D.W.: "Earl, what was the distance to the next bunker on the perimeter?"

E.M.: "150 metres."

D.W.: "Had you or either of the other two men, while in Vietnam, ever done anything mean or wrong to any of the natives there?"

E.M.: "Not that I know of. Of course, I don't know what the other two guys have done, but they didn't say anything about anything that night."

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One other fact might be mentioned here which may or may not be relevant. In September 1970, Earl Morrison became sick and was put into hospital in Japan. He suffered with swollen lymph glands in the armpits and groins which were operated upon. He still has some of these swellings. Swelling of the lymph glands is not an unknown disease, and it may have no bearing on this case, but it is a pity we have no way of getting any information on the state of the glands of the other two witnesses.

Readers' Reports

Low-level UFO at Halesowen

Dear Sirs,—I must bring to your attention a report of a UFO sighting over Halesowen which, to the minds of myself and my friends, may be of great note.

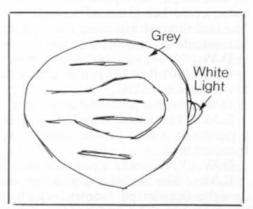
The sighting (one of many in our area at present!) was clearly and concisely reported. The individuals who saw the UFO are two 13-year-old boys, and one of 12 years. I consider them to be sound and reasonable, and, as I know them personally, can vouch that they have good backgrounds.

On January 20, 1972, the three boys were supposed to go swimming with

my father, who is Captain of the local Boys' Brigade, to which all three belong. They decided to walk around for a time as the night was clear and fresh.

At 9.05 p.m. approximately, they sighted the object. It remained clearly in view for some 10 minutes.

The object, like two saucers lip to lip, appeared to spin about its axis, and wobbled while remaining over a three-storey block of flats a few hundred yards from my home. The object had red lights around the rim, and one green light on top. At one point it also had a white light (as shown in the sketches). The object also had markings



The underside of the object as drawn by Gary Whyley, aged 13 years.

underneath, and one of the boys drew them for me.

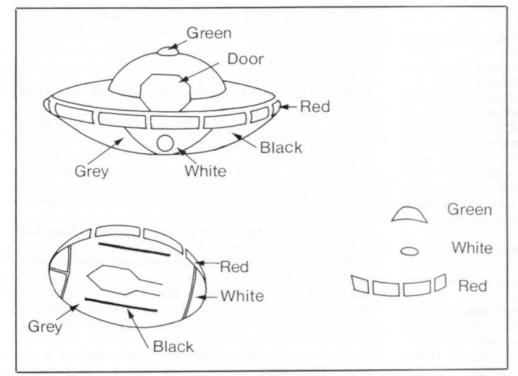
After a few minutes of watching the boys became frightened, and ran for my house hoping I would be at home. Unfortunately I was out, but my mother conveyed their message to me. The following evening I interviewed the boys with the aid of a friend. We consider their stories to be true, as we interviewed them separately and found little or nothing by way of discrepancies in their accounts. The only differences were in the way they sketched the object.

Dorian Panero, 12, of Howley Grange, has read books on the subject of UFOs. Nevertheless he was physically distressed by the incident.

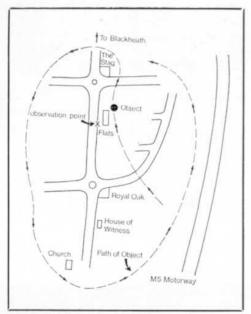
Gary Whyley, 13, also of Howley Grange, was less shaken, but became very annoyed when we insisted that he must have seen an aeroplane or helicopter. He said he knew exactly what planes and helicopters look like, and this was neither.

Carl Fogarty, 13, of Blackheath, was shaken by his experience, and he also became annoyed when my colleague tried to laugh their story off.

The boys heard no sound, felt no peculiar sensations and smelt nothing unusual. They said that when they fled from the scene, the object appeared to



Illustrations of the object, based on sketches received from Gary Whyley



Sketch map showing the flightpath of the object. Ordnance survey reference; map 131: 986 845.

circle the area from "The Stag" public house to Carters Lane Baptist Church, right round my house and away towards the M5 motorway.

If you, or any other researchers would like interviews with the boys I am sure it could be arranged. I am disturbed that there are so many UFO reports in my district and that I cannot deal with them through having to work. Yours truly,

Andy Priest,

24 Carters Lane, Halesowen, Worcestershire. January 24, 1972.

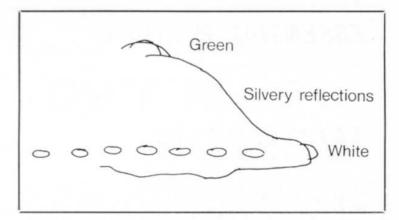
Wave of sightings over Yugoslavia

Dear Sir,—According to our correspondent Milos Krmelj, of Ljublana, Yugoslavia, UFOs were seen very widely over Yugoslavia during the first two weeks of October, 1971, particularly over the territories of Serbia and his own region, the Slovenian Republic.

Some reports were of seemingly metallic, whitish, triangular objects such as the one observed on the morning of October 5 at an altitude of 10,000 metres by pilots of two Yugoslavian airliners when in the vicinity of Sarajevo. Other reports were of round objects. Witnesses were very numerous and for some days there was much animated talk among the public about UFOs, "men from other planets," etc.

One of the objects was photographed by a professor Milan Lazaric and the picture appeared in the paper *Delo* of

Right
The object as sketched by Dorian
Panero, aged 12 years.



October 9. It showed an intensely white pear-shaped object with indistinct contours.

By the middle of October the authorities may have been thinking that there had been too much popular discussion of these matters, and reports began to appear explaining that the objects seen were all meteorological or cosmic ray balloons (which indeed some of them may have been). At one place, Bjelina, reports said that a mysterious box full of instruments was found and that it seemed to have fallen from the air. Generally the press were inclined to hint at espionage by foreign powers, especially Italy, in addition to the theory of cosmic or meteorological balloons.

Gordon Creighton, FSR, London.

Dear Sirs,—On Monday, November 21, 1971, I was driving with my wife from Derby to Hilton along the Derby to Uttoxeter Road. It was 5.45 in the evening and I was driving on head-lamps—the road being unlit.

As we passed close by Burnaston my wife pointed out a white, bright light which I estimated to be at 2,000ft. I have observed many aircraft approaching East Midlands Airport at night and am familiar with the appearance of their navigation lights at known altitudes. The light, however, did not seem to behave like a conventional aircraft. It was brighter than aircraft navigation lights and seemed to be moving slowly northwards. Sometimes it appeared to be stationary, or to perform slow gyrations like somebody waving a torch in circles. The light was flashing in an irregular manner-its appearance being alternately dull white and very bright white. It did not flash on and off.

Seven minutes later—we had passed through Etwall—it began to look slightly red at its lowest illumination, but still flashed bright white in an irregular manner. I pulled off the main road and got out of the car to observe it more carefully. It was now hovering and gyrating but did not seem to be travelling in any particular direction. It was then that I noticed a similar light to the South. This light appeared to be over Rolleston-on-Dove and was at the same elevation as the first light, i.e. 40° approximately. The second light, however, was a definite red colour and it flashed irregularly from dull to bright but its colour did not change. The second light was absolutely stationary.

I started the car again and reached the house, not having observed either light for the last two to three minutes. I now observed the second light from the back garden. It appeared to have been joined on its western side by the first light, which could not now be seen in the North, although I did not now have a completely unimpeded view due to nearby houses. Both lights now performed slight gyrations and slowly parted. The first light moved slowly away to the West and the second light moved slowly away to the East.

The whole performance lasted roughly three-quarters of an hour, and at all times the lights were at an elevation of 40° or less. No particular sound could be heard and both appeared brighter than aircraft navigation lights.

The lights were observed by my wife and next-door neighbours. When viewed through binoculars they appeared hardly magnified, still appearing as very bright points of light.

I should like to state that I have read extensively on the subject of UFOs and have therefore tried to be as objective as possible in writing this report.

I shall be interested to know if you have received any other similar reports from this area.

Yours sincerely, Gavin F. Wilshaw, Peacroft Lane, Hilton, Derbyshire. March 13, 1972.

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