PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

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3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 0930 local GMT (N)	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☒ Yes ☐ No	6. SOURCE Civilian	
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DISPOSITION FORM

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION (If any)

FILE NO.

SUBJECT
(U) Request for Colored Prints of UFO

TO AFOIN-4A2-b
ATTN: Maj Smith

FROM AFOIN-4E4

DATE 18-July 56 COMMENT NO. 1
4E4/Capt G.T.Gregory/lc/69216

1. In accordance with paragraph 4c, AFR 200-2, and existing ATIC policies for the review and analysis of UFO sightings, it is requested that four (4) colored prints be made of attached film slide.

2. Desired that print sizes be approximately as follows:

2 each 3 x 5
2 each 8 x 10

3. Black and white prints of subject slide have been critically reviewed and analyzed by both ATIC photo specialists and USAF scientist on astronomical matters. It is their considered opinion that an analysis of good, clear color reproductions will result in a more firm conclusion as to the nature or identity of the object.

4. Your comments or opinion regarding this photographed UFO would be appreciated.

Henry A. Miley
HENRY A. MILEY
Actg Chief, Air Sciences Division
Deputy for Sciences and Components

1 Incl:
Colored Film Slide - UFO

SUBJECT: Request for Colored Prints of UFO

TO: AFOIN-4E4 FROM: AFOIN-4A2 DATE: 6 Aug 56 COMMENT NO. 2
AFOIN-4A2b/Mr. Griffin/efm
72209/B263-E

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1. The basic request for color prints of UFO has been complied with (see Inclosure No. 2, 2 ea prints approx 3 x 5", and 2 ea prints approx 5½ x 7½").

2. The 5½ x 7½" print was the largest size obtainable with the type of equipment utilized. The magnification for the 3 x 5" print is approximately 13 times; the magnification for the 5½ x 7½" print is approximately 17 times. The grain size of the color film at 17 magnification clearly indicates that further magnification would only be empty and devoid of any additional details.

3. The reproductions indicate that there is a slight possibility that what appears to be an object in space is a small coating defect in the emulsion and/or a tiny particle of chemical substance clinging to the emulsion during processing causing a somewhat erratic reaction.

4. The slide shows numerous physical defects from handling. It is therefore suggested that, prior to further analysis, it be duplicated in order to preserve its possible value to the Center.

Luther W. Freas

2 Incls
1. Colored Film Slide, UFO
2. 4 color prints

LUTHER W. FREAS
Major, USAF
AFOIN-4A2

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORDS 13 Aug 56

SUBJECT: Analyses of [redacted] Film

1. The conclusions reached by ATIC Photo Specialists on 9 August 1956 regarding the [redacted] film which purports to show an authentic flying saucer in flight was corroborated by Mr. Hansell and Mr. Guthrie of WADC's Technical Photographic Division, as of this date.

2. The analyses made by the Technical Photographic Division was an independent one and the previous ATIC findings were not made known to these specialists..

George T. Gregory

G. T. GREGORY
Captain, USAF
Chief, Aerial Phenomena Group

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION
ASTROPHYSICAL OBSERVATORY

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR
ASTROPHYSICAL OBSERVATORY
60 GARDEN STREET
CAMBRIDGE 38, MASSACHUSETTS

Aug. 13, 1956

NRTL Project 1076
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Dear Captain:

I had hoped until the last minute that you would be able to make it here for a conference---since now it appears that you cannot I'd better set down on paper a few of the things that I long had in mind to discuss with you. As it is, it wont be all, but the rest will have to wait until next month. I leave for Califor nia tomorrow, and I have a lot of last minute things to get off.

First, I had been meaning to tell you for a long while that shortly after I left ATIC I saw the light on the Donahue case. I realized suddenly that the th ng had been taken with a small lens--consequently, any object as bright as it appeared on the film must have been spectacular in the sky. That is, to obtain so brilliant an image implies that an object in the sky would have had to been truly spectacular. This would have been noticed by a great many people---and, further, it doesn't jibe at all with Donahue's description of the object as starlike. No star could have produced so bright an image. Consequently either the descritpion of the object was wrong or the whole thing is a hoax. I strongly leaned to the latter hypothesis, and just yesterday I learned from Miss Hoover that you had also come to the conclusion by other means that the thing was a hoax. Why will people persist in being idiots? What can they hope to gain?

ROUTING

COORDINATION

AFOIN-4

AFOIN-4X2b

AFOIN-4X2c

AFOIN-4X3

AFOIN-4X4

AFOIN-4A

AFOIN-4B

AFOIN-4C

AFOIN-4D

AFOIN-4E

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b. Black and white prints disclose two faint smudges in front of the point of the object. One is directly in front and about the same length in size of the object proper. The second is smaller and slightly below, curving downward. Microscopic examination indicates these two markings are not part of the background but appear to be part of the same material as the object itself.

c. Microscopic examination (100X-250X) of both the original photo and the print discloses that the "nuclei" or white spot in the center of the object was caused by a defect or a flaw in the film. There are sharply defined edges in the nuclei, and the white spot is actually formed by four, clearly defined and almost square chemical particles of abnormal emulsion grain. The trail in this flaw is commonly referred to as a "bromide drag" in photo terminology.

d. The apparent movement of the object, photographed in flight, would result in the outline of sharply defined openings or edges appearing as elliptical or elongated in shape.

e. This spot or flaw may have been caused from either a defect in the original film or through microscopic chemical deposits that remained in that particular spot during the processing of the color film.

In all cases where photography is involved in UFO reports, every attempt is made to correlate the data submitted in the UFO questionnaire with the film or photograph. In this respect, there are certain inconsistencies in the report submitted to us:

a. Assuming that Kodachrome film and the fastest shutter speed was used (Kodak Pony, 1/300 sec.) photographing the object, its size even from an assumed short distance away (one-half mile, or several blocks as reported) would be highly improbably that a dark trail would be recorded on the film at that distance.

b. The transparency indicates that the object is almost perfectly centered. It would appear that it would be very difficult to quickly locate such a small, fast-moving object in the camera viewfinder, and then center it against such a dark sky, "panning" taken into consideration.

c. The object is reported as being the size of a head of a pin which would make it almost impossible to venture an opinion as to details or construction, yet the observer's statement of its possible size and construction is given as a disk-shaped object, constructed of light metal and about 150 feet in diameter.

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90 DAYS	
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4E4/Capt G.T.Gregory/lc OFFICE OF RECORD
69216

Mr. [redacted]
[redacted]
Shaker Heights 22, Ohio

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Your colored film transparency and report of a UFO observed in August 1955 has been reviewed with interest by the Air Technical Intelligence Center.

As an intelligence agency we, as a rule, do not release detailed results of investigative and analytical results directly to observers submitting UFO reports, or to other principals involved. This, we are sure, you will understand when you consider that our findings, with regard to objects reported as UFO's, range from aircraft and balloons to deliberate hoaxes and misrepresentations.

We, naturally, consider it much more appropriate to render our findings into statistical form to be periodically released to the public, not identifying principals and locations involved, than to enter into personal controversy with individuals regarding their sightings which the Air Force does not and cannot do. However, we feel that, in this case, a few words regarding the material submitted to us would be appropriate.

The colored film transparency of the UFO which you submitted to this Center was subjected to a critical examination and analysis by three separate photo specialists. A large number of prints, both colored and black and white, of varying sizes and film densities were made preparatory to examination. These, and the original film, underwent microscopic and other specific tests and calculations. The first approach was towards the possibility of the object being a meteor or the jet exhaust afterburner of a dark-colored aircraft, a Navy "Cutlass" for example. Every effort was made to correlate the data submitted in the UFO questionnaire with the photograph.

In brief summary the following, excluding all calculations and analytical procedures used, are the results of our analysis:

a. The trail of a meteor would generally show livid white or other light-colored hue. In contrast, the trail in the photo is darker than the sky and somewhat smudgy in appearance.

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d. The transparency was inclosed in a reinforced metal frame and inserted between glass sheets as a precaution against damage. It is being returned to you together with three representative prints of the large number made.

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Sincerely,

4 Incls
1. Colored film slide transparency
2. Color prints (two ea.)
3. Bl & white print

COORDINATION:

AFOIN-4D2a Major Willner DATE 15 Aug 56

AFOIN-4A2f Major R.M.Buckmaster DATE 15 Aug 56

AFOIN-4A2b Leonard L. Griffin Date _____

AFOIN-4E
1 Lt E.T.Gregory 8/15/56
2 Lt N.A.Hanly 8/15/56
3 Lt N.A.Gilbert

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144 (REV 20 FEB 56) ROUTING AND COORDINATION SHEET AF-WP-O-29 MAR 56 35M

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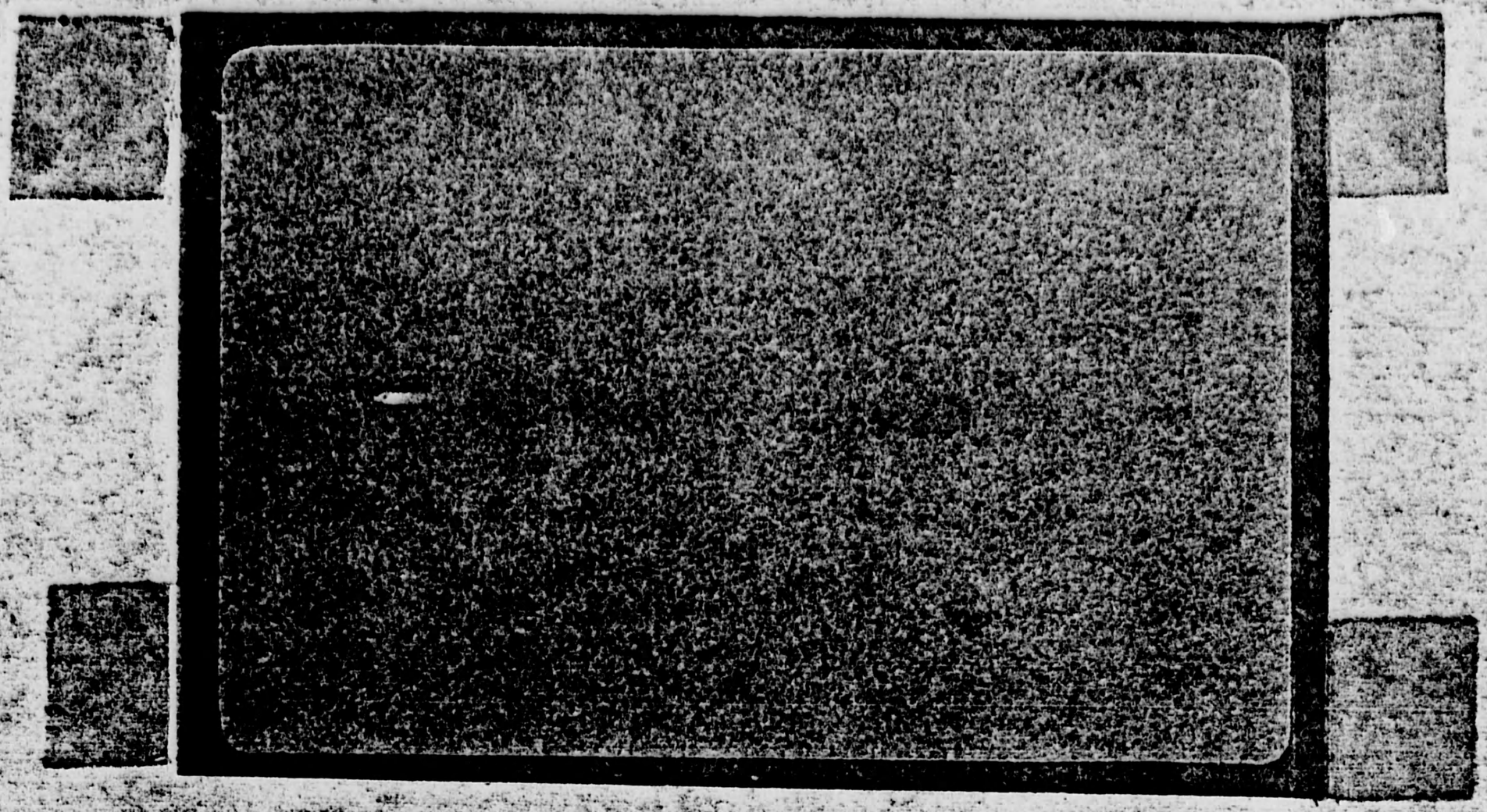
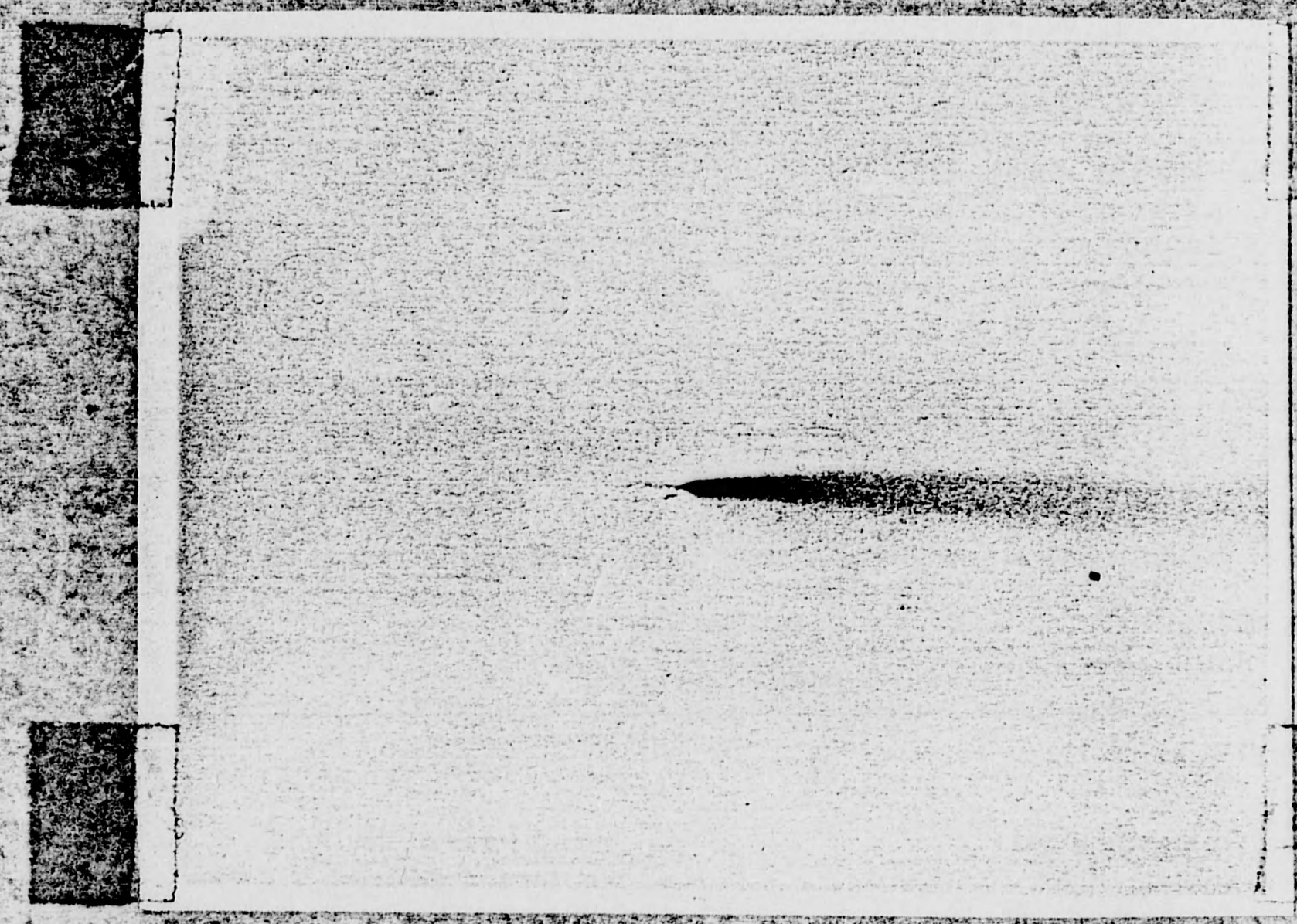




THE DONOHUE SIGHTING

U. S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give the U. S. Air Force as much information as possible concerning the unidentified aerial phenomenon that you have observed. Please try to answer as many questions as you possibly can. The information that you give will be used for research purposes, and will be regarded as confidential material. Your name will *not* be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. We request this personal information so that, if it is deemed necessary, we may contact you for further details.

1. When did you see the object?

? late (Day) | August (Month) | 1955 (Year)

2. Time of day: 9:30 (not sure) (Hour) _____ (Minutes)

(Circle One): A.M. or (P.M.)

3. Time zone:

(Circle One): (a. Eastern)
b. Central
c. Mountain
d. Pacific
e. Other _____

(Circle One): (a. Daylight Saving)
b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

11 Fairgreen Lane (Nearest Postal Address) | Old Greenwich, (City or Town) | Conn. (State or Country)

Additional remarks: _____

5. Estimate how long you saw the object. No (Hours) | 15 (Minutes) | no (Seconds) (not sure)

5.1 *Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 5.*

a. Certain
b. Fairly certain
c. Not very sure
(d. Just a guess)

6. What was the condition of the sky?

(Circle One):
a. Bright daylight
b. Dull daylight
c. Bright twilight
d. Just a trace of daylight
(e. No trace of daylight) (not sure)
f. Don't remember

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One):
a. In front of you
b. In back of you
c. To your right
d. To your left
e. Overhead
f. Don't remember

8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS *(Circle One)*:

a. None
(b. A few)
c. Many
d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON *(Circle One)*:

a. Bright moonlight
b. Dull moonlight
c. No moonlight — pitch dark
(d. Don't remember)

9. Was the object brighter than the background of the sky?

(Circle One): (a. Yes) b. No c. Don't remember

10. IF it was BRIGHTER THAN the sky background, was the brightness like that of an automobile headlight?:

(Circle One) a. A mile or more away (a distant car)?
(b. Several blocks away?)
c. A block away?
d. Several yards away?
e. Other

11. Did the object: *(Circle One for each question)*

a. Appear to stand still at any time?	Yes	(No)	Don't Know
b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time?	Yes	(No)	Don't Know
c. Break up into parts or explode?	Yes	(No)	Don't Know
d. Give off smoke?	Yes	(No)	Don't Know
e. Change brightness?	Yes	(No)	Don't Know
f. Change shape?	Yes	(No)	Don't Know
g. Flicker, throb, or pulsate?	Yes	(No)	Don't Know

12. Did the object move behind something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes (No) Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind: _____

_____

13. Did the object move in front of something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes (No) Don't Know. IF you answered YES, than tell what it moved in front of: _____

_____

14. Did the object appear: *(Circle One)*: (a. Solid?) b. Transparent? c. Don't Know.

15. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

a. Eyeglasses	Yes	(No)	e. Binoculars	Yes	(No)
b. Sun glasses	Yes	(No)	f. Telescope	Yes	(No)
c. Windshield	Yes	(No)	g. Theodolite	Yes	(No)
d. Window glass	Yes	(No)	h. Other _____		

16. Tell in a few words the following things about the object.

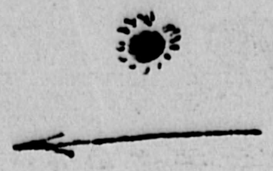
a. Sound There was no sound that I could hear.

b. Color The color was a blue-white, very bright againced the dark sky.

17. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.

The object was too far away to show much, if any details.

Jet in Item # 24, he attempts to describe the material the object is constructed of as well as it's character.



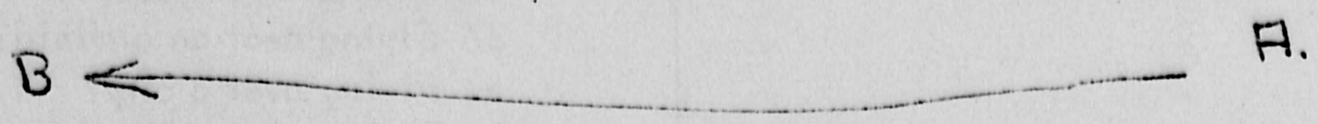
18. The edges of the object were:

(Circle One): a. Fuzzy or blurred
b. Like a bright star
c. Sharply outlined
d. Don't remember

e. Other _____

19. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? _____.
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

20. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.



21. IF POSSIBLE, try to guess or estimate what the real size of the object was in its longest dimension.
(Not possible) feet.

22. How large did the object or objects appear as compared with one of the following objects *held in the hand* and at about arm's length?

(Circle One):

a. Head of a pin
b. Pea
c. Dime
d. Nickel
e. Quarter
f. Half dollar
g. Silver dollar
h. Baseball
i. Grapefruit
j. Basketball
k. Other _____

22.1 (Circle One of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 22.

a. Certain
b. Fairly certain
c. Not very sure
d. Uncertain

23. How did the object or objects disappear from view? I didn't notice the object until it was in full view. I watched it until it got smaller and vanished.

24. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, we would like for you to imagine that you could construct the object that you saw. Of what type material would you make it? How large would it be, and what shape would it have? Describe in your own words a common object or objects which when placed up in the sky would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

The object that I would build would be made of a very strong and light metal. I t would be disk shaped. I would construct the disk about 150' diameter. A very bright star moving in straight, level flight would appear the same as the object that I saw.

How can something that is no bigger than the head of a pin as seen at night (a speed of light) - be described as being of metal (any other material) — and its diameter given !!!??

ETC

25. Where were you located when you saw the object? *(Circle One)*:

a. Inside a building
b. In a car
c. Outdoors
d. In an airplane
e. At sea
f. Other _____

26. Were you *(Circle One)*

a. In the business section of a city?
b. In the residential section of a city?
c. In open countryside?
d. Flying near an airfield?
e. Flying over a city?
f. Flying over open country?
g. Other _____

27. What were you doing at the time you saw the object, and how did you happen to notice it?

I was sitting around talking with the family on the back porch, and I just happened to look up and notice this very bright object moving across the sky.

28. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

28.1 What direction were you moving? *(Circle One)*

a. North
b. Northeast
c. East
d. Southeast
e. South
f. Southwest
g. West
h. Northwest

28.2 How fast were you moving? _____ miles per hour.

28.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?
(Circle One) Yes No

29. What direction were you looking when you first saw the object? *(Circle One)*

a. North
b. Northeast
c. East
d. Southeast
e. South
f. Southwest
g. West
h. Northwest

30. What direction were you looking when you last saw the object? *(Circle One)*

a. North
b. Northeast
c. East
d. Southeast
e. South
f. Southwest
g. West
h. Northwest

31. If you are familiar with bearing terms (angular direction), try to estimate the number of degrees the object was from true North and also the number of degrees it was upward from the horizon (elevation).

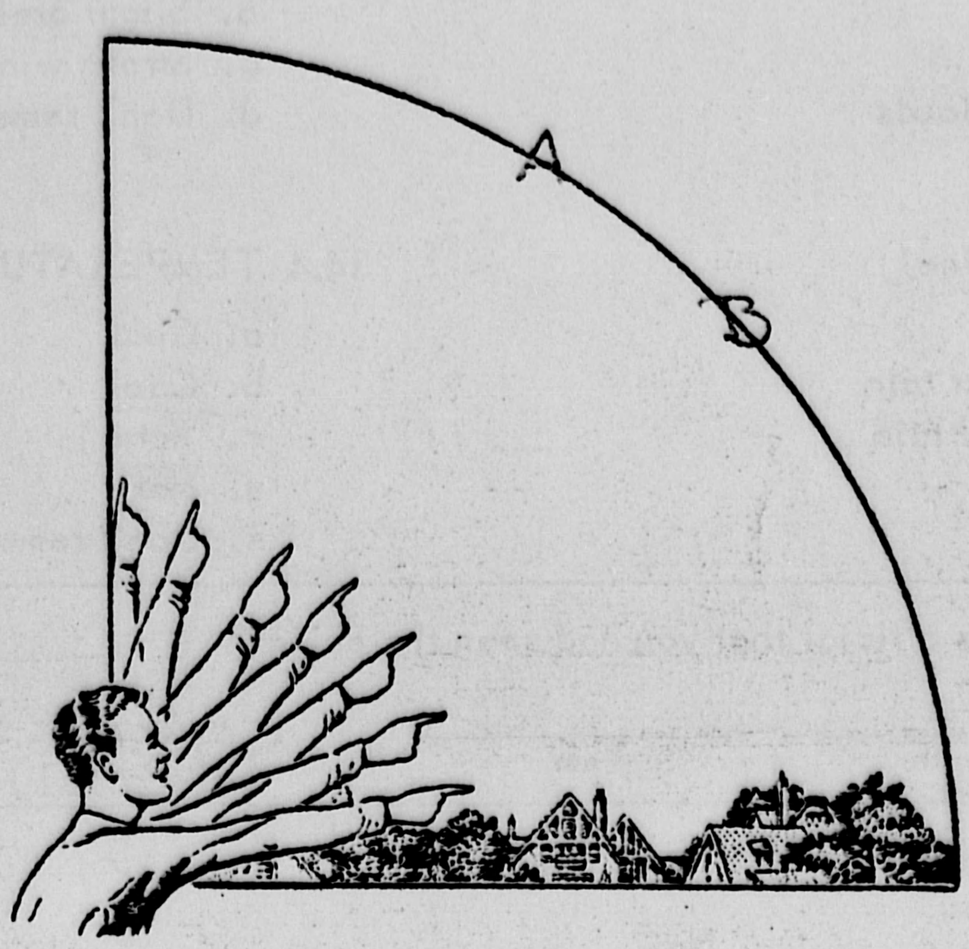
31.1 When it first appeared:

a. From true North 35° degrees.
b. From horizon 45° degrees.

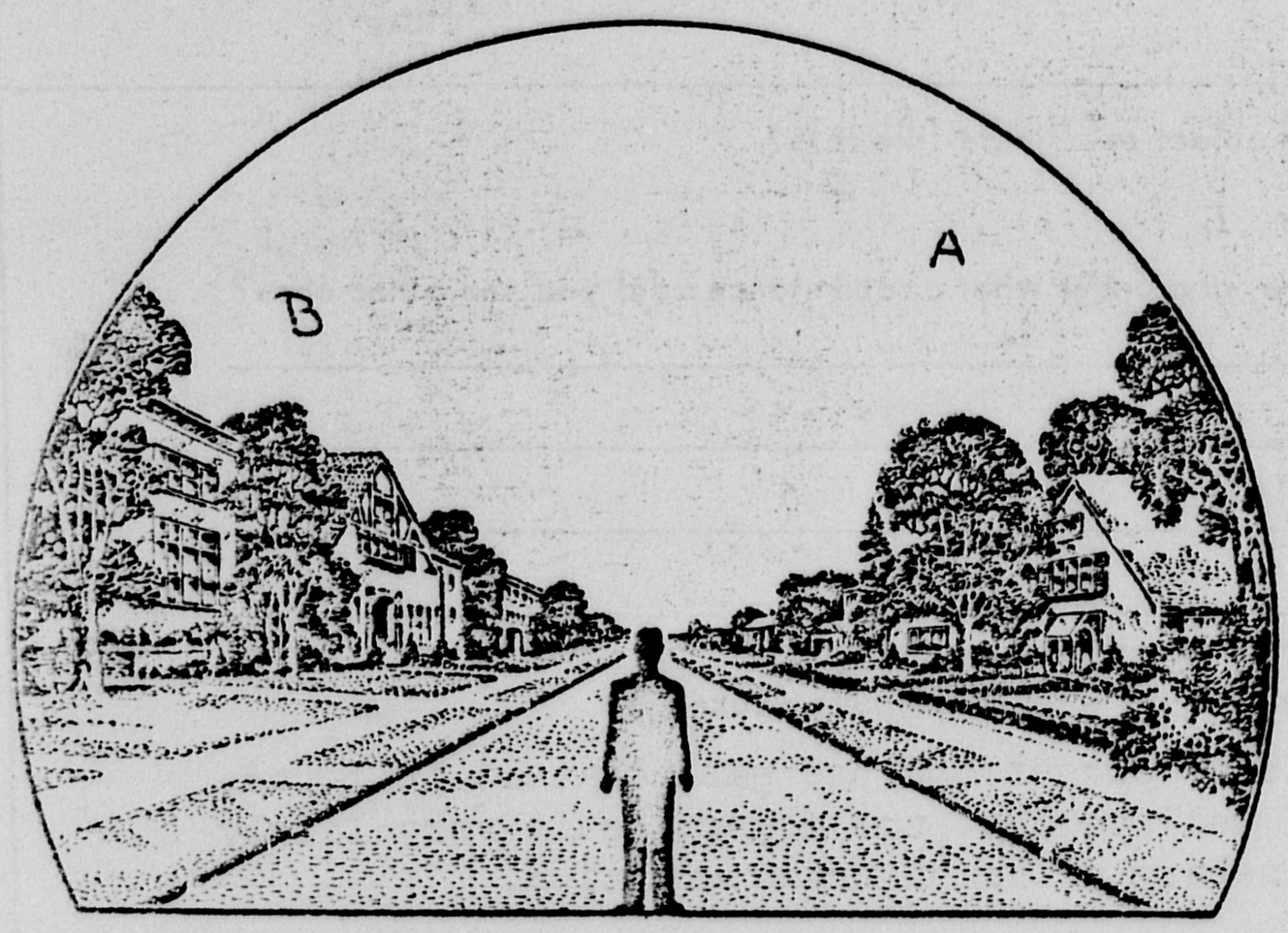
31.2 When it disappeared:

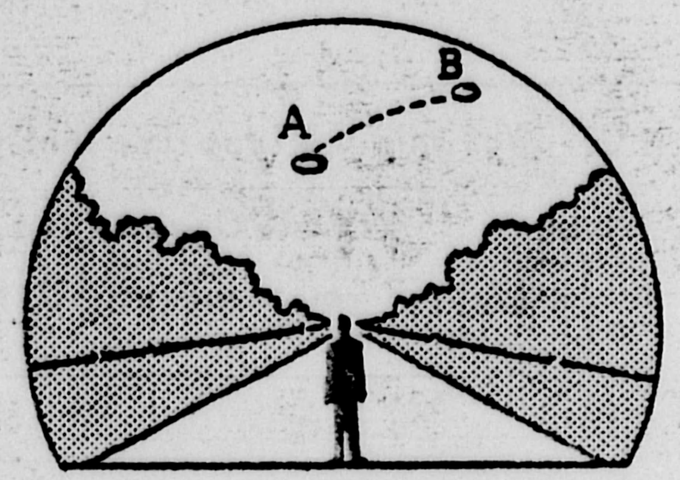
a. From true North 35° degrees.
b. From horizon 40° degrees.

32. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the *same* curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it.



33. In the following larger sketch place an "A" at the position the object was when you *first* saw it, and a "B" at its position when you *last* saw it. Refer to smaller sketch as an example of how to complete the larger sketch.





34. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

34.1 CLOUDS *(Circle One)*

(a. Clear sky)
b. Hazy
c. Scattered clouds
d. Thick or heavy clouds
e. Don't remember

34.2 WIND *(Circle One)*

a. No wind
(b. Slight breeze)
c. Strong wind
d. Don't remember

34.3 WEATHER *(Circle One)*

(a. Dry)
b. Fog, mist, or light rain
c. Moderate or heavy rain
d. Snow
e. Don't remember

34.4 TEMPERATURE *(Circle One)*

a. Cold
b. Cool
(c. Warm)
d. Hot
e. Don't remember

35. When did you report to some official that you had seen the object?

_____ Day _____ Month _____ Year

(I didn't report this to any official)

36. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object?

(Circle One) (Yes) No

36.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too?

(Circle One) (Yes) No

36.2 Please list their names and addresses:

Mr. [redacted] and Mrs. [redacted] (both) [redacted]

Old Greenwich, Conn.

37. Was this the first time that you had seen an object or objects like this?

(Circle One) (Yes) No

37.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what circumstances did you see other ones?

38. In your opinion what do you think the object was and what might have caused it?

The object could have been a star except for the path that it followed. For the reason above mentioned I believe that the object could very likely have been some type of inner planetary means of transportation.

39. Do you think you can estimate the *speed* of the object?

(Circle One) Yes (No)

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? _____ m.p.h.

40. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One) Yes (No)

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was? _____ feet.

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [redacted] (Last Name) [redacted] (First Name) [redacted] (Middle Name)

ADDRESS [redacted] (Street) Old Greenwich, (City) _____ (Zone) Conn. (State)

TELEPHONE NUMBER [redacted]

What is your present job? Student

Age 18 Sex male

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

a. Grade school yes
b. High school yes
c. College in freshman year
d. Post graduate nothing
e. e. Technical school no
(Type) _____
f. Other special training nothing

42. Date you completed this questionnaire: 7 (Day) March (Month) 1956 (Year)

U. S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET

(SUMMARY DATA)

In order that your information may be filed and coded as accurately as possible, please use the following space to write out a short description of the event that you observed. You may repeat information that you have already given in the questionnaire, and add any further comments, statements, or sketches that you believe are important. Try to present the details of the observation in the order in which they occurred. Additional pages of the same size paper may be attached if they are needed.

NAME [redacted]
(Please Print)

SIGNATURE [redacted]

DATE 3/7/56

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I was sitting on the back porch with the family talking about nothing particular. I remember that it was a warm summer evening in late August. I just happened to look up and notice a bright object moving across the sky from south-south-west to north-north-east at what must have been a great speed because of the short time that it took to vanish. Wen we first noticed it it was moving from our right to our left. I went inside and got my camera (a Kodak Pony 135mm model B) and took a photograph of it at its nearest point. (I don't know what the settings were)

As we watched, it continued to move to our left and appear smaller and smaller until it had vanished.

One must take into consideration that the above incident oscured in August and it is now March. At the time that it happened I payed no great attention to the conditions at that time. The reason that I took the picture was, I thought it might be an

unidenified flying opject. Something to have a picture of.

[redacted]

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TO AFOIN-4D2

FROM AFOIN-4E4

DATE 13 July 56 COMMENT NO. 1
4E4/M/Sgt O.D.Hill/lc
69216

1. In accordance with established ATIC policies for analysis of unidentified flying objects, request your analysis and comments regarding the attached photographs of a UFO.

2. To assist you in this matter, the standard USAF UFO questionnaire is also attached.

3. After review of the prints made from the color slide submitted with the UFO report, there is definitely a pronounced curvature of the tail characteristic of a meteor. However, the camera used has only a 1/200 second speed, which would make it difficult to obtain this photo unless "panning" was used. Again, the observer claims this object was in sight for 15 minutes.

HENRY A. MILEY
Actg Chief, Air Sciences Division
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Request for Specialized Photo Services for UFO Project

~~HEQ: AFOIN-4E~~ AFOIN-4E4 ~~10 Aug 56~~

TO: WCUP 4E4/Capt G.T.Gregory/lc/69216

1. This is to confirm conferences held between representatives of the Technical Photo Division and Captain Gregory of this office on 9 August 1956, regarding certain photo services that were urgently required as part of this directorate's UFO project.

2. Your services will be solicited only where our specialized photo facilities are inadequate for the desired objective.

3. Your cooperation and the priorities given this office regarding this matter is appreciated.

H. K. GILBERT
Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Science and Components

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American Astronomical Society

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

July 19, 1956

McMILLIN OBSERVATORY
THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY
COLUMBUS 10, OHIO

Mr. [redacted]
[redacted]
Shore Lands
Old Greenwich, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Donahue:

Captain Gregory of the Air Technical Intelligence Center at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base has called my attention, as consultant to the Air Force on matters pertaining to upper atmosphere phenomena, to a remarkable photograph which was made at 9:30 p.m. in late August of last year. He has asked me to get in touch with you if possible in order to obtain a few more details. It so happens that I shall be in Hartford, Connecticut, on July 26. I do not know how far this is from your home but perhaps we could arrange to meet without too much difficulty.

I understand that you are, or were, a student at the Ohio State University. In that case, our paths may have already crossed since, as you may know, I am a professor of Astronomy at Ohio State University. At present I am on leave at the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory, 60 Garden Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts, working on the Artificial Satellite Project.

I hope that we can arrange to meet, even briefly, to clear away a few points about your photograph that are not quite clear to me now. Would you be kind enough to let me know whether you could arrange to see me on that day or if not, when such a meeting might be possible.

Sincerely yours,

J. Allen Hynek
Astronomer

JAH:md

cc: Captain Gregory

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14 AUG 1956
4E4/Capt G.T.Gregory/lc
69216

1. In accordance with telephone discussions between Mr. Guthrie, Technical Photo Division and Captain Gregory, this Center, on 13 August 1956, request micro-photographs of the attached colored film transparency to permit this organization to perform a complete photo analysis.

2. It would be appreciated if the magnification and types be as follows, if available:

one (1) colored -- 50 X
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WALLACE W. ELWOOD
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35 mm color film
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9. All three ATIC photo specialists are in agreement as to the above conclusion.

10. WADC specialists also arrived at the same conclusions, independently and without knowledge of ATIC's findings (see para 6 above).

11. The UFO questionnaire which attempted to correlate the sighting with the film must, therefore, be considered as a deliberate hoax, with the probability that the source first found the object on the slide, then later prepared a fictitious UFO report to ATIC.

12. This office has reason to believe that this sighting was presented to members of two separate so-called UFO private organizations. It may, therefore, receive wide-spread notoriety through newspaper articles and similar media.

13. Normally, we do not present our specific findings or conclusions to UFO sources or observers. Volume alone would make this an impossibility. However, it is the opinion of this office that the results of our specific conclusions should be made known to this organization in no uncertain terms, short of telling them that the contributor of the film attempted to deliberately perpetrate a hoax on the Air Force.

14. The recommendations made in the preceding paragraph may serve to curtail this private UFO organization's constant demand for personal interviews and UFO investigations. With regard to the latter, an investigation in June of this year of all sightings submitted to us by this organization indicated that, with one possible exception, none of the sightings had merit and, in fact, bordered on the "fantastic" or "eccentric" categories.

15. In keeping with the above recommendations submitted in paragraphs 12 and 13 above, and subject to your approval, attached is a proposed reply to the head of this private UFO organization.

George T. Gregory

GEORGE T. GREGORY
Captain, USAF
Project Officer, UFO Program

4 Incls
1. UFO prints - B&W } see enclosed
2. UFO prints - Col. } ltr
3. Proposed ltr to UFORC
4. Ltr from Dr. Hynek

27 September 1956

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: (U) [redacted] Case - Attempts to Interview by Dr. Hynek, Report

1. Reference letter from Dr. Hynek, 19 July 1956, relative to a proposed plan for interviewing Mr. Donahue, in case file.

2. In conference between Dr. Hynek and undersigned in Cambridge, Mass., on 13 Sept 1956, Dr. Hynek stated that after receiving no reply to his correspondence, contacted the address and phone number given by Mr. [redacted] on the UFO questionnaire.

3. Dr. Hynek was informed that no one by that name was known at that address.

George T. Gregory

GEORGE T. GREGORY,
Captain, USAF

Colored UFO Film Slide. I have requested two (2) 4 x 5 colored prints and two (2) 8 x 10 colored prints. One set will be forwarded to you. Have asked for a photo-analysis and comments from our people specifically with regard to the following aircraft, guided missiles or hoax possibilities:

a. Why the odd coloration of the background (sky)?
b. Could it be a jet exhaust from a dark colored jet aircraft? (Navy jets, for example, are very dark blue, almost black. On a dark, moonless night - only the jet exhaust would show).
c. Any indications of any sheath, covering or orifice at the head of this object?

As for the astronomical possibilities, I'm sure the colored prints will be of great value in making some determination.

g. [redacted] Case (Flying Saucer Film): The investigation of this case was planned as two independent causes of action: Dr. Hynek to somehow interview and interrogate Mr. Donahue who submitted the film; and the undersigned to submit the film to both ATIC and WADC specialists for a thorough analysis. Extensive tests proved the film a hoax. The purported saucer was caused by emulsion flaws (either deliberate or accidental). Receiving no reply from correspondence, Dr. Hynek attempted to contact

Mr. [redacted] by telephone but to no avail, and it was further learned Mr. [redacted] never had lived at the address given. Case closed.

This case contains 2" of film,
2 3"x4" negatives and 1 slide.

appear like Crayon or pencil

Smudges

(1) Not Picked Up By Radar in Net Area

(2) Blue Red Green Spots - Small Blue Beads (looks like Blue Gumballs)

(3) Under Microscope 200 - 300 x almost square in nature (normal shape fuzzy & high speed - but do not!)

Underside Curvature

Reverse Engineer the Shit

Pendulum 45° - 60°

Ground

Edge

(4) UFO

(5) Unusual beam or ray on this - Sort (curved) - round Stream or material - white - smooth blue - white - smooth beam or ray - Check or crash the UFO.??

Capt Henry

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perfectly

This object was placed
centered in the
You can use
try to find a
at high speed with
double under
it dead center
emerging
Head

film

camera

mounted

35mm

Green

Color negs.

The conclusions reached by ATIC Specialists as to the nature of the object — were corroborated by Mr. Guthrie and Mr. Handell of WADC's Technical Photographic Division on 10 August 1956 — in independent analyses made by each. Emulsion flaw!

Capt. Gregory
CO
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8. ATIC photo specialists and undersigned approached the matter from the viewpoint that the object was either a meteor or the exhaust of an aircraft in flight. However, microscopic, macroscopic and other examinations disclosed that the object was the result of a defect in the film emulsion, probably caused by a chemical reaction during the color processing. The trail or streak behind the object apparently resulted, concurrently, from what is termed a "bromide drag".

9. All three ATIC photo specialists are in agreement as to the above conclusion.

10. WADC specialists also arrived at the same conclusions, independently and without knowledge of ATIC's findings (see para 6 above).

11. The UFO questionnaire which attempted to correlate the sighting with the film must, therefore, be considered as a deliberate hoax, with the probability that the source first found the object on the slide, then later prepared a fictitious UFO report to ATIC.

12. This office has reason to believe that this sighting was presented to members of two separate so-called UFO private organizations. It may, therefore, receive wide-spread notoriety through newspaper articles and similar media.

13. Normally, we do not present our specific findings or conclusions to UFO sources or observers. Volume alone would make this an impossibility. However, it is the opinion of this office that the results of our specific conclusions should be made known to this organization in no uncertain terms, <u>short</u> of telling them that the contributor of the film attempted to deliberately perpetrate a hoax on the Air Force.

14. The recommendations made in the preceding paragraph may serve to curtail this private UFO organization's constant demand for personal interviews and UFO investigations. With regard to the latter, an investigation in June of this year of all sightings submitted to us by this organization indicated that, with one possible exception, none of the sightings had merit and, in fact, bordered on the "fantastic" or "eccentric" categories.

15. In keeping with the above recommendations submitted in paragraphs 12 and 13 above, and subject to your approval, attached is a proposed reply to the head of this private UFO organization.

GEORGE T. GREGORY
Captain, USAF
Project Officer UFO Program

4 Incls
1. UFO prints - B&W
2. UFO prints - Col.
3. Proposed ltr to UFORC
4. Ltr from Dr. Hynek

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ATIC FORM 144 (REV 20 FEB 56) ROUTING AND COORDINATION SHEET AF-WP-O-29

30 August 1955 Old Greenwich, Conn [redacted]ENWICH, CONN.
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Greenfield, Mass.

21-22 August 1955
HOPKINSVILLE, KENTUCKY

No Case.

Kelly Station

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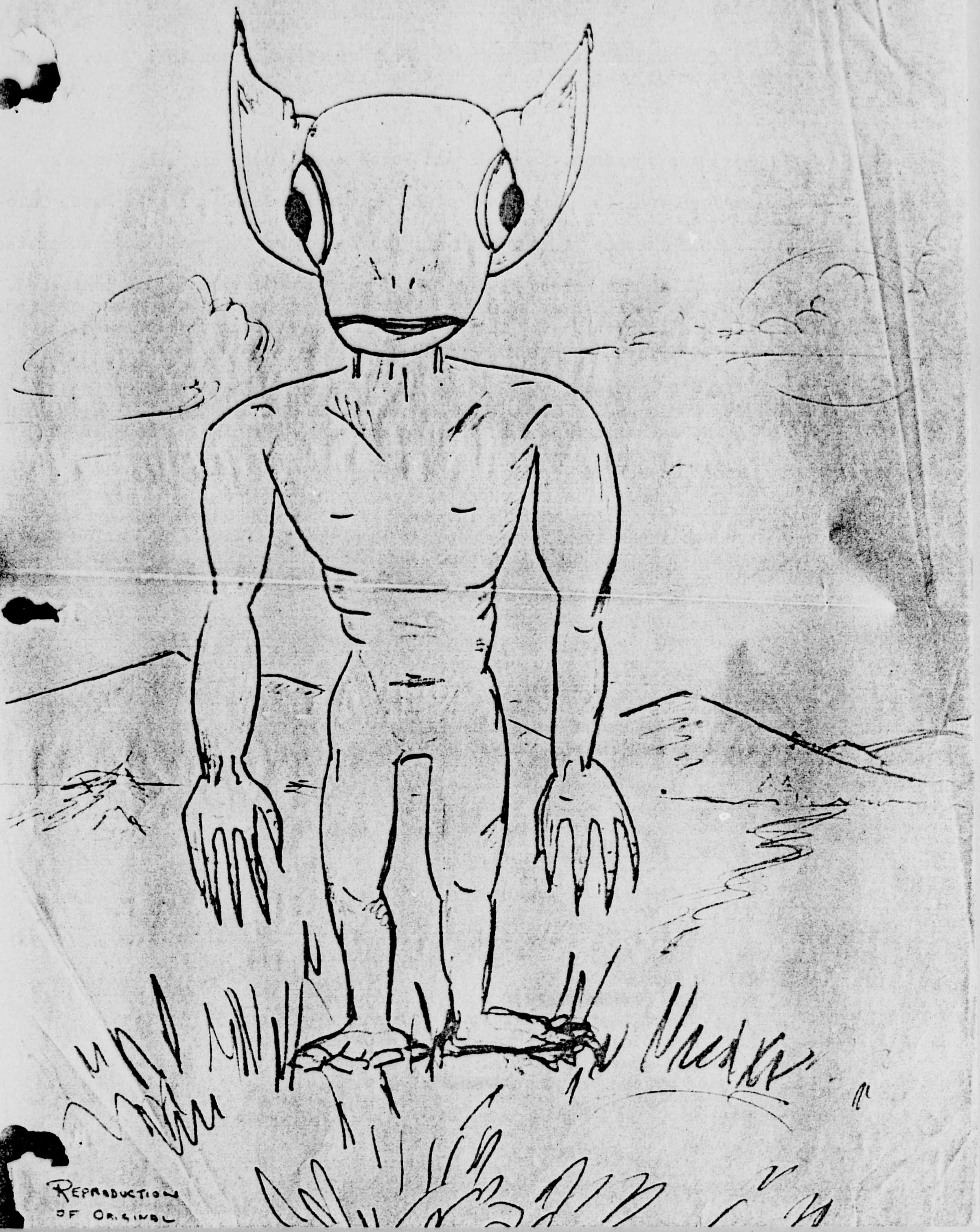

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B/L fr Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio, dtd 29 Aug 57, Subj: Req for Info - Hopkinsville Incident 21 Aug 55

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4002d Air Base Squadron, Campbell Air Force Base, Fort Campbell, Kentucky

TO: Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio

1. In reference to your request, the following information is submitted:

a. Captain Robert J. Hertell, former base adjutant, was contacted. He stated that to his knowledge, an official investigation was never ordered. A copy of his informal reply to the present base adjutant is enclosed. Captain Bennett was unable to give any additional information.

b. A statement given to thebase adjutant by Major Albert is inclosed. Inclosures 2 and 6 are referred to in this statement. Major John E. Albert is a reservist who participates in reserve training periods at this station.

c. A copy of a newspaper article that appeared in the Hopkinsville paper on the day following this incident is attached. Subsequent articles that were published by this newspaper added little, if any, information to that contained in the first article. Another article that was recently published by the same newspaper is inclosed.

d. The Sheriff's Office and the Hopkinsville Police Department were contacted. Neither had a report of investigation on file; however, Chief Greenwell had an informal file of newspaper articles and letters on this incident.

e. A search of base files failed to produce any record of correspondence regarding this matter.

2. Any future information that is secured on this incident will be forwarded to your headquarters.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

Charles N. Kirk

CHARLES N KIRK
1st Lt, USAF
Adjutant

6 Incls:
1. Ltr fr Capt Hertell
2. Statement ([redacted]d)
3. Copy of article in Hopkinsville Newspaper (22 Aug 55)
4. Copy of article in Hopkinsville Newspaper (11 Sep 57)
5. Statement given to Lt Kirk by Maj Albert
6. Copy of writing on Mrs [redacted]s article

Reply and later on

being emotionally upset, and discussing the article and showing pictures of this little monkey, that appeared like a man, their imaginations ran away with them and they really did believe what they saw, which they thought was a little man.

The home that Mrs. [redacted] lived in was in a very run down condition and there were about eight people sleeping in two rooms. The window that was pointed out to be the one that she saw the small silver shining object about two and a half feet tall, that had its hands on the screen looking in, was a very low window and a small monkey could put his hands on the top of it while standing on the ground.

It is felt that the report cannot be substantiated as far as any actual object appearing in the vicinity at that time.

Charles N. Kirk

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4002D AIR BASE SQUADRON
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
CAMPBELL AIR FORCE BASE
Fort Campbell, Kentucky

The following statement was given to me by Major John E. Albert on 26 September 1957:

On about August 22, 1955, about 8 A. M., I heard a news broadcast concerning an incident at Kelly Station, approximately six miles North of Hopkinsville. At the time I heard this news broadcast, I was at Gracey, Kentucky on my way to Campbell Air Force Base, where I am assigned for reserve training. I called the Air Base and asked them if they had heard anything about an alleged flying saucer report. They stated that they had not and it was suggested that as long as I was close to the area, that I should determine if there was anything to this report. I immediately drove to the scene at [redacted] Station and located the home belonging to a Mrs. [redacted], who is the one who first reported the incident. (A copy of Mrs. [redacted] statement is attached to this report.)

Deputy Sheriff Batts was at the scene where this supposedly flying saucer had landed and he could not show any evidence that any object had landed in the vicinity. There was nothing to show that there was anything to prove this incident.

Mrs. [redacted] was an impoverished widow woman who had grown up in this small community just outside of Hopkinsville, with very little education. She belonged to the Holy Roller Church and the night and evening of this occurrence, had gone to a religious meeting and she indicated that the members of the congregation and her two sons and their wives and some friends of her sons', were also at this religious meeting and were worked up into a frenzy, becoming very emotionally unbalanced and that after the religious meeting, they had discussed this article which she had heard about over the radio and had sent for from the Kingdom Publishers, Fort Worth 1, Texas and they had sent her this article with a picture which appeared to be a little man when it actually was a monkey, painted silver. This article had to be returned to Mrs. [redacted] as she stated it was her property. However, a copy of the writing is attached to this statement and if it is necessary, a photograph can be obtained from the above mentioned publishers.

It is my opinion that the report of Mrs. [redacted] or her son [redacted], was caused by one of two reasons. Either they actually did see what they thought was a little man and at the time, there was a circus in the area and a monkey might have escaped, giving the appearance of a small man. Two,

Statement from Maj. Albert given

COPY

Taken from a newspaper item appearing in the Kentucky New Era, Hopkinsville, Kentucky, Wednesday Afternoon, September 11, 1957

KELLY INVASION IS WORLD - WIDE LEGEND

The battle of Kelly -- pitting man against creature -- has long since been won, but it is apparently still being talked and re-fought at all four corners of the globe.

It has been two years since the now-legendary Martian invasion was staged in North Christian, but it was only yesterday that Hopkinsville Police Chief Russell Greenwell received his 150th query into the episode. This one from Australia.

The writer, Hennrich Shumaker, recently read about the weird visit by the little green men and is seeking newspaper accounts of the four-hour gun battle required to repell the reported attack.

The letter is just one of a barrage of inquiries that Chief Greenwell has received since that "awesome" night of Aug. 21, 1955. Similar letters have been received from curious readers in every state in the union as well as such foreign countries as France, Mexico and several South American nations.

The incident received nation-wide publicity shortly after some "12 or 15 little bug-eyed green men" supposedly landed their space ship on the Gaither McGehee farm eight miles north of this city.

Seven persons in the area claimed they waged a four-hour shotgun and rifle battle with the outer space creatures. City, county, state and even military authorities were called to the scene to probe the weird report.

In addition to the letters the police chief has received pamphlets, magazines and other writings relating to flying saucer stories. One magazine, "Saucerian Review," published about six months ago, carried a seven-page article describing the Hopkinsville "encounter" with these outer space creatures.

The chief said that to this day he, among others, didn't know whether to believe or disbelieve the story of the little green men and their space ship. There has been much speculation of this mystery but nothing factual to prove or disprove the "invasion."

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Deputy Sheriff Batts said the men told him that in all they fired up about four boxes of .22 pistol shells. The officer quoted a neighbor saying he hears shooting over at the Suttons but distinguished only about four shots and mistook them for fire-crackers.

Most of the officers remained at the site for more than two hours. During that period there were approximately 25 persons at the scene.

Only excitement during the period the officers were there came when a MP happened to step on a cat's tail while walking in the darkness near the house. The cat let out a squawl and for a few seconds there was much activity and scurrying around on the part of those present.

Two officers who returned to the Kelly area early this morning reported hearing that the "little men" had reappeared around the Sutton home about 3:30 a. m.

Other investigators who went to Kelly later during the morning said they were told Sutton and Taylor had gone to Evansville today.

Officers who visited the scene during last night's excitement were reluctant to express any opinion today in regards to the reported invasion of Kelly. All officials appeared to agree that there was no drinking involved.

Only outspoken comment came from Frank Dudas, city police desk sergeant, who was not on duty last night and has not visited the scene so far. He said, "I think the whole story is entirely possible."

Sergeant Dudas was one of two city policemen who reported seeing three flying saucers early one morning last summer. He said, "I know I saw them. If I saw them, the Kelly story certainly could be true."

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Four city police, Chief Russell Greenwell, T. C. Gross, Dorris Francis, and Gray Salter, drove to the scene to see about the "little men". By radio, contact was made with State Trooper R. N. Ferguson, Jr., and G. W. Riley and Deputy Sheriff George Batts, all of whom joined the motorcade to Kelly in their own vehicles. Four M.P.'s also went.

The radio discussions also brought two Hopkins County deputy sheriffs and at least three state troopers from the station at Madisonville.

First arrivers found the scene deserted. The two cars which had brought the report to Hopkinsville did not return to the Kelly farm until after officers had arrived and looked the situation over.

Officers reported they found no tracks of "little men" nor was there any mark indicating anything had landed at the described spot behind the house. There was a hole in the screen at the window through which occupants said a shot had been fired at one of the strange little men. (see next page, *)

Both Chief Greenwell and Deputy Sheriff Batts said they got approximately this story from the still terrified and excited Sutton and Taylor families.

About 7 p. m. one of the men went out of the house to get a bucket of water. He saw what looked like a flying saucer come over the trees and land in a field at a point about a city block behind the house. There was no explosion, only a semi-hissing sound, and the watcher returned to the house with the bucket of water.

A short time later somebody reported some little men with big heads and long arms were approaching the house. The men were described as having huge eyes and hands out of proportion to their small bodies. The visitors were wearing what looked to be metal plate.

The men got their guns, a shotgun for Sutton and a .22 caliber target pistol for Taylor. By and by one of the little men pressed his face against the window and the shotgun was fired through the window. The face disappeared.

The men decided to go outside and see if the visitor had been hit. Taylor was in front and when he emerged from the front door, a huge hand reached down from the low roof above the door and grabbed him by the hair. He pulled away, and the two men went on out of the house.

One of the strange little men was in a nearby tree, another on top of the house. A blast from Sutton's shotgun knocked another one of the men down but he did not appear hurt. He disappeared in the darkness.

Taylor reportedly opened fire on other members of the invading party, also with little effect. The battle went on for sometime. When the occupants of the house saw their chance, they jumped onto their cars, and drove to Hopkinsville for help.

COPY

Taken from a newspaper item appearing in the Kentucky New Era, Hopkinsville, Kentucky, Monday afternoon, August 22, 1955

STORY OF SPACE-SHIP, 12 LITTLE MEN PROBED TODAY

KELLY FARMHOUSE SCENE OF ALLEGED RAID BY STRANGE CREW LAST NIGHT: REPORTS SAY BULLETS FAILED TO AFFECT VISITORS

All kinds of investigations were going on today in connection with the bizarre story of how a space-ship carrying 12 to 15 little men landed in the Kelly community early last night and battled occupants of a farm house.

Most official of the probes was reportedly being staged by the Air Force.

More than a dozen state, county and city officers from Christian and Hopkins counties went to the scene between 11 p. m. and midnight and remained until after 2 a. m. without seeing anything to prove or disprove the story about the ship and its occupants.

The farmhouse is located on the Old Madisonville Road about eight miles north of Hopkinsville. The property is occupied by Cecil (Lucky) Sutton, one of those who reported experiencing last night's phenomena.

There were some 10 or 12 persons at the house, including several children, but investigating officers were not able to determine exactly how many of those present actually claimed to have seen any of the little men from the space ship.

Only other person whom officers quoted directly was identified as Billy Ray Taylor. One account said Taylor is a visitor from Pennslyvania which recently had a similar report of a space ship. Neither Sutton nor Taylor was at home when officers returned to the scene this morning.

The story broke about 11 o'clock last night when two cars, one bearing a Pennslyvania license drove up to Hopkinsville's police headquarters. Officers then at the station said the two autos contained at least five adults and several children. All appeared highly excited.

Spokesman for the crowd told of how something resembling a space ship or flying saucer had landed at the back of their house near Kelly and 12 or 15 men, who appeared to be about 4 feet tall, had got out of the ship and come up to the house and done battle with the occupants.

"We need help", one of the men said, "We've been fighting them for nearly four hours".

/handwritten/

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8/22/55

My name is [redacted] age 50 and I live at [redacted],

Hopkinsville Route 6, Kentucky.

On Sunday night Aug 21, 55 about 10:30 P. M. I was walking through the hallway which is located in the middle of my house and I looked out the back door / south & saw a bright silver object about two and a half feet tall appearing round. I became excited and did not look at it long enough to see if it had any eyes or move. I was about 15 or 20 feet from it. I fell backward, and then was carried into the bedroom.

My two sons [redacted] age 25 and his wife [redacted] age 29, [redacted] age 21 and his wife [redacted] age 27 and their friends [redacted] age 21 and his wife [redacted] 18 were all in the house and saw this little man that looked like a monkey.

About 3:30 A. M. I was in my bedroom and looked out the north window and saw a small silver shinning object about 2 1/2 feet tall that had its hands on the screen looking in. I called for my sons and they shot at it and it left. I was about 60 feet from it this time. I did not see it anymore.

I have read the above statement and it is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Witness s/John E. Albert s/[redacted]

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

Charles N. Kirk

CHARLES N. KIRK
1ST LT., USAF
Adjutant

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It should be an easy task to look back through the newspaper's files covering that period and find the article. The story was altogether too fantastic for even the newspaper to swallow, and they never did give it a very big play as I remember. It died a natural death a few days later. It never did reach national proportions, and for that matter, it did not, as far as I know, even receive state-wide coverage. Futhermore, the story became more exaggerated and more distorted with each new interview of the farmer and his family.

An interesting sidelight was the fact, told to me by several of the local authorities, that the farmer put up signs at the entrance to his property and was charging $1.00 per head, "to see where the Mars-Men landed".

As for the report that the affair was investigated and reported upon by two Air Force Officers from Campbell Air Force Base, I dont beleive that there is any fact in this. I beleive that a couple of our officers may have gone down-on their own- to view the place, as I heard some talk of this at the time, but Colonel Donald McPherson, the Base Commander certainly never ordered any official investigation, to the best of my knowledge.

I seem to remember Captain Benjamin Bennett saying something about going down to see the spot, but since he is still stationed there, surely you have already questioned him regarding this matter.

The only other officer who may have looked into this matter was the Deputy Base Commander, Major Ziba B. Ogden, now stationed at Westover Air Force Base. I remember the two of us talking about the incident, and he could possibly have been sent to the scene by Col. McPherson, in an unofficial capacity, without my knowing about it.

Thats about all I recall of the incident. At the time, Col. McPherson figured that there wasnt anything to it, and we all followed suit so to speak. There seemed to be nothing at all in the story that would in any way lend credance to it, so we all promptly forgot it.

In closing, Id like to point out, that out of all the cases that I investigated for the commander and out of all the incidents that happened around Campbell during my three and a half years there, this incident impressed me the least, and furthermore, I was never even remotely connected with it. It follows then, that my memory concerning this incident is rather faulty and I am not even sure exactly when it took place. Therefore Im afraid I havnt been of much help, and for this I apologize.

Sincerely,

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY: /s/ Robert J Hertell
/t/ ROBERT J HERTELL
Captain, USAF

Charles N. Kirk
CHARLES N KIRK
1st Lt, USAF
Adjutant

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3928TH AIR BASE SQUADRON (SAC)
United States Air Force
APO 237, New York, New York

17 September 1957

Dear Kirk:

I just returned from TDY today, and found your letter regarding the alledged "flying saucer" incident that occurred in Hopkinsville, Kentucky, on or about 21 August 1955.

I do remember this incident vaguely, but I'm afraid I can't help you much since I was not directly connected with it. That being the case, I am therefore answering your request in this informal manner and the following is, to the best of my knowledge, all that I know about the incident.

Prior to the above incident- several months earlier I beleive- we had another "flying saucer" report eminating from the Hopkinsville area. This earlier incident took place on the farm, (just south of Hopkinsville), of a Mr. [redacted], (I think his name was).

Briefly, Mr. [redacted] and a negro handy-man employed by him had observed an unidentified object streak across the sky, perform several abrupt changes of course, and finally disappear in the direction of Bowling Green, Kentucky. They observed this object for several minutes. I think that there was another witness or two present that were guests of Mr. [redacted] at the time. Since Mr. [redacted] was a very prominent citizen of the area, and the senior member of the largest local law-firm, and since the description of the object and its maneuvers was very accurate, some credence was lent to the story. We therefore reported this incident in accordance with AFR 200-2, by Confidential Message.

I mention the above preceding incident, (of which I have personal knowledge since I personally investigated it), because it preceeded, to the best of my knowledge, the S[redacted] incident. It was not long after the White incident that we heard of the [redacted]n incident- perhaps the power of suggestion?

To my knowledge, the [redacted] incident was first investigated, and thoroughly so, by the State Highway Patrol, and later by the Sheriff's Office. The incident was never officially reported to the Air Force. In fact, the first I remember hearing about it is when several persons at Campbell brought to my attention an article about the incident which appeared in the local Hopkinsville paper.

AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE
OHIO

29 AUG 1957

AFCIN-4E1

SUBJECT: (U) Request for Information - Hopkinsville Incident
21 August 1955

TO: Commander
Campbell Air Force Base
ATTN: Intelligence Section
Ft. Campbell, Kentucky

1. This Center requests any factual data, together with pertinent comments regarding an unusual incident reported to have taken place six miles north of Hopkinsville, Kentucky on subject date. Briefly, the incident involved an all night attack on a family named [redacted] by goblin-like creatures reported to have emerged from a so-called "flying saucer."

2. The Air Force has been informed by reliable sources that an article on this incident may soon appear in a magazine publication, and that the Air Force will be queried regarding its opinion or explanation.

3. Lacking factual, confirming data, no credence can be given this almost fantastic report. As the incident has never been officially reported to the Air Force, it has not taken official cognizance of the matter. However, two important factors prompt this request:

a. Previous experience with sensational articles of this type show that almost invariably a large amount of inquiries and allegations against the Air Force soon follow, from both the press and public, and

b. An unconfirmed report stated that the affair was investigated and reported upon by two Air Force officers from Campbell Air Force Base. This Center, which is responsible for resolving incidents of this nature under provisions of AFR 200-2 "Unidentified Aerial Objects," has no knowledge of such reports.

4. To assist you with respect to any inquiries or investigations, the incident was investigated by the Kentucky State Patrol, the Sheriff's Office, and the Hopkinsville Police Department. The Chief of Police at that time was a R[redacted], and is believed to still be in office.

FOR THE COMMANDER

William J. Thomas, CWO, USAF

for WALLACE W. ELWOOD
Captain, USAF
Assistant Adjutant

Captain Gregory

September 10, 1958

J. A. Hynek

Hopkinsville Case

The Chief of Police in Hopkinsville is [redacted]. It was he who stated that the affair was investigated by Air Force officers from Fort Campbell. I understand that MP's and a Pfc from Fort Campbell investigated at the farmhouse on late Monday afternoon. The Pfc was a Mr. Hodson and his account and pictures were published in the Clarksville Tennessee Leaf Chronicle.

Chief [redacted] also stated that the affair had been investigated by two men from an unidentified agency at Standiford Field in Louisville, a commercial field. The Kentucky State Police investigated the case and their report and available sketches are on file with Trooper Riley's case report at Frankfort, Kentucky. Attached is a list of all people concerned in the case.

A Miss Isabelle Davis is preparing a full-scaled report, of which I shall receive a copy, after it has been cross-checked by the people involved.

Dr. Hynek will submit a detailed report.

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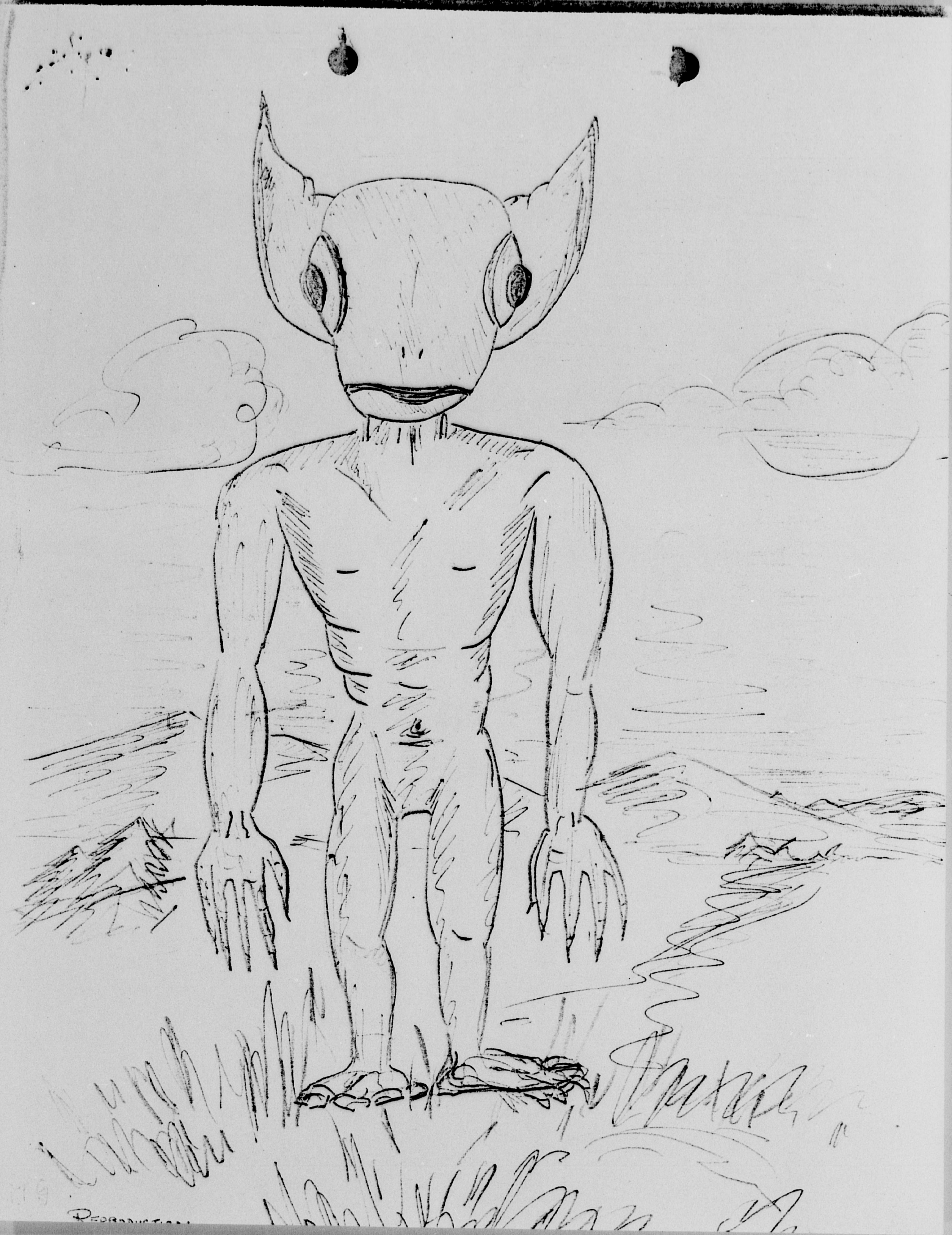

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Civilian Saucer Intelligence of New York

RESEARCH AND INVESTIGATION OF UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS
138 West 92nd Street, New York 25, N.Y.

Prof. J. Allen Hynek
Astrophysical Observatory
60 Garden St.
Cambridge 38, Mass.

July 4

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Dear Dr. Hynek:

You will by now have learned of the accomplishment of the semi-miraculous feat of procuring you a ticket for "My Fair Lady" on July 11th. Hope nothing has come up that will make this date inconvenient for you after all. Good thing you didn't need a pair, for that would have been altogether impossible. No doubt you will be rather disappointed in the show, for I can't see how anything can live up to such popularity as this has achieved.

I certainly hope you will be able to make time to have a schmooze with us, as we have plenty of things to ask, and it goes without saying that we are excited by the alluring suggestions you let fall. It would probably facilitate communication if you dared to put things on paper, but I appreciate the risks you would be taking, and I imagine that your caution is wise. However, it does seem unnecessary and irritating that a situation should exist in which such caution is necessary; but as long as scientists have irrational prejudices (which I suppose will be forever), there will always be areas of research that are stigmatised as heretical, and it is no use complaining that scientists ought not to be so anti-scientific. One must recognise that they <u>are</u>, and take appropriate precautions, as you are doing.

I believe you will be interested in Isabel Davis's data on the Hopkinsville landing, which includes two versions, with witness-checked drawings, made by two independent investigators on the day after the event. Thus we learn not only that the case is indubitably "solid" (which Isabel's own investigation establishes), but also a good deal of information of interest to comparative biologists. Of course, the behaviour of the creatures was disconcertingly weird and incomprehensible, but we are faced with a fact, however much we might wish that it did not deviate so <u>markedly</u> from the sort of thing we are accustomed to on this planet. Probably you have not had this information before, as it appears that the Air Force investigators showed little interest in the drawings when offered them: quite probably they "evaluated" the case as a hoax, which is what a biased person would naturally do on superficial examination.

It appears that the little men of Kelly were not very anthropoid, evidently differing from the heavy-set, hairy, muscular little fellows of Venezuela, though identifiable with the ones seen in Georgia and Ohio about the same time (August 21, 1955.) Three feet only in stature, they resembled the conventional "Martian": spindly in build except for a barrel chest, with small, weak-looking legs and a huge head with enormous eyes. These eyes, yellow-luminous with no visible eyelids or pupils, were set at the <u>sides</u> of the head, as in a rabbit or fish, not frontally as in predators and primates. They were bothered by light, and could be driven off with a flashlight beam, clear evi-

dence that strong sunlight is not encountered on their planet, or that their habit of life is exclusively nocturnal. One of the hard-to-believe features of the case is that bullets (from a shotgun and a .22 pistol), fired by good marksmen at short range, seemed to discommode them little more than flash-light beams: no blood flowed, and no harm seemed to be done other than a temporary discomfiture. (Of course--and this is a point that just occurred to me--an obvious experiment was not carried out: no one thought to try a silver bullet!) Another incredible point, psychologically this time, is that in spite of receiving a very obviously hostile reception, they persisted for hours in besieging the farmhouse, even coming up to the screened windows and putting their hands upon the screen.

These hands, borne on arms so long that they almost reached the ground, were large, clawed, and webbed. There can be no doubt about this, because of the behaviour mentioned above, which gave at least some of the witnesses an excellent view of the organs in question. Moreover, the beings were not fully bipedal, and seemed to prefer to use their hands in locomotion, after the fashion of chimpanzees. One account says they had no thumbs--this again is almost incredible.

The ears were enormous, and movable, like little elephant ears. (Suggesting a thin atmosphere, &/or descent from a herbivore rather than a predatory carnivore.) One account says that when they were shouted at (which probably was painful to their ears), their silvery luminosity increased. Yes, they were luminous (like many terrene animals), though not greenish, as the newspapers had it. Only the yellow glow (innate, or by reflection?) of the great eyes had a greenish cast.

The drawings all depict an apparently nude creature (lacking sexual organs, however), but the skin appeared metallic, so that some close-fitting garment may have been worn.

The feet were not like ours. One account says they resembled suction cups. They were not well seen, because they were mostly in the grass.

It is certain that the creatures can counteract gravitation. All noted how they "floated" or "bounced" along, much as we do under water. Thus their ability to leap into trees, or onto the roof, does not imply powerful muscles and a large home planet. The Venezuelan hominids, on the other hand, appeared to be well-muscled in their own right.

The mouth was a wide slit. The nose is uncertain. The cranium was formidable, and totally bald. They uttered no sound.

They appeared resolutely pacific in intention. When approaching the house they generally raised their arms in the air, though this was apparently a rather unnatural posture for them. (I can well imagine, though, that the effect was alarming, though one supposes that it was meant as a signal of peaceful intentions.) Once one was on a little roof over the door when one of the men stuck his head out. The being did not take a poke at him, or even pull his hair. He patted his head, as one would a dog's. This was after he had been shot at for some time.

Well, perhaps I should not have set forth all this: it may be beyond your tolerance level, and might even injure our reputation for good sense to a disastrous degree. But I regard this information as the most substantial advance that has been made in saucer research recently (the most important previous contribution was the radar data) and cannot help being somewhat enthusiastic over it. (Hopkinsville data previously on record were not nearly so detailed as this, and bear in mind that this was obtained immediately after the even

Isabel Davis will hold forth upon all this (and upon her interviews with Chief Greenwell, who is now a member of C.S.I., and the other Hopkinsville people) on the evening of the 9th, at my place (see Newsletter for details.) Probably you can't manage to make this, which may be just as well, as incognito would be difficult, and some of our less laudable members will doubtless be present. She'll tell you all you want to know when we meet, but allow plenty of time if you would like a complete account of the matter. She spent a week there and used her time well.

We're delighted to hear that the Bluebook crown has passed to another head, and a sensible one; perhaps something can be done in the near future to dispel the miasma of suspicion created by the Air Force's bias, secrecy, and prevarications of the past. (Though will it ever be possible to get them to admit the reality of such things as I have just described? Well, we need not insist on that.)

The Colorado Springs case, which I gather you have personally investigated, sounds exactly like the Lubbock lights (pardon this statement of the obvious), and we hope you'll be able to explain Ruppelt's mysterious concluding remarks about phenomena of this sort. That they differ from "ordinary" flying saucers seems likely, and I would be delighted if they can be "cooked" in some way. If so, it will have to be an ingenious way.

Getting around rather late to one of the points raised in your letter, let me say that we fully agree with your criticism of Michel's version of the Mantell case. It is clear all right, but it is <u>not</u> accurate; after all, it is nothing but an imaginative reworking of Keyhoe's data. Perceiving that the thing was a hopeless tangle past sorting out, we simply added a footnote: "Michel's version of this celebrated case should be compared with that given by Ruppelt, &c. &c.", and let it go at that. Then the publisher, not caring for this implied criticism, simply deleted the footnote, and there you are. As a matter of fact, there are many things in Michel that we do <u>not</u> endorse: the book was rushed to press with our editing only half done, because the publisher said time pressed and the changes were becoming too expensive. The index was a rush order, only one night allowed; result, many careless omissions, such as Bouffioulx and Cape of Good Hope. Then the publisher changed the pagination slightly, and threw many of the references out by one page. It is our impression that publishers are principally interested in printing <u>something</u>; they don't seem to be much concerned about the <u>quality</u> of what they print. Still, I suppose we shouldn't complain; even being allowed to half-revise it was better than nothing, though it leaves us in the exasperating position of seeming to be responsible for many things which we had no opportunity to correct. (I cringe at the crass confusion of "parhelion" with "parhelic circle" on p. 48; I patched this up in Part 3, but Part 1 was Ted's and he didn't catch the error. The Chermanne Bouffioulx photograph, which so impressed the confounded blurb-writer, is patently a fake; so, undoubtedly, is the Taormina picture used on the cover. On the other hand, the Fregnale photograph is genuine, and we had a detailed account of it, which the publisher refused to insert. Most of the illustrations are nonsensical and should have been left out. Etc., etc.--too tedious to itemise.)- but I must mention that we <u>don't</u> approve of the †

I must take responsibility for what I suspect is the wrong labelling of the so-called "horizon" ray in the mirage diagrams, and I see that R. W. Wood is against me in the matter of magnification by a <u>Fata Morgana</u>, though I intend to repeat the experiment and see for myself; nonetheless, these diagrams are a big improvement on Michel's originals.

I agree with your disappointment in the UFO film; it is far from an honest documentary.

Thanks very much for taking time to write, and hope to see you in the

CIVILIAN SAUCER INTELLIGENCE OF NEW YORK

Public Meeting of April 28, 1956

Pythian Temple, 135 West 70th Street, New York City

Speaker: FRANK EDWARDS

The meeting was opened by A. D. Mebane, Secretary-Treasurer. Before introducing Frank Edwards, the speaker of the evening, he described briefly the history and present status of C.S.I. of N.Y. (now two years old, it has reached a membership of 100), and directed the audience's attention to the wall display of enlarged pages from Project Blue Book Report No. 14, with critical commentary by the C.S.I. Research Section.

Frank Edwards' career in broadcasting has spanned virtually the entire history of electronic communication. An aviator in the early 1920s, he became one of the first radio announcers in 1923, and has been "on the air" ever since. From 1949 until August 1954, as the news commentator of the American Federation of Labor on the Mutual network, he was heard by millions. His broadcasts then were closely followed by all aficionados of Unidentified Flying Objects, who knew he could be depended on to give a full and fair account of events that would never appear in the newspapers. At the time of his abrupt departure from the AFL program -- because of his refusal to submit to censorship -- he was probably the country's best-known exponent of the reality of flying saucers. Since that time he has been appearing daily on television station WTTV in Indianapolis, where he has continued to bring to the public the facts about UFOs.

Surprisingly enough, although radio and television have brought him such renown in the field of flying-saucer investigation, his talk this evening was his first in-person public lecture on the topic.

One chapter of Frank Edwards' autobiography, My First Ten Million Sponsors, published by Ballantine, is devoted to the flying saucer story, and is one of the best short treatments of the subject that has yet appeared.

A summary of Mr. Edwards' lecture follows.

FLYING SAUCERS -- IN, ON, AND OFF THE AIR

(Condensation of a talk by Frank Edwards before C.S.I. of N.Y.)

Before we get into this, I'd like to say that I don't profess to be an expert on flying saucers. I don't know any experts on flying saucers. I'm a reporter. I've dealt with this subject just as I've dealt with many others, some of which were just as complex, confusing, and aggravating. I've dealt with it from the standpoint of a reporter who has found a very interesting story.

My interest in this field goes back a good many years. Back in the early '20s, when I was just a kid, I used to fly an old Jenny 4 biplane with a 90-horsepower engine and a wooden propeller -- a crate, as they called them. I was a little short then, and had to sit on a sack of oats so I could see out of the cockpit. One night I was in the office of an outfit known as the "Gates Flying Service," for which I was flying at the time, and Bert Acosta, the famous aviator, was there. He was telling about something that had happened to him in

Colorado the preceding year --that would be 1922 or 1923. Two or three things that looked like "flying manhole covers" had come up to his plane and flown around it. He said these things were about 3 or 4 feet in diameter and perhaps 6 inches thick. He couldn't see what kept them in the air, but they had no difficulty at all in circling his plane. One of them even came in behind his wing and came within about 10 feet of him before all three of them zipped away and were lost to view. He said he'd never seen anything like it in all his years of flying. Then a couple of the other pilots spoke up and said that they had seen similar things, some larger than that, and some about the same size. They finally decided that they were probably "just go-devils." I never did get around to finding out what these "go-devils" were; but I have a hunch that they were what we now call flying saucers.

A few years after that, on August 5,1926, there was a sighting by Nicholas Roerich in the Himalayas; the expedition members watched a shiny disk-shaped object, which seemed metallic, through binoculars. And this thing, too, was apparently what we call today a flying saucer.

Of course, you folks who have delved into this subject know that these things are not of recent vintage --they have been seen over a long, long period of time. But it wasn't until June,1947, that the big flying-saucer story broke. I was on the air out in Indiana then, and remember it well. Actually, the story ought to have broken on June 23rd. On that day, a railroad engineer in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, was getting down from his engine when he noticed ten silvery disk-shaped objects flying in a string, "like wild geese", as he said. He called the newspapers and told them what he had seen; he said he had never seen anything like it in the air, and he felt certain that they were not birds or balloons (or, I suppose, hallucinations); and he estimated that they were flying at about 1000 miles an hour. But that story only got five or six lines on the news wires, because newspapers do not regard railroad engineers as authoritative witnesses on overhead phenomena.

But, the next day, the 24th, when Kenneth Arnold saw nine things flying in the same fashion, that was a different story, because there the observer was a veteran flyer - a friend of mine, incidentally, and I have a high regard for him. He knew what he was seeing --or at least he could describe it intelligently-- and he made the headlines, as you know, from coast to coast. After that, things were seen all over this country, and eventually all over the world.

By the summer of 1948, some friends of mine up in Alaska were writing to me to say that they were seeing some very strange things in the sky up there. I had flown in Alaska quite a bit in years gone by, and in the summer of 1948 I went up there again to talk to these people about what they had seen, and to look at some pictures they had taken. Unfortunately they turned out to be very poor pictures-- really just smears, but I had some very interesting discussions with people I knew, whom I regarded as credible witnesses. I also met, of course, a lot of people whom I did not know and for whose credibility I couldn't vouch. But they all told pretty much the same story; they were all seeing the same type of objects. A couple of jet pilots from Elmendorf Air Base, whom I met accidentally, had a particularly impressive story to tell. One day in April they were flying over the Brooks Range, under a thin layer of cloud or ice crystals at about 30,000 feet, when they noticed a long shadow, "like a gigantic fish or a zeppelin", cast from above on this layer. They decided that they'd go up and take a look at it. They told me that when they came out on top of the overcast, they found themselves only about a quarter of a mile behind the thing. It looked, they said, like a B-29 fuselage with no tail and no wings; there was some flame coming out the back end of it; and it was moving at a speed of about 400 mph. They saw no windows,

they saw no apertures of any kind, they saw no antennas --in fact, they saw nothing except a cigar-shaped moving object. One of them had some fuel to spare, and he decided to follow the thing. But just as he started to take out after it, a stream of orange flame, which they estimated to be 60 to 100 feet long, shot out of the rear end of the object, and it accelerated rapidly, and ran off and left those jets as if they were tied to a stump. They estimated that the thing must have tripled its speed in a matter of about 15 seconds. As near as they could tell, it was going about 1000-1200 mph when they last saw it, and it was climbing rapidly.

They got back to base and reported what they had seen. They were immediately confined to quarters, and they were subjected to all sorts of grilling for about 5 days. In fact, they both assured me that one of them was not allowed to sleep for 72 hours. After that, they passed the word around among the other boys: "If you see anything weird up there, keep your mouth shut, and save yourself a lot of trouble."

On the day I left Alaska, two Air Force Intelligence men came to see me. They understood that I was interested in this subject (it certainly hadn't been any secret) and they just wanted to know if they could help me -- if there was anything I'd like to know. Well, I asked them the usual questions and I got the usual runaround. But then they let down their hair and told me --confidentially-- that these things were very real. They were ours --a secret development. Could I tell people that? "Of course --unofficially, of course-- you can tell them that. Don't tell them that we said this --but we had these things timed to break just before Congress took up the military appropriations last year." Well, I checked on that when I got back, and sure enough, that's just when the story did break. For quite a while, I thought those Air Force men had told me the truth. But I don't think so any more.

If the saucers are ours, we've certainly wasted billions of dollars in the nine years since 1947 building airplanes that can't come close to the things. I don't think they are ours, and I don't think they are anybody else's on this earth.

I believe that these things are real; I believe that they are very substantial; and I believe what two groups of the nation's top physicists have said to me in writing, in documents which I have in my lock box where snoopers can't get their hands on them. I believe that these things are, in the words of these physicists, "unconventional and exceedingly high-speed devices, created and operated by intelligent beings of a high order, which do not originate on this planet."

To show you just how solid the people are who made that statement, I'd like to go back to one day in October 1953, when Major Keyhoe and I were on a television program called "Author Meets The Critics", debating flying saucers with Willy Ley, the famous German writer on rockets and other scientific matters. About halfway through the show, I leaned over to Mr. Ley, who had been expressing his skepticism about the whole thing, and I said, "Mr. Ley, I would like to show you a letter that I have with me. I am not permitted to read the full contents of the letter to you, but I would like to show you the heading and the signatures, and I would like to read you two sentences from the letter."

I showed him the heading --a very important center for the government's supersecret activities-- and I showed him the signatures -- all well-known physicists-- and I read this:

"After six years of analyzing the evidence submitted to us by the U.S.government and other agencies, we have come to the unanimous conclusion that the objects known as flying saucers do not originate on this earth, and that they possess ca-

pabilities far beyond any earth-made craft. We also believe that these flying saucers, as they are called, are operated by intelligent beings of an extremely high order."

Well, that took all the wind out of Mr. Ley's sails. He spent the rest of the debate not contesting the matter at all, but asking questions of Major Keyhoe and myself in order to find out more about the subject. The lady who moderated the show kept trying to needle Mr. Ley to try and stir up a little argument, but all the argument was out of him.

I appeared on a film show with him about six months ago, in which Willy very carefully skated around the edges of the subject. I think he was afraid I still had that letter in my pocket.

Now here's an odd thing about that "Author Meets The Critics" broadcast. Although the program was on the Dumont network, it was carried by just one station, right here in New York City. The network didn't cancel the program altogether, but for some reason, which was never explained, it took the program off every other one of its stations.

In the winter of 1949, I was broadcasting every night over the Mutual network from Indianapolis. One night in December, a package came in for one of the other announcers. He opened it up, and it was a rough copy of True magazine, with a lead article by Major Donald Keyhoe called "The Flying Saucers Are Real." Actually, my friend got the magazine in error, because it was really supposed to have been sent to another fellow of the same name somewhere else, but after we saw what it was, I wanted to use the story right away. I had only a few hours before I went on the air, so I called Ken Purdy, the editor of True, in Connecticut, and got him out of bed. I had a hard time getting his agreement, because he'd already made arrangements with Walter Winchell, but I insisted until he said "Go ahead." I broke the story, and it made the news wires the next day all over the country.

That was the first really good article I had ever read on the flying saucers. I have a very high regard for Major Keyhoe: he has done a wonderful job of research and reporting on this subject.

In January, 1950, I came to Washington. As you will remember, there were a great many saucer sightings at that time. I covered them; no one raised any objection, because when I went with the AFL I had a specific understanding with Mr. William Green, the president of the AFL, and a very fine old gentleman. He told me, "We know how you operate, and we just want you to do the same kind of job on the network that you have done before. We want you to get the idea across that the AFL is just a cross-section of the American people. Provided you do that, we'll never interfere with you." As long as Mr. Green lived, that was the basis on which we operated. I didn't devote a great deal of time to flying saucers-- I didn't bother with observations that were just repetitions of earlier ones-- as a matter of fact, I used only about three percent of my broadcast time reporting flying saucers. But when an exceptional story came along, I was free to devote a minute or so to it, if I thought it was worth it. And apparently it was; because that was one of the things that helped us, in about two years, to take that program, which amounted to nothing when I went on it, to the point where it was one of the three top programs on nighttime radio.

In the summer of 1952 I was in Washington when flying saucers began circling the nation's capital. Now, prior to that time there had not been a great deal of official secrecy. Of course, there had been some attempts to deceive you or "con you around", and convince you that all these people who saw UFOs were a little

off their rockers, or had spots on their spectacles -- you got a good deal of that. But at the same time you could go over to the Pentagon almost whenever you liked and go in to see General Sory Smith, or Major Dewey Fournet, or some of those other fellows who were level-headed and in positions of responsibility. You could go in and ask them questions, you could request to see sighting reports that had come in, you could generally look at the photographs, and if you asked about the movies that they had, they'd probably let you see them. Of course, you might not be allowed to take them out, and they might ask you not to say anything about it just now, "because we haven't reached a decision on it". I always respected those requests, because in the long run it was a good, sensible way to operate for both parties.

But after those remarkable sightings in July 1952, when these things came in and circled the National Airport --when they circled the White House and the Washington Monument, and the Capitol, and were seen simultaneously both visually and on radar-- the tune at the Pentagon changed overnight. In my book I've itemised some of these sightings. I can't remember offhand the numbers of these things that were seen, but they were seen in quantity. Then all of a sudden there was nothing more about them in the papers. The last important sighting there in Washingtom that made the newspapers was the night, I think, of July 28th. On that day the Air Force ordered jet pilots to shoot these things down. I found out about this order from a friend of mine at Andrews Field, where jets were armed and ready 24 hours a day, and I put it on the air that same night. It created quite a stir. Many top scientists --I understand that Einstein and Urey and Langmuir were among them-- called the White House and the Pentagon and urged that they rescind that order immediately. Their thinking was that if these things were able to perform as reported, then the creatures that controlled and operated them were probably well able to take care of themselves, and that if we started any shooting war with them just out of curiosity, when there hadn't been any hostilities on their part, we might be starting something that we couldn't finish. And on the afternoon of the 29th the White House called off the order.

That night there was an alert all up and down the east coast. A gigantic object, about 1000 feet in diameter, had come in over the Atlantic at an altitude of at least 60,000 feet; it had gone across New Jersey, part of Pennsylvania, turned down across West Virginia, back across Delaware, and had gone back toward the ocean some distance north of Washington. The jets were ready to go at a moment's notice, but they were not sent up. It was no use sending them up,because they couldn't get up that high. This thing, whatever it was, was tracked with radar continuously from the time it came in off the ocean and started over the land. What it was I don't know, but I do know it was up there and that our jets were ready to take off if it ever got low enough for them to reach.

And immediately following these dramatic and rather alarming sightings over the nation's capital, the policy of secrecy and deception, which seems to have been adhered to continuously by the Air Force ever since, was put into effect. I didn't know myself until last year, when I came into possession of a government document, that on August 13th of that same year, just about two weeks after the sightings which made so many headlines, 68 of these things came over Washington in one night in a two-and-a-half-hour period. They followed airplanes in and around the airport; they flew in formation up and down between National Airport and Andrews Field; they flew at low altitude over the White House and around some of the other buildings. They were seen visually by quite a few people, and they were of course tracked on radar as they came in, as they maneuvered around, and as they left. Not one word of it got into the papers. It was one of the best-kept secrets of the year. I finally found the record of it in a document issued in September, 1952 by the Civil Aeronautics Authority --Technical Development Report

No. 180. This is a 28-page booklet that tries to give the impression that the sightings can all be explained away. It has numerous diagrams showing how the "blips" behaved on the radar scopes, and a double-page spread tabulating the sighting reports. The case I've just mentioned is briefly summarized in that table.

An interesting thing about that C.A.A. booklet --it points out that one of the radar sightings could be explained pretty well if there were a lot of small, sharply defined radar mirrors of some kind floating with the wind at the height of the inversion layer. Of course, what natural phenomenon would produce these radar mirrors is something they can't answer. But then they go on and list more than a dozen more sightings, and anyone who looks at these closely will discover that their theory breaks down completely. For at least half of them, there was no inversion present at all when the objects came over. But you have to spot this for yourself, because the authors keep quiet about it.

On June 1, 1954, the Air Force put out a false statement that there had been only 87 sightings reported so far that year. All the news services carried it, without making any effort to check it. To put it politely, it was an infernal lie. I knew it was a lie, because I had furnished them 127 sightings myself. (I was getting them at that time at the rate of 100 a week.) I got in touch with Len Stringfield of Cincinnati, who publishes a little magazine on this subject called Orbit, as many of you probably know. Stringfield is a very competent man, and he's done an excellent job of editing his publication. When I called him, he got in touch with Lt.-Col. John O'Mara, of the Air Force Intelligence Center at Wright-Patterson Field, in Dayton, Ohio. (Wright-Patterson has always been the center of all activity dealing with the UFOs, though they like to change the name of the project from time to time, to keep the public in the dark, I suppose. In June, 1954 they were calling it Project Blue Book.) When Col. O'Mara was asked how the sightings were coming in, he replied, "This is the biggest year we've ever had; we're getting 700 a week." At least, that's what he was reported to have said. He evidently didn't know that his bosses in Washington had put out that statement about 87 reports in five months. I used O'Mara's statement that night, and to put it mildly, it created a bit of a rumpus over at the Pentagon.

When you're vulnerable, as I was, and exposed to pressure, as I was, it does not do you any good in the long run to stir up the Air Force and some of the other departments of the government, as I found out; but I believe if I had it to do over again I'd probably do the same thing, because I'm a little hard-headed about things like that.

By this time George Meany had become the president of the AFL, and things were different from what they had been under Mr. Green. The AFL had put a censor on me. They called him an assistant, but I'd been in the news business for 32 years, and I recognized a censor when I saw one. Every month, the program's ratings were growing, but I realized that I was coming to the end of my string. Finally, on August 3, 1954, they issued an order notifying me that I must say what the censor told me to say, exactly as he told me to say it. Well, if the censor was going to write the program, they didn't need me any more. So I asked them to relieve me of my duties at the end of the contract period. Instead of that, they fired me. And Mr. Meany issued two amazing statements. In one he said, "We were deluged with flying saucer mail, and we were not particularly interested in that." The other thing he said was that I was "too pro-labor." Well, perhaps, compared to him, that was true. I'm an AFL member myself, I have been one for a great many years, and I believe in the principles of trade unionism, like my father and grandfather.

But as to his being deluged with flying saucer mail, I can only say to you that it was one of the smallest deluges in history. I asked my audience one night if they wanted me to continue reporting on flying saucer sightings, because it was becoming difficult, the wire services wouldn't carry them any more, and I thought maybe interest had lagged. I got over 5000 letters --addressed to me personally, and delivered to me at the Mutual studios, more than a mile from Mr. Meany's office. At the AFL building, in my office, all that came in was 2 letters and 12 postcards. I guess this must have been the "deluge" that Mr. Meany complained of. He said also that "we were not particularly interested in flying saucers." That's peculiar too, because, only about two months before, the AFL newspaper had run a special article on flying saucers, which I wrote at the request of Mr. George Meany, who is listed as the editor of the thing.

Well, the truth is that flying saucers really had nothing at all to do with my exit from the AFL's radio program, as those of you who have read my book will agree. They just provided a convenient peg on which Mr. Meany could hang his statement of dismissal. I'm sure that there were some other reasons why Mr.Meany was so anxious to get me out of the picture, and I have the facts on that set down in my book. It was something far more --maybe I'd better leave the word alone-- I wanted to say reprehensible, and maybe it is reprehensible-- I'll let you read the book and decide for yourself.

Actually, the fellow did me a favor. There were only three nighttime radio programs that were growing at that time --TV was murdering the rest. Due to the fact that we were doing an unusual type of program, I happened to have one of the three. But I was working 12 to 14 hours a day to get the job done; I had to cover a lot of ratholes to get the stories, and it was wearing me down; so that while I was very displeased that we had to have such a rumpus when we came to the parting of the ways, in the long run it was probably a good thing. I'm certainly a lot happier now doing my television show at WTTV. There are no strings attached to anything I say: I decide what I'm going to use, and how I'm going to use it.

Let me tell you now about a couple of the most important flying-saucer cases that have come up since I've been at WTTV.

.... HOPKINSVILLE CASE .....

The first is a very strange thing that happened on August 21st, last year, near Hopkinsville, Kentucky. It made headlines in the newspapers out there, and for once it was carried by the press wires --I suppose just because they thought it was ridiculous. You may remember reading the wire story about "little green men" --actually they weren't green, some rewrite man put that in because he thought they ought to be green.

In the middle of the night eleven people rushed from a farmhouse in the little village of Kelly, 8 miles north of Hopkinsville, to get police protection against goblin-like creatures from a flying saucer, who had been besieging them for three hours. Shortly after sunset, one of the men had seen a saucer come down in a field behind the house. Soon afterwards, they saw some creature coming toward the house. As it came closer, they saw it was something like a little man, about 3 feet tall, with a huge head, and enormous glowing eyes. Its long arms hung almost to the ground, and its big hands had long claws on the fingers. Its body had a metallic appearance, and glowed in the dark. When they saw this thing, the men went for their guns --a shotgun and a .22 rifle. For three hours these little creatures kept coming up to the house, and the men kept shooting at them, apparently with no effect. Some of the creatures were shot at a range of twenty feet or less, but they never seemed to be wounded; it merely discouraged them for a few minutes. Finally, about 11 o'clock, the terrified family piled into two cars and

raced to the Hopkinsville police station. The police came in force, and they searched all round the house: there was nothing to be found. No blood, no bodies, no footprints. But the family was in a state of terror, and there was certainly no evidence of drinking. The police finally left; and an hour after they had gone the little goblins were back again. Mrs.Glennie Lankford, lying in bed, at one time watched one through the window for several minutes. Before dawn, they had gone, but not until more shots had been fired. Seven of the eight adults in the house saw one or more of the little beings at one time or another.

I was in Mt. Vernon, Indiana, only about 50 miles away, when this story hit the newspapers. The Evansville Courier-Press of August 22nd printed a detailed account of it, with a drawing of one of the little men, based on the descriptions given by the witnesses --a weird-looking little creature. Since a member of my family was dying, I couldn't leave at the time, so it was three days before I got there.

And when I did get to Hopkinsville, I walked into a practical joke, which is one of the things you have to watch out for when you're trying to investigate subjects like this. A couple of newspapermen whom I'd once played jokes on went to a good deal of trouble to revenge themselves: they arranged an interview with a phony "witness", who told me a lot of inaccurate and invented details. And he tried to sell me a plaster cast which he said had been made from a footprint of one of the creatures. If I'd bought it, their cup would have bubbled over. As it was, it took me some time to catch on.

The funny thing about this is that the hoaxers were telling an essentially true story, though I'm sure they didn't realize this themselves. Their plaster cast was a fake, but the Kelly landing really did happen. Nobody has ever been able to explain it away. 1/

Another thing that they told me was not true of the Kelly case, but it was true , as we both knew, of another outstanding saucer-landing case, that of the so-called "Flatwoods Monster" seen at Sutton, West Virginia on September 12,1952. Two or three days after that happened, a couple of "aluminum-ware salesmen" had come around, who had stayed for about three hours not selling aluminum-ware, but questioning the witnesses about the strange experience they had had. The next day a fellow came along selling subscriptions to a magazine that is printed in Augusta, Maine, and he too worked the neighborhood over, questioning everybody who had reported anything. The few people who ordered the aluminum-ware or subscribed to the magazine got their money back a couple of weeks later with no letter of explanation at all. I leave to your imagination what agency was probably behind these shenanigans.

Well, the Kelly case had its comic aspects --and part of the joke was on me-- but there was nothing humorous about the second important case that I've had personal contact with in recent months. This one was a tragedy.

On January 8th of this year, at Bedford, Indiana, about 50 miles south of Indianapolis, the GOC spotted five flying saucers at one time, circling around. They had been reported over Lafayette, Indiana, about 90 miles to the west, just a short time before, and then they were seen south of Bedford, where they were watched by three or four hundred people. The farmers were calling each other back and

1/ For a full report on the Kelly landing case, with data obtained by on-the-spot investigation, see C.S.I. Research Report No.1, published in August, 1956.

forth on the fence wires, and when anybody picked up the phone everybody else was listening, so they were really broadcasting everything that was going on. The objects followed the usual pattern --disk-shaped, about 25 feet in diameter, glowing and changing color from faint orange to yellow and red. They sent jets from Louisville up to chase them, but as soon as the jets got within 15 or 20 miles the objects took off, going northward, and left there at a high speed and disappeared at great altitude in a matter of seconds.

Three weeks later, on January 31st, just before I went on the air, I got a call from our Bloomington studio. They said, "We've got a picture for you of the wreckage of a National Guard plane that crashed down here this afternoon between Bloomington and Bedford. The pilot was killed." It turned out that the pilot was a fellow whom I happened to know, Col. Lee Merkel, a veteran flyer and a wonderful guy.

The following day I discovered, through a friend of mine in Louisville, that the jets had been up again after unidentified objects south of Bloomington, just as on the 8th, and again the jets had lost them. But Col. Merkel, who was in charge of the National Guard air base down at Louisville, had taken off in a P-51 Mustang, a propeller-driven job. He had oxygen tanks, and the plane was in excellent condition. He had gone up because he could fly longer than the jets, and the jets were trying to vector him in on the UFOs. Finally he reported back to the tower at Louisville, by radio, that he could see an object moving along the edge of a cloud some distance ahead of him and above him, and he took after it. According to the reports he made to the tower, it was climbing, but he was following it. He gave no description of it, other than to say that he could see it glowing and blinking. When he got to about 30,000 feet, he said he thought he was gaining a little on it, and it was then below him, and he was going to move in on it. Then they heard no more from him. A few minutes later, his plane exploded at low altitude --apparently at about 500 feet-- right above a farmhouse, and the plane was scattered all over the fields for a quarter of a mile. It was a terrific blast. I find it hard to believe that the explosion of the plane's gasoline, in those thin aluminum tanks, could possibly have had that much power.

I'm inclined to think that we have here a repetition of the tragedy of Capt. Thomas Mantell, who was killed at Fort Knox, Kentucky, in January, 1948, while he was chasing one of these unidentified objects --one of the celebrated cases, as those of you who are familiar with this subject know. I think that after eight years, just a bit north of the original spot, we've had another incident of the same kind.

It never made the papers. On November 11, 1954, an unknown object had appeared in the very same area, and Col. Merkel had chased it then --unsuccessfully. That made front-page headlines in Louisville. But when Merkel died, fourteen months later, on a similar mission, not a paper mentioned that he had been chasing something when his plane mysteriously crashed.

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Mr. Edwards' talk was followed by a discussion period, in which he answered questions from the audience. Nearly all of these questions and answers, in a somewhat condensed form, are given below.

Q - Is there any evidence that any of these objects have crashed?

A - I'm not too sure that some of them haven't. Way back in 1947, at Roswell,

New Mexico, a farmer reported that he saw something strike a mountainside and crash. According to what I was told, they threw troops in a circle all around that place, and would let nobody in for five days. Finally they came up with a picture of a man holding a little crumpled kite with aluminum foil on it-- a radar target-- and they said this was it-- believe it or not. There have been many other rumors since then of saucers having crashed. I don't know whether there's any truth in them.

Q - Why don't they crash more often, since they are seen so frequently?

A - Dr. Hermann Oberth, the father of the German Rocket Society, and certainly one of the world's great rocket scientists, said, one day last year: "I am confident that these are interplanetary devices, and I feel reasonably certain that they operate by distorting the gravitational field." Nine days later Dr. Oberth was brought to this country and sent to the Redstone Arsenal at Huntsville, Alabama, to work for the U. S. Government; he hasn't made any more public statements. But I've had other physicists tell me the same thing-- that they think these things operate by counteracting the gravitational field. If that proves to be correct, then it would be impossible for them to fall, because they would not be subject to the law of gravity. Of course, they might still collide with something. I have a feeling that that has probably happened sometimes, but it's one of those things you certainly wouldn't find out if there was any way for the government to keep you from finding out.

Q - Why doesn't the government want people to know about this?

A - I suspect they're afraid of hysteria. There was an example of that, you know, in that 1938 broadcast of Orson Welles. I'll have to admit that I was one of those who were panicked by that thing. I was sound asleep and my wife came dashing in and waked me, and she said, "For God's sake listen to this --something is invading New Jersey and St. Louis, and everything else." I jumped up and listened, and I couldn't believe that a network would fake a news show, so I grabbed the phone and called WHAS, and fortunately I got hold of an engineer there whom I knew, and he said, "Oh, take it easy, this is just a dramatization of Wells's "War Of The Worlds", and we're catching you know what about it."

Q - How is the government able to keep saucer sightings quiet?

A - There are only three press services, and they are all dependent on the Pentagon and other government agencies for their big stories, so it's very easy to bribe them into silence --or "enlist their co-operation". Anyone who gets out of line won't get any more scoops.

Q - Have there been sightings in Europe?

A - Yes; in fact, the sightings in Europe have been more numerous than those in this country. In October 1954, for example, the sightings in France, Italy, and Spain reached a point that almost led to mass panic. People were reporting little men by the hundreds.

Q - Are the European governments also keeping their investigations secret?

A - They definitely are; in fact, the British Government announced a year ago that it would not make any public statement on the findings of its investigation; and on the same day it issued orders to all military personnel and government personnel not to discuss the subject and not to make public any reports.

Q - Are these nations co-operating with the United States?

A - I think some of them are co-operating rather closely. I think that Great B ritain, Denmark, Sweden, and Germany, and perhaps Italy and France, are working very closely with our own government. What the others are doing I don't know.

Q - Do you have any idea whether the Russians are starting to break the news to their people?

A - No, I haven't heard anything that would indicate that. But I'm inclined to think that the U.S. government may be starting to break it, because the Air Force has just now releasedthe Tremonton, Utah film made by Warrant Officer Delbert Newhouse in 1952. They've also released one taken in Great Falls, Montana by Nick Mariana. Both of these men took their pictures of these objects on 16-mm color film, and they are obviously not faked. The Air Force admits that these films, which it is finally releasing for public scrutiny, show "unconventional objects of an unidentified type." These will be featured in a semi-documentary movie called "Unidentified Flying Objects" that's coming out soon.

Q - Could the saucers be using Antarctica as a base?

A - I think it's quite possible that part of our government's present interest in the Antarctic is due to the fact that in 1950 Commander Orrego of the Chilean Navy made thousands of feet of movies of UFOs circling around at low altitudes --much as in the Tremonton film-- down in the Antarctic. And these things are often seen travelling North and South up and down the west coast of South America. They might be going and coming from the Antarctic. You remember that on Commander Byrd's last expedition down there, he found a warm lake im the middle of the Antarctic continent, and alongside this warm-water lake, im the midst of all this vast frozen area, he saw great straight black lines that "looked like blast marks." That's in his report.

Q - Has just one type of space man been discovered so far?

A - Well, I don't know for certain that <u>any</u> type has been discovered; but I will say this: descriptions of these creatures by credible witnesses generally fall into one of two well-defined patterns. One is a small humanoid type, as reported, for example, from Venezuela, Ecuador, Peru, Kentucky, Ohio, Kansas, and Georgia. The other is a sort of vague grotesque monster like the one reported at Sutton, West Virginia and a couple of other places. Last Fall, through the ambassador of one of the South American countries, I got to see the reports which his government had furnished him on some sightings down there of some of the small humanoid creatures. They had injured some people, principally constabulary, who had interfered with them. These little fellows evidently are able to take care of themselves.

Q - Did the Hopkinsville creatures display any hostility? Did they return the humans' fire --had they any weapons, or anything like that?

A - No, they did not. They carried no weapons or other artificial implements. Of course, they had long claws, but they did not seem to use those aggressively. However, on one occasion, when one of the men put his head out of the front door, one of the creatures, sitting on the overhang above the door, reached down with its clawy hand, and grazed his hair.

Q - What do you think of George Adamski, and of his reliability as a witness?

A - I have in my possession a set of prints which Mr. Adamski sent me about three years ago, and having been a photographer for 30 years it didn't take me more than 30 seconds to see that these prints were not exactly that he claimed they were. I think Mr. Adamski is probably a very kind man, but a little misguided.

Q - Do you judge Adamski entirely by his photographs?

A - No, I've read his books. I wouldn't, as a newsman, report the things that he sets forth in his books as fact without having more evidence than he's able to supply; and I regard his pictures as being on a par with his prose.

Q - What is your opinion on the experiences of Daniel Fry, Truman Bethurum, and Orfeo Angelucci? Do you believe them?

A - I wouldn't want to stand up here and say I don't believe the gentlemen. I would say that, if true, their stories are certainly remarkable. You know, sometimes we find that something we regarded as incredible a few years earlier was actually based on fact. But at the present time I would be inclined to class their stories of having ridden in flying saucers as slightly incredible --at least from a reporter's standpoint.

Q - Why don't the saucers land openly?

A - If we were going to another planet --and I think we're much closer to doing that now than most people realize-- and we found it was inhabited by people who had some technical knowledge, I think we would do just exactly what these saucers are reported as doing here. At first we would go in at night, when they seemed to be handicapped; and if we landed, we would do it in an extremely isolated place. We would then draw them out to see how fast they could fly, and how far, and how high; and after we had got a pretty good picture of their capabilities, then we might take the next step. The thing that's happening here, according to the reports, is exactly the policy that we would pursue if we went somewhere and found similar conditions.

Q - During the years that you have been studying flying saucer reports, have you noticed any changes in their reported appearance or behavior?

A - Yes, there's one thing I think has changed since 1947. As man develops more and faster vehicles in the air himself, they are apparently becoming increasingly cautious. As late as 1951 they were still sometimes seen at night without any lights on them, but after that, to the best of my knowledge, they have all been seen with some sort of lights or at least a glow, which enables the pilots to see them and avoid a collision. Whether that's intentional or not I don't know, but it looks like it. And another thing that has changed has been the manner in which the government has treated the subject --with increasing secrecy as the years go by.

Q - Might the frequency of sightings since 1947 have something to do with atomic explosions?

A - Yes, I feel that there may be some significance in that; perhaps somebody saw these blast flashes and came in to see what was going on. We think we've seen something similar on Mars, and we'd like to know what's going on there. We'd go there and see, if we could.

Q - Will the rockets the U.S.is testing now be the answer to space travel?

A - Those compare to a real spaceship the way a canoe compares to the Queen Mary. We're just paddling in the shallows of space with these things. It's a beginning, but it'll take much more.

Q - Did Dr. Slipher ever make public his last Martian investigation?

A - Yes, he did. He said that in his opinion there can be no doubt but that there is life on Mars. He did not go so far as to say intelligent life-- but of course he couldn't go that far. His article appeared in the National Geographic last September, with three very good pictures of Mars, which they took at Bloemfontein with the telescope that was built down there by Morris Jessup, who wrote The Case for the UFO.

Q - Can you tell us something about the bridge on the moon, said to be made of metal?

A - Percy Wilkins' book Mysteries of Space and Time, published in England last year, is the most recent description of it that I know of; he doesn't say anything about its being metallic. And some other astronomers say that they have looked for it and didn't see it. However, one thing that has definitely been found om the moon, which is unexplained at the present time, is a number of white hemipherical objects, like halves of ping-pong balls, only they must be gigantic. The last I heard on the subject they had located about 200 of these things, which they never saw up until the last few years, I don't know why. Nobody knows what they are.

Q - These two satellites that are known to be circling the earth surely can't be natural, because they are so close. Do you think they were put there by beings from some other planet?

A - I think that's quite possible; and don't forget that Adler Planetarium reported last year that an astronomer to whom they gave their endorsement had located more than a score of objects which were circling the earth at an altitude of about 475 miles. So there must be more of them up there than we realize.

Q - Has the disappearance of six planes over the Caribbean, as described in Keyhoe's Flying Saucer Conspiracy, ever been explained?

A - No, it has not. In fact, over 200 planes have disappeared in a large oval-shaped area of the Atlantic. Although all of them were equipped with radio, not one distress signal ever came from any one of them, and no wreckage was ever found from any of them. I have no idea what happened to them.

Q - Has there been anything more on the Kimross plane-disappearance case?

A - No, all I know about that is what Major Keyhoe and I were able to find out about it at the time he was writing his book.

Q - Do you have any opinion on the so-called skyquakes? The usual thing is that they're blamed on jets breaking the sound barrier, but then later it turns out that there were no jets in the air at the time. Do you think they're connected with flying saucers?

A - I don't know what the answer is to that, but it's going on all over the world. It's some kind of a terrific concussion at high altitudes. Incidentally, even if jets were in the air, they're under strict orders not to go through the

sound barrier near any inhabited places.

Q - How long do you think it'll be before we find out definitely where the saucers come from?

A - I think that this year we may find out more about these things than we ever have before, because it is quite clear that the frequency of saucer sightings is greatest in the years when we are closest to the planet Mars. And on September 7th of this year, we're going to be closer to Mars than we have been in many years. The 90 days after that will be a very significant period.

At least 20 nations are working steadily and spending millions of dollars gathering information on these things. Eventually, if this keeps up, they'll either be able to make contact with the saucers or else duplicate them themselves. But of course it's also possible that the saucers will go away and we won't see them any more in our lifetime. There have been long periods before, for as much as forty or fifty years at a time, when there have been almost no sightings at all; perhaps they had gone away during these periods; maybe they had something better to do.

You know, they might decide that we're so stupid and so far beneath them that we're hopeless, and that we aren't worth all the trouble that we might cause them.

Q - But would they just go away and act as if we never existed?

A - I'll give you a comparable situation. Suppose you were flying a big plane over the jungle, and you saw a bunch of savages down there beating each other's brains out with clubs. You might circle around a few times to watch them do it, but you really wouldn't have any ambition to land and join in. And that may be the position we have reached in culture, as compared with some of these civilizations that send us flying saucers.

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(30 ITEMS CONT'D)

...S OBJECTS WERE SOMETHING WITCHELIKE...THEY WOULD FLOAT DOWN FROM TREES ...D FROM THE ROOF RATHER THAN FALL.

...EN THEY WOULD MOVE QUICKLY, IT WAS IN SHORT FAST GO, AND THE ARMS WERE ...N THEIR ELEVATION. THE FEET SEEM USED TO BALANCE, AND SEEMED TO MOVE ...OUNTS. ...S WAS INDICATED THEY LIFTED THEIR LEGS FROM THE GROUND, AND ...T OF THEIR HANDS.

...EN THEY WOULD APPROACH THE HOUSE IN ALL CASES THE ARMS WERE RAISED IN ...NCE IN SOME FASHION, AND THEY WOULD APPROACH VERY QUICKLY ON THEIR HIND ...E. ...LL NO ONE SAW THE LEGS MOVE OR HEARD A SOUND. THEY WOULD MOVE ...SMOOTHLY IN THIS POSITION UNTILL AT THE HOUSE, THEN STOP AND REMAIN, ...UALLY THROUGH THE WINDOW. THEY WOULD STAY THERE FOR MOVING UNTIL ...SCOVERED AWAY BY THE SHOTGUN OR LIGHTS. BUT WOULD COME BACK APPARENTLY ...HILL VIEWED.

...EY ARE OBVIOUSLY AFFECTED BY LIGHTS, THEY'LL RUN FROM A FLASHLIGHT. ...E WOULD ALMOST APPROACH FROM THE SIDE OF THE HOUSE, BECAUSE THE ...OR AND FRONT OF THE HOUSE WAS LIT UP. ON TWO OCCASIONS BOTH BACK AND ...UTE LIGHTS WERE OUT, AND THEY THEN WOULD APPROACH FROM ANY ANGLE.

...N THE DRAWINGS THAT FOLLOW, I HAD THEM DESCRIBE TO THE BEST OF THEIR ...ILITY EACH INDIVIDUAL FEATURE THAT IS IN THE DRAWING. I ATTEMPTED NOT ...O LEAD THEM, BUT RATHER TO FOLLOW THEIR LEAD IN THE DRAWING. THE ...HOLE OPERATION TOOK AROUND AN HOUR AND ONE HALF IN THE WOMENS CASE, ...OUT AN HOUR IN THE THREE MEN'S CASE, AND ABOUT ONE HALF HOUR IN THE ...ER OF THE ONE MAN.

...S WOMEN	THREE MEN	ONE MAN
...D DF)		
...NECK, ARMS LONG, EXTENDED ...D I TO GROUND, NO FEATURES ...JECTS, SLIGHTLY TAPERED ...D ALMOST STRAIGHT FROM TOP ...BOTTOM	NO NECK, ARMS LONG EXTENDED TO GROUND, BODY POWERFUL TO WAIST, FINGERS CLEARLY SEEN, BELOW WAIST THIN AND SPINDLEY, ALMOST NO SHAPE TO LEGS..STICK LIKE	NO NECK, ARMS LONG, ALMOST TO GROUND BODY WAS POWERFULLY BUILT TO WAIST, SLIM LEGS THAT WERE STICKS
...DS)		
...GE OVER ALL, WITH TALONS ...ERAL SCALE OF HUMPS, ...FINGER OR KNUCKLE COUNT	LARGE, OVERSIZE, WITH TALONS, AND WEBBING BE-TWEEN FINGERS STARTING ABOUT A INCH AB OVE TALONS...DID NOT KNOW HOW MANY KNUCKLES. TALONS TWO OR THREE INCHES LONG NO FINGER COUNT	HAD WIDE HANDS, TALONS NO WEBBING NO FINGER COUNT
...LET)		
...NONE	SAW NONE	FACE CIRCULAR, LIKE SUCTION CUPS
...OR)		
...D SAW THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNT OF COLORING) A METALLIC SILVERISH FROM TOP TO BOTTOM WITH THE EXCEPTION OF EYES. ...ED TO GLOW IN DARK, BUT DID NOT REFLECT OR EVEN SHINE WHAT LIGHT WAS ...ON IT. IT WOULD THEN SEEM A DULL METALLIC SHADE. THE TEXTURE WAS ...THER SMOOTH NOR WRINKLED IN APPEARANCE, HAD QUALITIES OF BOTH, BUT ...NEITHER PREDOMINATED. IT SEEMED TO BE THE ACTUAL SKIN.		
...K ORGANS)		
...E	NONE	NONE
...OR THE SAKE OF COMPLETENESS, WE'LL ADD SEVERAL OTHER FEATURES NOTED BY ...ONE MAN) ...CREATURES HAVE DARK EXPRESSIONS IN EACH EAR...SOMEWHAT LIKE THE EYES ...BUT SMALLER. HAD MINATURE FEELERS OR ANTENNAE ON EACH SIDE OF THE ...OF THE HEAD....THE SHOULDERS WERE SLOPED AT A 45 DEGREE ANGLE IN ...PARISON WITH THE OTHER SIX DESCRIBING A SLOPE OF 80 TO 90 DEGREES. ...FOLLOWING CONTENTS ARE ADDED AS IN EACH IT DESCRIBES ANOTHER FEATURE ...THE CREATURES. IN ALL...THE CONTENTS ARE AGREED UPON BY ALL SEVEN.		
...O MEMBERS)		
...L SHOTS WERE FIRED, WHENEVER IT WAS HIT IT WOULD FLIP OVER BACKWARDS ...N SCURRY FOR COVER. THE SHOTS WHEN STRIKING WOULD REBOUND AS THO THEY ...E HITTING A BUCKET.		
...E OBJECTS MADE NO SOUND AS THEY MOVED, HOWEVER THE UNDERGROWTH WOULD		

NOTE: IN COLUMNS TWO AND THREE THE WORD SAME MEANS IDENTICAL OBSERVATION AS WITH THE FIRST COLUMN. ALL EXCEPTIONS AND ADDITIONS ARE NOTED AS SUCH. ~~EXAMINATION~~

THREE WOMEN:	THREE MEN:	ONE MAN:
(NECK)		
2½ TO 3 PT TALL	SAME	SAME
(HEAD)		
HEAD WAS BALD, SAME COLOR AS BODY, GLOWING, LIKE AN EGG.	HEAD WAS BALD, SAME COLOR AS BODY, WAS ALMOST DOMED	SAME AS WOMEN, OTHER ALMOST COME TO POINT.
(EARS)		
FLOPPY, LARGE, OVERSIZED, CAME TO POINT AT TOP, LIKE A PIECE OF WRINKLED LEATHER, DID NOT EXTEND TOO MUCH ABOVE CROWN EXTENDED OUT FROM SIDE SOMEWHAT	SAME...EXCEPTION: EARS WERE SWEPT BACK, TUBE LIKE AROUND, EXTENDED QUITE A BIT ABOVE CROWN	SAME....ADDITION: EARS EXTENDED CONSIDERABLY ABOVE CROWN OF HEAD.
(MOUTH)		
A THIN LINE SEEMED MUCH EAR TO EAR..SLIGHTLY LOWER THAN THE EAR (MORE THEY LOOK NOT SURE OF THIS AT ALL) NO LIPS	SAME (AGAIN..ONLY WERE NOT SURE WHETHER THERE WAS ONE OR NOT)	SAW MOUTH, UPPER LIP TUCKED UNDER LOWER LIP... OTHERWISE SAME POSITIONING AND GENERAL DESCRIPTION
(NOSE)		
NONE	NONE (ONE MAN STATED VERY STRONGLY THERE WAS NONE)	SAW A NOSE THAT WAS LOCATED LIKE A CONE TAPERING TO A POINT WITH A BALL ON END OF IT
(EYES)		
WERE LIKE SAUCERS, OVERSIZE, SPACED AROUND A INCHES APART MIDWAY BETWEEN HUMAN POSITIONING AND EARS, PART WAY AROUND FACE. CORNEA YELLOW.. AND GLOW TO IT, REMAINDER OF EYE SURFACE WHITE. CORNEA OVERSIZED.	SAME	SAME

THIS IS THE STORY OF MY CONNECTION WITH THE "SPACE MEN" THAT DECENDED ON THE [redacted]N FARM....LOCATED ABOUT SIX MILES FROM THE TOWN IN WHICH I LIVE....HOPKINSVILLE, KY. ACTUALLY, EVERYTHING THAT YOU READ FROM HERE ON IS SECOND HAND....HOWEVER IT'S THE BEST SECONDHAND INFORMATION IN THE WORLD...AS IT CAME DIRECTLY FROM THE LIPS OF THE SEVEN ADULTS INVOLVED. THESE SAME SEVEN THAT I REFER TO...LIVED THROUGH A VERY HARROWING NIGHT...AND FROM WHAT I CAN DETERMINE...A NIGHT THAT THEY WOULD NOT LIKE TO SEE REPEATED. TO [redacted] TO THE BEST OF EVERYBODYS KNOWLEDGE...IT STARTED AROUND SEVEN-THIRTY OR EIGHT-OCLOCK ON THE SUNDAY NIGHT OF AUGUST 21ST, 1955. [redacted] [redacted]R, A VISITOR TO THE [redacted] HOUSEHOLD FROM CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA, WAS DRAWING WATER FROM A WELL IN THE REAR OF THE ONE STORY BUILDING. AS HE WAS BRINGING THE BUCKET UP, HE SAW A RED OBJECT IN THE SKY TRAILING AN EXHAUST WHICH HAD ALL THE COLORS IN THE RAINBOW. THE OBJECT CAME FROM THE WEST..PASSED ACROSS THE RESIDENCE, AND PROCEEDED DOWN INTO THE FIELD BEHIND THE SUTTON HOUSEHOLD. IT SEEMED TO SLOW DOWN,...COME TO A HALT, AND DROPPED VERTICALLY TO THE GROUND DISSAPEARING WITH A SOUND LIKE "POOF". THE FIELD BEHIND THE HOUSE HAS A SLIGHT RISE TO IT FOR ABOUT 300 FEET, THEN FALLS AWAY TO THE BOTTOM OF A GULLY ABOUT ONE QUARTER OF A MILE FROM THE HOME. THE OBJECT DROPPED BEHIND THIS RISE WHEN IT LANDED, AND TO THIS DATE THERE HAS BEEN NO EVIDENCE OR TRACE OF IT'S EXACT POSITION. IN THAT GENERAL DIRECTION...THE FIELD IS BOUNDED ON THE LEFT AND RIGHT WITH TREES...AND I MADE AN EXTENSIVE SEARCH INTO TO THE WOODS ON BOTH SIDES..PENETRATING FOR ABOUT 50 YARDS...BUT FOUND NOTHING. THE FIELD WAS SEARCHED COMPLETELY ALSO....HOWEVER ANY SORT OF IMPRESSION IN THAT CLAY-LIKE GROUND WOULD HAVE BEEN RATHER DIFFICULT TO MAKE..AS THE WEATHER HAD BEEN HOT AND RAINLESS FOR SEVERAL WEEKS.

BUT BACK TO THE STORY....[redacted] WAS TRANSFIXED BY WHAT HE HAD SEEN...A TER IT LANDED...HE RAN INTO THE HOUSE AND RELATED TO THE REST WHAT HE HAD WITNESSED. NO ONE WOULD BELIVE HIM...AND AFTER TALKING ABOUT IT FOR A WHILE...THE WHOLE FAMILY PASSED IT OFF AS BEING FUNNY. ABOUT ONE HOUR LATER,...HOWEVER, THE SMILES DROPPED OFF THEIR FACES. [redacted] AND "[redacted] WERE TALKING ABOUT THE INCIDENT IN THE REAR OF THE HOUSE, INSIDE, AND NEAR THE BEDROOM [redacted] DOOR. APPROACHING FROM THE FEILD WAS A STANGE GLOW...AS IT CAME NEARER...THEY COULD M MAKE OUT WHAT SEEMED TO BE A SMALL MAN. HE WAS AROUND THREE AND ONE HALF FEET TALL, HAD AN EXTREMELY OVERSIZED HEAD WHICH WAS ALMOST PERFECTLY ROUND, AND THE ARMS EXTENDED TO THE GROUND WITH LARGE, OUT OF SIZE HANDS, WHICH HAD TALONS ON THE ENDS OF IT'S FINGERS. THE EYES WERE SAUCER LIKE...MUCH BIGGER THAN A HUMANS ...AND GLOWED A YELLOWISH COLOR. THE BODY WAS SEEMINGLY MADE OF SILVER METAL THAT GAVE OFF AN EERIE LIGHT....SIMILAR TO THE LIGHT GIVEN OFF BY A RADIUM DIAL WATCH. HIS HANDS WERE RAISED, AS HE APPROACHED A PROACHED THE HOUSE, AS THO SOMEONE TOLD HIM HE WAS ABOUT TO BE ROBBED. HE MOVED SLOWLY TOWARD THE BACK DOOR. "[redacted] AND [redacted] ARMED THEMSELVES...A SHOTGUN FOR "[redacted]...AND A .22 RIFLE FOR [redacted]. WITHDRAWING INTO THE HOUSE SLIGHTLY...THEY AWAITED THE ARRIVAL OF THE CREATURE. IT MOVED TO WITHIN 20 FEET OF THE BACK DOOR....AND BOTH MEN FIRED. IT DID A FLIP...GOT UP...AND SCURRIED AWAY INTO THE DARKNESS. THEY WAITED FOR A FEW MINUTES... THEN WENT INTO THE FRONT ROOM WHERE THE [redacted] WOMEN WERE. AT THE SIDE WINDOW ANOTHER ONE APPEARED....AND THIS TIME AT POINT BLANK RAGE THEY FIRED THROUGH THE WINDOW. AGAIN THEY APPARENTLY HIT IT...AS IT DID A FLIP AND DISSAPEARED. THIS TIME THE MEN DECIDED TO GO OUTSIDE AND SEE IF IT WAS HIT. AS [redacted] STOOD IN THE DOORWAY...AROUND THE SIDE INTO THE FRONT YARD

A CLAW-LIKE HAND REACHED DOWN FROM THE OVERHANG THAT SERVED TO SHEILD THE FRONT DOOR FROM RAIN. EVERAL INSIDE THE BUILDING SAW THE REACHING HAND AND SCREAMED TO [redacted] DARTING OUTSIDE..."[redacted] TURNED THE SHOTGUN UP TO THE CRE TURE...FIRED...AND KNOCKED HIM OVER THE ROOF. APPARENTLY IT DIDN'T HARM IT HOWEVER....AS IT FLOATED DO N ON THE OTHER SIDE...LANDING ON THE GROUND WITHOUT A NOISE. IT THEN SCURRIED OFF INTO THE UNDERBRUSH. SEVERAL OF THE MEN WERE OUT IN FRONT NOW...AND THEY DISCOVERED ANOTHER UP IN THE TREE...AND ONE A PEARED FROM AROUND THE CORNER RIGHT IN FRONT OF [redacted] HE BROUGHT THE SHOTGUN TO BEAR ON THE LITTLE FELLOW...AND FIRED AT POINT BLANK RANGE...AND THEN STOOD IN AMAZEMENT AS IT FLIPED OVER.. GOT UP..AND RAN AWAY WITHOUT SEEMINGLY BEING HURT. WHEN A DIRECT BLAST FROM A TWELVE GAGUE SHOTGUN DIDN'T SEEM TO AFFECT THE CREATURES..[redacted] DECIDED THE OBVIOUS....HE'LL LEAVE THEM ALONE. THEY ALL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE...AND TRIED TO PLAN WHAT NEXT TO DO. THE OBJECTS WOULD APPEAR AT A WINDOW OR DOORWAY...THE [redacted] FAMILY WOULD FIRE...AND THE OBJECTS WOULD ~~ESSACEH~~ RUN FOR COVER. SOMEONE THEN DISCOVERED THEY WERE ADVERSE TO LIGHT...THERE EYES YOU'LL REMEMBER WERE LARGE..AND APPARENTLY EXTREMELY SENSITIVE TO LIGHT. SO THEY TURNED ON THE FRONT [redacted] LIGHT....WHICH SEEMED TO STOP THEM FROM ADVANCING FROM THAT DIRECTION. AFTER THREE HOURS OF THIS....THE [redacted] AMILY DECIDED TO GO AFTER HELP. THERE IS NO PHONE IN THE HOME. THE FAMILY GOT INTO THE CARS... AND SHORTLY AFTER ARRIVED AT THE HOPKINSVILLE POLICE STATION. AFTER RELATING THEIR TALE TO POLICE....A WHOLE POSSE OF HOPKINSVILLE POLICE, STATE TROOPERS, AND SHERIFF'S OFFICERS DECENDED UPON THE SCENE. THEY FOUND NOTHING. HERE, HOWEVER, WE MIGHT CONJECTURE A B BIT...THE OBJECTS DID NOT LIKE LIGHT, AND WE CAN SAFELY ASSUME THAT

THE [redacted]N HOUSE WAS LIT UP LIKE A ROMAN CANDLE. LOCAL AND STATE OFFICERS STAYED ON THE SCENE FOR ABOUT TWO HOURS...AND NOT ONE FOOTPRINT OR TRACE OF THE OBJECTS WERE SEEN. POLICE DID AGREE, HOWEVER, THAT SOMETHING WAS AMISS...AS THE [redacted] FAMILY WERE TOO POSITIVE THEY HAD SEEN SOMETHING, AND WERE VERY BADLY FRIGHTENED. THE POLICE LEFT AROUND ONE OCLOCK, AND THE [redacted]N FAMILY TRIED TO SETTLE DOWN FOR THE NIGHT. THE ELDEST OF THE GROUP, A MRS. [redacted], WAS RESTING IN HER BED SITUATED NEAR THE SIDE [redacted] WINDOW. AGAIN...ALL THE LIGHTS WERE OFF...AND SHE BECAME AWARE OF SOMETHING GLOWING IN THE WINDOW. SHE LOOKED..AND SAW THE BEING WATCHING HER. IT'S HANDS WERE RAISED IN THAT FAMILIAR POSITION OF ABOUT TO BE ROBBED, BUT IT MADE NO MOTION. MRS. [redacted] LOOKED AWAY FROM THE WINDOW...SHOOK HER HEAD IN DISBELIEF, AND TURNED AGAIN TO THE OPENING. NOTHING HAD CHANGED...AND ONCE AGAIN SHE TURNED HER HEAD AWAY AND BLINKED HER EYES, AGAIN THE SAME SIGHT WAS THERE TO SEE WHEN SHE LOOKED. SHE SOFTLY CALLED TO THE REST OF THE FAMILY TO COME AND LOOK. THE SHOTGUN WAS AGAIN BROUGHT TO PLAY ON THE LITTLE MAN FROM THE BACK PORCH, HAVING EXACTLY THE SAME RESULTS AS BEFORE. THE NIGHT WORE ON, AND JUST BEFORE DAYBREAK THE OBJECTS DISSAPPEARED. WE MIGHT CONJECTURE AGAIN HERE...THIS WOULD CERTAINLY AGREE WITH WHAT WE HAVE ASSUMED ABOUT T THEIR SENSITIVE EYES. THE [redacted] HOUSEHOLD, NEEDLESS TO SAY, DIDN'T SLEEP THE ENTIRE NIGHT, AND SHORTLY AFTER DAY BREAK...THE GROUNDS WERE CRAWLING WITH THE CURIOUS. THE FOREGOING IS THE NEAREST THING TO CHRONOLOGICAL HAPPENINGS OF THAT NIGHT, PEICED TOGETHER FROM THE INTERVIEWS I HAD WITH EACH OF THE SEVEN ADULTS INVOLVED.

I ROSE LATE THAT PARTICULAR MONDAY MORNING...AS IT WAS MY DAY OFF FROM WORK. BEING AN AMATEUR RADIO OPERATOR, I DECIDED TO WORK ON MY HOBBY. WERE IT NOT FOR THIS...I WOULD HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO GET THE INTERVIEWS I DID. I RAN INTO A TOUGH PROBLEM, AND DECIDED TO SEEK THE ASSISTANCE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER AT THE RADIO STATION WHERE I WORK. AROUND ELEVEN OCLOCK I WANDERED INTO THE STATION, AND WAS GREETED BY VARIOUS COMMENTS...ALL CENTERING AROUND "HAVE YOU SEEN THE LITTLE GREEN MEN YET". INQUIRING INTO THE SITUATION, I RECEIVED A VAGUE REPORT ON THE NIGHTS' HAPPENINGS. REMEMBERING A RECENT ARTICLE ON POLICE ARTISTS RECONSTRUCTION OF FACIAL FEATURES...I DECIDED TO SEE IF I COULDN'T DO THE SAME. IN MY EARLIER YEARS, I HAD STUDIED ART AND PAINTING, SO I RESOLVED TO SEE IF I COULDN'T CLARIFY THE SITUATION. TAKING ONE OF THE AVAILABLE PERSONS THEIR AT THE STATION, WE S T OUT FOR THE [redacted] HOUSE, FULLY EQUIPPED WITH PENCILS AND LOADS OF PAPER. AS WE DROVE UP TO THE FRONT OF THE BUILDING, MRS. [redacted] WAS SITTING IN A CHAIR OUT ON THE LAWN. AFTER INTRODUCTIONS, SHEE AGREED WITH THE OTHER TWO LADIES AT HOME TO SIT DOWN WITH ME AND SEE WHAT WE COULD DRAW. AT THIS POINT I WANT TO INDICATE THAT I DID NOT LEAD THESE PEOPLE AS WE DREW THE PICTURE....THEY WERE EXTREMELY POSITIVE OF WHAT THE SAW...OR DIDN'T SEE....AND IT WAS MORE OF A MATTER OF MY FOLLOWING THEIR DIRECTIONS IN THE SHAPE OF THE FACE EYES, HANDS AND BODY. IF I WOULD EVEN SOM MUCH AS ADVANCE A SUPPOSITION OF HOW ONE PARTICULAR FEATURE LOOKED...THEY WOULD QUICKLY CORRECT ME. AND SO WE SAT....DRAWING SKETCH AFTER SKETCH. AT FIRST I HAD DRAWN A LARGE FACE AS THEY DIRECTED...HOWEVER AS WE PROGRESSED IT SEEMED RATHER OBVIOUS THE WHOLE BODY WOULD NOT FIT ON THE PAPER. SO WE STARTED AGAIN.....

IT WASN'T TOO LONG BEFORE THE APPARITION BEGAN TO TAKE FORM.... THE EYES LIKE SAUCERS, LARGE, AND SET ABOUT SIX INCHES APART, THEY SEEMED TO BE HALFWAY AROUND THE SIDE OF THE FACE, THE EARS...FLAPPY, LIKE AN PEICE OF LEATHER,...THEYX SEEMED TO BE POINTED AT THE TOP.. AND THEY WERE TOO BIG. (THAT'S THE WAY IT WAS DESCRIBED). THE HEAD ITSELF WAS CIRCULAR,...COMPLETELY BALD ON TOP...AND THE FEATURES SUCH AS THE EMES AND EARS WERE NOT PLACE ON THE HEAD AS WE MIGHT EXPECT THEM TO BE. WE PROGRESSED TO THE BODY...NO ONE WAS SURE WHETHER THERE WAS A NECK OR NOT...SO WE LEFT IT OUT. (LATER... WHEN THE THREE MEN CAME BACK FROM INDIANA, THEYX ALL AGREED THAT THERE WAS NO NECK)(THIS BY THE WAY WAS NOT ASKED FOR EITHER...IT WAS A VOLUTARY ADMISSION BY ALL THREE IN THEIR DISCRIPTION). THE BODY, ACCORDING TO THE WOMEN, WAS THIN...IT HAD SPINDLEY ARMS AND LEGS...AND A FORMLESS STRAIGHT FIGURE. THE ARMS WERE PECULIAR,... THEY WERE ALMOST TWICE AS LONG AS THE LEGS, AND ALMOST TOUCHED THE GROUND WHERE THE FEET WOULD BE. THE HANDS WERE HUGE, BULKY LOOKING THINGS, WITH TALONS THAT CURLED...SEVERAL INCHES LONG..IN PLACE OF FINGERNAILS. AFTER THE BASIC FORM WAS SKETCHED, AND THE HEAD ADDED TO THE TOP OF IT, MRS. [redacted] INFORMED US THAT IT WAS SO LIKE THE APPARITION SHE SAW...SHE WAS NOT GIOMG TO LOOK AT IT ANY LONGER.... AND PROCEEDED TO GO OUTSIDE. THE REMAINING TWO LADIES, MY SIDE-KICK AND MYSELF STAYED ON INSIDE TO PUT THE FINISHING TOUCHES ON THE DRAWING. THE ONLY PART OF THE FACE THAT NO ONE COULD DISCRIBE WAS THE NOSE...MAINLY BECAUSE THEY ALL AGREED THE HUGE EYES WERE TREMENDOUSLY FASCINATING, AND DREW THEIR ATTENTION FROM THE OTHER FEATURES. I ATTEMPTED TO SKETCH A NOSE IN, THEY SEEMED TO AGREE IT MIGHT HAVE HAD ONE, BUT NONE WERE SURE...SO WE REMOVED IT.

WHEN WE INTERVIEWED THE MEN LATER, JUST ONE OF THE FOUR [redacted] REMEMBERED A NOSE, AND HE DIDN'T SEEM TO SURE ABOUT IT) (THE OTHER THREE DEFINATELY STATED THERE WAS NO NOSE...SO..WE LEFT IT OUT) AFTER COMPLETEING THE DRAWING...WE TOOK IT OUTSIDE TO SHOW MRS. [redacted], WHO TOOK ONE LOOK, DECREED WE HADN'T MISSED A THING... AND ASKED ME TO TAKE IT AWAY...SHE DIDN'T WANT TO LOOK AT IT ANYMORE. WE SPENT THREE HOURS AT THE [redacted] HOUSEHOLD THAT MORNING AND AFTERNOON, AND ASKED IF WE COULDN'T COME BACK THAT EVENING WHEN THE MEN WOULD ARRIVE FROM EVANSVILLE INDIANA. THREE OF THE MEN, [redacted], AND TWO OTHERS HAD GONE THEIR SHORTLY AFTER BREAKFAST TO GET A TRUCK REPAIRED. THE WOMEN AGREED WE COULD COME BACK THAT ~~EVENING~~ NIGHT, SO WE HEADED BACK FOR THE CITY. WHILE ALL WAS FRESH IN MY MIND, I SAT DOWN TO REDRAW THE SKETCH, AS THE RATHER "BEAT-UP" COFFEE TABLE I HAD USED AT THE [redacted] FARM WAS NOT THE BEST DRAWING BOARD I'D EVER WORKED ON. TRACING THE BASIC SKETCH SO AS NOT TO LOSE THE PROPORTIONS, I SMOOTHED UP THE ROUGH SPOTS, AND SHADED THE DRAWING TO GIVE MORE EMPHASIS TO THE FACIAL AND BODY FEATURES. IT WAS THIS DRAWING THAT I TOOK BACK WITH ME THAT EVENING AROUND 7:30, AFTER AGAIN PICKING UP MY SIDE-KICK. [redacted]...WHO HAD BEEN WORKING IN THE FEILDS ALL DAY...HAD PRECEEDED MY ARRIVAL BY AN HOUR. I VERY QUIETLY LAYED DOWN THE DRAWING ON THE BED BESIDE WHERE I WAS STANDING, AND THEN MOVED AWAY. [redacted] CAME INTO THE ROOM, GLANCED AT THE BED...SAW THE DRAWING...RAN OVER AND PICKED IT UP...AND GAVE US ALL THE COLD CHILLS BY DECLARING "THIS IS IT, THIS IS IT, IT LOOKS JUST LIKE IT". (LATER HOWEVER, HE HAD A LOT TO ADD TO IT, HE SAW ~~I~~ THINGS THAT NO ONE ELSE SEEMED TO HAVE SEEN).

I ASKED HIM THEN INTO THE NEXT ROOM....AND BY OURSELVES HE STARTED TO DRAW PICTURE NUMBER TWO...USING THE FIRST AS A BASIS. AGAIN, I DID NOT PROMPT HIM, BUT LET HIM LEAD ME IN THE DRAWING. THE CORRECTIONS WERE MINOR,..(HE EXPERIMENTED WITH EARPHONES AND ANTENNA'S PROTRUDING FROM THE HEAD, WAS VERY POSITIVE ABOUT A MUSCULAR BODY, AND EVEN THOUGH HE WASN'T AN ARTIST, ATTEMPTED TO DRAW IN SEVERAL FEATURES HE SAID HE SAW. MY OBSERVATION: I BELIVE HE WAS ELABORATING CONSIDERABLY,) HE WAS THE ONE WHO WAS SURE HE HAD SEEN A NOSE...BUT WOULD RETRACT HIS OBSERVATION IN FRONT OF [redacted] AFTER THE SECOND DRAWING WAS COMPLETED...WE STEPPED OUTSIDE FOR A BREATH OF FRESH AIR....NO AWAITING THE ARRIVAL OF THE LAST THREE WITNESSES TO THE ACTIVITY OF THE NIGHT BEFORE. WE HAD ONLY BEEN OUTSIDE FOR A MINUTE...WHEN A THUNDERSHOWER DOUSED ~~EVERYONE~~ EVERYONE WHO COULDN'T FIND SHELTER. WE WENT BACK INTO THE HOUSE WE MIGHT REMIND YOU AT THIS POINT THAT THE [redacted] FAMILY HAD NOW BEEN ~~XX~~ AWAKE FOR MORE THAN THIRTY-SIX HOURS...AND IT WAS BEGINNING TO SHOW. MRS. [redacted] IN PARTICULAR WAS UNHAPPY, AND WENT TO THE DOOR SEVERAL TIMES TO ASK THE SIGHTSEERS TO #PLEASE GO AWAY#. THE SHOWER, AS WE SAID, DID SEND ALL SCURRING FOR THEIR CARS, BUT IT WAS SHORT-LIVED...AND THEY CAME RIGHT BACK. THIS WAS THE SCENE AND TEMPER OF THE PEOPLE WHEN [redacted] DECIDED AT 8:30. [redacted] IS A RATHER COMMANDEERING TYPE OF FELLOW.. HE'S WELL BUILT, STRONG, HAS DARK BLACK HAIR, AND WASN'T AT ALL HAPPY WITH THE HOMECOMING HE RECEIVED. CARS WERE LINED UP FOR A HALF MILE IN EITHER DIRECTION, AND HIS FRONT YARD WAS FULL OF THE CURIOUS. HE CAME INTO THE HOUSE LIKE A BEAR. WE HAD GONE INTO ONE OF THE FRONT ROOMS JUST BEFORE HIS ARRIVAL ON THE SCENE.

HERE...A PFC FROM NEARBY FORT CAMPBELL HAD COME OUT TO DO THE SAME THING I HAD HAD DONE EARLIER WITH THE MEN....DRAW AN ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF THE LITTLE MEN. BY THE WAY..THE SOLDIER HAD NOT SEEN MY DRAWING,...AND WITH [redacted] HELP...HE HAD BEGUN TO PIECE TOGETHER A DRAWING THAT WAS HIGHLY SIMILAR TO MINE. THE ONLY SAD PART OF THE WHOLE AFFAIR WAS THAT HE WAS EATING UP, HOOK LINE AND SINKER, THE ANTENNA'S ON THE HEAD WHICH NO ONE ELSE HAD SEEN, AND THE VARIETY OF FEATURES WHICH NO ONE ELSE HAD EVEN MENTIONED. [redacted] WAS THOROUGHLY ENJOYING HIS POPULARITY. AT THIS POINT THE DOOR WAS THROWN OPEN....AND IN STRODE #[redacted] WHO SCOWLED AND SAID.."WHAT'S GOING ON HERE". I GOT THE DEFINITE IMPRESSION THAT HIS MOTHER IN LAW...MRS [redacted] HAD PLEADED WITH HIM TO REMOVE ALL SIGHTSEERS FROM THE HOUSE AND SURROUNDINGS AND HE WAS ABOUT TO START WITH US. HOWEVER, BEFORE HE DID ANYTHING ELSE, HIS EYES DROPPED ONTO THE TABLE WHERE MY DRAWING WAS LAYING. WITHOUT SAYING ANOTHER WORD, HE SAT DOWN, AND ONE COULD TELL FROM THE LOOK ON HIS FACE THAT WE HAD STRUCK HOME WITH THAT PICTURE. HE LOOKED IT OVER, STARTED TO SHAKE HIS HEAD, AND SAID..."NO, THE FACE IS ALMOST RIGHT BUT, IT DOESN'T COME TO A POINT". WE GOT RIGHT TO WORK ON THE SECOND DRAWING USING THE FIRST AS A GUIDE, MAKING CHANGES IN THE SECOND AS WE WENT ALONG. AT ONE POINT HE STOOD UP TO DISCRIBE HOW HE HAD FIRED ON THE APPARITION THE NIGHT BEFORE, BRINGING THE SHOTGUN DOWN TO BEAR ON THE LITTLE FELLOW...ONLY FEET AWAY. [redacted] IN MY JUDGEMENT, IS NOT THE TYPE TO BECOME EASILY FRIGHTENED, THAT IS, UNTIL THINGS GET BEYOND THE AVERAGE UNDERSTANDING OF PEOPLE; WHEN THE TWELVE GAGUE SHOTGUN DIDN'T SEEM TO HAVE ANY EFFECT, HE TURNED AND RETREATED INTO THE HOUSE. HE VOLUNTEERED THE INFORMATION AT THAT POINT, THAT, WHEN THE SHOT STRUCK THE OBJECT, "IT SOUNDED AS THO I HAD BEEN FIRING AT A BUCKET." THE DRAWING PROGRESSED MUCH AS THE FIRST DID.....THE HEAD WAS BALD, ALL AGREED ON THAT. THE CHIN THAT [redacted] SPOKE ABOUT EARLIER WAS ROUND, MAKING THE HEAD AN ALMOST PERFECT CIRCLE. THE MOUTH AS IN THE FIRST CASE, WAS NOT MUCH MORE THAN A LINE STRAIGHT ACROSS THE FACE, AND THE MEN COULDN'T DISCRIBE ANY OTHER OUTSTANDING FEATURES WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE EARS. THEY WERE FLAPPY, AND CONSIDERABLY TALLER THAN THE WOMEN'S DISCRIPTION HAD INDICATED.

BEYOND TILT, THEY WERE SWEPT BACK, MORE IN THE MANNER [redacted] OF A HUMANS' EAR.THEY DID AGREE, HOWEVER, THAT THE BASIC FORM OF THE EAR WAS CORRECT. BECAUSE OF THE CONSTERNATION EARLIER OVER THE POSSIBILITY OF A NOSE, I MADE A POINT OF LEADING THEM UP TO THAT QUESTION. WHEN NO ONE OFFERED ANY INFORMATION ABOUT A NOSE....I FINALLY CAME RIGHT OUT AND ASKED ABOUT IT. NONE OF THE THREE HAD SEEN ONE,....AND [redacted] WAS SURE THERE WASN'T ANY. IT WAS AT THIS POINT THAT [redacted]..WHO WAS LISTENING FROM THE OTHER SIDE OF THE ROOM AS HE WORKED WITH THE SOLDIER ON THAT DRAWING, SAID HE HAD DEFINITLY SEEN ONE, HOWEVER [redacted] GAVE HIM A DISDAINFUL LOOK....AND [redacted] AFTER SOME HEDGE-ING..RELENTED AND SAID HE WASN'T SURE. THAT GAVE THE SOLDIER A BAD OUTLOOK ON MR [redacted] AND HE STARTED POINT BY POINT OVER HIS DRAWING AGAIN WITH HIM. WE RETURNED TO OUR OWN DRAWING. THE HAUNTING CORRELATION CONTINUED, AS THE MEN CONTINUED TO CONFIRM, DISAGREE WITH, OR ADVANCE SOME NEW FEATURE, THE BODY ABOVE THE WAIST WAS POWERFUL, AND BEACH, THIN AND SPINDLEY, AS THO THE LEGS AND ARMS WERE MADE OF BROOM HANDLES. AGAIN, WE FOUND, AS WITH THE WOMEN, THE MEN HAD NOT SEEN ANY FEET. [redacted], HOWEVER, WHO WAS STILL BEING INTERVIEWED BY THE SOLDIER, TOLD OF FEET THAT RESEMBLED SUCTIONCUPS, BUT SINCE HE WAS IN THE MINORITY...WE DECIDED NOT TO MAKE ANY INDICATION OF FEET, EXCEPT FOR A WIDENING IN THAT AREA. THE ASSUMPTION HERE MAY BE BAD OR GOOD, HOWEVER IT SEEMED REASONABLE THAT THE OBJECT WOULD HAVE TO ~~HAVE~~ HAVE SOMETHING MORE THAN BROOMSTICK LEGS TO SUPPORT IT IN AN UPRIGHT POSITION WITH IT'S ARMS RAISED. PERHAPS IT(S A FALSE IDEA THO...BECAUSE WEIGHT WAS NO PROBLEM APPARENTLY...THEY COULD "FLOAT" DOWN F OM ROOF-TOPS. THE HANDS WERE LARGE....WAY OUT OF SIZE...OF THAT THEY ALL AGREED. THE OUTSTANDING FEATURES OF THE ARMS AND HANDS WERE THE SAME IN BOTH THE WOMENS AND MENS DISCRIPTIONS, WITH THIS EXCEPTION. LUCKY VENTURED THE POSSIBILITY OF WEBBING BETWEEN THE TALONS, ABOVE THE FIRST NUCKLE. THIS REMAK WAS UNSOLICITED ALSO. AND SO IT WENT....UNTIL THE IMAGE WAS AS COMPLETE AS THE MEN COULD REMEMBER. DURING THIS TIME....ALL THREE MEN WERE SEATED AROUND THE TABLE WITH ME.... AND HAD NOT AN OPPURTUNITY EVEN TO EAT.THEIR SUPPER...LET ALONE TALK WITH ANYONE

SPECIFYING OUR DISCUSSIONS AND DRAWING. WE SPENT ANOTHER HALF AN HOUR TALKING WITH THE THREE MEN AND WOMEN WHO THEN CAME IN...AND THEN DECIDED WE HAD BOTHERED THE FAMILY ENOUGH. A QUICK CHECK WITH THE SOLDIER WHO WAS JUST COMPLETEING HIS FIRST (AND LAST I ASSUME) DRAWING, AND IT REVEALED AN AMAZING SIMILARITY, EVEN TO THE PROPORTIONS HE HAD WORKED OUT FROM [redacted]. WE WENT DOWN THE FIGURES POINT BY POINT, AND ONLY IN A FEW OUTSTANDING DIFFERENCES DID THEY DIFFER....AND THOSE WERE THE SAME ODDITIES ADVANCED BY [redacted] ONLY. WHETHER OR NOT...HE ATTEMPTED TO GET THE DRAWINGS FROM THE WOMEN AND THREE MEN....I DON'T KNOW. CONSIDERING THE TEMPER OF [redacted], I DOUBT IF HE DID.

I WOULD LIKE TO INDICATE AT THIS POINT THAT THESE SEVEN ADULTS HAD TOLD ME ALMOST PARALLEL STORIES, AND GIVEN ME ALMOST PARALLEL PICTURES, YET THREE OF THE MEN HAD LEFT EARLY THAT MORNING FOR EVANSVILLE INDIANA, AND HAD NOT BEEN HOME THROUGHOUT THE DAY. IT WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR THAT MANY PEOPLE TO GIVE ME TWO SEPERATE PICTURES THAT WERE WOULD TALLY SO CLOSE WITHOUT FIRST TALKING TOGETHER AND DECIDING WHAT EACH FEATURE LOOKED LIKE. THIS WAS NOT AN INTERVIEW WHERE ONE WOULD LOOK AT THE OTHER AND SAY..."IS THAT WHAT YOU THINK IT LOOKED LIKE"... OH NO...ALL SEVEN WERE SURE OF WHAT THEY HAD SEEN....AND WITH THE EXCEPTION OF [redacted] AND THE NOSE EPISODE....NONE WOULD DETRACT FROM WHAT THEY HAD SEEN...EVEN UNDER CLOSE CROSS-EXAMINATION. (I USE THAT WORD LIGHTLY,MIND YOU)(YOU COULDN'T EXACTLY CROSS EXAMINE [redacted].) THROUGHOUT THE WHOLE PERIOD I TRIED TO ASSUME THE MOST OBJECTIVE ATTITUDE. I MADE A MENTAL NOTE NOT TO BELIVE OR DIBELIEVE, BUT TO REPORT THE INCIDENT AS IT WAS TOLD TO ME FROM THE FAMILY'S LIPS. ACTUALLY, I THINK BELEIVE I WAS IN A UNIQUE POSITION, BECAUSE UNTIL THE TIME I REACHED THE STATION, I HAD NOT HEARD ANYTHING ABOUT THE INCIDENT, AND AFTER THE INTIAL JESTS....I DECIDED TO KEEP AN OPEN MIND UNTIL I COULD TELL FOR MYSELF.

IT'S PARTICULARLY AMUSING TO NOTE HOW THE LOCAL NEWSPAPER REPORTS....INSTEAD OF A TWO-EYED OBJECT THAT WAS SILVERISH IN APPEARANCE, IT SEEMS TO HAVE TURNED INTO A ONE-EYED LITTLE GREEN MAN. THIS IS JUST ONE MINOR INSTANCE OF HOW THE STORY ~~XXXXXX~~ WAS ALTERED. EVERYONE WHO TELLS THE TALE SEEMS TO ADD HIS OWN INTERPRETATION OF HOW THESE OBJECTS LOOKED. FOR THIS REASON, I AM EXTREMELY PLEASED THAT WE HAD THE ADVANTAGE OF TIME. OUR INTERVIEW WAS THE FIRST COMPLETE REPORT OF THE WHOLE NIGHT'S HAPPENINGS, TOLD AFTER THE INITIAL ONSET OF SIGHTSEERS. THE WOMEN WERE RELAXED....AND WE HAD NO DISTURBANCE FOR TWO FULL HOURS. THAT NIGHT WE GOT THE MEN IN THE SAME CONDITION, IMMEDIATELY...BEFORE THEY HAD AN OPPURTUNITY TO DISCUSS THE HAPPENINGS ~~XXXXXX~~ WITH THEIR WIVES AND FRIENDS. I WAS HIGHLY IMPRESSED WITH THEIR SINCERITY, BOTH MEN AND WOMEN, AND ONE OTHER FACTOR WAS STILL IN EVIDENCE WHEN I ARRIVED THAT MORNING..... THEY WERE STILL FRIGHTENED....AND WERE NOT OVER IT WHEN I LAST SAW THEM!!!!!!!!

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AS SOON AS AFTER HALF HOUR TALKING WITH THESE MEN, AND BOTH
[illegible] HAD BUTTONED THE FAMILY MOUTH. A JUNIOR OFFICER WITH THE
SOLDIER WHO WAS JUST COMPLETING HIS DELIVERY OF THE FIGURES,
SIMULTANEOUSLY AS THE FIRST ONE I DREW. AS I LAID DOWN THE FIGURES, POINT
BY POINT, AND IN ONLY A FEW MINOR INSTANCES DID THEY DIFFER.
I WOULD LIKE TO INDICATE AT THIS POINT THAT THESE SEVEN ADULTS
HAD TOLD ALMOST PARALLEL STORIES, AND GIVEN/ALMOST IDENTICAL
FIGURES, YET THREE OF THE MEN HAD LEFT EARLY THAT MORNING FOR A
TOWN ALMOST 90 MILES AWAY, WITHIN FIVE HOURS OF THE LAST VISITATIONS.
IF THEY HAD ALL STAYED HOME THROUGHOUT THE DAY, IT WOULD BE VERY
UNLIKELY THAT I COULD GET TWO SEPERATE PICTURES FROM THEM, AS THEY
ALL WOULD HAVE TALKED TOGETHER UNTIL ONE CONSENSUS PORTRAYAL EMERGED.
THIS WAS NOT THE TYPE OF INTERVIEW WHERE ONE SUBJECT WOULD LOOK
AT THE OTHER AND SAY, "IS THAT WHAT YOU THINK IT LOOKED LIKE"?
ALL SEVEN WERE FIRMLY SURE OF WHAT THEY HAD SEEN, AND COULD NOT
BE SWAYED BY THE IMPRESSIONS OF THE OTHERS. EVEN THO THEY DID
DIFFER IN A FEW MINOR INSTANCES, NONE OF THEM THE SEVEN WOULD
CONDESCEND TO CHANGE THEIR THOUGHTS.

THROUGHOUT THIS PERIOD I HAVE TRIED TO ASSUME THE MOST OBJECTIVE
ATTITUDE. I MADE A MENTAL NOTE NOT TO BELIEVE OR DISBELIEVE,
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THIS IS THE STORY OF MY CONNECTION WITH THE "SPACE MEET" THAT OCCURRED ON THE [redacted] FARM...LOCATED ABOUT SIX MILES FROM THE TOWN IN WHICH I LIVE...HOPKINSVILLE KENTUCKY. ACTUALLY, EVERYTHING THAT YOU AND MOST MEN ON IS SECOND HAND...HOWEVER IT'S THE BEST SECONDHAND INFORMATION IN THE WORLD...AS IT CAME DIRECTLY FROM THE LIPS OF THE SEVEN ADULTS INVOLVED. THESE SAME SEVEN THAT I REFER TO LIVED THRU AN A VERY HARROWING NIGHT...AND FROM WHAT I CAN DETERMINE... ONLY THAT THEY WOULD NOT LIKE TO SEE REPEATED. XX TO THE BEST OF ANYBODY'S KNOWLEDGE....IT STARTED AROUND 7:30 OR 8 OCLOCK ON THE NIGHT OF SUNDAY...AUGUST 21ST, 1955. [redacted] A VISITOR TO THE [redacted] HOUSEHOLD FROM CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA, WAS DRAWING WATER FROM A WELL IN THE REAR OF THE ONE STORY BUILDING. AS HE WAS DRAWING THE BUCKET UP...HE SAW A SAUCER-SHAPED OBJECT IN THE SKY TRAILING AN EXHAUST WHICH HAD ALL THE COLORS IN THE RAINBOW. THE OBJECT CAME XX FROM THE WEST...PASSED ACROSS THE RESIDENCE AND PROCEEDED DOWN INTO THE FIELD BEHIND THE SUTTON HOUSEHOLD. IT SEEMED TO SLOW DOWN... COME TO A HALT AND DROPPED VERTICALLY TO THE GROUND AND DISSAPEARED WITH A SOUND LIKE "POOF". THE FIELD BEHIND THE HOUSE XXXX HAS A SLIGHT RISE TO IT FOR ABOUT 500 YARDS...THEN FALLS AWAY TO THE BOTTOM OF A GULLY APPROXIMATELY ONE QUARTER OF A MILE FROM THE HOME. THE OBJECT DROPPED BEHIND THIS RISE IN IT'S FALL...AND TO THIS DATE NO TRACE OF THE EXACT POSITION OF IT'S LANDING HAS BEEN FOUND. IN THAT GENERAL DIRECTION...THE FIELD IS BOUNDED ON THE LEFT AND RIGHT WITH TREES...AND IT MAY BE THAT EXAMINATION OF THE WOODED AREA TO THE LEFT OF THE FIELD WOULD PRODUCE SOMETHING.

FOR A TIME...[redacted] WAS TRANSFIXED BY WHAT HE HAD SEEN...BUT SHORTLY AFTERWARD HOWEVER...HE RAN INTO THE HOUSE..TELLING THE THINGS HE HAD SEEN. NO ONE BELIEVED HIM RIGHT AWAY....AND AFTER TALKING ABOUT IT FOR A WHILE...THE WHOLE FAMILY PASSED IT OFF AS BEING FUNNY.

ABOUT ONE HALF HOUR LATER HOWEVER,,,.THE SMILES DROPPED OFF THEIR FACES. [redacted] AND ANOTHER MEMBER OF THE FAMILY WERE STILL TALKING ABOUT THE INCIDENT IN THE REAR OF THE HOUSE...NEAR THE BEDROOM DOOR.

APPROACHING FROM THE FIELD WAS A STRANGE GLOW....AND AS IT CAME NEARER...THEY COULD MAKE OUT WHAT SEEMED TO BE A SMALL MAN. HE WAS AROUND THREE AND ONE HALF FEET TALL, HAD AN EXTREMELY OVERSIZED HEAD WHICH WAS ALMOST PERFECTLY ROUND, AND THE ARMS EXTENDED ALMOST TO THE GROUND WITH LARGE, OUT OF SIZE HANDS WHICH HAD TALONS ON THE ENDS OF THE FINGERS. THE EYES WERE SAUCER - LIKE...MUCH BIGGER THAN A HUMANS...AND GLOWED A YELLOWISH COLOR. THE BODY WAS SEEMINGLY MADE OF A SILVER METAL...THAT GAVE OFF AN EERIE LIGHT...SIMILAR TO THE RADIUM DIAL ON SOME WATCHES. HIS HANDS WERE RAISED AS IF SOME ONE HAD TOLD HIM HE WAS GOING TO BE ROBBED. HE MOVED SLOWLY TOWARD THE BACK DOOR. [redacted] AND [redacted] ARMED THEMSELVES WITH A SHOTGUN FOR [redacted]..AND A .22 FOR [redacted] WITHDRAWING INTO THE HOUSE...THEY AWAITED THE ARRIVAL OF THE CREATURE. PRESENTLY...IT APPEARED AT A SIDE WINDOW...AND BOTH OF THEM CUT LOOSE WITH THE RIFLES. IT DID A BACK FLIP....GOT UP..AND SCURRIED AWAY INTO THE DARKNESS. THE MEN DECIDED TO GO OUTSIDE AND SEE IF IT WAS HIT. [redacted] STOOD IN THE FRONT DOOR ...AND FROM THE BOTTOM OF THE METAL OBJECT THAT WAS IMMEDIATELY ABOVE THE ENTRANCE...CAME A CLAW LIKE HAND...REACHING DOWN TO HIS HAIR. SEVERAL INSIDE THE BUILDING SAW IT REACHING...AND SCREAMED TO [redacted] DARTING OUTSIDE....HE TURNED AND FIRED ON THE OBJECT ABOVE. THE IMPACT ROCKED IT OVER THE ROOF..

BUT APPARENTLY DIDN'T HARM IT...AS IT "FLOATED" DOWN FROM THE ROOF ON THE OTHER SIDE...LANDING ON THE GROUND WITHOUT A NOISE. IT THEN SCURRIED OFF INTO THE UNDERBRUSH. SEVERAL OF THE MEN WERE OUT FRONT NOW...AND THEY DISCOVERED ANOTHER UP IN THE TREE...AND ONE ON THE GROUND RIGHT IN FRONT OF [redacted]. HE BROUGHT THE SHOTGUN TO BEAR ON THE LITTLE FELLOW AT POINT BLANK RANGE....FIRED....AND STOOD IN AMAZEMENT AS IT FLIPPED OVER AND GOT UP. WHEN A DIRECT BLAST FROM A TWELVE GAUGE SHOTGUN DIDN'T SEEM TO AFFECT IT... [redacted] DECIDED THAT WAS NO TIME TO STAND THERE AND ARGUE. AFTER THEY HAD ALL RETURNED TO THE HOUSE AND WERE DECIDING WHAT TO DO NEXT...THE OBJECTS WOULD CONTINUE TO COME TO THE WINDOW AND PEER INSIDE. THE [redacted] FAMILY WOULD FIRE THROUGH THE WINDOW...IT WOULD FLIP OVER OR FALL BACK AND DISSAPEAR FOR A FEW MINUTES. HOWEVER THEM KEPT COMING BACK...TIME AFTER TIME. SOMEONE THEN DISCOVERED THAT THEY WERE ADVERSE TO LIGHT....THEIR EYES YOU'LL REMEMBER WERE EXTREMELY LARGE LIKE A NIGHT OWL..AND APPARENTLY JUST AS SENSITIVE. BY KEEPING THE BACK AND FRONT PORCH LIGHTS ON, EVENTUALLY THE OBJECTS WOULD ONLY APPROACH FROM THE SIDE. AFTER THREE HOURS OF THIS...THE FAMILY DECIDED TO GO TO THE NEARBY TOWN OF HOPKINSVILLE, AND GET ASSISTANCE FROM POLICE. THERE WAS NO PHONE IN THE HOME, SO A SPOKESMAN FOR THE GROUP QUICKLY RELATED THE NIGHTS EVENTS....AND A WHOLE POSSEE OF HOPKINSVILLE POLICE, STATE TROOPERS, AND SHERIFF'S MEN DECIDED UPON THE SCENE. THEY FOUND NOTHING. HERE, HOWEVER, WITH THE KNOWLEDGE WE NOW HAVE, WE MUST CONSIDER A DIM, THE OBJECTS INVOLVED DID NOT LIKE LIGHT....AND WHEN THE BARRAGE OF MEN CAME UPON THE SCENE WITH GUNS, FLASHLIGHTS AND THE LIKE...WE CAN RATHER ASSUME THE OBVIOUS THAT THE HOME WAS LIT UP LIKE A ROMAN CANDLE.

DATE 4-4-4-4

[redacted] AND STAFF OF ICERS STAYED UPON THE SCENE FOR ABOUT TWO HOURS..
AND NOT ONE FOOTPRINT, OR TRACE OF THE OBJECTS WERE SEEN. POLICE
DID NOTICE SOMETHING WAS AMISS... AS THE [redacted] FAMILY
WAS SO POSITIVE THEY HAD SEEN SOMETHING, AND [redacted] DOWN BE
FRIGHTENED. THE POLICE LEFT, AROUND ONE O'CLOCK...AND THE [redacted]
FAMILY TRIED TO SETTLE DOWN FOR THE NIGHT. THE ELDEST OF THE
GROUP, A MRS. [redacted], WAS RESTING IN HER BED...SITUATED NEAR A
SIDE
[redacted] WINDOW. AGAIN...ALL THE LIGHTS WERE OFF...AND SHE BECAME
CONSCIOUS OF SOMETHING GLOWING AT THE WINDOW. SHE LOOKED AND SAW
THE BEING WATCHING HER. IT'S HANDS WERE AGAIN RAISED IN THAT
FAMILIAR POSITION OF ABOUT TO BE ROBBED, BUT IT MADE NO MOTION.
MRS. [redacted] LOOKED AWAY FROM THE WINDOW, SHOOK HER HEAD IN
DISBELIEF AS THO SHE DIDN'T SEE ANYTHING...AND THEN TURNED BACK
AGAIN TOWARD THE OPENING. NOTHING HAD CHANGED...AND ONCE AGAIN
SHE TURNED HER FACE AWAY AND BLINKED HER EYES TO BE SURE OF WHAT
SHE HAD SEEN. THE THIRD TIME SHE LOOKED...SHE WAS CONVINCED...AND
SOFTLY CALLED TO THE REMAINDER OF THE FAMILY TO COME IN AND LOOK.
THE SHOTGUN WAS AGAIN BROUGHT INTO PLAY...HAVING EXACTLY THE SAME
RESULTS AS BEFORE. THE NIGHT WORE ON...AND BEFORE DAYBREAK THE
MEN DISAPPEARED COMPLETELY, AGAIN THIS ACTION COINCIDES WITH THE
CONJECTURE MADE BEFORE....THEY LEFT BEFORE THE SUN CAME UP.
THE [redacted] HOUSEHOLD, NEEDLESS TO SAY, DIDN'T SLEEP AT ALL THAT
NIGHT...AND DURING THE EARLY MORNING HOURS THE FARM WAS CRAWLING
WITH THE CURIOUS AND SIGHTSEER'S.
THE FOREGOING ACCT IS THE NEAREST THING TO THE ACTUAL HAPPENINGS
OF THE NIGHT BEFORE....WHICH I PIECED TOGETHER FROM THE VARIOUS
STORIES OF THE SEVEN ADULTS INVOLVED.

I ROSE LATE THIS PARTICULAR MONDAY MORNING....S IT WAS MY DAY OFF FROM WORK AT THE RADIO STATION. BEING AN AMATEUR RADIO OPERATER I SPENT SEVERAL HOURS TRYING TO LICK A ROUGH PROBLEM IN THE TRANSMITTER I WAS BUILDING. I CAME TO A POINT, WHERE NEEDED THE ASSISTANCE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER OF WHO...WHO I KNEW WAS AT WORK. AROUND ELEVEN OCLOCK I WANDERED INTO THE STATION, AND WAS GREETED BY VARIOUS COMMENTS ,...ALL CENTERING AROUND THIS LITTLE PHRASE "HAVE YOU SEEN THE LITTLE GREEN MEN YET"? INQUIRING INTO SITUATION, I RECEIVED A VAGUE REPORT OF THE NIGHTS HAPPENINGS. REMEMBERING AN ARTICLE THAT I HAD READ RECENTLY, WHERE POLICE RECONSTRUCTED ~~THE~~ A KILLERS FACIAL APPEARENCE BY USING A COMMERCIAL ARTIST, I DECIDED TO SEE IF I COULDN'T DO THE SAME. IN MY EARLIER YEARS, I HAD STUDIED ART, AND ~~THEREBY~~ PAINTING, AND SO I RESOLVED TO SEE IF I COUNLDN'T HELP CLARIFY THE SITUATION. TAKING ONE OF THE AVAILABLE PERSONS THERE AT THE STATION...WE SET OUT FOR THE [redacted] HOUSE.....FULLY EQUIPPED WITH PENCILS AND LOADS OF PAPER. AS WE DROVE INTO THE FRONT OF THE BUILDING, MRS. [redacted] WAS SITTING IN A CHAIR OUT ON THE LAWN. AFTER INTRODUCTIONS, SHE AGREED ALONG WITH TWO OTHERS OF THE FAMILY WHO WERE HOME TO SIT DOWN AND SEE WHAT WE COUED DRAW. AT THIS POINT, I WANT TO INDICATE THAT I DID NOT "LEAD" THESE PEOPLE IN AS WE DREW THE P CTURE, THEY WERE EXTREMELY POSITIVE OF WHAT THEY SAW...AND IT WAS MORE A MATTER OF ME FOLLOWING THEIR DIRECTIONS IN THE SHAPE OF THE EYES, FACE, AND OTHER IDENTIFEATURES OF THE "CREATURES". IF I WOULD ADVANCE A SUPPOSITION OF HOW IT LOOKED, THEY WOULD QUICKLY CORRECT ME, AND SO WE SIMPLY SAT THERE AND DREW SKETCH AFTER SKETCH.

IT WASN'T TOO LONG BEFORE THE APPARITION DIVIDED TO TAKE SOME SEMBLANCE OF FORM....THE EYES, LIKE SAUCERS, LARGE AND SET AROUND 6 INCHES APART...NOSE ON THE SIDE OF THE HEAD THAN IN FRONT LIKE A HUMANS. THE EARS...FLAPPY...LIKE A PIECE OF LEATHER...THEY SEEMED TO BE POINTED AT THE TOP...XXXXXXX AND THEY WERE TOO BIG. THE HEAD WAS CIRCULAR....COMPLETELY BALD ON TOP...AND THE FEATURES SUCH AS THE EYES AND EARS WERE NOT PLACED ON THE HEAD AS WE MIGHT EXPECT THEM TO BE. WE PROGRESSED TO THE BODY...NO ONE WAS SURE WHETHER THERE WAS A NECK OR NOT...SO WE LEFT IT OUT.(LATER.... WHEN XXX THREE OF THE MEN CAME BACK FROM EVANSVILLE INDIANA, THEY ALL AGREED WITHOUT MY [redacted] OR ANYONE'S PROMPTING THAT THERE DEFINITELY WASN'T ANY NECK. THE HEAD SAT RIGHT ON THE SHOULDERS.) THE BODY, ACCORDING TO THE WOMEN, WAS THIN, SPINDLEY ARMS AND LEGS, AND A FORMLESS STRAIGHT ~~BODY~~ FIGURE. THE ARMS WERE PECULIAR IN PARTICULAR, THEY WERE ALMOST TWICE AS LONG AS THE LEGS, AND ALMOST DOUBLED THE GROUND BESIDE WHERE THE FEET WOULD BE. THE HANDS WERE NONE, BEING LOOKING THINGS, WITH LONG FINGERS, AND TALONS ~~XXX~~ THAT CURLED SEVERAL INCHES LONG, WERE IN PLACE OF FINGERNAILS. AFTER THE BASIC FORM WAS SKETCHED IN, AND THE COMPLETED HEAD SITTING ON TOP OF IT, MRS. [redacted] INFORMED US THAT IT WAS SO LIKE THE APPARITION SHE SAW, SHE WAS NOT GOING TO LOOK AT IT ANY LONGER, AND PROCEEDED TO GO OUTSIDE. THE REMAINING TWO LADIES, ~~XXXXX~~ MY SIDEKICK, AND MYSELF ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ STAYED INSIDE TO PUT THE FINISHING TOUCHES ON THE DRAWING. THE ONLY PART OF THE FACE NO ONE COULD DESCRIBE, WAS A NOSE...MAINLY BECAUSE THEY ALL AGREED THE HUGE EYES WHICH BLOTTED OUT TREMENDOUSLY FASCINATING. I ATTEMPTED TO SKETCH A NOSE IN, THEY STATED IT MIGHT HAVE HAD ONE, BUT NO ONE COULD BE SURE. WE REMOVED IT. (WHEN THE MEN WERE INTERVIEWED LATER, IN JUST

ONE OF THE FOUR REMEMBERED A NOSE, AND HE WASN'T TOO SURE WHAT IT LOOKED LIKE.) THE OTHER THREE DEFINITELY STATED THERE WAS NO NOSE...SO..WE LEFT IT OUT) AFTER COMPLETION OF THE FIRST DRAWING, WE TOOK IT OUTSIDE TO MRS. [redacted], WHO TOO WAS THERE AND DECLARED THAT WE HADN'T MISSED A THING, AND SO TAKE IT AWAY, SHE DIDN'T WANT TO LOOK AT IT ANYMORE. ALL DURING THE DRAWING PERIOD, THE THREE WOMEN WOULD MAKE REFERENCE TO THE NIGHT BEFORE, ALWAYS WHILE EXPLAINING WHERE AND HOW THEY SAW THE CREATURES. IT WAS IN THAT WAY, THAT I WAS ABLE TO PIECE TOGETHER THE ABOVE SEQUENCE OF EVENTS. ADMITTEDLY, IT COULD BE INACCURATE CHRONOLOGICALLY, BUT EACH OF THE EVENTS DEPICTED TIED IN WITH THE POLICE REPORT, AND ALL SEVEN OF THE FAMILY THEM AGREE THAT IT HAPPENED IN ABOUT THAT WAY. I DOUBT IF ANY MEMBER OF THE FAMILY COULD NOW CORRELATE EVERYTHING THAT HAPPENED, SINCE ALL WERE BADLY SHAKEN BY THE NIGHTS EVENTS. WE SPENT ALMOST THREE HOURS AT [redacted] HOUSEHOLD THAT DAY, AND ASKED IF WE COULDN'T COME BACK THAT EVENING, WHEN THE FOUR MEN INVOLVED WOULD NOW ARRIVE HOME. THREE OF THEM, YOU'LL REMEMBER, HAD LEFT EARLY IN THE MORNING FOR EVANSVILLE INDIANA, WHERE THEY HAD HOPED TO GET A TRUCK REPAIRED. THE WOMEN AGREED THAT WE COULD COME BACK THAT NIGHT, AND SO WE DID, ARRIVING AROUND 7:15 THAT EVENING. [redacted], WHO WAS THE FOURTH MAN, HAD BEEN WORKING IN THE FIELDS ALL DAY, AND HAD PRECEEDED OUR ARRIVAL BY AN HOUR. I HAD LAID MY PICTURE OF THE CREATURE ON THE BED BESIDE WHERE I WAS SITTING. HE HAPPENED TO NOTICE IT, PICKED IT UP, AND IN AN EXCITED VOICE DECLARED "THATS IT, THATS IT, THAT LOOKS JUST LIKE IT".

FINALLY, IT GAVE US ALL THE COLD CHILLS, AS WE HAD NOT SEEN THE PICTURE BEFORE, NOR HAD ANY OF US SAID ANYTHING ABOUT IT. WE GOT DOWN TO BRASS TACKS THEN, AND WE STARTED TO HELP [illegible] MAKE SOME MINOR CORRECTIONS. AGAIN..I DID HOWEVER PROMPT HIM, BUT INSTEAD LET HIM[illegible] "LEAD" ME AS I DREW. THE CORRECTIONS WERE MINOR; HE WAS THE ONE THAT THOUGHT HE HAD SEEN A NOSE, BUT WASN'T POSITIVE ABOUT IT. OUR DISCUSSION AND SKETCHING CONTINUED UNTIL 9:15 THAT EVENING, WHEN WE DECIDED THAT OUR PICTURE WAS A CLOSE AS ANYTHING COULD BE. WE STEPPED OUTSIDE FOR A BREATH OF FRESH AIR, [redacted] MYSELF...AS THE Room HAD BECOME QUITE CROWDED. WE HAD ONLY BEEN OUTSIDE A FEW MINUTES WHEN WHEN A SMALL THUNDERSTORM PROCEEDED TO DOUSE EVERYONE WHO COULDN'T FIND SHELTER. AT THIS POINT, WE MIGHT REMIND YOU THAT THE [redacted] FAMILY HAD BEEN AWAKE ALMOST CONTINUALLY FOR 36 HOURS, AND IT WAS STARTING TO SHOW. MRS. [redacted] IN PARTICULAR WAS UNHAPPY, SHE CAME TO THE DOOR SEVERAL TIMES TO ASK THAT THE SIGHTSEERS "PLEASE GO AWAY". THE SHOWER DID SEND MANY PEOPLE SCURRYING FOR THEIR CARS, BUT THEY SEEMED JUST TO SIT IT OUT, AND RETURN TO THE FRONT OF THE HOUSE WHEN IT WAS OVER.

ABOUT 8:30 OR PERHAPS A LITTLE LATER, [redacted] AND THE TWO OTHER MEN THAT HAD GONE TO EVANSVILLE, RETURNED. [redacted] IS A GOOD UNDERSTANDING TYPE OF FELLOW, HE'S WELL BUILT, STRONG, HAS DARK BLACK HAIR, AND THAT EVENING, WASN'T VERY PLEASED AT THE SIGHT HE SAW IN FRONT OF HIS HOME. CARS WERE LINED UP IN THE ROADWAY HIS HOME SITS ON, AND THE FAMILY WAS MILLING ABOUT THE FRONT YARD. HE CAME INTO THE HOUSE LIKE A BEAR. WE HAD GONE INTO ONE OF THE FRONT ROOMS JUST BEFORE HIS ARRIVAL WITH

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..., WHEN PFC FROM NEARBY FT CAMPBELL HAD COME OUT TO DO THE SAME THING I HAD DONE EARLIER WITH THE WOMEN, NAMELY DRAW AN ARTIST'S IMPRESSION OF THE "LITTLE MEN". BY THE WAY, THAT SOLDIER HAD NOT SEEN MY DRAWING, AND WITH [redacted]S HELP, HE HAD STARTED TO PRICE ONE ANOTHER SIMILAR TO MINE. AT THIS POINT, THE DOOR SWUNG OPEN, AND IN STRODE [redacted]N WHO SCOWLED AND SAID,"WHATS GOING ON HERE". ~~XXXX

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WE SPENT ABOUT AN HOUR AND A HALF HOUR TALKING WITH EACH WITNESS, AND BLOUNT HAD BOTHERED THE FAMILY MOUSE. A QUICK GLANCE WITH THE SOLDIER WHO WAS JUST COMPLETING HIS DRAWING SEEMED REVEALING: SIMILARITY IN THE FIRST ONE I DREW. WE WENT DOWN THE FIGURES, DETAIL BY DETAIL, AND IN ONLY A FEW INSTANCES DID THEY DIFFER. I WOULD LINE UP INDIVIDUALS IN THIS POINT THAT SEVEN ADULTS HAD TOLD ALMOST PARALLEL STORIES, AND GIVEN ALMOST IDENTICAL DESCRIPTIONS, YET THREE OF THE MEN HAD LEFT EARLY THAT MORNING FOR A WORK ALMOST 90 MILES AWAY, WITHIN FIVE HOURS OF THE LAST VISITATIONS. IF THEY HAD ALL STAYED HOME THROUGHOUT THE DAY, IT WOULD BE VERY UNLIKELY THAT I COULD GET TWO SEPERATE PICTURES FROM THEM, AS THEY ALL WOULD HAVE TALKED TOGETHER UNTIL ONE CONSENSUS PORTRAYAL EMERGED. THIS WAS NOT THE TYPE OF INTERVIEW WHERE ONE SUBJECT WOULD LOOK AT THE OTHER AND SAY, "IS THAT WHAT YOU THINK IT LOOKED LIKE"? ALL SEVEN WERE FIRMLY SURE OF WHAT THEY HAD SEEN, AND COULD NOT BE SWAYED BY THE IMPRESSIONS OF THE OTHERS. EVEN THO THEY DID DIFFER IN A FEW MINOR INSTANCES, NONE OF WHOM THE SEVEN WOULD CONDESCEND TO CHANGE THEIR THOUGHTS.

THROUGHOUT THIS PERIOD I HAVE TRIED TO ASSUME THE MOST OBJECTIVE ATTITUDE. I MADE A MENTAL NOTE NOT TO BELIEVE OR DISBELIEVE, BUT TO REPORT THE INCIDENT AS IT WAS TOLD TO ME FROM THE FAMILY'S LIPS. ACTUALLY, I BELIEVE I WAS IN A UNIQUE POSITION, AS BECAUSE UNTIL THE TIME I REACHED THE STATION, I HAD NOT HEARD ANYTHING ABOUT THE SITUATION. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ AFTER HEARING THE INITIAL [illegible] FROM STAFF MEMBERS, I DECIDED AT ALL TIMES TO KEEP AN OPEN MIND AND PAY NO ATTENTION TO THE VARIOUS TALES THAT HAD STARTED TO CIRCULATE. IT'S RATHER AMUSING TO NOTE NOW THE NEWSPAPER

I..D 12-12-12

...OBJECTS; INSTEAD OF A TWO EYED OBJECT THAT WAS SILVERISH IN APPEARANCE,
...S SEEMED TO HAVE TURNED INTO A ONE EYED METAL LIKE OBJECT I.M. THIS
IS THE FIRST KNOWN INSTANCE OF YOU THE STORY HAS BEEN REPEATED. EVERY-
ONE WHO TELLS THIS TALE, SEEMS TO ADD HIS OWN EMBELLISHMENT OF
THAT THESE OBJECTS LOOKED. FOR THIS REASON, I AM MORALLY BOUND
TO SAY I HAD THE ADVANTAGE OF TIME, WE INTERVIEWED OUR WOMAN WITHIN
SEVEN HOURS OF THE INCIDENT, AND THE MAN WITHIN FIFTEEN. HOWEVER
HOWEVER OUR FIRST INTERVIEW WAS MADE THE FIRST OCCURR OF
THE WOMAN HERE, AFTER THE PEOPLE WERE RELEASED....AND HAD IN HIS OF
HIS OWN FACTOR. THEY HAD HAD A CHANCE TO COLLECT THEIR THOUGHTS,
BUT NOT ENOUGH OF A CHANCE TO HAVE OTHER IDEAS IMPLANTED WITH THEIR
OWN FACTS KNOWINGLY OR UNKNOWINGLY THOSE WHO TALKED WITH THEM. I WAS HIGHLY
IMPRESSED WITH THEIR SINCERITY, AND ONE OTHER OUTSTANDING CONDITION.
THOSE PEOPLE WERE BADLY FRIGHTENED THAT NIGHT, AND THEY WERE NOT
OVER IT, WHEN I LAST SAW THEM!!!!!

I, [redacted] REPRESENTING Caitlin Sutton Artist

[redacted] OF [redacted]

AGREE NOT TO SELL OR TRANSMIT TO ANY PERSON FOR THE PURPOSE OF GAINING FOR PECUNIARY GAIN, ANY PORTION OF OR THE ENTIRETY OF THE ARTICLE, NOTES, AND ACCOMPANYING ILLUSTRATIONS, PREPARED BY [redacted], OF [redacted] ROAD IN HOPKINSVILLE, KENTUCKY, CONCERNING THE HAPPENINGS OR SUPPOSED EVENTS AT THE SUTTON FARM IN THE KELLY COMMUNITY ABOUT TEN MILES NORTH OF HOPKINSVILLE, KENTUCKY ON HIGHWAY 41A.....

ON August 12, 1955 UNDER PENALTY OF TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS ($10,000.00)

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State of Kentucky
County - Christian

I, Margaret D Lovan, a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid, do hereby acknowledge that the above signatures were signed in my presence on the 12 of June, 1956.

My Commission expires June 18 1957

Margaret D Lovan
Notary Public, Christian County, Ky.

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'Blue Grasser' Reports Green Space Visitors

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Washington (AFPS)—Want to know what the average visitor from outer space looks like?

He's a little green fellow whose best friend apparently hasn't given him the word, according to people who say they've seen one, because he smells bad. And when he gets excited, he glows.

The authority for this description is Capt. Robert C. White, the Air Force's official "flying saucer expert."

In the past three years, he has answered well over 2,000 letters from people who say they've seen flying saucers or their occupants.

He has heard all kinds of descriptions, but the most frequent are of small, green, luminous, smelly types. Despite all the stories, Capt. White is convinced that no space men have landed on the earth.

"Still, people keep [illegible] they've seen little [illegible]," he says. A recent report concerned a flying saucer that supposedly landed a band of little green men near Hopkinsville, Ky. They were said to be three feet tall with big round eyes.

"Some folks believe we actually have a little green man pickled in alcohol out at Wright Patterson AFB in Ohio," he said with a smile.

Only a few of the reports that reach Capt. White and a group of AF investigators at Wright-Patterson tell of invaders from outer space.

"Most of them simply describe unidentified flying objects," Capt. White said. "In the 12 months that ended Aug. 1, we had 450 reports, and we explained all but 21.

"Our position is this: Given enough information about any sighting, we believe we can explain it in a natural and unsensational manner—that is, prove that it was a weather balloon or something."

raced to the Hopkinsville police station. The police came in force, and they searched all round the house: there was nothing to be found. No blood, no bodies, no footprints. But the family was in a state of terror, and there was certainly no evidence of drinking. The police finally left; and an hour after they had gone the little goblins were back again. Mrs.Glennie Lankford, lying in bed, at one time watched one through the window for several minutes. Before dawn, they had gone, but not until more shots had been fired. Seven of the eight adults in the house saw one or more of the little beings at one time or another.

I was in Mt. Vernon, Indiana, only about 50 miles away, when this story hit the newspapers. The Evansville Courier-Press of August 22nd printed a detailed account of it, with a drawing of one of the little men, based on the descriptions given by the witnesses --a weird-looking little creature. Since a member of my family was dying, I couldn't leave at the time, so it was three days before I got there.

And when I did get to Hopkinsville, I walked into a practical joke, which is one of the things you have to watch out for when you're trying to investigate subjects like this. A couple of newspapermen whom I'd once played jokes on went to a good deal of trouble to revenge themselves: they arranged an interview with a phony "witness", who told me a lot of inaccurate and invented details. And he tried to sell me a plaster cast which he said had been made from a footprint of one of the creatures. If I'd bought it, their cup would have bubbled over. As it was, it took me some time to catch on.

The funny thing about this is that the hoaxers were telling an essentially true story, though I'm sure they didn't realize this themselves. Their plaster cast was a fake, but the Kelly landing really did happen. Nobody has ever been able to explain it away. 1/

Another thing that they told me was not true of the Kelly case, but it was true , as we both knew, of another outstanding saucer-landing case, that of the so-called "Flatwoods Monster" seen at Sutton, West Virginia on September 12,1952. Two or three days after that happened, a couple of "aluminum-ware salesmen" had come around, who had stayed for about three hours not selling aluminum-ware, but questioning the witnesses about the strange experience they had had. The next day a fellow came along selling subscriptions to a magazine that is printed in Augusta, Maine, and he too worked the neighborhood over, questioning everybody who had reported anything. The few people who ordered the aluminum-ware or subscribed to the magazine got their money back a couple of weeks later with no letter of explanation at all. I leave to your imagination what agency was probably behind these shenanigans. ← Capt. Gregory, Sagan, and Lt. Williams (Chief Dep. or 4th man — disguised as "pot-and-pan salesmen ?!?

Well, the Kelly case had its comic aspects --and part of the joke was on me-- but there was nothing humorous about the second important case that I've had personal contact with in recent months. This one was a tragedy.

On January 8th of this year, at Bedford, Indiana, about 50 miles south of Indianapolis, the GOC spotted five flying saucers at one time, circling around. They had been reported over Lafayette, Indiana, about 90 miles to the west, just a short time before, and then they were seen south of Bedford, where they were watched by three or four hundred people. The farmers were calling each other back and

1/ For a full report on the Kelly landing case, with data obtained by on-the-spot investigation, see C.S.I. Research Report No.1, published in August, 1956.

Redmon + Fuller Center said they were F-86's from nearby Air Base

h. Hopkinsville Case: This case, which has not yet been brought to the "official" attention of the Air Force, may cause some embarrassment if suddenly submitted "cold" to ATIC. Preparatory counter-measures are considered warranted. I for this reason all possible information is being collected on this sighting. See Inclosure #1 for details of this bizarre sighting as written by Frank Edwards, noted TV and radio broadcaster. Every effort was made through the indirect efforts of our informant to either initiate some discreet investigative action or determine what had been done officially <u>without</u> directly involving the Air Force. See attached Office Memo dated 10 September 1956 (Inclosure #2), and a list of numerous principles involved in this case (Inclosure #3). A sketch of one of the "humanoid" creatures is also attached (Inclosure #4). It has been reported that a native in the area stated there <u>was</u> a circus train near town a day or two before. However, this cannot be confirmed, and in the opinion of Dr. Hynek and the undersigned, if so, it is possible that some monkeys or apes escaped during the night. (Note: The undersigned recalls reading a few years ago in the New York Herald that circus owners seldom report escaping animals to the local police, until all efforts by circus crews to recapture them had failed. In many instances, the animals return on their own).

As to Hopkinsville case---I have written off for more info from my informants. Will have soon. The date of the case is:

August 21, 1955

Hopkinsville Case. The report given to you that the incident was reported to "Stanford Field" gave us a little trouble. There is no Stanford or Stewart Field. The nearest AFB is Seward in Smyrna, Tennessee, quite some distance away. Therefore, our plan to contact the nearest AFB to Hopkinsville for particulars will be kept in abeyance pending receipt of the following information: What field was the incident reported to? Date of sighting or incident? Name the family? Would appreciate if you can help us out on this, Dr. Hynek. It seems the scrap of paper which some of this information was taken was lost or misplaced.

Report on Hopkinsville Finished, Must Still be Printed: The long-awaited "Hopkinsville landing report," by CSI members Isabel Davis and Arthur Ledwith, has now been completed in preliminary typescript form, under the title of The Landing at Kelly.- August 21-22, 1955. This landing case - which the authors consider genuine - is one of the most protracted and most extraordinary on record. The authors have investigated it very thoroughly and they present their results in detail, including maps, diagrams, photographs, and sketches of the "little men" as described to Mr. Ledwith by the eye-witnesses the day after the incident occurred.

The report, 80 pages long as it now stands, will be made available to members after final revisions have been made, a fair copy has been typed, and a photo-offset edition has been printed.

22. If we may add a touch of levity to this discussion of UFO cases, we have knowledge of a rather fantastic case that has never been reported to us. UFO writers and clubs refer to it as the "Hopkinsville Case". Briefly, as the story goes, in 1955 a family near Hopkinsville, Kentucky was subjected to an all-night attack by green-goblin-like creatures which emerged from a "flying saucer" nearby. Shot-guns and rifles proved ineffective against these creatures who tried to enter the family's cabin. They left upon the break of dawn. This is a reproduction of the creatures, as allegedly sworn to by all 8 members of the family. We have been informed by a reliable contact that a book is being written on the case, and that the Air Force will be asked to officially comment, before the book is released.

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HOPKINSVILLE, KY., AUG. 22--(UP)-- STATE POLICE AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES WERE ON WATCH AT THE FARM HOME OF CECIL SUTTON NEAR HERE TONIGHT FOR A RETURN VISIT OF "LITTLE GREEN MEN" WHO THE SUTTONS SAID LANDED A "SPACE SHIP" NEAR THE HOUSE LAST NIGHT.

A LARGE CROWD OF NEIGHBORS AND CURIOSITY SEEKERS WERE EXPECTED TO BE ON HAND IN CASE THE "SPACE VISITORS," WHO THE SUTTONS SAID KEPT THEM UP ALL NIGHT, RETURN. STATE AND LOCAL POLICE WHO COMBED THE FIELDS NEAR THE FARM HOUSE TODAY WERE UNABLE TO FIND ANY TRACE OF THE REPORTED SPACE SHIP OR ITS CREW.

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SUTTON SAID, "THAT IS BE CAUSE THEY USED LIGHTS ALL OVER THE PLACE. YOU CAN'T SEE THEM EXCEPT IN THE DARK." ASKED IS SHE EXPECTED THE WEIRD VISITORS TONIGHT, MRS. SUTTON SAID, "THAT'S WHAT I'M SKITTERY (CQ) ABOUT. THEY MIGHT BE BACK."

THE SUTTONS GAVE THIS ACOUNT OF THE ALLEGED VISIT FROM OUTER SPACE: A RELATIVE, BILL TAYLOR, AFTER RETURNING FROM A TRIP TO A WELL EARLY SUNDAY EVENING, TOLD OF SEEING A SPACE SHIP LAND IN IN A NEARBY FIELD.

A FEW MINUTES LATER, THE SUTTONS SAID, "A LITTLE GREEN MAN" APPROACHED THE HOUSE. "HE WAS ABOUT THREE FEET TAL, WITH EYES LIKE SAUCERS AND SET ABOUT SIX INCHES APART, WITH HANDS LIKE CLAWS AND CLOWING ALL OVER."

SUTTON ADDED THAT THE SPACEMAN RETREATED WHEN HE FIRED A SHOTGUN INTO THE AIR. HE SAID HE FIRED AT HIM WHEN HE RETURNED AGAIN, AND THE SPACEMAN FELL DOWN AND THEN RAN OFF INTO THE FIELDS.

MORE OF THE LITTLE MEN RETURNED TO CLIMB ABOUT THE TREES AND ON THE ROOF OF THE HOUSE. LATER THE SUTTONS RAN TO THEIR CAR AND DROVE INTO HOPKINSVILLE TO GET HELP.

DEPUTY SHERIFF GEORGE BATES AND TWO KENTUCKY STATE TROOPERS CAME TO THE HOUSE AND SEARCHED AND SEARCHED FOR THE LITTLE MEN BUT FAILED TO FIND ANY TRACE OF THEM OR THE SPACE SHIP. THE POLICE OFFICERS SAID THAT THERE WAS DEFINITELY NO DRINKING AT THE SUTTON HOME LAST NIGHT.

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MEMO ROUTING SLIP

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REMARKS

1. Little "Green men" case, which made Hopkinsville famous.
2. Source of info- A-1, A-2.
3. Recommend Lucy Floyd be appointed "special agent" to investigate, as she is familiar with that country, customs, traditions, and other speeds of "coh'n liklers" folks.
4. For informal conclusion + typing

FROM NAME OR TITLE Capt Gregory	DATE
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But as to his being deluged with flying saucer mail, I can only say to you that it was one of the smallest deluges in history. I asked my audience one night if they wanted me to continue reporting on flying saucer sightings, because it was becoming difficult, the wire services wouldn't carry them any more, and I thought maybe interest had lagged. I got over 5000 letters --addressed to me personally, and delivered to me at the Mutual studios, more than a mile from Mr. Meany's office. At the AFL building, in my office, all that came in was 2 letters and 12 postcards. I guess this must have been the "deluge" that Mr. Meany complained of. He said also that "we were not particularly interested in flying saucers." That's peculiar too, because, only about two months before, the AFL newspaper had run a special article on flying saucers, which I wrote at the request of Mr. George Meany, who is listed as the editor of the thing.

Well, the truth is that flying saucers really had nothing at all to do with my exit from the AFL's radio program, as those of you who have read my book will agree. They just provided a convenient peg on which Mr. Meany could hang his statement of dismissal. I'm sure that there were some other reasons why Mr. Meany was so anxious to get me out of the picture, and I have the facts on that set down in my book. It was something far more --maybe I'd better leave the word alone-- I wanted to say reprehensible, and maybe it is reprehensible-- I'll let you read the book and decide for yourself.

Actually, the fellow did me a favor. There were only three nighttime radio programs that were growing at that time --TV was murdering the rest. Due to the fact that we were doing an unusual type of program, I happened to have one of the three. But I was working 12 to 14 hours a day to get the job done; I had to scour a lot of ratholes to get the stories, and it was wearing me down; so that while I was very displeased that we had to have such a rumpus when we came to the parting of the ways, in the long run it was probably a good thing. I'm certainly a lot happier now doing my television show at WTTV. There are no strings attached to anything I say: I decide what I'm going to use, and how I'm going to use it.

Let me tell you now about a couple of the most important flying-saucer cases that have come up since I've been at WTTV.

.... HOPKINSVILLE CASE .....

The first is a very strange thing that happened on August 21st, last year, near Hopkinsville, Kentucky. It made headlines in the newspapers out there, and for once it was carried by the press wires --I suppose just because they thought it was ridiculous. You may remember reading the wire story about "little green men" --actually they weren't green, some rewrite man put that in because he thought they ought to be green.

In the middle of the night eleven people rushed from a farmhouse in the little village of Kelly, 8 miles north of Hopkinsville, to get police protection against goblin-like creatures from a flying saucer, who had been besieging them for three hours. Shortly after sunset, one of the men had seen a saucer come down in a field behind the house. Soon afterwards, they saw some creature coming toward the house. As it came closer, they saw it was something like a little man, about 3 feet tall, with a huge head, and enormous glowing eyes. Its long arms hung almost to the ground, and its big hands had long claws on the fingers. Its body had a metallic appearance, and glowed in the dark. When they saw this thing, the men went for their guns --a shotgun and a .22 rifle. For three hours these little creatures kept coming up to the house, and the men kept shooting at them, apparently with no effect. Some of the creatures were shot at a range of twenty feet or less, but they never seemed to be wounded; it merely discouraged them for a few minutes. Finally, about 11 o'clock, the terrified family piled into two cars and

SEPTEMBER 1955 SIGHTINGS

DATE	LOCATION	OBSERVER	EVALUATION
Sep	Oakland, California	[redacted]	Astro (METEOR)
1	Teddington, England	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
1	Hawthorne, California	[redacted]	Balloon
2	Sequin, Washington	[redacted]	Aircraft
2	Spencer, Wisconsin	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
3	Bellingham, Washington	[redacted]	UNIDENTIFIED
4	Atlanta, Georgia	[redacted]	Other (SEARCHLIGHT)
4	Nellis AFB, Nevada (CASE MISSING)	Military	Balloon
4	New York City, New York	[redacted]	Aircraft
4	Los Angeles, California	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
4 Sep-4 Oct	La Grand, Iowa	[redacted]	Astro (STARS/PLANETS)
6	Red Hook, New York	[redacted]	
	Washingtonville, New York		
	Poukeepsie, New York		
	Albany, New York, etc.	Arilines	Astro (METEOR)
7	Washington, D. C.	[redacted]	UNIDENTIFIED
7	Colfax, Iowa	[redacted]	Balloon
7	Baltimore, Maryland	[redacted]	Astro (ARCTURUS)
8	Mattapan, Massachusetts (CASE MISSING)	Civilian	Aircraft
8	Lowell, Michigan	[redacted]	Aircraft
8	Cedar Rapids, Iowa	[redacted]	Aircraft
9	Cincinnati, Ohio	[redacted]	Astro (CAPELLA)
9	Rock Garden, Tennessee	[redacted]	UNIDENTIFIED
10	Dakota City, Nebraska	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
12	Middlebury, Vermont	[redacted]	Balloon
12	Baltimore, Maryland	[redacted]	Other (BIRDS)
12	Huron, Ohio (CASE MISSING)	Civilian	Balloon
12	Mountain View, California	[redacted]	
	Castle AFB, California		
	Hollister, California		Astro (METEOR)
13	Wegenstette, Germany	[redacted]	Astro (METEOR)
13	Palmdale, California	[redacted]	Aircraft
14	New York State	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
16	Santa Cruz, California	[redacted]	Other (AA FIRING FROM FT ORD, CALIF)
17	Waterloo, Iowa	[redacted]	Astro (STARS/PLANETS)
17	Blue Mound, Illinois	[redacted]	Astro (STARS/PLANETS)
17	Bellingham, Washington	[redacted]	Astro (ARCTURUS)
18	Springfield, Illinois	[redacted]	Aircraft
18	Peoria, Illinois	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
19	St Paul, Minnesota	[redacted]	Balloon
20	Martinsburg, Ohio	[redacted]	Aircraft
21	36.3N 73.55W (Atlantic)	[redacted]	Balloon
22	Vermillion, Ohio	[redacted]	Balloon
22	Kankakee, Illinois (CASE MISSING)	Civilian	Other (SEARCHLIGHT)
22	Lodi, Ohio	[redacted]	1. Other (SEARCHLIGHT) 2. Aircraft
23	Leonape, Pennsylvania	[redacted]	Balloon

SEPTEMBER 1955 SIGHTINGS

DATE	LOCATION	OBSERVER	EVALUATION
23	Cedar Rapids, Iowa	[redacted]	Aircraft
25	Gulfport, Mississippi	[redacted]	Other (PYROTECHNICS)
25	Pittsburg, Pennsylvania (CASE MISSING)	Civilian	Aircraft (BLIMPS)
27	Tarryton, New York (CASE MISSING)	Civilian	Other (SEARCHLIGHT)
28	Brownville, Maine	[redacted]	Astro (ARCTURUS)
28	Riceville, Iowa	[redacted]	Astro (ARCTURUS)
29	Creston, Iowa	[redacted]	Aircraft
29	Storm Lake, Iowa	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
30	Cedar City, Utah (CASE MISSING)	Civilian	Balloon

ADDITIONAL REPORTED SIGHTINGS (NOT CASES)

DATE	LOCATION	SOURCE	EVALUATION
Sep	San Paulo, Brazil (Fawcett)	[redacted] (PHOTO)	
17	Edwardsville, New York (Newspaper)	[redacted]	