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Men taken aboard UFO? Nearby radar jammed

PASCAGOULA, Miss. (AP) — A Marion County civil defense official reported an unidentified flying object knocked out his radar Sunday night shortly after two scientists said they were still convinced two men were taken aboard a UFO along the Gulf Coast near Pascagoula.

Drs. James Harder of the University of California and Allen Hynek, chairman of the astronomy department at Northwestern University, said they were convinced Charles Hickson and Calvin Parker encountered a nonterrestrial craft last week.

A short time later, James Thornhill of Columbia said he picked up an object on his radar set. "I observed what I thought to be an aircraft," Thornhill told officials. "It got rather close to the station,

about three miles, then it became stationary and all of a sudden my radar just completely jammed.

"I've never seen anything quite like this, except perhaps during World War II," he said.

Thornhill said the radar unit developed streaks when the UFO returned later. Area residents, he said, reported seeing a craft with bright blue lights Sunday night.

Thornhill's report was the latest in a series of UFO sightings that reached its most bizarre period Thursday night.

Hickson and Parker went to authorities saying they were taken aboard a UFO.

"These are not imbalanced people," Hynek said. "They're not crackpots. There was definitely something here that was not terrestrial (of this earth)."

Hickson and Parker said they were fishing when a bluish craft hovered near them and they were taken inside by redskinned occupants without force.

The pair said the craft's occupants had wrinkled skin, pointed ears, eye-slits, sharp noses and holes below their noses.

"Where they came from and why they were here is a matter of conjecture," Hynek said. "But the fact that they are here on this planet is beyond a reasonable doubt."

Jackson County officials expressed belief in the incident.

"They are sincere," said Sheriff Fred Diamond.

Sightings of another of the same craft were made to authorities Thursday night by three other persons, Diamond said.



DOUSE LAST SPARKS — Fireman pours water on remains of buildings in Chelsea, Mass., Monday after a night of burning that destroyed hundreds of buildings and left over a thousand residents homeless. (AP Wirephoto)

Officers, citizens report 'objects' over Hamilton

By BILL McDULIN
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A UFO, an unidentified flying object, was observed over Hamilton early Monday by two Hamilton police officers, according to Patrolman John Hudek, desk officer.

Patrolman Robert Coates, an eight-year veteran on the department, said he was at Seventh and High Sts. when he saw the "oval-shaped object, with three white lights and one blue one, move from north to south in the eastern part of the sky."

Patrolman James Craven, in another police cruiser, on Seventh St., near Maple Ave., also saw the object. "It didn't look like an airplane," Coates told the Journal-News. "And it was a lot closer than a satellite. It was traveling at a pretty good speed. I could see the image. It was a bright, oval-shaped object."

The officer said he turned the motor off on his cruiser, but was unable to hear any noise.

Both officers reported the "sighting" around 4:30 a.m. Monday.

Miss Judy Schurger, a meter maid for the City of Hamilton, reported that she and seven other persons, "saw four UFO's flitting about "around 8:30 and 9 p.m. Sunday on Eaton Road, near Taylor School Road. She said she was visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Chase, 3615 Eaton Road, when they made the sighting. Others who saw the four objects with flickering lights included: Donna Chase, 23; Marian Chase, 18; Nancy Chase, 17; Sharon Chase, 14, and Carol Chase, 13.

"It was weird," said Judy. "My sister, Mrs. Roberta Martin, 227 Park Ave., almost wrecked the car when she saw one of them as she was driving out Eaton Road to get me."

East fire leaves 1,100 homeless

CHELSEA, Mass. (AP) — A wind-fed fire that raced across 20 blocks of wooden tenements and small businesses has left 1,100 persons homeless in this rundown Boston suburb.

Four firemen fighting the blaze were hospitalized for smoke inhalation. One was in poor condition, the other three fair. Two others were treated for smoke inhalation and released. No deaths were reported.

About 500 National Guardsmen roped off the desolate, charred expanse of the oldest section of the city, which was destroyed Sunday when a fire devoured dozens of crumbling buildings.

The homeless, most of them Spanish-speaking, blacks and elderly Jews, sought shelter with relatives and in a makeshift dormitory set up in an armory.

"I have lost everything!" said Henry Wogciechowski, 49. "It's a crying shame. All the people who live in the stricken area are poor people. Just look at all these people standing around crying! They have no place to go from here."

Residents of the estimated 60 dwelling places destroyed rushed through the streets ahead of the blaze, carrying plastic bags and suitcases stuffed with belongings.

At the height of the blaze, which officials said apparently started in an abandoned rag storage building, 3,000 to 4,000 persons were evacuated from their homes.

Sparks leaped from building to building as gusts up to 50 miles an hour swept across Boston Harbor.

"This is a conflagration of epic proportions," said Fire Chief Herbert C. Fothergill. "A conflagration such as this one creates its own winds of hurricane force."

The fire cut a path a half mile wide through the decaying industrial section of the community of 32,000.

Many of the industries were small businesses that reclaimed scrap metal, rags and tires. Much of the area had been scheduled for demolition through urban renewal.

About half of the 20-block area was leveled. The rest was a jumble of stark building skeletons and smoldering utility poles.

The fire, which broke out about 4 p.m., was contained at a railroad right of way about five hours later. But it continued to burn today. Policemen with dogs roamed the area to guard against looters.

Egypt claims new lines made; Israelis say no ground lost

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Egyptian commandos sneaked behind Israeli lines in the Sinai today and stormed an Israeli position in hand-to-hand fighting as Egyptian tanks consolidated new lines in the desert battleground, Cairo claimed.

Israel said the Egyptian armor again tried to push forward along the Sinai front but was halted where it stood following a seven-hour armored battle Sunday. Tel Aviv did not report the commando raid.

"Troops were landed in darkness behind enemy lines, stormed a position from more than 100 yards, clashed in savage hand-to-hand combat and inflicted heavy losses in lives and equipment," the Egyptians said in a communique. "Our units returned to safety except for some losses in men."

The communique did not pinpoint where the raid supposedly took place.

The Israelis said Sunday's

Egyptian tank offensive was repelled and that Cairo's forces lost more than 200 tanks and 15 planes. The Egyptian version of the same battle said the Israelis pulled back an unspecified distance into the peninsula and lost 150 tanks and 29 warplanes.

"The pattern of today's fighting has become localized clashes in various sectors," the Egyptian statement said.

On the Syrian front, Damascus reported heavy tank, infantry and artillery battles raged as the fourth

Arab-Israeli war ground into its 10th day.

Syrian shelling was slowing the Israeli advance toward Damascus and the Israeli tanks were reported about 21 miles from the ancient Syrian capital. Correspondents with the Israeli forces reported that long-range Syrian guns opened up whenever the armored columns tried to advance.

Otherwise, the Israeli command said it was a quiet night on both the Syrian and Egyptian fronts.

Saudi Arabia war entry is setback but U.S. oil flow not endangered

WASHINGTON (AP) — The commitment of Saudi Arabian troops to the war against Israel represents an apparent diplomatic setback to the United States but does not mean that King Faisal is about to turn off the flow of oil.

Like Jordan, whose "elite forces" entered the Middle East war Saturday, Saudi Arabia is considered a moderate Arab state with

potential influence on Egypt and Syria as well as Israel's more radical foes. President Nixon had urged restraint in personal messages to Faisal, but Sunday the official Saudi Arabian radio said troops were on their way to the Golan Heights in Syria to fight against Israel.

Faisal's move followed consultation with Presidents Anwar

Agnew farewell speech tonight said to include political advice

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former Vice President Spiro T. Agnew addresses a television audience tonight and sources indicated the farewell speech may be an instruction on avoiding the problems that ruined his political career.

The approximately 15-minute speech is to be televised live at 7:30

p.m. EDT by NBC and CBS.

Agnew resigned Wednesday and pleaded no contest to a federal charge of income tax evasion.

He spent much of the weekend working on the speech, without the help of his speechwriters.

The former vice president showed up at his office in the Executive Office Building next door to the White House today around 9 a.m. EDT. Aides said he apparently was continuing to work on his television address.

Sources close to the former vice president said the speech would be "largely his own work."

"There won't be any whining and complaining and I don't expect him to be terribly defensive about it," said one associate. "But I think he

will state his case firmly."

After leaving the U.S. courthouse in Baltimore Wednesday where he was given a \$10,000 fine and three years' probation on the tax charge, Agnew promised he would make the speech.

He denied a series of criminal allegations the Justice Department listed against him in a unique 40-page document.

The government has agreed not to prosecute on the additional charges, but indications are that Agnew will elaborate on his denial.

"Lessons learned and some recommended improvements" might be included in the speech, touching on a description, from Agnew's view, of the hazards of a system that encourages corrupt activities by politicians, a source said.

Douglas claims LBJ, high court bugged

WASHINGTON (AP) — Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas asserted today that President Lyndon B. Johnson's phone was tapped during his term in the White House.

Douglas also asserted that the Supreme Court's ultra-confidential conference was bugged.

Douglas' assertions came in a dissent to what would normally have been a routine action denying bail to a criminal defendant.

"We who live in the District of Columbia know that electronic

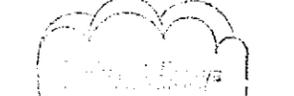
surveillance is commonplace," wrote Douglas. "I am indeed morally certain that the conference room of this court has been 'bugged'; and President Johnson during his term in the White House asserted to me that even his phone was tapped."

Douglas offered no substantiation for either claim.

The application for bail pending appeal to the Supreme Court was filed by Margaret Anne Heutsche, who was found in contempt for failure to answer questions before a federal grand jury in Chicago that was probing break-ins into draft boards in Evanston, Ill.

The application went to Justice William H. Rehnquist who denied it. Douglas dissented.

The government claimed it had not eavesdropped on any of the defendant's telephone conversations but refused to say whether or not her lawyer had been overheard.



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