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BEWARE of HOAXERS

The Saucer Bandwagon

By Coral Lorenzen

The December issue of Popular Science Mechanics offered a picture of one Claude D. De Vries of Rotterdam, showing him flying his model flying saucer. The small craft is powered by two jetex engines and is shown spinning two hundred feet up in the air. The description under the picture stated that an Italian model about the same size which was pictured in PSM Oct. '52 issue, made 87 miles per hour.

TRUE, in the letters to the editor section of it's January, 1953 magazine, bragged a little about the fact that as a result of Kahn's expose of Ge Bauer and Newton, these two men were arrested by authorities and charged with fraud. We still wonder----

"They're Living Off Another Planet" is the name of an article featured in Popular Science Mechanics' January issue. The story tells of the enterprise of two men, Oskar Lebeck and Alden Mc Williams who are the co-author of the comic strip "Twin Earths" recently the rage of the funnies. An interesting article, it says that the fellows do not think space travel is imminent, but merely snatched at a chance to (Con't Page 4)

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PREDICTIONS:

Now that Professor George Adamski and Winchell have been proved wrong in their predictions of great and wonderful happenings, we'll make a prediction of our own: The Air Force Technical Intelligence Center At Wright Field will now step up their program for gradual enlightenment of the American people in regard to the true nature. That they are expecting a big influx of the things again next summer and fall, reaching a climax in the latter part of October. By that time the saucers will have been in the public limelight so much, and seen by so many authorized and dependable observers (The GOC, for one) that it will no longer be simple to keep the big news such a closely guarded secret. We believe that now is the time for us to wish the AF every success.

A number of people in the last few months have uttered the following phrase with much gritting of teeth and dyde spouting fire: "There 's enough mystery connected with The saucer without someone make up his own.

More and more people are finding out that much of the supposed Gospel truth regarding saucers has turned out to be just the product of someone's vivid imagination; whether that person is looking for publicity, suffering delusions of grandeur, or just lover to have other people think he knows something they don't.

To date we know just about this about saucers: They've been around for centuries. They seem to be around in the greatest numbers following the explosion of an atomic bomb. They seem to have no set shape, color, limitation of speed or maneuverability. They make no sound whatsoever, or sometimes their flight is accompanied by a high-pitched whine or buzzing like static electricity. They don't seem to make themselves scarce at any particular time of the year---- the press is responsible for their seeming tendency to be present in largest numbers in the fall or late summer. The saucers have been tracked by radar which indicates that they are composed of solid matter. They are enough of a mystery so that the ATIC at Wright-Patterson is spending millions of dollars for men and equipment with which to carry on a very secret and intensive investigation of the elusive things. The U. S. says they aren't ours, and The Russians say "Don't Look at Us."---- Who, then, is responsible? Some say they are atmospheric phenomena, hoaxes, illusions, reflections, and or balloons. (Con't on page three)

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THE EDITORIAL

As Gabriel Heatter would say, There's Good News Today, APRO Members. The reason for stating this is that instead of the expected lull in saucer activity at this time of sightings throughout the world since August, although a good share of them have been late in coming in.

The public, the press, and the esteemed individuals at Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright Patterson, are taking in stride this new influx of the mystery craft.

We're having a bit of trouble here at National. The recent flu epidemic caused considerable uproar, and the bulletin (as any fool can plainly see) was delayed by the invasion of that virus. Your Director got up from bed with a fever of 102 degrees and attended the reception in honor of Maj. Gen. Ralph Olson at a local eatery, but the two hours was almost too much for her, for it caused more or less of a relapse. However, we did win another friend for APRO AND the cause.

Although we have quite a little information to pass along to you, we believe there might be more if some of you members would be a bit more conscientious about getting in your reports. Remember, this is a cooperative operation and we cannot survive unless we take a one for all and all for one attitude.

It will please us all, I am sure to know that APRO is the only organization of its kind that actually works and publishes its own periodical. We have seen some of the bulletins put out by other outfits, and each successive one makes us just a little more proud of ourselves and the things we are attempting to do.

As has been stated before, we intend, in order to keep saucer research on a high level, to investigate to

the best of our ability those events in the saucer picture which tend to be a little sensational, and those people connected with saucers who seem to be handing out a little too much inside information with little with which to back it up.

I believe that at this time several of our members should be given a little pat on the back for the good work they have done in behalf of APRO.

John Last, of Green Bay, Wisconsin, who is responsible for the emblem of the APRO stationery has done a wonderful job despite numerous hobbies and a profession which allows him no definite working hours.

Alex Saunders of Toronto, Canada and Marion Mitrie of Rouyn, Canada have both been very conscientious about keeping their clippings and reports flowing in. Both fellows write mighty interesting letters, also.

Mrs. Doris Saunders of San Anselmo, Calif. has also been very persevering in her job of collecting saucer reports and is in constant touch with national.

Another member who is deserving of much credit in working on behalf of the organization is Roy Munson of Rockford Ill. Roy has been very persevering in his pursuit of the answer to the mystery of the saucers and has shown himself to be very dependable. Incidentally, Roy made one of the most important sightings in the Midwest and is one person who will not take the usual ribbing or backtalk—even from the AF.

Although we do not call ourselves poets or cartoonists, from time to time there will appear within the pages of the APRO Bulletin, some bit of poetry, philosophy or art dealing with saucers. We must invent our own material because of the laws on plagiarism, so if you have any ideas for a cute cartoon, or can put ideas concerning saucers into words that rhyme, send it along to national. We'll use it, giving full name credit.

This issue we are starting another new feature dealing with theories as to saucers, their propulsion, and the possible physical characteristics of their inhabitants. The man whose theory is featured in this issue, is the first one to come up with a theory about the propulsion of the saucers which accounts for the glow which frequently is seen accompanying saucers, the wobbling motion in our atmosphere, and the soundlessness of their flight. I'm sure Mr. Hehr and well as we will appreciate any comments.

So much for this time—send in your material—we can use it. Hope we're not so late next issue, either. Look for more saucers from now on.

THE EDITOR

Numerous requests from various other organizations dealing with saucer research, plus APRO members have come in to APRO headquarters asking for any and all information we have on the alleged meeting between George Adamski of Balley Center, California, with a space man some where in the Arizona desert.

We are sorry to say that we have no details on that sighting, except what we have been able to glean from news clippings and work of mouth testimony.

It amounts to this: Mr. Adamski claims that while he and Mr. Williamson were picnicing near Desert center, they saw a 'spaceship' near by. The Saucer landed and the occupant, human-like, approached Mr. Adamski and spoke with him. A boot print was left, according to the story. There was something vague about a telescope being setup, and that the Air Force was aware of what was going on and that B-36s were in the air at the time.

We have sent for the clipping, and is as much as the Director lived in Phoenix for 17 months in 1948 and 1949, has a pretty good source of information. If Mr. Williamson is a native of Arizona he can be traced down for his version of the story. Oh, yes, there was supposed to be four witnesses to the incident — a mile away from the scene, but they saw the whole thing. I'm recalling how little I can see even using good binoculars at a comparatively short distance of 6 blocks.

A rumor circulating in Canada is to the effect that the U.S. Air Force is experimenting with a circular type plane powered by jets around the rim. There is a pressurized cabin in the middle, and Americans are flying them in an experimental test. A Mr. Bill Lear is the source of this rumor. He claims he got the information from Canadian Air Force man just back from a visit to the states.

The following information was relayed to us by a reliable source but for our own protection and the protection of others we cannot list that source. The famed Lubbock lights, according to this fellow, had no mass behind them but were just light. Not reflections, but pure light. Think that one over. Startling, isn't it? Maybe the idea of man-like pilots of the saucers is too easy a solution—or maybe there several answers to this puzzle. But the idea of light maneuvering in formation at high speed makes one's hackles raise a little...

Doesn't It???

Rumors are few and far between again, so we'll have to bring to a close this little tet-a-tete for now. Keep your ears open, though, and send in anything you think might make interesting reading for this column.

HOAXERS (Can't Page 1, Col. 2)

It's a safe bet that the U.S. is at least experimenting with a saucer type craft, and if not, someone lacking in grey matter after the pattern (dependable, safer, evidently) has been flouted in our very faces for almost six years. However, it's still beyond the bounds of reason to believe that the U. S. has, made such scientific advances that it can manufacture such a machine. If the U.S. has, she has no business sending human beings out to fight a war in these old, undependable jet-type airplanes. And they cost so much to build, too a machine which performs such as the saucers do would be instrumental in bringing the Korean war to a very short demise.

Back to hoaxers. After being fooled by this and that sensational claim to 'the truth about flying saucers', we're a little skeptical about anybody's claims to inside information about them, even the Air Force. It is even safe to assume that they do not know too much. The recent sighting of the thing over Love Field, Dallas, Texas upholds that line of reasoning. If that thing were ours, we would have nothing to fear in at least sending up a jet or two to put on a show, if nothing else. However, that thing hovered and spiraled over an airfield for at least 1 1/2 hours, yet no interceptors were sent up! A story came out via press wire a couple of days later saying the thing might and probably was some delta-wing job powered by a power and belonged to the U.S. If so, why test the blasted thing over an airbase and heavily populated area for everyone to see? It just doesn't make sense. The Air Force didn't confirm that one, either.

If those space-men are bound to land on earth, it is doubtful that they would contact one or two isolated individuals. What would that benefit them? They are much more powerful and technically far ahead of us—what have they to fear from our military and governmental heads? What can they gain by contacting ordinary people who can have nothing to offer except—it they would sell the earth down the river to alien-intelligences in trade for information and possible their own hides

(Saucer Bandwagon, Cont.)

parlay a popular subject into a few thousand bucks.

Sporting pictures which are not designated as being the genuine thing, but very convincing looking, nevertheless, Bill Kreh authored an article called "Do The Martians Have The Atom Bomb?" in the January HIT magazine. Kreh says that astronomer Hideo Sakaki, of Japan, who has specialized in observing the planet Mars since 1933, saw a brilliant explosion flash off several minutes duration followed by a luminous cloud. Walter H. Haas, Director of the Society of Lunar & Planetary Observers, Las Cruces, New Mexico, also recently observed strange blue clouds on the normally red-appearing planet.

All conventional explanations such as reflection from water, or an ice field, or a meteoric explosion were taken care of one by one, and in the final analysis, Mr. Kreh stated that the explosion, because of its duration and luminous cloud, must have been an atomic explosion, therefore can only be accounted for by theorizing that either some nation here on earth has transported a space-rocket with an atomic warhead to Mars, or Mars is inhabited with a race intelligent enough to have developed and exploded an atomic bomb.

Popular Science Magazine really gave saucers a big break in its January issue for its second feature in connection with the elusive craft is an article titled—"How To Expose Flying Saucers." The subhead reads: You're invited to join in the Air Force's new Project for studying saucers by photographing them through a diffraction grating—a device that reveals the chemical composition of a source of light. Ralph Steiner takes the literary credit for one. The gist of the whole thing of course is 'ho to build one of those special cameras ordered by the Air Force during the last saucer scare.

As we expect that all APRO members have read Donald Keyhoe's latest slap at non-saucer believers in the December TRUE magazine, we won't attempt a review but merely say "Congratulations, Mr. Keyhoe—you're doing a good job." His article, titled "What Radar Tells About Flying Saucers" really reels out the answers for the skeptics who say that radar is so un dependable that we can't depend on it to testify as to the reality or solidity of the saucers when tracked.

We blush to admit that the article we're about to review was not labeled when torn out of its magazine source, so we cannot tell you which magazine it was taken from. The name of the article is "Flying saucers are not new" by Edgar Price. This feature brought up something we had not been aware of before—

namely that both Thomas Jefferson and Benjamin Franklin had observed unusual sky objects and that both declared their belief that the craft were space ships from another planet. Other than that statement, the article is a general rehashing of old sightings familiar to most of us. Wesley L. Weiss, his article, "Flying Saucers and the air around us" in the December SIR magazine, says the flying saucers belong to the United States and although his reasoning is fairly good, it is not satisfactory. His argument against the possibility that space-travelers are here from another planet, is that the time involved in such a trip plus the technical difficulties of space travel would be prohibited. No need to go into a lengthy rebuttal. The man has a right to his own opinions.

"Flying Saucers, the Last Word." in the January SEE is a must to all saucer fanciers. This question and answer session between Major General Samford and the SEE reported, in our opinion, reveals much more than the General intended. Don't miss it. Thorp Mc Chusky asks, "Did the Abominable Snowman Come From Mars?" in the January SIR! The reasoning in our opinion is very poor, but should be read in order to see to what lengths some people will go for a story.

United Press featured a wire story by UP radio correspondent Helen Thomas, in Washington. One of the Skywatch volunteers in Sturgeon Bay, being a saucer fan, ripped the story of the machine (he's a radio announcer) and saved it for us. The usual; Are they or aren't they? An it lists old sightings in favor of "Unidentified Aerial Objects." He receive careful analysis by Air Force Experts, heads an article on page four of "Air Craft Flash", official monthly magazine of the Ground Observer Corps. This article presents a hypothetical case which turns out to be just another weather balloon, but the percentage breakdown for all reports received is the interesting part. The six categories of the reports are: Balloons, Aircraft, Astronomical Phenomenon, Other unexplained phenomenon, Unknown, and insufficient data for evaluation. The curious thing is that each category is followed by the two words, "possible and probable" if those words were omitted, we wonder how much the percentages would fluctuate. We'll bet the 'Unknown' reports would be considerably more than the 21% listed.

The article also says that the Air Defense Command has distributed a special regulation "Ground Observer Reporting of Unusual Aerial Activity" we'll have to look into that one.

I SAW A SAUCER

I saw a saucer soaring high
In soundless flight up in the sky
I grabbed the phone and called the
cops.
They said—"Go on—you're full of
hops."

But they looked, too, and what they
saw
Was not an atmospheric flaw.
It seemed to watch us—mocking, too
Hundreds saw it—not a few.

And then the Air Force was informed.
They said, "Inversions—cold and
warm"
Reflecting light from earth below.
Are the cause of the aerial show.

Then they said, "A balloon, perhaps?"
They assume that we are saps,
For this thing speeds, and turns and
glows
With less wind than it takes to
blow a nose.

"The Pilots are just tiny men
Who fly to earth, then back again
To Venus, which is whence they came
Said Scully, who soon rose to fame.

His sourced, though, as time wore on
Were found involved in games of con
This detracted from their credit—
I wish that I had never read it.

Heard says that they are giant bees
Who can travel space with ease.
In their saucers they can see
How inefficient we can be.

Another man says he has seen
And talked to space-men—often,
Often.
They are handsome, some are tall.
He also says that some are small.

We all wonder—so will you
Why the facts are known to few?
If they are facts! (again we wonder)
Saucer-men—tell all—by thunder!

And now you mysteries of the blue,
No one has invaded you.
But if you will land and make your
peace,
All this wondering will cease!

Unless you do you will remain
Balloons, inversions, any name
To explain your awesome flight.
Please tell us—or leave our
sight!

Coral Lorenzen

This little gem was written in
only about an hour, and besides I'm
no poet, so don't be too rough on
me!

One saucer pilot to another as
they approach earth: "I'm going to
find out what those disc jockeys
are!"

THEORIES

The following is a theory sub-
mitted to us by a member, Frederick-
Hehr of Santa Monica, Calif., and
which is in our opinion the only
theory to date which accounts for
all the unaccountables of the fly-
ing saucers:

"The flying saucers use fields
which effectively shield them a-
gainst the action of gravity and in-
ertia to different degrees, and al-
lows to them to conduct the 'fan-
tastic' maneuvers observed by many,
without damage to the crews and ship
themselves."

"This freedom from inertia and
Gravitational forces also precludes
any danger from collisions with any
object. It would also suffice for
'flea-powers' to move them at al-
most any speed and obviate accelera-
tion and deceleration. In my opin-
ion, deduced from flight actions as
observed by me and others, magnetic
fields are used which react against
the magnetic currents, surrounding
our planet. Trying to keep at low
speed and hovering creates that pen-
dular and wobbling motion through
the application of different mag-
netic fields counteracting one an-
other. Somewhat like keeping a car
stationary on a steep slope by man-
ipulating the friction of the clutch."

"The field surrounding these
saucers also explains the different
colors by refracting light according
to the field intensity, also the
noiseless flight at high speeds be-
cause the air encountered enters
the influence of the no-gravity, no-
inertia field and so flows effort-
lessly around the saucer. No resis-
tance equals no force, therefore no
noise."

Members Miss Agnes and Marie
Fellner of Trevor, Wisconsin informed
us during their last visit to Stur-
geon Bay that almost every child in
the school where they teach has seen
a flying saucer. Trevor is located
in Southern Wisconsin and that part
of the state has been the locale of
unprecedented saucer activity in re-
cent months. Some people are so lucky!

The following article appeared in
the Chicago Sun-times Thursday, Jan-
uary 15. We believe it will be of
much interest to all:

"DETROIT (UP)—An Air force engi-
neer said Wednesday space flights at
the speed of light—166,282 miles a
second, are possible. But scientists
will have to revise their basic
thinking on fuels, he declared. In a
report to the Society of Automotive
Engineers here D. C. Samaras of
the Wright-Patterson Air development
Center at Dayton, Ohio, urged scien-
tists to direct their attention a-
way from thermal fuels. Samaras
said the fastest moving thing is
light. Radar, radio and other
electromagnetic waves travel at the
same speed but no faster. Samaras
listed the 'ionic rocket' and the
'photon' rocket as examples of non-
thermal fuel."

OLD SIGHTINGS

The following sighting made some time ago was submitted by Miss Shirley Watson of route 2, Vienna, Virginia:

During February, March and April, 1952 I frequently saw a large, brilliant orange ball floating silently across the sky, very high, about 10 p.m. Once an airplane passed and the light went off instantaneously. I know these were not reflections as they were definitely round, and not 'swishing' beams from an airport. They might have been balloons, if balloons, are sent up at night and are that brilliant. There seemed nothing attached to them.

The date of the following report is not known exactly, but the sighting took place in Kansas. "M. C. Phillips, a Fredonia resident said Wednesday that he and two companions had spotted a 'flying disc' nine miles north of Chanute. Phillips described the object as apparently being flat, polished metal flying in a horizontal plane north to south. He said the disc was large and revolving on its axis at a terrific speed. He could see the disc revolve, but could not estimate its height, Phillips said.

anything like the so-called flying Saucer.' 'We are strictly in the guided missile business', he said.

The article also said that highly placed persons declined to discuss the experiments underway at Holloman base, 'except in a broadest and most general term' but admitted that the adjectives 'fantastic and tremendous' highlighted their off the record remarks.

Everett, managing editor of the paper, said his story was based on investigations and interviews, some with officials in Washington, over a period of several months.

EDITORIAL COMMENT: Here is another example of a cleverly written piece of propaganda. Most readers would not carefully note the words, 'might' explain, in part' in connection with the reference to the sky mysteries of recent years.

It can safely be said here and now that the U. S. government has nothing which could even remotely resemble the saucers. The one thing they can't do (they do have missiles and planes going in excess of 1,000 miles per hour) is build an aircraft which operates soundlessly and which leaves no vapor trail or exhaust whatsoever.

SCIENTIFIC DEVELOPMENTS PERTAINING TO SPACE TRAVEL

Hot on the heels of the sighting at Dallas, Texas' Love Field Air Base, came the following information in the form of an Associated Press release. The Santa Fe New Mexican stated it had learned of fantastic strides in guided missiles and rockets which might explain in part, reported sightings of strange objects in the skies. It also said the wraps of secrecy might be partially removed for a demonstration tentatively scheduled for White Sands Proving Ground in southern New Mexico within a few months. Based on information from official and unofficial sources, the New Mexican said: "The most logical conclusion is that the country's guided missiles experts have succeeded in developing unmanned craft capable of maneuverability, range and speeds heretofore undreamed of except in comic strips.

It noted such maneuverability often played a part in reported sightings of glowing, skyborne things and added that rocket-powered, unmanned guided missiles could maneuver in trajectories which conventional winged aircraft and human crews could not stand.

Col. M. G. Henricks, commandant of the proving ground, told the UP however, that 'there certainly would not be anything like a flying saucer demonstrated' when the next public demonstration is held. 'Our research has nothing to do with

Washington, January 14. (Chicago Tribune Press Service) Milton Rosen, head of the rocket section at the naval research laboratory said that rocket scientists, having run out of new ideas for building long range missiles, are still years away from being able to build space ships that could fly to the moon.

Poking fun at recent proposals for space ships as speculation, Rosen warned that a great deal of harm could be done to this country's defense effort and to the cause of space flight itself if the U. S. were to undertake any of the fantastic projects for a space ship that have been proposed in the last few years.

Rosen also said rocket scientists have a lot to learn about engines, fuels, guidance systems, metals and human endurance before flights among the planets can be attempted. He said that before engineers can build ships to traverse space, they first must build a practical, reliable, unmanned earth satellite. Rosen said that the country has not made enough progress in new fuels, nor has electronics progressed enough to furnish the necessary control, etc. He recommended a committee to be set up by the National Science Foundation to study space flight and evaluate research projects that might be pursued profitably in the development of future space ships.

(We think it's already been done.)

RECENT SIGHTINGS

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August 28, 1953. Aliston, Ontario. Two youngsters and several bystanders saw a silver and black cone-shaped object which, for about twenty minutes kept ascending and descending. Several persons reported seeing about a dozen of these objects above Everett in the past week.

"September or October," 1952. Mrs. Elizabeth Condaski of Greenfield, Massachusetts recalls seeing three round, shiny, silver 'balls' which moved rather slowly along the eastern horizon at about 45 degrees. The time was noon and the objects seemed to be about half the apparent size of the moon, she said. A curious feature of them was that as they moved along, one of them suddenly 'lit up' like a light bulb, and they made absolutely no sound.

Oct. 20, 1952, KOREA. Pacific Stars and Stripes reported that U. S. Troops saw a half-dozen mysterious, spark-throwing 'cart-wheels' over the western-Korean front, Friday. Cap. John A. LeJolie said, "I Don't think they were flares. They looked like those revolving cartwheels you see on the fourth of July." They were described as 18 inches in diameter, moving in a 15-foot circle.

Oct. 24, 1952. Milan, Italy. A 39-year old Italian draftsman Gian Pietro Monguzzi told Italian reporters he had photographed a flying saucer and its pilot. He claimed the saucer landed on a glacier in the Italian Alps some two months ago. Monguzzi said he was climbing with his wife at the time in the Bernina Alpine group. "The flying saucer touched for a few minutes and a figure of human shape wearing a sort of diving suit got out, and walked around the saucer as if inspecting it. The figure then re-entered the saucer and it took off without a sound at breath-taking speed. It disappeared in the direction of Switzerland," he said.

Monguzzi said he has already sold his photographs to a French magazine.

Gaillao, France, Oct. 28. This south of France village claimed something of a flying saucer report. More than 100 residents saw 16 saucers flying in formation around a 'flying cigar' yesterday.

The saucers were 'circular with a raised part in the center, giving out a bluish glow from the edges as they revolved.' The 'flying cigar' in the middle of the formation gave off whitish filaments like glass wool which floated to trees but disintegrated before it

could be taken to a laboratory for analysis. The report said the saucers approached from the southeast cruised over Gaillao, 30 miles north-east of Toulouse, for about 10 minutes and disappeared in single file toward the northwest.

Les Escoumains, Quebec, Oct. 28. A tremendous noise and a bright flash visible 39 miles away terrified residents of this town. The phenomenon occurred at 5:10 p.m. last Friday, and was seen by many residents. Men loading trucks at a lumber camp of the Consolidated Paper Co. were reported to have been thrown from the vehicle. Several residents say they saw a ball of fire race over overcast skies just before the loud noise. "It was a foot in diameter and left a trail of smoke behind it and gave off a bright light," Mr. Savard, mayor of the town said. He did not think the ball of fire could have been a meteorite. No one saw it fall. Dominion astronomer Dr. C. S. Beals, said the blast might have been a big meteorite, and asked to receive any information about the phenomenon.

Oct. 28, Montreal, Ontario. A Rosencourt resident reports seeing five flying saucers at 7:45 a.m. while on his way to work. All flat and shiny; just like jet planes, they make no sound. They were going from northwest to southeast. St. Hubert reported none of its aircraft were up at the time, but planes may have been airborne from Ottawa. This could not be immediately checked.

Albama, Wisconsin, November 11. Mrs. Wallace Zastrow of Algoma had driven into town to pick up her husband after work. She parked her car, and happening to glance at the sky she saw the following described object; A round, white, glowing object with a pointed, glowing tail. She was looking north at the time and it appeared directly in front of her and at about a 50 degree angle with the horizon. It was going East, quite fast. Mrs. Zastrow said there were a few clouds in the sky, but not in the part of the sky where she saw the object. It left no trail and made no noise. The object was keeping a straight course, and then about northeast of her, it made a slow, easy turn and headed directly north disclosing that it was perfectly round. She compared its size to that of a dime held at arm's length, and said it seemed as though it was slightly larger than that, even. The time of the sighting was 4:45 p.m. and protractor and yardstick were used in computing the angle of the object in relation to the ground.

A Mrs. James Pfile of the same town up to intercept the flying saucers. saw the phenomenon and described it exactly as Mrs. Gaston did. The two elusive objects, which made ab- two women do not know each other. solutely no sound.

Oct. 14, La Frontiere, Quebec. Chicago, Ill. December 9. Veterans
Mr. L. Martin, grocer, whose store is located on one of the highest places in town tells the following story about saucers he saw: "I was in my store when my son 13 years old, ran into the store and said there were strange things going on in the sky. I went outside and saw 5 or 6 discs that looked like real saucers. They were flat and spinning and reflected the sun's rays like a mirror. The reflection hurt our eyes. The saucers were traveling very high and fast." One of Mr. Martin's clerks, a Mr. Fournel witnessed the sighting and was sure the objects were saucers.

San Francisco, November 22. A brilliant blue meteor disappearing over the Berkeley hills toward the Sacramento valley at 9:21 p. m. yesterday was reported by Dr. Earl C. Linsley of the Academy of Sciences in San Francisco. Linsley said he saw the meteor moving northeast and that it was brighter than any other object in the sky including the planet Jupiter. He asked that people who saw the meteor on the Sacramento side of the hills to communicate with him at the Academy of Sciences, Golden Gate Park, or at his home, 4150 39th Ave., Oakland.

November 21, Okla City. A brilliant ball of fire, apparently a meteor, streaked across Texas, Okla and Kansas skies last night before disintegrating in a shower of sparks.

Drew Pearson reported the following in his Dec. 21 "The Washington Merry-go-Round" column: "It didn't get into the papers, but the Panama Canal Zone was completely baffled by two flying saucers which flew over the area for five hours and 36 minutes on November 25th. The Air Force actually sent up two B-36s, one B-27, and one Navy patrol bomber to try to intercept the flying objects but failed. An official cable to Washington from the Panama Canal Zone states that "two unidentified objects" were sighted over the Canal Zone November 25 from 6:06 p. m. to 11:42 p. m. The sighting was made by radar attached to anti-aircraft guns. The two flying saucers, or whatever they are, remained over the zone for 5½ hours, travelling at an estimated speed of 275 mph and maneuvering from 1,000 to 28,000 feet in altitude. Since no U. S. aircraft were supposed to be flying in the vicinity at the time, the Air Defense commander was sufficiently stirred up over the mysterious sighting to send three AF bombers and one Navy patrol bomber

to intercept the flying saucers. However, they were unable to catch the elusive objects, which made absolutely no sound.

Chicago, Ill. December 9. Veterans airline pilot flying cargo plane to O'Hare field had the company of 6 bright white lights, and one rapidly blinking red light as he flew into the field. He said he never saw anything like it before in his life. The time was 9:15 p. m. and the freighter was flying at 3500 feet 35 miles southwest of O'Hare field. Midway airport control tower at 55th St. and Cicero av. said they had no aircraft in the vicinity where the freighter was flying and no unusual planes or formations of planes showed on the Midway radar. The lights were not seen by Ground Observers, nor picked up by the Air Defense radar screens.

We sent a letter to WGN, Chicago from whence we first heard the report and they said that the lights were on five L-19s, small spotting planes of the Illinois National Guard. WGN said that Capt. Forrest Norris, one of the pilots, said:

"Every time we go up, a flock of cattle on flying lights or saucers follows and we thought it about time we cleared up the situation." He stated they were flying out of Midway Airport. Someone's lying--like the dickens!!

January 3, 1953, San Rafael, California. The San Francisco Bay area was lit up by what is supposed to have been a meteor at 12:15 a. m. Thousands of residents of the huge area saw the thing which was presumed to have crashed into the sea near Pedro Point. Some residents reported a blinking light off shore, but not boats were sent out for Coast Guard officials presumed it to be a drifting buoy. The crew of an amphibious air patrol were frightened by what appeared to be a brilliant green flare which flashed out of nowhere in front of their plane and disintegrated into nothingness after a few seconds. San Francisco airport reported that the fireball which frightened the people in the 150 mile area did not crash into the sea, but disappeared out over the ocean.

Dallas, Texas. January 6, 1953. An arrow-shaped, white, glowing object accompanied by a whirring noise was observed over Love Field from 1 a. m. until 2:15 a. m. A controller at Love Field says that he estimated the object at 30,000 feet when he first saw it, and that at 2:15 it was at 100,000 feet. Moore Wyle, controller, said he's been a Pilot for 27 years and worked at the control tower for 14 years. "I should know a plane or a star when I see one by now--and this thing isn't either."

The following two sightings are without dates, but believed to have taken place during the week of January 18-24.

Monroe, Louisiana. Ten motorists reported they stopped to watch a strange object in the sky over Monroe which looked like a barber pole.

Lincoln, Nebraska. Residents of College View reported seeing 'spotlights in the sky without beams' Tuesday night. The lights were seen about 8:45 and were described as being blurred and egg shaped. A Raymond resident said the lights she saw looked like spotlights and she could see the beams reaching almost to the ground. The Naval Reserve reported that they had no operations underway involving searchlights.

January 21, 1953. A United States Air Base, North Japan. Mysterious flying objects--rotating clusters of red, white and green lights have been sighted over northern Japan by American airmen, the Air Force disclosed Wednesday.

Sighted close to Russian territory in the Kurile Islands and Sakhalin. They said there are too many indications of the presence of something to be considered an observation of nothing and discounted possibility that sighted objects were 'reflections of light.' Flying clusters seen by fighter pilots and ground personnel and tracked on radar. Lights hung motionless at times, other times disappeared at blinding speeds. Col. Donald J. M. Blakeslee, world War II ace and command of an escort fighter wing took detailed observations on one rotating cluster and tried in vain to intercept it in a jet while on night flight December 29. He closed in on object after extinguishing all lights on aircraft to make certain he was not getting some reflection from canopy surface. No change in brilliance or appearance of object or its color scheme after lights were put out. It increased speed and disappeared in 30 seconds. Make second approach 5 minutes later, all lights on, this time object disappeared in 5 seconds. Blakeslee did not know size of the object, so did not know how close he got, said in report. Also, it said on same night clusters were seen by two crew members of F-94 interceptor for 40 minutes, by two crew members of a B-26 for five to seven minutes, and by five different air men on ground. Ground observers said the objects "were circular ferris wheels disk-type objects with rotational red and green and white lights. Ground men watched objects from 30 minutes to three hours. No planes in the air from this Japan air base at the time approximately an hour and a half af-

the Blakeslee saw rotating cluster father south. Another rotating cluster was seen Jan. 9 near an air base in northern Honshu, was observed visually by a pilot of an F94 jet in-terceptor for one minute, and radar contact established for about two minutes. The report called object "a light appearing to continuously change in color from red to white to green."

January 25, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Residents of Grand Rapids watched mysterious, bright, glowing white objects (disc-shaped) frisk through the sky for several minutes. Many called police and fire department. One man attempted to chase one with his car. Object traveling near the ground, going from one side of road to the other. The man said it finally disappeared beyond horizon appeared to fall to the ground as it did so.

Jan. 27, 1953. A year-old saucer story comes from Lt. David Brigham of Rockford, Illinois who says he watched a very small, shiny metallic looking disc-shaped object make passes at a jet interceptor over Korea last March 29. He estimated object to be 8 inches in diameter, very thin and shiny like polished chromium. Jet going about 160-180 mph. Disc clearly silhouetted against fuselage of the F-84 which drew up beside Brigham's plane, at a distance of about 50 feet.

Within the last six weeks, a commercial airline in flight over Tennessee was paced by an object described as being about 500 feet in length, cigar-shaped, having portholes about the diameter of their own craft, and emitting bright white light. They could not see any movement within the craft, radioed to nearest airfield for instructions. The Air Field told them to observe the thing carefully, which they did. Soon it left, in a sharp climb and disappeared. (Does anyone have any further information on this sighting? If so, send it in, for it is a very important sighting.)

It may be a good thing we're late the following just came in last night. A dependable young businessman, 29 years old Lloyd Booth of Conway, S. Carolina closed his small store at 11:15 p. m. January 29 and went home. He heard his livestock milling around in the barn, went to investigate, saw nothing wrong in barn, went outside to investigate high-pitched humming. A 25-ft. disc with recessed wheel on bottom, lighted portholes on top hovered over barn. It moved toward woods nearby, he followed and when it hovered over him, he shot at the wheel. Says he's now sorry that he did, for he thinks it was trying to land in a small clearing near there. It hovered over him at 75 feet, was metallic in appearance. It moved as slowly as a man walking. More on this next bulletin. ADIOS