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UFOs OVER KUWAIT

1952 RADAR - VISUAL

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THE SIGHTING

Sometime during the autumn of 1952 Eastern Airlines Captain John Warner, 33, was flying a Martin 404 airliner from Washington to Boston. He thinks the time must have been around 10 p.m. The sky was CAVU-clear and unlimited visibility. As the aircraft headed northeast at about 2100 to 2700 meters (7000 to 9000 feet) altitude over Trenton, New Jersey, he and his co-pilot sighted what appeared to be a normal yellowish navigation light on a distant aircraft. The light was about 16 kilometers (10 miles) away on Warner's left (northwest) and was headed southeast at about the same altitude and about the same speed as his own aircraft--a steady 225 knots (260 statute miles per hour).

As the object drew closer, the pilot asked New York Airways Traffic Control Radar at Islip (Long Island) if there was any unscheduled traffic headed in his direction. The unidentified blip of an unreported aircraft in his vicinity was confirmed.

Warner and his co-pilot (the plane carried only a two-man crew) could now see an "incandescent yellow elliptical shape"--an elongated glow without discernible detail. As the UFO crossed "within a mile" of the airliner's nose, Captain Warner felt that "he", as the pilot referred to the object, suddenly became aware of the airliner and began a 30-degree climbout southeastward, gradually accelerating and at the same time changing its color to blue-white. At this point Islip radar confirmed that their unknown target had picked up speed and was going out (southeastward) over Fort Dix at an estimated 1300 kilometers (800 miles) per hour. The UFO disappeared by climbing beyond the cockpit's field of view. Duration of the sighting was estimated at three or four minutes.

Captain Warner felt the object was not a conventional jet because of the lack of standard red and green navigation lights, the elliptical glowing shape, and the strange color change from yellow to blue-white as it accelerated out of view.

Although the witness discussed his sighting with other pilots he never reported it officially to either the Air Force or the airline because of the climate

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The following information on the recent sightings in Kuwait was obtained from U.S. newspaper clippings, the Kuwait Times, the Arab Times and CENAP, a UFO Journal of Mannheim, Germany. Full details are not known at this time but if and when additional details are available, they will be printed in the *Bulletin*.

The first sighting apparently took place at the Kuwait Oil Company's "gathering center" number 24, near Umm El Eish on Thursday, November 9, when KOC employees reported sighting a "flying saucer". Their sighting was corroborated by the staff of Center number 15 who said they saw the object, whereupon it turned off its lights and disappeared. No further description was given.

What apparently was a second sighting, took place at the Umm Alaish pumping station on Friday, the 10th of November. Seven workers, including one American, claimed the object was a huge, cylindrical thing with a large dome, and flashing red lights, which landed without a sound and then after staying on the ground about seven minutes, took off and quickly disappeared into the sky.

During the object's presence telecommunications and pumping activities were disrupted. The men said the object was "bigger than a jumbo jet" and they were afraid to approach it. They said communications and pumping automatically resumed when the object left.

After this sighting, the newspapers began to print rumors that the Kuwait Cabinet had discussed the UFOs on Wednesday, the 15th of November and that it had set up a fact-finding committee comprised of the representative of the Ministries of Interior, Defense and Communities. On November 16th, Brigadier General Mohammed Al Hamad, Director of the Public Service Department denied rumors, but did tell the press that the reports would be properly investigated. A team from the Kuwait Institute for Scientific Research, assisted by police and army personnel had conducted exhaustive searches of the area where the object was reported to have landed. A spokesman for the Kuwait Oil Company denied reports that cameras had been distributed to some of the field staff so that photographic evidence could be obtained if the object showed up again. No time was given for either sighting.

A third sighting was recorded at between 5:30 and 6 a.m. on the morning of the 21st at the Al

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Sabriyan oil field near the Iraqi border. One man, who claimed he had been given a camera by the oil company, said he took a number of photographs as it flew over a twenty-foot-tall water tower and hovered in the area for thirty minutes. As with the two previous sightings, all long distance communications were disrupted, but internal phones continued to operate, enabling employees to notify their supervisor, who rushed outside in time to see the object.

Eleven people reported seeing a "fluorescent, wedge-shaped object" over Abu Dhabi at 6:30 p.m. on November 23rd. It appeared for only a few seconds in a swath of glittering orange light.

CENAP's Hansjürgen Kohler obtained clippings through the German embassy which contained the following information: A young man who wanted to photograph the national holiday festivities with his polaroid camera, was able to photograph a UFO over Abu Dubai on December 2. Abdullah Mohammed Salimeen, an employee of the emigration bureau was strolling along the beach with a friend when he saw the object hovering at 150 meters (about 500 feet) in the southern sky. He said his head began to ache as he watched it. Abdullah first thought it was a holiday illumination. As it hovered, he shot three frames just as it began moving north. The first two pictures showed nothing, but the third showed a domed disc out of the bottom of which protruded a self-luminous tube. The brightness remained constant as the object accelerated. The description given by Abdullah agreed with that of other witnesses.

The first four reports were contained in the "Kuwait Times, United Press International, and various U.S. newspapers.

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of ridicule prevalent at the time. He personally knew another Eastern pilot, Captain Clarence S. Chiles, whose own airline sighting was headlined in 1948. Warner recalled Chiles received a lot of joshing and, as he put it, "unpleasant publicity" and therefore Warner and the other pilots decided not to mention their own sightings.

EVALUATION

Because of the witness's long experience as an airline pilot and his concomitant capability for identifying conventional aircraft from the cockpit, I am compelled to accept Captain Warner's account as valid. Even though some 26½ years have elapsed since his sighting, the pilot obviously was impressed enough by what he saw to have never forgotten it.

The importance of this sighting is increased because the same object seen visually was tracked simultaneously by ground radar. A radar-visual report represents one of the best types of UFO observations that can be made. While the eye

produces a visual description of the unknown object, radar precisely and nonsubjectively records other parameters such as speed, height, and direction (and the fact that the object almost certainly is solid). Although the 1300-km/hr speed, in this instance, is perhaps not unusual for jet aircraft, the pilot's report of the UFO's shape, color change during acceleration, and lack of standard red and green lights places this object in the unidentified category. Therefore, I believe the Warner sighting should be classified as an unknown.

BOOK REVIEW

BY Barbara Mathey

THE NEW SOVIET PSYCHIC DISCOVERIES, by Henry Gris and William Dick. Prentice-Hall. 296 pp. \$10.95.

The "National Enquirer" sent these veteran reporters to the Soviet Union on six separate trips to gather the material for this most absorbing book. Henry Gris, Senior Roving Editor, is an experienced Russia-observer and speaks the language. William Dick, a General Editor, specializes in the latest developments in science, particularly medicine and parapsychology. They used special contacts inside the Soviet Union to reach leading scientists and researchers who had never before talked to Western journalists. The authors obviously know how to get along in the difficult world of Soviet bureaucracy; in fact, the obstacles and their resolving are part of the adventure. Because of their special contacts, the approval of their mission by the Soviet government, the help of the "Novosti Press Agency," the tireless assistance of their two friendly guides, and their own perseverance and capability, the interviews are fascinating. The style is thorough, honest and colorful. Sidelights on the country, citizens and customs give it extra appeal. There are many good photographs.

The book is in three parts, and "Part Two: The Search for New Life Forms on Earth and Beyond" is of vital import to ufologists. Here are fresh cases, different researchers with uninhibited theories, and above all, on every side, support from the government.

"The Search for Extraterrestrial Civilizations" (Chapter 11) covers the effort to capture light or radio signals from space, and to study telepathic messages from UFOs to Russian witnesses.

"The Missing Planet Phaeton" tells of the theory that a planet similar to Earth but with a more advanced civilization used to orbit the sun just beyond Mars. A tremendous explosion blew it to bits; tektites found in Australia, the Philippines, Czechoslovakia and finally in 1975 near the southern border of the Soviet Union are evidence of this explosion. Professor Felix Zigel and author Aleksandr Kazantsev think that refugees from

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disintegrating Phaeton were forced to flee to Earth 500,000 years ago, thus providing the models for the Honshu figurines found in Stone Age Japanese graves. At this time Zigel refused to talk about UFOs, but the tactful persistence of the reporters resulted in the interview, told word for word in the next chapter.

"Professor Zigel and the Soviet UFO Controversy." Like us, Zigel deplores the skepticism of the scientists who have not studied the subject, and the sensational aspect. To further research, he recommends building models of UFOs, exploring the more exotic problems of contemporary physics to explain the physical aspects of UFOs, and active experiments with UFOs using laser beams. He considers cooperation between American and Soviet scientists in the study of UFOs to be both possible and desirable. He says that the Academy of Sciences of the USSR in its Program of Possible Communications with Extraterrestrial Civilizations, published in 1975, recommends a system of continuous observation of the entire heavens by radio and radar to discover probes "Sent out by extraterrestrial civilizations which may be at present within our Solar System and possibly even in orbit around Earth." Zigel expects that UFO sightings will increase, and considers UFOs the most important area of research existing today. He could not permit Gris and Dick to examine his files, but they resourcefully found their way to "The Club of Fantasts," a meeting of civilian UFO investigators, where the authors heard about individual cases. Although the press no longer prints UFO news, active investigation continues. Gris and Dick contacted a senior instructor at the Department of Automatic Devices of the Moscow Technological Institute, an engineer who is trying to devise an automatic probe similar to UFOs. He has collected many documented case histories, spoken to witnesses, lectured on UFOs and tried to analyze their power source. He thinks we are dealing with a fourth and fifth dimension, and is experimenting in this direction. The cases in his files, which the authors studied, are similar to those in the West. Among the cases described is a fascinating one investigated by Professor Aleksei Zolotov, head of the Kalinin Geophysical Expedition which he is still investigating.

"The Tungusky 'Divo' (magic miracle) -- a Warning Shot from space." This chapter gives us eyewitness accounts of the famous event, and tells of the efforts made to find the cause. Zolotov believes passionately that the nuclear explosion was caused by an unmanned, automatic spaceship, deliberately sent to blow up in an uninhabited region. He fears that another great explosion from outer space might be interpreted as having been initiated by somebody on Earth, and thus start a nuclear war. He has sworn to let his beard grow until the mystery of Tungusky is solved, and it is already very long!

"On the Trail of the Almasty -- the Caucasus' Abominable Snowman." In this chapter Gris and

Dick interview a military doctor, who examined a Big Foot captured by partisans in the Caucasus during World War II. Besides this unusual story there is a lively interview with Dr. Jeanna Kofman, whose life is devoted to tracking down the Almasty. Her aim is to bring together a Big Foot and the Soviet parapsychologists, "to explore the recesses of the human mind as it was when we were coming into being." There is no suggestion that the Almasty is connected with UFOs.

The final chapter, "Conclusions: the Aftermath of the Toth Case," is a thoughtful and perceptive pulling together of the whole subject as related to the policy of Soviet authority. Gris and Dick realized that the entrapment of Robert Toth revealed that the Soviets took parapsychology very seriously; they rank it with nuclear, rocket and other strategic secrets. Early in 1977 they began to stop the flow of psychic information to the West. Parapsychologists were no longer permitted to attend meetings in other countries. Also they were reevaluated, and some interviewed in this book have since come to grief. Briefly mentioned is the revelation in 1977 of the CIA's vast program for research on all types of mind-control. The newspapers exposed CIA secret files by means of the Freedom of Information Act.

Gris and Dick can read between the lines. This timely and well presented book is packed with news, descriptions and impressions that "give one to think." It fills the gap between "Psychic Discoveries Behind the Iron Curtain" and the present. Right now there is no possibility of learning more in the future. The authors say, "We had gotten our parapsychology probe out just in time, just before the Iron Curtain slammed down, tight . . ."

As you may recall, I have written APRO a couple of times concerning the need to take steps to preserve the UFO literature. Two problems are obviously apparent. First, donors must be found to donate material. Second institutions interested in collecting and preserving the literature must be located.

The Ohio Historical Society has indicated a willingness to collect UFO material when it relates to Ohio. Thus, they have accepted, among other items, a complete set of Len Stringfield's "CRIFO Bulletin/Orbit" and are continuing to accept O.U.F.O.I.L.'s "Ohio Skywatcher."

I need your help here. If you know of any other UFO bulletins that are or have been published in Ohio. One or two Cleveland groups have, at least in the past, published bulletins, but I have been unable to identify them. Other groups have been identified, but not specifically. Also, some bulletins have been rumored in the surrounding states that provide coverage of Ohio, but I cannot pin them down. Can you help?

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Multiple Phenomena on a Rocky Mountain Ranch

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[Conclusion]

Two Types of Creatures Appear in Conflict

I think the reason that I need to give my opinion is that these creatures, whatever they are, the humanoid ones, the ones we have seen, with the exception of the two "more humanoid" ones, have always appeared to be afraid of something. They are extremely nervous, extremely jumpy, extremely terrified of something and I'm sure it isn't us. That I have no doubt of; it isn't people. I'm sure they are watching the military base for some unknown reason. I can't think of any other reason for them to be there. Whatever this other thing was that showed up; I actually feel more friendly toward this non-humanoid form than I do toward the ones that look humanoid. I'm reasonably sure that the humanoids are afraid of them; again supposition. Yes, supposition, you know body language, the way it looked to me; it obviously wasn't afraid of anything, if that makes sense. It was there, it intended to be there, it was almost like a compassionate thing; as if you were describing it as a religious experience, almost. You know, you come in contact with something very great. But I never felt that with the disks and whoever was on them. They had always been very nervous when anyone showed up. It was almost an extreme paranoia except for the one time I mentioned that I walked up and talked to them. They were very calm, very in control of themselves on that occasion. When I was talking to the law officer, he

said that activity ceased when ships of this other type, like Barbara saw, showed up. She wasn't the only one to see it; other people in the community saw it too. And what he was relating to me was the fact that the activity would somehow go down because this other ship showed up. There has been a consistent pattern of the disks diminishing when this other ship shows up. He didn't know anything about occupants. And again, supposition; I'm reasonable assured that the humanoids, or whatever you want to call them, are in the disks and this other skinny, non-humanoid type is in the ice cream cone-shaped thing. And what they're up to or what they are doing or the rest of it is, I think, partly what I am interested in. There is something going on between them, because I know, at the ranch, they apparently weren't at all interested in us. We were just nuisances.

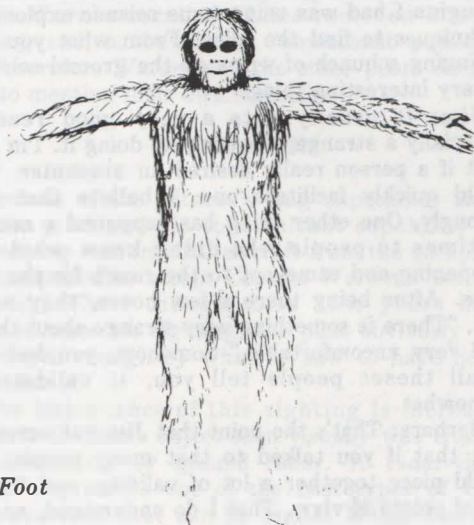
Barbara: You have an opinion about what happened to me. You felt that they made some kind of mental contact with me to impress me. I know that the first time it happened, my mental pattern was changed and I wasn't even aware of it. I didn't really realize that people have that clear a pattern of thinking until it was different for me. It was totally alien to me to think that way; I don't do that, I go very much on the emotional gut level. Somebody smiles right so they must be alright. It's not what they do or the facts you get about them. And that was definitely at least a two-hour experience.

More Speculation

Jim: I think I am extremely interested in how they can get into a person's mind, because they have no difficulty controlling mind or body. Everybody has had the same feelings. Several people have seen the humanoids. Again, I was the only one who saw this skinny thing. And Barbara, I don't think she wants people to think that I am crazy--she made me absolutely promise never to tell anybody.

Barbara: The only reason he convinced me to do this was the validity of what really happened. I know what happened, I know what I saw, I know that I did see disks, I know the largest number that I saw at one time was nine, and I know that at least once every two or three months we saw disks. So I know that I saw them; I wasn't imagining them because at that time I certainly wasn't in the mental state I'm in now. I was very happy with being out there. It got progressively worse because of what happened and the only reason I agreed to do this was because Jim felt that maybe something would come of it; that maybe someone else had seen or experienced it and maybe something could be put together that would be helpful to mankind. I don't mean to sound like I don't care what happens to mankind but I don't think I could help that much. I really don't question what Jim saw.

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Big Foot

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Jim: What happened could have been hallucinatory, it could have been drug-induced, it could have been a lot of things. But from my own subjective range, it happened to me. I wouldn't want to be put up as a laughing stock in National Enquirer. That would infuriate me. But to have someone quietly think I'm insane; you know, that's their problem. Barbara wanted to hush it up, but to me, it's interesting. After the pilot crashed and other things occurred, I had no doubt that they can play rough. And the law officer encouraged me to accept that point of view. But again, if they are playing rough, they are up to something that I don't feel is ethical. I personally feel that something a whole lot more is going on. I have read a lot of books and I personally believe that Herbert Shermer, the State Trooper, was picked up. I have no doubts of that one in my mind. I have a few doubts about the Betty, Barney Hill case; I have doubts about the one in Mississippi, Hickson and Parker. I think reading the stories helped me so that I wasn't quite so upset about seeing things. It's hard though to explain what you feel inside because you never feel one solid emotion; you know, it's one over here and one over here and one over here. But I do want absolute confidentiality. That would be the one thing I couldn't deal with. If I did find that I was hallucinating; that wouldn't bother me. But I do think there is a whole lot going on with a lot of people that that's the reason I decided to come and tell it all. Some could tell a whole lot of things and I think the people that have had some of the best experiences won't. I think it is something that people should do, even if it is a subjective experience. It is possible it could have been a totally subjective experience; even with all of us, it could have been hallucinations. It could have been a lot of things; maybe none of it happened. Maybe everybody there was deceived in some way. I can't picture how but just cause I can't picture it, doesn't mean it couldn't happen.

Investigator: There is so much smoke there that it's hard to think that there isn't some fire generating it.

Barbara: I think that if you are ever going to do something material about it, that hum would be something that is still going on. To my knowledge, it has never ceased.

Jim: If you are interested in the county and the people who live out there, I'm sure I could induce them to tell about this thing. The law officer, I'm sure, will talk, but again confidentially. The "kooky" lady, Roberta, she'll talk on whatever basis.

Barbara: I met her briefly in town twice, and because of what was happening, I desperately wanted to go and hear about what she had seen. But other friends said it would not be good to become friends with her because she was "the county gossip"--there is one in every area--and she

is a good, kind-hearted person. She is the kind who will show up with a cake when you need it but in the meantime she will describe everything in detail that she came across. And I felt that I didn't need that. I have never spoken to her about anything that happened at all. But other people have told me what she has seen and she had seen it for many years before we purchased the property.

Jim: I think the only other person I have talked to, who has had as many experiences as I have, is the law officer. And, if he'll open up, he's had some lulu's. But again, what he has told me, has been in confidence. The things I have repeated, he has told in front of other people. Roger has said that he would tell what he has seen and Harry said he would tell what he has seen. Again, I feel that each person had to do what he thinks is right. We still have all the pictures that Roger took; he took pictures of the footprints and pictures of the cattle that were mutilated. I told him that for the sake of the county these cannot be released to anybody. We subsequently became friends so I trust him. We could never live there if the pictures were released. I would release them to you or a group, in confidence. But I would never let them release them to the media. That's one of the things that we have lived in absolute, dread fear of; that someone that came out there who was inexperienced, would go and tell someone else and then say, let's go out and see. . . .

Investigator: I'm trying to think in my own mind; where do we go from here? I think this could very well be a unique situation. I'm not familiar with anything else as extensive over a period of time. There were so many sightings.

Barbara: That's because we stayed there.

Investigator: Right--exactly. Not only does it appear to be the most comprehensive set of sightings that I know of, but also there's something still going on so that it is an excellent opportunity to investigate. It cries out for an investigation with some sort of instrumentation.

Jim: This has been my interest.

Investigator: What could we do? One of the thoughts I had was using some seismic exploration techniques to find the mine. From what you say, stringing a bunch of wires on the ground could be a very interesting thing!

Jim: It usually gets a very good reaction especially a stranger showing up doing it. I'm sure that if a person really desired an encounter, they could quickly facilitate one. I believe that very strongly. One other thing has happened a number of times to people who didn't know what was happening and came out to the ranch for the first time. After being there a few hours, they would say, "There is something very strange about this; I feel very uncomfortable." Somehow, you feel that if all these people tell you, it validates it somewhat.

Barbara: That's the point that Jim got across to me; that if you talked to that many people, you could piece together a lot of validity, and from a lot of points of view. That I do understand; no two

people see something exactly the same.

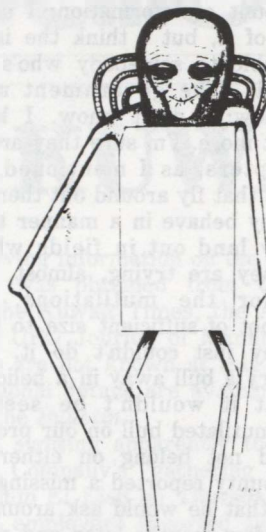
Jim: Like the law officer; you can tell from talking to him that he is a no-nonsense law-officer type. I would rate his credibility extremely high. Each person has his own level of credibility. Roberta's, for example, is very low; she'll see Venus or airplane lights and think it's a UFO. Some people, like the law officer, know a whole lot more than they even told me. And I think he would tell a great deal of it, if he could feel safe doing so. He doesn't want to lose his job and he doesn't want to be blackballed in the county. But from what I picked up from him, he wants to talk to somebody about it. He's very upset and he wants to have it settled. They requested that the FBI come in and one FBI agent allegedly went out and talked to them. And it just made it worse; nobody really wants to know what is happening.

Barbara: When they had one mutilation, the law officer cut a strip himself with a knife and sent it to the CBI; and they sent a report back, saying it had been done by wild animals. I didn't hear him say this but this is what we were told. He felt that he was being given a lot of wrong information and he wanted to see if this was true.

Jim: There are a lot of things I don't think he would tell me, for the same reason that I hesitated to tell you; particularly after I laughed at him once. But I think with someone he felt comfortable and secure with, he would tell a whole lot more--because he indicated to me that a whole lot more things happened. And a lot of these I can't relate; again I'm in the position where I can't tell what he hasn't given me permission to tell. But there is a whole lot more, and I feel there is more even than he told me, because he alone was doing the police work in the county. He has personally seen the ships going into the ground, he has had people tell him that they saw mutilations being done that he wouldn't talk about, who was doing it and why, and a lot of other things he just clammed up on.

TRUST

Barbara: Remember the people who lived over on that back section? He had had some really strange experiences, too. They had a mutilation, like about 50 yards from their house in full view of the kitchen window and she had been in the kitchen within the time-span that it had to have happened and had never seen anything--and this was in the daylight, early-morning hours. That happens quite often. I don't know how much you have read about the mutilations, but quite often it is in plain sight of the road; they try to track it down and find that somebody went by at 2 o'clock and somebody went by at 4 o'clock and at 2 it wasn't there and at 4 it was. That's not unusual. But anyway, he came over one day to talk to us and to ask us some questions and said that his father wanted to put up a big radar thing but he couldn't get permission to do it. I never heard what came of that; I know they moved.



Tall creature with helmet
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Jim: I think that's the thing; unless somebody opens up and invites someone to come in, investigation would be impossible. I told Barbara that we lived in the county and were just as guilty as the rest by putting the lid on everything. Nobody would talk and we were accessories because we were afraid of the same sort of ostracism that everyone was.

Barbara: I think if you could get the point across to your UFO investigators that there is a need for absolute confidentiality, maybe you could find out something. If it had only happened to Jim and me, we would never be here.

Jim: If an investigation was done by a professional group in the interests of protecting the United States, those people would absolutely cooperate. It would have to be approached from that basis, that somehow they were doing something good. I think on that basis, almost everyone would step forward and tell what they know--if it was an accepted thing to do. I think if the law officer as a few of the other people were approached on the basis of confidentiality, on the basis that it is the right thing to do, and that it will never stigmatize them; I believe they would come forward. I really believe that, don't you?

Barbara: I think a good many of them would.

Jim: The investigation would never leak to the outside. Everyone would know that it was going on, but as far as it leaving the county; it would be the same thing that somehow they would be committing an offense by telling. They have a protective thing to each other; if someone was interviewed, no one would tell. Part of the reason that I have told you everything that has happened to me is that, in order to get the law officer to talk

openly, I have to tell him that I told everything. If I don't trust you enough to tell you everything, how could I asked him to? I think he has a tremendous amount of information; I don't know what will come of it, but I think the information has to be available to somebody who's trying to make sense of it. The government may know everything anyhow; I don't know. I know they know a whole lot more. I'm sure they are covering with the helicopters, as I mentioned, because those helicopters that fly around out there are sent deliberately. They behave in a manner that draws suspicion. They land out in fields where they shouldn't be. They are trying, almost, to be the guilty party for the mutilations. And the helicopters are not of sufficient size to lift a 2600 pound bull. They just couldn't do it. Also, you could hardly carry a bull away in a helicopter in a manner so that it wouldn't be seen. If you remember, the mutilated bull on our property was not ours. It did not belong on either side and nobody in the county reported a missing bull. The law officer said that he would ask around, but we talked to him a few months later and no one had reported a missing bull--and it was quite a good one. The law officer said they could have picked it up in Idaho; that was his opinion. No one loses a bull that they have taken that good a care of without raising Cain--it was an expensive animal.

Barbara: It would have had to come through two fence sections to get there. The bones are still out there from both of them; they were never removed.

Jim: There is still the physical evidence too, of the burned spot on the top of the hill, but it is growing back in. I wouldn't go back there to live, because I fear for the family, not for myself. I think it quite likely that something might happen to me. My fear at the ranch is that somebody might get hurt. I understand, as I said, that there have been people who have disappeared. If I had the means, I would have run a full investigation but I don't have the technical expertise, and I don't think I could run an unbiased investigation. I think I got too emotionally involved to keep a clear perspective.

Barbara: I don't think either of us can look at what happened objectively.

Jim: I know that there are people who have the means and technical expertise to run the investigation and I was hoping that somebody, through this group, would be available. That's why I wanted to approach Dr. Hynek. I thought that he might be interested. It's not a one-time shot that can't be followed up; it's going on continuously.

Investigator: Yes, it's a problem to conduct an investigation and to do it discreetly and anonymously.

Jim: And I'm pretty sure you would run into trouble with the Air Force if they knew you were doing it; I have no doubts about it.

Investigator: Do you have any evidence other than the helicopter flights that the military knows what is going on or has been investigating.

Jim: First, I told you I called the military base and they told me to forget it. I first got a radar officer and he was telling me about "unconfirms" on the radar scope, and the next thing I was connected with the colonel who told me to forget it, shut up, and mind my own business. The other time we had Air Force planes overflying us at very low altitudes, and we went down to the base to complain. At the base, I talked to an officer and he said, "Well, what do you think the mutilations are?" I took a very neutral position, saying that it was either the government, some wealthy satanists, or UFOs. He asked which I personally believed and I told him I believed that it was UFOs. He said that they had had their share of trouble with them there at the base too; they had had directives on how to deal with them. And then he asked me if I had any trouble with "Big Foot." I said that he had been reported in the county. He said they had directives on him too. I said that if he wanted to find him, I could tell him where. He said, "Mister, I don't want to have anything to do with them." So, obviously, there are some directives at the base or I don't think he would give me a line like that.

Barbara: Oh, he did ask you one question. He asked you what the most popular opinion in the county was, concerning the mutilations--and your personal opinion.

Jim: The most popular opinion is the government; the second is UFOs. They figure the government is doing it in helicopters from the military base. Most of the people are wise enough to realize that a group of Satanists, for example, wouldn't have the money necessary to do what's being done, nor could they escape detection. The other thing that indicates that the Air Force knew was the night the interceptors came in low and I got everyone off the ranch. This was the next night after the two National Guard planes went down. There were two squadrons of attack interceptors circling in that area. I got everybody off the ranch because I knew if the disks showed up they would probably come in shooting. It is just supposition that UFOs took them down, but they had two squadrons up there flying around for something. I was with the Air Defense Command and I know when they bring them out, they are nuclearly armed and they don't fly them around for games! I counted 26 aircraft and they were circling the whole horizon; they were surveying everything, supposedly to locate parts of the downed planes. This seemed like a very unlikely thing for high speed interceptors with NORAD markings.

[This was essentially the end of the first interview. Extensive, corroborating interviews have been conducted with the husband [John], the son [Joe], the photographer [Roger], the friend [Harry], the "kooky lady" [Roberta], the restaurant owner, the law officer, and numerous other citizens of Clearview. The investigation is continuing, in collaboration with the APRO consultant in anthropology, Dr. Peter W. Van Arsdale.]

GENERAL EXPENSES

JULY 1977 THRU JUNE 1978

	FED. With.	F.I.C.A.	STATE Tax	Gross Salary	Pub. and Mailing	Office Expense	Rent	Gen'l. Expense	Research	Phone	Utilities	Gen'l. Exp. Misc.	Tax on Rent
JULY	15.60	40.77	1.56	698.63	990.91	29.23	—	445.95	—	95.71	33.91	.77	—
AUG.	1.60	75.69	.16	1293.75	1731.73	11.00	630.00	46.98	—	52.76	35.29	10.85	—
SEPT.	3.90	21.03	.39	409.78	—	119.50	—	143.02	—	95.51	37.53	1.56	—
OCT.	1.50	23.19	.15	396.50	199.87	109.71	—	377.84	—	41.37	31.55	.51	—
NOV.	2.95	48.21	.30	824.25	367.83	—	210.00	164.00	8.13	41.25	18.46	—	—
DEC.	1.95	31.25	.20	534.00	96.00	131.45	420.00	383.77	69.59	107.72	9.17	.44	—
JAN.	—	47.37	—	790.00	909.83	—	210.00	344.29	7.92	100.71	8.41	22.05	—
FEB.	—	44.16	—	730.50	213.99	143.29	214.25	168.28	4.17	117.34	9.92	14.87	10.75
MARCH	—	43.35	—	716.50	985.28	103.60	—	89.00	—	83.27	9.92	21.41	—
APRIL	—	47.57	—	786.25	911.90	—	225.00	467.52	3.96	20.34	9.81	22.92	—
MAY	—	56.04	—	926.25	793.94	190.64	450.00	235.84	55.21	116.97	12.04	9.26	—
JUNE	—	43.77	—	723.50	299.48	—	225.00	55.00	15.00	194.20	22.44	1.14	—
TOTAL	27.50	522.40	2.76	8829.91	7500.76	838.42	2584.25	2921.49	163.98	1067.15	238.45	105.78	10.75

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JULY 1977 THRU JUNE 1978

JULY	2216.41
AUG.	1467.80
SEPT.	1411.60
OCT.	2174.54
NOV.	602.05
DEC.	1915.50
JAN.	1934.51
FEB.	1834.02
MARCH	2542.09
APRIL	2310.46
MAY	2057.50
JUNE	1129.96
TOTAL	21596.44