home in Chilfren-road, St. Helen's Lanes, Pc Cameron said: "I suppose I will get some ribbing from the lads, but that is not what worries me . . . It's what the Chief Constable thinks."

Police Kept Busy Spotters Jam Up-County Roads for UFO Glimpse

Paterson News
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RINGWOOD — If the little men from outer space had the up-county police on the run Tuesday, their earthy counterparts caused more trouble Friday night.

Throngs of the curious ringed normally deserted Wanauke Reservoir in this small hamlet and created what old timers say is the first traffic jam in the history of the borough. The cars parked along Westbrook Road and Route 511.

Ringwood Police Lieutenant Jack O'Hara said "We told

them to move on, but they kept coming back on the other side of the road, so we just had to give a couple of them summonses. They had everything, cameras, binoculars, telescopes. I was waiting to see one of them get out with a geiger counter."

The sky watchers were out in force after wide spread publication of the sighting of unidentified flying objects over the reservoir. The elusive thing in

the sky, however had failed to make a return appearance Friday.

Since the sightings, Tuesday, both Wanauke and this borough have been overpopulated with television cameras, newsmen and the curious.

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