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The effects of UFOs on Animals, Birds, and smaller creatures

Part 4

REMARKABLE cases from another UFO-busy year, 1957, are included in this section of the catalogue, prepared by Gordon Creighton, which will run to more than 170 cases.

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54. **Smithfield, near Cairns, Australia** (7.20 p.m., May 29, 1955—approximate date).

Thomas Robinson and two other farmers saw a "light", trailing flames, land briefly five times. The farm dogs ran out barking as it landed within 100 metres of the witnesses.

Jacques Vallée: Case No. 363 of *A Century of Landings*, in *Lumières dans la Nuit*; also *Passport to Magonia*.

55. **Atacama Desert, Argentina** (1956).

Dead condors and eagles found in the Andes, in an area where large UFO and gigantic entities were rumoured to have landed.

Horacio Ganteaume: *Have Giants Landed On Cordilleras?* in FSR, September/October 1956.

56. **Poole, Dorset, England** (April 1956).

A number of people reported seeing a UFO cross the night sky. One of them, a Mr. King of Hengistbury Head area, came out of his house to see why his dog was barking, and observed a bright light with a luminous trail moving steadily across the sky at high speed.

FSR, May/June 1956, p. 23.

57. **Twin Falls, Idaho, U.S.A.** (weekend of September 8-9, 1956).

New York World Telegram & Sun of September 14 reported that a 200-foot wide saucer landed on a ranch 40 miles south of Twin Falls and snatched a steer. Three witnesses were: E. L. Rayburn, owner of the ranch and a prominent Twin Falls attorney; his two employees, Joe Parker and Dick Parker.

FSR, November/December 1956, p. 7.

58. **Cabo Frio, Brazil** (10.30 p.m. one night in September 1956).

Sr. O. Guarichi was walking on the beach with his dogs when he saw an object emerge from the sea to land. Two men, 1.80 m. in height, wearing metallic-looking uniforms, came out of it and began picking up objects on the beach. They exchanged gestures with him. When he approached the twenty-metre wide craft, one of his dogs backed away.

Jacques Vallée: Case No. 385 of *A Century of Landings*, in *Lumières dans la Nuit* and *Passport to Magonia*. (From *UFO-Nachrichten*, Germany, March 1961.)

59. **Milford, Pennsylvania, U.S.A.** (6.00 a.m. on a day in late May 1957).

Miss Frances Stichler was about to enter a barn to feed her chickens when a flat bowl-shaped UFO with a broad rim came whirring into view only about 15ft. above the barn, halted in a tilted position, and she saw a man, apparently of average size, in a tight-fitting grey helmet and grey clothing, sitting on the rim with his feet and legs inside the craft. Under psychiatric examination by FSR medical

consultant Dr. Berthold Schwarz, of the Brain Wave Laboratory of the Essex County Overbrook Hospital, on December 7, 1968, Miss Stichler, a person with no signs or past history of emotional or mental disturbance, gave Dr. Schwarz the impression that there was no reason for thinking she was not telling the truth. One curious and somewhat surprising passage in her statement was that she had noted no discernible effects on her chickens or on other birds when the UFO approached so close.

Coral Lorenzen: *UFO Occupants in United States Reports*, in *THE HUMANOIDS*, also Berthold Eric Schwarz, M.D., *UFO Occupants: Fact or Fantasy?* in FSR, September/October 1969.

60. **Schenectady, New York, U.S.A.** (October 10, 1957).

Mrs. Edward Yeager, occupant of a trailer near the Duaneburg-Church Road at Mariaville, was feeding her ducks and chickens when a circular object, similar to or identical with one she had seen the day before, swooped down to within 6ft. of the ground and scared away the fowls. Two small dark men emerged from the machine and entered the woods nearby.

FSR, May/June 1958.

61. **Dante, Tennessee, U.S.A.** (6.30 a.m., November 6, 1957).

Everett Clark, aged 12, saw a tubular craft in a field about 100 yards from his house. Near it were two men and two women, apparently normal-sized people and normally dressed. His own dog Frisky and other dogs of the village were close by, barking at the visitors. One of the men from the machine tried to grab Frisky, who growled and backed away. He then tried to seize another dog, but it attempted to bite him, so he let it go. In subsequent interviews with pressmen, Everett Clark said the visitors talked "like German soldiers" he had seen in films and on television. He said that when they re-entered their craft they seemed to "walk right through the side, as if it was glass". (N.B. A Russian "sputnik" space-capsule, containing the dog *Laika*, had just been launched.)

FSR, January/February 1958, p. 5, also Coral Lorenzen: *UFO Occupants in United States Reports*, in *THE HUMANOIDS*.

62. **Everittstown, New Jersey, U.S.A.** (at dusk, evening of November 6, 1957).

Mr. John Trasco claimed that he went out of the house to feed his dog and beheld a brilliant egg-shaped object hovering in front of the barn. He was then confronted by a little man about 3ft. high, "like a leprechaun", dressed in a green suit with shiny buttons, a green cap of "tam-o'shanter" type, and gloves with a shiny object at the tip of each. He had a nose and chin, large protuberant frog-like eyes and a putty-coloured face. Trasco thought the creature said: "We are peaceful people, we don't want no trouble, we only want your dog". Thoroughly frightened, Mr. Trasco replied: "Get the hell out of here!" whereupon the creature fled into the hovering craft which took off straight up and vanished. Mr. Trasco said the creature's voice sounded "sharp and scary," with a sort of "broken accent", as though "from the other side" (i.e. presumably from Europe). The dog, "King", a six-year-old Belgian police dog, which was tethered at the side of the house, had been barking furiously at the intruder

and the craft, and was now frothing at the mouth with excitement and terror.

Delaware Valley News, Milford, N.J., November 15, 1957. Alexander D. Mebane: *Appendix On The Latest American Sightings*, in Aimé Michel's *Flying Saucers And The Straight-Line Mystery* (American edition, Criterion Books, N.Y., 1958). Coral Lorenzen: *UFO Occupants in United States Reports*, in THE HUMANOIDS.

63. Maracajá, S. Brazil (10.30 a.m., November 18, 1957).

Two men, Pedro Zilli and João Ernani, saw six tall thin men in dark grey clothing who entered some aluminium-coloured, metallic-looking discs about 3 metres in diameter which were hovering near the ground about 200 metres from the witnesses. After the craft, totalling five in all, had taken off at incredible speed, the witnesses recalled that for about 20

minutes past the cattle grazing in the vicinity had been showing signs of great disturbance and agitation, looking in a frightened manner towards the group of trees behind which some of the machines were hidden.

FSR, July/August, 1958, p. 27.

64. Drakestown, New Jersey, U.S.A. (night of December 30, 1957).

Auto mechanic George Chowanski was aroused by the barking of his dog and heard a whirring sound "like the sound of an electric shaver." He and his wife saw a lighted object come close to the ground and saw two figures emerge from it and walk around for two minutes.

Jacques Vallée: Case No. 453 of *A Century Of Landings*, in *Lumières dans la Nuit* and *Passport to Magonia*.

World round-up *of news and comment about recent sightings*

AUSTRALIA

More Tully "nests"—and others

The *Australasian Post* for June 12, 1969, had an illustrated article recapitulating the events at Tully.

According to Mr. Vincent Mele, Tully resident, the phenomenon is still continuing in that area. He says that the total number of the nests found at the outset (1966) was as high as 23, and that six more of them have been discovered in the past two years.

The paper also printed a photograph of a large flattened area, 60ft. by 25ft., in what appears to be a crop of sorghum or something similar, at Bungalawyn in the state of New South Wales. The ten-foot stalks were beaten flat by something that evidently had landed there. The discovery was made in April 1969.

There were also signs of movement at the site.

(Credit: Michael A. McNamara, Brighton, Victoria.)

FRANCE

Côte-d'Or UFO

From the provincial newspaper *Les Dépêches* for Saturday, May 23/ Sunday, May 24, 1970 (published in Côte-d'Or region of East Central France), the following report from Dijon, signed by correspondent J. Wintzenrieth—

"Barely a year after the sighting of an unidentified flying object in the sky over Chevigny-Fénay in the Département of Côte-d'Or, several reliable witnesses now report having seen a strange sight a few days ago near the Château d'Arceau, also in the Côte-d'Or region.

"It was at about 1.30 a.m., in the night of Sunday, May 17/Monday, May 18, 1970. Six people were travelling in a car along the road leading from the Château d'Arceau to the

Mirebeau-Gray national highway.

"Monsieur Gérard Sutarik, a professor in Paris, was driving. With him were his wife and another couple, also both professors in Paris, and Monsieur and Mme. Claude Defond, who have a transportation business at Mirebeau-sur-Bèze.

"We interviewed Monsieur Defond and he gave us an account of the apparition seen very clearly by all members of the party.

"He said: 'As we were driving along, the surrounding countryside and the car itself were suddenly all lit up by a powerful bluish-green light. It was a bit like a lightning flash, except perhaps for the colour. During the brief period that it lasted—about ten seconds or so—you could see as well as if it were broad daylight. I put my head out of the car door, and saw a sort of tube which one might compare with the burner of a jet plane, and behind it a bluish-green flame about four or five times as long as the diameter of the tube.'

"Monsieur Defond was not however able to describe for us the exact shape of the machine, the flame being the only thing that had held his attention. He is, however, categorical on this point: namely that throughout the phenomenon none of the passengers in the car heard any sound whatsoever, either preceding or following the apparition.

"According to Monsieur Defond, the machine was following an approximately south-north trajectory.

"He went on: 'I estimated the height of the machine at 200 metres. It appeared to me to be of the size of a bottle. Naturally I thought at first of a jet aircraft, but the colour of the flame, the duration of the flash and, above all, the impressive silence that accompanied the phenomenon, permit us to

rule out such a supposition entirely.'

"This is one eyewitness account which we are giving here, but it is necessary to add that several similar sightings have taken place in recent years in Europe and the USA without it having been possible to explain their origin."

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From same paper, *Les Dépêches*, May 26, 1970—

"A resident of Montignac-sur-Vézère, in the Département of Dordogne, last week saw four machines flying in formation from west to east and leaving behind them showers of sparks.

"According to the witness, the objects had the shape of flying saucers."

(Translation: G. Creighton.)

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