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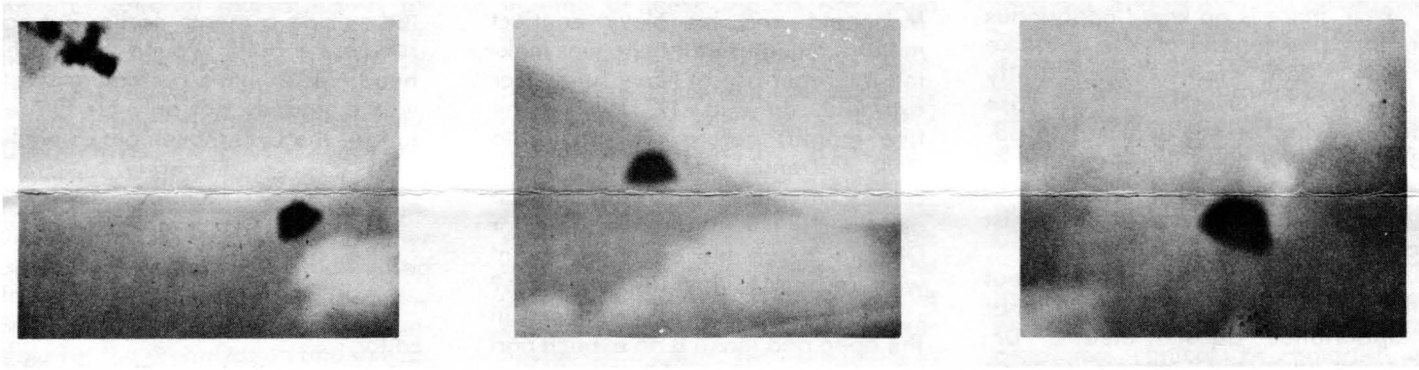

UFO Photographed From A Tree-House In Canada

It was between 2 and 3 PM in mid-to-late August 1977. Canute Jensen, age 13, and Kevin Rurka, age 12, were in a treehouse on the farm of Canute's grandfather, Chris Jensen, 27 miles north of Edmonton, Alberta, in western Canada. They had with them Canute's fixed-focus Kodak pocket camera (a Hamimex PF 128/110) and were taking pictures of their surroundings.

Suddenly, they saw a large, dark, block-shaped object moving through the sky near them. Canute aimed his camera at the slowly moving object and took the three photographs shown here before it disappeared upward into the clouds and was not seen again.

The boys were very excited about what they had seen and the possibility that they had captured on film something very strange. But, they were also quite frightened and after less than a minute they ran into the house to hide.

The case has been investigated by William K. Allen, long-time UFO investigator and Associate of Dr. Hynek. Mr. Allen first noticed a slight blue halo around the edge of the object in these color photographs, suggesting to him possible evidence of ionization. He had observed this same effect in another photo taken by David Knutsen in Surrey, B.C., near Vancouver. He has suggested that arrangements be made for optical processing and CUFOS will attempt to do so.

In a telephone conversation with Edwin M. Jensen, a professional geologist and father of the boys, we were able to gain some evaluation of the boys and the photography. When asked for his personal evaluation of the whole incident, Mr. Jensen said, "The boys didn't make it up. You know how you know your own boys? They didn't make this one up. They were really excited about it." "I was in the field (away from home on a geological assignment) at the time for about a month. When I got back all I had was kids jumping up and down with photographs."

He was asked if his father (Canute's grandfather, now deceased) was capable of a prank on the boys. "He was definitely full of pranks," Jensen said, "but not without telling me." "When the oldest boy sent the pictures in, I'm sure he would have stopped it cold. He would not have let them carry it on. In fact, he was at the house, about a quarter of a mile away." "I have used both of the boys in the field with me (on geological work) and they were good, reasonable laymen viewers." Mr. Jensen believes the boys really saw an object in the air and photographed it.

Mr. Jensen brought to our attention the fact that there is a Canadian Armed Forces Base at Namao, Alberta, just about ten miles from the site of the photography and suggested that if it was, indeed, a solid object it would certainly have been picked up by the radar equipment at that facility.

We called the offices of the National Research Council (Canadian) at the Herzberg Institute of Astrophysics in Ottawa and spoke with the secretary to Dr. Allan McNamara, head of the Planetary Sciences Department. Records of Canadian UFO sighting reports are retained in those offices for a period of twelve months. Thereafter, they are forwarded (as of

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Correspondence

Dear Mr. Timmerman,

I was pleased to see continuing interest in my UFO-jeton article (in the July NEWSLETTER).

However, I am somewhat distressed to see the excerpt from the 1957 Civilian Saucer Intelligence Newsletter which you printed without editorial comment on two crucial points:

First, there is no way "opportunus adest" (the legend on the coin-like token) can mean "opportunity knocks." . . . Over half of my case for a flying object depicted is destroyed if the thing is not coming or arriving while in the sky.

I had sought the advice of a Latinist as to the perfect translation . . . without telling him anything about the jeton I simply asked him what "opportunus adest" means. Dr. George Javor said it means "it comes at a good time," "it's coming right now."

Second, the same excerpt gives the date 1656. I would rather trust Mr. Kenneth Bressett, the numismatist who owns it and with some confidence places the jeton in the 1680s.

Sincerely yours,
Ken Schellhase

Read Dr. Hynek's analysis of current UFO cases in **Frontiers of Science,** 8 E Street SE, Washington, D.C. 20003. $15.00 per year. □

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(This is the second part of a letter from Phil Klass written in response to a "guest editorial" by Raymond E. Fowler which appeared in the JUNE issue of the ASSOCIATE NEWSLETTER. The first part of Mr. Klass' letter appeared in this column of our JULY issue.

McCarthy's thesis reveals that both McDonald and his Navy contract monitor recognized that he was making improper use of Navy funds. For example, on Aug. 17, 1967, some five months before my inquiry to ONR, McDonald wrote a letter to his contract monitor which said: "Let me ask you, if it isn't possible now for ONR to 'make me an honest man' with respect to my UFO research? . . . Can't we bring my work out in the open and make it an explicit part of my next year's work? . . . am now operating (primarily on telephone tolls and travel) on my ONR funds." But the Navy contract monitor declined McDonald's request to "make me an honest man."

The Anderson column item did prompt the Navy to send an auditor to the University of Arizona to investigate McDonald's use of Navy funds. After reading McDonald's correspondence, McCarthy wrote in his thesis: "McDonald tried to avoid the audit." Hardly surprising in view of his earlier letter of Aug. 17, 1967, cited above.

"The audit went about as well as McDonald could have hoped. He told Hughes that the auditor considered Klass 'a ways off-base.' He only wanted to know whether McDonald pursued UFOs clandestinely with respect to the Navy . . . did the Navy infringe on Air Force perogatives through McDonald's work. The auditor showed no interest in McDonald's telephone interviewing (at Navy expense) . . . and said the inquiry should have been stopped earlier. McDonald found the draft of his report quite acceptable," McCarthy's thesis says.

Whether the auditor was operating under instructions to perform only a superficial "white-wash" investigation, or was indifferent to his responsibilities is not known. But subsequent disclosures in McCarthy's thesis, from McDonald's own letters and memoranda, show that McDonald and his Navy contract monitor recognized the misuse of Navy funds.

Finally, in describing McDonald's death, Fowler writes: "It is presumed that he took his own life." It is not presumed. It is known with certainty. Beyond the fact that McDonald left a suicide note and gun nearby, it is a matter of record that he had attempted suicide a month earlier but had survived a bullet wound through his head. McDonald's premature death was a tragedy not only for himself but for the UFO Movement as well.

Sincerely,
Philip J. Klass

Editor,

I am appalled that Phil Klass has sunk to new lows of post-mortem character assassination in his renewed, totally false claim that Dr. James E. McDonald misused Navy funds to investigate UFO sightings in Australia, and that this allegation was confirmed by the Navy. I was working closely with Jim at the time in question and he provided me with a full dossier on Klass' vicious attempts to destroy his (McDonald's) credibility. Jim was totally exonerated of the charges after a full investigation.

The whole thing is a total crock created by Klass who, rankled by McDonald's expose of the Klass-ic "plasma UFO" theory as totally without scientific underpinning, set out to "get" McDonald. What Klass must know and is not big enough to acknowledge is that McDonald had a superabundance of energy that allowed him to conduct his official Navy business (which he did), and still have the wherewithal to do his UFO-related interviewing on the side. Contrary to Klass' insinuations and word-twisting, McDonald did nothing wrong at all. Obviously, McDonald's high caliber scientific work still stands as an impediment to Klass' hatchet work on UFOs. It is high time that Klass be condemned for his dirty tactics and totally non-objective approach to UFO investigation.

Sincerely,
Richard Hall
Brentwood, Maryland

Mutual UFO Network 1981 Symposium At M.I.T.

The 12th annual UFO SYMPOSIUM sponsored by the MUTUAL UFO NETWORK of Seguin, Texas was held Friday through Sunday, July 24th through 26th, at Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge. Its theme this year was: UFOs, THE HIDDEN EVIDENCE.

Beautifully situated along the Charles River, the M.I.T. campus provided an excellent setting and facility for this well-attended meeting of investigators, researchers and other persons interested in the unidentified flying object phenomenon. The New England members of MUFON responsible for the organization and execution of the event are to be congratulated for a job well done.

Activities began with a Press Conference with the principal speakers and members of the news media, held at the MIT Student Center. The Boston Globe responded with an article in Saturday's paper and radio and television stations reported on the meeting personalities. Friday evening provided early arrivals with a reception for informal conversations.

Saturday morning, Walter H. Andrus, Jr. MUFON International Director, opened the conference and Dr. J. Allen Hynek, Scientific Director, CUFOS, presented the first address, UFOLOGY AS A PROFESSION: A MANIFESTO, in which he challenged the serious, dedicated specialists and scientists now deeply involved in UFO Research to establish a climate of professionalism with which to "close ranks and unite . . . as individuals . . . in a sort of spiritual bond to set up a code of professional standards, a code of ethics for investigators, researchers and writers on the subject . . . a general code of procedures . . . to become a true profession."

"Close Encounters of the Second Kind: Physical Traces" was the title of the presentation by Ted R. Phillips of Reeds Spring, Missouri. His paper presented a summary based on available information from 2,108 physical trace landing reports from 64 countries, gathered over a period of fourteen years. The paper presents the view that physical trace landing reports present significant statistical patterns; the UFOs observed by multiple witnesses in a single event appear to have been solid, constructed vehicles under intelligent control; the resulting physical traces have, in many cases, no immediate natural or conventional explanation; and only very limited scientific investigation of these reports has taken place.

"The Human Factor in UFO Sightings" was presented by sociology professor Ron Westrum of Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti, Michigan. Discussing the witness . . . studies indicate that it cannot yet be said that close encounter witnesses differ in any significant way from the general population, with the possible exception that younger sighting witnesses appeared to be more likely to report their experience. Discussing the investigator . . . it is the obligation of UFOlogists to remain open to the possibility that we **are** dealing with alien technology, that what people report is what they see, and that some of the discs, torpedoes, etc. may well be the technology of another race of intelligent beings. It is our duty to understand the human factor in all aspects of the study of the UFO reports.

"Faith, Theory, and UFOs" was the title of the presentation by Rev. Barry H. Downing, pastor of the Northminster Presbyterian Church of Endwell, New York and MUFON consultant in theology. He pointed to the common opinion of many scientists that UFOs should be regarded as "religion" rather than science. However, he argued that a "theory" is a scientific "guess" based on the best evidence available and that the biblical view of what "faith" is very close to our scientific understanding of what "theory" is. Faith . . . is believing based on evidence without proof. His own theory in regard to UFOs is not that they are extraterrestrial in the usual scientific sense. It is that UFOs carry the angels of God . . . divine beings from another world. Rev. Downing expects the UFO mystery to remain a mystery for as long as it serves God's game plan.

New York City artist Budd Hopkins presented the results of his study as "UFO Abductions: The Invisible Epidemic." Reviewing the 5 types of UFO abductions, Mr. Hopkins presented interesting examples of each of these useful categories from well-known cases from UFO literature and from his personal investigations, assisted by long-time UFO researcher, Ted Bloecher. The statistics outlined in his report lead him to "an obvious and unsettling conclusion: the abduction phenomenon is largely invisible, and its extent is potentially vast." "Whatever the abducion experience is, one can safely assume that the majority of these experiences are still lying dormant, unperceived by both the abductees themselves and UFO investigators." "There may be as many abductions as there are UFO sighting reports."

The second part of the session on hypnosis-abduction cases was presented by Dr. Aphrodite Clamar, a practicing clinical psychologist in New York City. Her paper, entitled "Missing Time: A Psychologist Examines The UFO Evidence," focused on the use of hypnosis with persons who have had UFO experiences. As co-author with Budd Hopkins of MISSING TIME: A STUDY OF THE UFO ABDUCTION EXPERIENCE, a new book on the subject, Dr. Clamar stated that "hypnosis has been proven to be an effective procedure for focusing the subject's concentrated attention on a particular incident or event." "Nevertheless, the question persists: is the UFO experience, as relived under hypnosis, genuine or a delusion? After spending more than 60 hours with some 20 subjects under hypnosis," she admits that she "still cannot answer the question." This does not, she says, detract from the validity of the experience as far as the subjects are concerned and . . . it warrants our respect and further efforts to clarify and understand it.

Peter A. Gersten, Associate Attorney in a Bronx, New York law firm, legal counsel to Ground Saucer Watch in GWS vs CIA, September 1977, which resulted in the release of over 900 pages of UFO documents, presented a paper on his findings entitled: "What The Government Would Know About UFOs If They Read Their Own Documents." Stating that "the nature of the UFO controversy has changed dramatically over the past four years" and that "there is now a

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Radio Public Service Announcement for July

"For most of us, the sight of the stars, the planets and the moon in the night sky and the sun in the daytime sky are as normal and as natural as breathing and sleeping. They are parts of our everyday world which we can explain, with some help from the scientists, and which carry a large amount of predictability. However, over the years there have been reports of sights in our skies which are not normal or natural. They are not described easily in terms of our everyday world and we have had little help from our scientists, mostly because of the shortage of the kind of evidence with which they normally work. The non-profit CENTER FOR UFO STUDIES in Evanston, Illinois is searching for more good sighting reports of unidentified flying objects in order to expand scientific research of this subject. Center Scientific Director, Dr. J. Allen Hynek, invites you to share your unexplained sightings for this research by reporting them promptly and accurately to the CENTER FOR UFO STUDIES, Box 1402, Evanston, Illinois 60204."

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new case for the UFO and the evidence for it is in (United States) government records," Mr. Gersten offered selected passages from over two dozen released government documents which described very clearly the extent to which UFO sighting information has been and is a part of U.S. government intelligence systems. In summary, he is convinced that these documents prove beyond a reasonable doubt that unconventional aerial objects possessing a highly advanced technology have posed a threat to our national security and may pose a threat to human survival.

Saturday evening Cynthia R. Hind, business woman, writer and UFO field investigator from Zimbabwe, Africa, presented a summary of recent important case investigation of African UFO encounters, treating five specific cases in depth with photographic reports including physical traces. Her presentation eloquently described the international nature of the UFO phenomena.

Following the report by Mrs. Hind, a panel discussion by all symposium speakers provided listeners with a time for questions from the audience.

Sunday morning, besides the MUFON corporate meeting, the very interesting and widely studied ANDREASSON CASE was presented by the principal informant, Betty Ann Andreasson Luca, supported by her husband, Robert Luca (also a reported abductee), and Raymond E. Fowler, MUFON Director of Investigations and author of the book devoted to Mrs. Luca's experience.

> ***". . . The most highly classified subject in the United States Government."***

The final presentation, on UFO crash-retrieval, by Stanton T. Friedman, nuclear physicist/lecturer, and William L. Moore, author, was on "The Roswell Incident: Beginning of the Cosmic Watergate." Their joint paper, written by Friedman for the published PROCEEDINGS of the Symposium, points out that a formerly top *secret memo dated November 1950* states that "the matter (UFOs) is the most highly classified subject in the United States Government, rating *higher even than the H-bomb, flying* saucers exist, their modus operandi is unknown and a concentrated effort is being made by a small group headed by Dr. Vannevar Bush." The speakers joined others at the symposium in urging that the "peoples of this planet be told by the governments of the world that indeed we are not alone."

Also available to Symposium participants were workshops on Government Secrecy, Investigative Techniques, Close Encounters of the Third Kind, Photoanalysis, Overseas Reports and Multilations.

Copies of the published 1981 MUFON UFO Symposium Proceedings may be secured by sending $10.00 to: MUFON, 103 Oldtowne Road, Seguin, Texas 78155. □

Matching Photo From Iran Found In CUFOS Files

ASSOCIATES will recall the interesting photograph on page one of the July ASSOCIATE NEWSLETTER, taken by Franklin Abrahim-Youri in northwestern Iran on October 8, 1978. It was a pale white object with three red light spots and was seen against a deep blue sky just above the edge of their house roof.

While looking for another item in the back-issues of the INTERNATIONAL UFO REPORTER, we came across a very similar, if not identical, object photographed by another young Iranian earlier in the same year. The item appears on page 2 of the September 1978 issue of the IUR and reads as follows:

"IRAN: Shiraz, May, 1978. A 16-year-old student, Jamshid Sayadimour, shot this picture at 4 AM as he stayed up late studying for exams in this southern Iranian city. The student claimed to have seen three more UFOs appear over the horizon one week later. (Source: Brief account in the London Evening Standard, June 27, 1978.)"

Any reader having access to the above issue of the London Evening Standard is asked to send a copy of it to CUFOs and "thanks" □

CORRESPONDENCE, *Cont.*

Dear Mr. Timmerman,

Thank you for your sympathy. It is a great comfort for me to know that so many people cared for Barbara and esteemed her for her kindness and her very exceptional generosity.

Thank you also for the announcement of her death in your NEWSLETTER of July.

I am sure that wherever she may *be now she sees it and appreciates* it.

Sincerely yours,
Norbert Mathey □

Partial List of Conference Papers Announced for September Meeting

We hope that all readers seriously interested in the research work being done today in ufology are planning to attend the CUFOS CONFERENCE scheduled for September 25, 26 and 27 in Chicago at the Midland Hotel in the Loop. The meeting will be an excellent opportunity to meet other CUFOS ASSOCIATES and investigators and to discuss the fascinating subject of UFO research.

The registration fee for all three days is $35.00.

Several interesting papers are still being refereed. However, the following list of accepted papers has been announced by the Conference Committee Chairman, Mark Rodighier.

A TOUCHSTONE FOR DOUBTFUL ABDUCTIONS: BIRTH TRAUMA IMAGERY IN CE-III NARRATIVES, by Dr. Alvin H. Lawson

THE EFFECTS OF POSITION AND DISTANCE IN UFO IGNITION INTERFERENCE CASES, by Donald A. Johnson

THE CONTACTEES: A SURVEY, by Gordon Melton

THE MCMINNVILLE PHOTOS, by Dr. Bruce Maccabee

THE OREGON PHOTO REVISITED, by Dr. Irwin Wieder

PROJECT URD (SWEDEN), by Bertil Kuhlemann

CASH-LANDRUM CASE, by John F. Schuessler

There will also be a workshop led by Dr. Ron Westrum on The Sociology of UFOs and a workshop for CUFOS and MUFON investigators led by Dr. Hynek and assisted by John P. Timmerman. One additional workshop is in the planning stages and will be announced in the September ASSOCIATE NEWSLETTER.

"The Summing Up" address by Dr. Hynek will conclude the Conference on Sunday. The number of activities has been limited to permit time for those unstructured, informal discussions which conference attendees anticipate. Time will be available directly after each presentation and during all workshops for questions and discussion.

For those who have not made their plans, details regarding conference registration are provided in this issue. If you wish to stay at the Midland Hotel, write to us for a hotel registration card to be used when registering at the Midland Hotel to insure that you will be charged the special reduced rate we have arranged for our friends and ASSOCIATES at the Conference.

LOCATION:

The Midland Hotel in Chicago's Loop, at 172 W. Adams St. The hotel is one block from Sear's Tower and 4 blocks from State St.

DATES:

Friday, September 25 — Evening session only
Saturday, September 26 — Full day
Sunday, September 27 — 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M., approximately

CONFERENCE:

The full registration fee is $35.00, including admission to all sessions, abstracts of papers, and coffee breaks on Saturday and Sunday. Due to the nature of the meeting, no reduced registration fees for one or two days will be offered. Deadline for reservation is September 1, 1981. No meals are planned for the participants.

ROOM RESERVATIONS:

Each attendee will be responsible for reservations, room cost, tax, and incidential charges. Arrangements for arrival before September 25 or departure after September 27 can, within reason, be accommodated.

TRANSPORTATION:

Continental Air transport bus service is available from Chicago's O'Hare Airport. Parking is available close to the hotel.

The registration fee of $35.00 includes admission to all sessions, abstracts of papers, and coffee breaks on Saturday and Sunday. Make checks payable to CUFOS and send to P.O. Box 1402, Evanston, IL 60204. Questions regarding the conference can be directed to Mark Rodeghier at the CUFOS office. Additional information will be sent to those registering at a later date. □

Recent Books About UFOS

PROJECT IDENTIFICATION, The First Scientific Field Study of UFO Phenomena, by Harley D. Rutledge, $10.95 plus $1.50 p&h.

MISSING TIME: A Documented Study of UFO Abductions, by Budd Hopkins, $12.95 plus $1.50 p&h.

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July 1, 1981) to the National Archives in Ottawa and are presently available to the general public by telephone (613) 996-8507 or by mail (Tom Hillman, Room 701, Public Archives of Canada, 395 Wellington Street, Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0N3. . .when the mails are back in operation).

Mr. Hillman searched his 1.2 meters of UFO sighting reports dating back to 1965 for a possible sighting report on or about the time of the Jensen photography. He found one report on August 28, 1977 from a person in Edmonton who described a "round white distant (object)" seen for about 30 seconds to be traveling through the sky with two identical objects. It was reported to NORAD.

However, this description does not match that of the three photographs by Canute Jensen and apparently represents another event.

Finally, the original photography is in the possession of Mr. W.K. Allen (our reporting investigator) and persons wishing to contact him should do so at 3889 Truswell, Kelowna, B.C. Canada V1Y 1X8. Persons with photography similar to those shown in this article are asked to contact the Center for UFO studies. □

October UFO In Indiana Reported

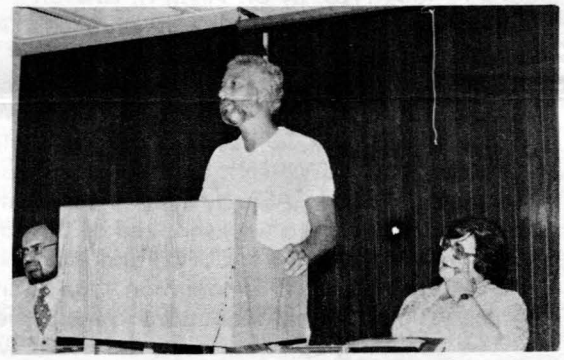
As a result of the February article in McCALLS MAGAZINE, many very interesting reports continue to arrive at CUFOS offices. We excerpt a portion of one of them.

"On October 26, 1980 at about 7:00 PM we experienced what Dr. Hynek terms a "close encounter of the second kind," (in Greene County, Indiana.)

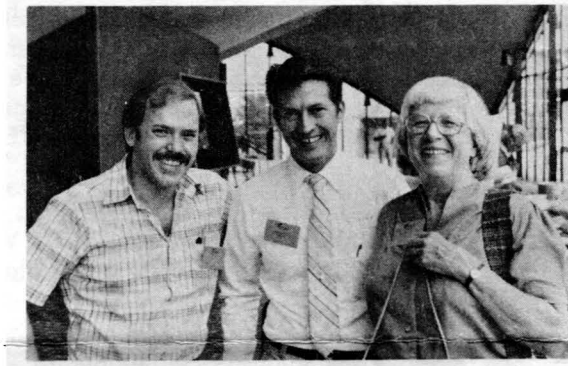
"An orange subject in the sky behind (my husband) suddenly dimmed into two lights and was heading toward him at a high rate of speed." "The object can be described as two full moons spaced about 12 feet apart with a flashing red light in back like a lopsided triangle. Each white light could have been three feet in diameter and the white was so intense, but nothing around it lit up. It seemed as if the light was somehow contained within itself. The object was at treetop level and passed to the right of our security light. There was no reflection of metal anywhere. The lights were all that could be seen but I got the distinct impression they were connected to something huge. The object made no sound except for a faint whistle as it passed by. □

FACES AT THE JULY 1981 MUFON SYMPOSIUM AT CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

Mr. and Mrs. William K. Allen, Canadian UFO Investigator, from Kelowna, British Columbia



Peter A. Gersten, Attorney handling the CAUS suit against the CIA.



(l. to r.) Fred Whiting and Tom Deuley of the FUND FOR UFO RESEARCH and Mimi Hynek of CENTER FOR UFO STUDIES.

Dr. Hynek and Cynthia Hinds, author and UFO investigator from Zimbabwe, at the Friday news conference.