

A NEW FSR CATALOGUE

The effects of UFOs on animals, birds and smaller creatures Part 13

INEVITABLY a considerable number of cases have been missed in the course of the preparation and publication of this tentative Catalogue, which should reach completion with one, or perhaps two, instalments after this one. Today, Gordon Creighton proposes to go back and pick up, in chronological order, those cases that had been missed and that now come to his attention.

THE CATALOGUE—XIII Miscellaneous items

198. Holyhead, Anglesey, Wales (Year 1743).

While working in the fields, a farmer and his servant boy claimed to have seen what looked like a ship under sail, flying towards them from the S.E., that is, from the direction of Mt. Snowdon. "A flock of birds assembled to examine the phenomenon, and flew around it from all directions."

Quoted from the *Shell Guide To Wales* (pp. 190-191). See FSR May/June 1970 (p. 31) (Communication from Mr. S. E. Priest).

[Now a piece of negative evidence. I note, in passing, Carl Grove's two articles (FSR November/December 1970 and January/February 1971) on the great Airship Wave over Britain in 1909. They contain no reference to any disturbance observed among animals or birds—G.C.]

199. Vicinity of Highway 95 and Dead Mountains, California, U.S.A. (11.00 p.m. to midnight, sometime in October or November 1943).

2nd Lt. Thomas J. Duzynski, serving then with the 779th Anti-Aircraft Battalion, saw an elliptical object flying at high speed and apparently making no sound. His tent-mate, who had a dog, told him that the dog had become extremely agitated just at the time when Duzynski was outside seeing the UFO.

Coral Lorenzen: *UFOs, The Whole Story* (pages 22/23).

200. Lönnebarga, Sweden (Afternoon of May 1, 1945).

While sitting in their friends' garden and taking tea with them, Mr. and Mrs. Gideon Johansson "heard a sound like falling hail" and observed that a shower of worms was falling out of a clear sky, and covering an area of at least 100 metres × 300 metres. Not a square metre of ground was free of the Fortean fall. Large numbers of birds, including crows, came down to the worms, but as soon as they got close to them, they turned and flew away. A neighbour let his hens out to feast on the worms, but the fowls would not touch one of them. The worms, deep frozen, transparent, and reddish in colour, were about 12 cms. in length, and apparently could not be identified in Sweden. According to Ivan Sanderson, his society (SITU) have also been unable to identify them.

Anders Liljegen: *Mariannelund UFO And Occupants*, in UFO-Sweden Newsletter No. 2, September 1970, and FSR November/December 1970 (pp. 16-17).

201. Sierras de Comechingones, San Luis, Argentina (Noon, January 15, 1950).

Señor Carlos Burmeister and his wife and two friends were riding horses on his farm at El Peñón Colorado in the Andes. The weather was fine and sunny, the sky cloudless. Suddenly the horses pricked their ears forward and gave the first warning of a silvery dirigible type of craft, shaped like a half-cigar, which came flying over the mountains from the East.

La Razón, Buenos Aires, July 3, 1968 (Communicated by Sr. Oscar A. Galíndez).

202. Ontario, Canada (April 22, 1952).

Alerted by the furious barking of his dog, a man went outside of the house to see what was causing it, and found it to be a bright disc in the sky, reflecting the rays of the sun.

Mas Allá, Buenos Aires, May 1955 (Communicated by Sr. Oscar A. Galíndez).

203. Flatwoods, West Virginia, U.S.A. (About 7.30-8.00 p.m., September 12, 1952).

When something glowing bright red, roundish in shape, appeared from the north-west, slowly flew across the valley to the south-east and seemed to land on a hill, Mrs. Kathleen May of Flatwoods and six boys dashed up the hill to investigate. One of the boys, Eugene Lemon, had his large dog with him. Arriving at the top of the hill, the party either saw—or thought they saw—something horrific, seemingly a large entity, ten feet tall, with a red face, which glided towards them. The party fled in panic. The dog, going up the hill ahead of them, "had set up a terrible racket as it turned the last bend in the path." The next thing they knew, as they caught sight of what they thought was the entity, was that the dog met them, streaking homeward in precipitate flight and yelping. They found it crouching under the porch at home, trembling and whining piteously.

Gray Barker: *They Knew Too Much About Flying Saucers* (1956). See also Ivan T. Sanderson: *Uninvited Visitors* (1967).

204. Campo Grande, State of Mato Grosso, Brazil (1954).

A man (name withheld) whose story was investigated by Dr. Olavo Fontes and Colonel Adil de Oliveira, Chief of the Intelligence Branch of the Brazilian Air Force, told them that he was fishing in a river 400 yards from his house, when he heard his dog start howling. He then saw two spheres (one of which, much smaller, was rotating around the other) hovering about six feet from the ground. Three small creatures resembling human beings descended from the larger sphere and began gathering up calcareous material on the river bank.

Coral Lorenzen: *UFOs: The Whole Story*, p. 289.

205. Puzzuoli, near Naples, Italy (October 21, 1954).

Under the heading "Dog Victim of a Flying Saucer", the *Western Mail* reported that, according to workers at a rubber factory at Puzzuoli, near Naples, the sight of a flying saucer killed a Pekingese dog on October 21. "They and the dog saw a silver object stop in mid-air for fifteen seconds, then rise vertically with a hissing sound. The Pekingese, they said, yelped at the apparition, then dropped dead!"

Western Mail, October 22, 1954 (Communicated by FSR reader Mr. A. C. Williams of Swansea, who points out the interesting fact that this case occurred on the same date as Case No. 46 of this Catalogue, also in Italy).

206. Kelly/Hopkinsville, Kentucky, U.S.A. (Night of August 21/22, 1955).

In this classic case, in which the Sutton family were "besieged" in their house by a group of "goblins" about 3ft. high, with huge ears and eyes, some of the reports mentioned that the first indication that an unknown object had landed in a nearby field was provided by the barking and howling of the Suttons' dogs.

Dr. M. K. Jessup: *The UFO Annual*. Dr. Jacques Vallée: *Anatomy of a Phenomenon* (1965). Coral

Lorenzen: *UFO Occupants in United States Reports* (in *THE HUMANOIDS*, 1966).

207. Long Island, N.Y., U.S.A. (One night in 1957).

"A government official in Washington, who must remain anonymous for obvious reasons, recently told me about a sighting he had made while living on Long Island in 1957. His dog had started to bark and howl one night, and he stepped outside in time to see a huge delta-winged aircraft passing swiftly overhead in total silence. It was surrounded by an eerie reddish glow. He reported what he had observed to the local Air Force base, and the next day an officer telephoned him and asked for additional details, admitting that several other people had reported seeing the same thing. (Except for a few experimental types, delta-winged aircraft were very rare in the 1950s."

John Keel: *Operation Trojan Horse* (1970), p. 124.

208. Brazil (November 1957).

"The well-known Brazilian writer Frei Fidelis Dalcin Barbosa reports briefly that a man named Osvaldo de Melo saw a landed UFO in November 1957. It was dark brown and emitted heat and blinding light. His horse refused to approach it. He tried to fire his revolver at it, but his hand became so heavy that he could not hold the weapon. From 20 metres, he threw stones at the machine, but found later that they had fallen midway without touching it. After the UFO had departed, his horse still refused to approach the 30 metres-wide circle of scorched grass where it had been."

Professor Felipe Machado Carrion: *Discos Voadores: Impreviseveis E Conturbadores* (p. 51). Pôrto Alegre, 1968.

209. Blenheim, New Zealand (5.50 a.m., July 13, 1959).

Mrs. Frederick Moreland went to the barn to milk the cows and found the whole paddock "bathed in a horrid bright green light" coming from two sources on the underside of an object some 20-30ft. wide which was hovering at about 15ft. from the ground and 150ft. from her. Inside the transparent dome on the top of it she saw two men wearing close-fitting suits of a shiny material. The UFO then vanished upwards with a soft, high-pitched sound and she smelt something peculiar, resembling *pepper*. She continued with her milking, and there seems to have been no effect whatever on her cows. She had to take a break from the milking, but this was because she herself was upset by the experience, not the cows.

NICAP: *UFOs: A New Look* (1969), p. 29.

210. Wiltshire, England (5.30 p.m., December 21, 1960).

A Mr. "W" was taking his dog for its run in a field beside the manor house in a Wiltshire village. It was a very misty evening, and Mr. "W" could see nothing. Suddenly, he heard a banging "as if someone was bashing a dustbin," and then what sounded to him like the beating of many powerful wings. By then the dog had fled home in panic, while Mr. "W" had to throw himself flat, face downwards, as "the whole mist seemed to be vibrating". He suffered from shock and impaired balance for two hours afterwards.

Rev. Howard Bell: *Wiltshire Revisited*, in *FSR CASE HISTORIES*, Supplement 1, October 1970.

211. Little Hulton, Manchester, Lancashire, England (January or February, 1966).

Four boys of Peel Hall School saw a silvery elliptical object hovering above Madams Wood, and on the same afternoon a boy claimed to have seen a "flying saucer" land in a field near the Armitage Estate "and produce two grabs which picked up a cow. A sliding trap between the grabs opened in the side of the superstructure, and the cow disappeared within and the saucer took off." (The paper added however that "no farmer in the area seems to be missing any cattle.")

Farnworth & Worsley Journal, February 5, 1966, quoted in *World Round-Up*, *FSR* July/August 1966.

212. Aveyron, France (1966-1967).

Among the numerous phenomena experienced on a farm in the Mid-Pyrenees region of France (names of witnesses

withheld) were frequent appearances of glowing balls, or "thinking lights", moving around on the surface of the ground. One night the farmer observed one of these "balls" approaching the yard, so he told his two dogs, in the local patois: "Go seek 'em! Go get 'em!" The dogs at once went for it, and "chased it right up to the railings . . . in the corner of the vineyard . . . but they never went too close to it . . . not nearer than maybe 1 or 1½ metres. Then that thing disappeared in a wink, and the dogs stopped barking."

F. Lagarde: *The Aveyron Enquiry*—Part 2, in *FSR* November/December 1970 (p. 6).

213. Lagôa Negra, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil (8.00-10.00 p.m., one evening in early part of January, 1968).

Five people witnessed the arrival of a ten-metre-wide disc on the Lagôa Negra Fazenda (plantation). The disc remained hovering, and two types of human-like beings emerged. Two were about two metres tall, with long hair, walking with seemingly rigid legs. The other three, also with long hair, were about 1.40 metres in height.

The two tall beings came to a point only 60 metres from the house, and returned to the disc after the farmer's wife had cried out in fear and called her husband, who was watching outside. The remarkable feature of the case is that during the twenty minutes of this episode, the five dogs of the household, which normally are savage towards any strangers, were never disturbed and remained entirely quiet even when the tall beings had entered the gate and were close to the house.

Jáder U. Pereira: *The Remarkable Landing At Lagôa Negra*, in *FSR CASE HISTORIES*, Supplement 5, June 1971.

214. Otoco, S.W. Bolivia (6.00-7.00 p.m., early 1968).

As a woman named Valentina Flores was bringing her herds of sheep and llamas into their corrals for the night, she found a humanoid creature about 1.10m. in height inside the sheep-pen and engaged in killing the sheep with a tubular instrument. She attacked the creature with stones and a cudgel, and it cut her on the arms by throwing its instrument at her in boomerang fashion. The creature made its escape by shooting straight upwards into the air, taking with it a plastic-type of bag containing small portions of the digestive organs of the 34 sheep that it had killed.

Oscar A. Galíndez (FSR Representative in Argentina): *Violent Humanoid Encountered In Bolivia*, in *FSR* July/August 1970.

215. Catskill Mountains, N.Y., U.S.A. (8.00-9.00 p.m., late in August 1968).

Mr. M.O., alone on his farm in an isolated area of the Catskills, went outside with his French poodle to take some bread and honey to his horse and some milk for the cat. Suddenly he heard "a shrill, whining sound, like a dynamo," and found himself paralysed. The dog, five feet in front of him, was motionless too. The horse (a Morgan gelding) "was at the fence, standing still with his head in the air, turned towards the side of the hill." Witness felt "pins and needles" sensations in the body, and lost all sense of time. Then the noise stopped, and he found he could move again, and saw that the horse and the dog were also moving again.

Above the barn he saw "two holes in the sky, as white as snow. It was like looking into a barrel. They were perfectly round—automobile-tyre size, and about 3ft. apart. They stayed still and didn't move for ten to fifteen minutes—then disappeared."

Next morning he found that the cat had refused the milk—something very unusual. Witness himself developed red streaks on the penis, and the case involved numerous other UFO-associated physiological and psychic features, poltergeistic manifestations, etc.

Dr. Berthold Eric Schwarz, M.D.: *Possible UFO-Induced Temporary Paralysis*, in *FSR* March/April 1971.

216. **White Rock Lake, New Jersey, U.S.A.** (8.05 p.m., March 31, 1966).

A close, tree-height sighting of a UFO happened over an outdoor pool. "Mrs. Connie Bateman's dog howled, and her sister's dog whined and tried to get into the house through a window."

Daily Advance (Dover), April 1, 1966. Quoted by Dr. Berthold Eric Schwarz in footnote (b) to article *Possible UFO-Induced Temporary Paralysis* in *FSR March/April 1971* (p. 5).

217. **Hardyston Township, White Rock Lake, N.J., U.S.A.** (8.45 p.m., April 1, 1966).

Mrs. Carol Vander Plate saw a UFO at tree height. "All of a sudden my two French poodles started barking and carrying on. They refused to obey. They went crazy, running in circles, and jumping over the furniture."

UPI, April 4, 1966. *UFOs in New Jersey*, in: *The Journal of the Medical Society of New Jersey*, Vol. 66, No. 8, pp. 460-464, August 1969. Dr. Berthold Eric Schwarz. *Op. cit.*, footnote (c), *FSR March/April 1971*.

218. **Hackettstown, N.J., U.S.A.** (10.10-11.10 p.m., on a Wednesday in April, 1967).

A close sighting of a UFO lasted for one hour, beginning at 10.10 p.m., directly over the houses at tree-height and over the fish-hatchery, where Mrs. Lawrence Robinson's springer spaniel puppy "sat still on the ground, howling, and wouldn't move."

Dr. Berthold Eric Schwarz. *Op. cit.*, footnote (d), *FSR March/April 1971*.

219. **Woodmansterne, Banstead, England** (10.00-10.30 p.m., evening in last week of August, or first week of September, 1968).

Farmer George Graham, engaged in shooting foxes on his land, saw a strange dark-blue "acetylene-like" glow about 100 yards from him in the field, and then, fifteen minutes later, heard a loud "whoosh", and saw a dark circular shape rising into the air. It climbed rapidly and vanished, all in silence. Next day he found a huge mark in the field, shaped like a keyhole, 40ft. long and 20ft. wide. Grass and roots had been sucked away "as though by a giant vacuum cleaner."

The most curious part of Mr. Graham's story was that there were 20 horses, and about the same number of cattle, in the field (70-80 acres) at the time, and apparently none of these animals were disturbed in any way by the UFO, which he said "was a good deal higher than a double-decker bus."

He also reported that, a week earlier, two girls, who kept horses in that field, had been walking across the field with their dogs to the bus-stop. They too saw a strange object in the field, and their dogs fled, refusing to remain in the field. They found the dogs waiting for them at the bus-stop.

Ron Toft: *Farmer Sees UFO Take Off*, in *FSR CASE HISTORIES*, Supplement 3 (February 1971).

World round-up

of news and comment
about recent sightings

ENGLAND

Discs follow car

The following report is taken from the *Liverpool Echo* of February 21, 1972—

"A Wirral woman has reported to the police that she and her husband were followed along an unlit road by two luminous objects.

"Mrs. Michelle Ryan, of 176 Birkenhead Road, Meols, said: 'We decided to ignore the incident but on reading of the reports of UFOs in Friday's *Echo*, I decided to report the matter to Hoylake police at the weekend.'

"She went on: 'It happened at about 8 p.m. last Thursday night, when my husband and I were driving along Birkenhead Road towards Moreton. It was pitch dark, there were no street lights on due to the power cuts, and no other traffic on the road.'

"Mrs. Ryan said that when her husband said there was a lorry 'right on top of our back window' she looked around and saw two dull, off-white discs of light, one in each corner of the rear window.

"'It was just as if someone was following us and peering into the car,' said Mrs. Ryan. 'When my husband first saw the lights he slowed down a bit, but then accelerated and a gap came between them and the car. Then

they suddenly disappeared.'"

Credit: S. J. Flood of Bootle, Lancs.

"Tennis ball" UFOs at Swinton

Another item of interest appeared in the *Manchester Evening News* on March 22, 1972—

"Mysterious red objects the size of tennis balls have been sighted in the sky over the North-West.

"Amateur astronomer Mr. Les Morris, of Beechfield Road, Swinton, saw a strange red light in the sky while walking home with his daughter, Marlene. 'It was as big as a tennis ball and looked to be 500 feet in the air,' he said.

"Mr. Morris, who works for Shell Chemicals at Carrington, phoned Manchester Airport and was told there had been no planes in the area for at least 15 minutes before he saw the object.

"'I've seen shooting stars and other natural phenomena but nothing like this,' he added.

"Swinton schoolgirls Ellen Chapman and Fiona Cannon, both of Tennyson Road, also saw four of the 'flying red tennis balls.'

"'One was continually flashing and seemed to lead the others about the sky,' said Ellen."

Aerial puzzle at Stockport

Lights in the sky never tell us very

much: this is where the large numbers of misidentifications occur. Was it a rocket decay that was reported in the *Manchester Evening News* of February 11, 1972? There is certainly very little detail in the account—

"One Manchester businessman is a lot less cynical since seeing his first 'Unidentified Flying Object.'

"And he is wondering if anyone else spotted the horizontal band of intensely bright lights, with a shorter vertical line in the centre, that he saw today at about 8 a.m. over Stockport.

"At the time he was motoring between Prestbury and Wilmslow, looking north.

"Police were mystified. So were experts at both Ringway airport and the Air Traffic Centre at Preston. 'This is a very unusual sighting of lights in the sky,' said one.

"'Sometimes aircraft lights are reflected off cloud. And he might have seen two planes, one behind the other and slightly to the side, but giving the impression that their landing lights were one horizontal line. But we don't honestly know for sure.'"

Credit: Gordon Clegg of Sale, Cheshire.

NORWAY

UFO bathes girl in light

From the *Telemark Arbeiderblad* of January 10, 1972, we learn that an